

**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form**

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Lindsay Cemetery
other names/site number Lindsay Burying Ground

2. Location

street & number Lindsay Cemetery Road not for publication
city or town Due West vicinity X
state South Carolina code SC county Abbeville code 001 zip code 29639

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets the National Register Criteria.

I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official _____ Date _____

Elizabeth M. Johnson, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, S.C. Dept. of Archives and History, Columbia, S.C.
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official _____ Date _____

State or Federal agency and bureau _____

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is: Signature of the Keeper _____ Date of Action _____

- entered in the National Register
 See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the
National Register
 See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the
National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain): _____

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5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing	
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>		buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> site			sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure			structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object			objects
		<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)
N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed
in the National Register 0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

Category: Funerary

Subcategory: Cemetery

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

Category: Funerary

Subcategory: Cemetery

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

N/A

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation N/A
walls N/A
roof N/A
other N/A

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- a owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- b removed from its original location.
- c a birthplace or a grave.
- d a cemetery.
- e a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- f a commemorative property.
- g less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Social History

Period of Significance

ca. 1820-1927

Significant Dates

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

N/A

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
 - Other State agency
 - Federal agency
 - Local government
 - University
 - Other
- Name of repository:
S.C. Department of Archives & History,
Columbia, S.C.

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one [1] acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Zone Easting	Northing	Zone Easting	Northing
1	<u>17 369673 3796152</u>	3	<u>17</u>
2	<u>17</u>	4	<u>17</u>

See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Jenny Hagan Kelly, with the assistance of the SHPO staff
 organization Friends of Lindsay Cemetery date 8 April 2009
 street & number 1530 Lindsay Cemetery Road telephone (864) 379-2753
 city or town Due West state SC zip code 29639

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white** photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Joe Clark
 street & number P.O. Box 130 telephone (864) 272-3006
 city or town Fair Play state SC zip code 29643

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Lindsay Cemetery, sometimes called Lindsay Burying Ground, is located on a dirt road just off Lindsay Cemetery Road (S.C. Sec. Rd. 1-39), approximately 1.5 miles southeast of Due West, in Abbeville County, S.C.

This early-nineteenth-to-early twentieth century cemetery maintains a high degree of integrity of location, setting, design, materials and association.

The cemetery, located within a larger parcel of surrounding acreage, is enclosed by an elaborate four-foot high cast iron fence measuring 150' x 130'. This enclosure constitutes the extent of the nominated area. The fence, featuring Gothic pointed arches and topped by a series of spearpoints, has large floral finials decorating its four corners. The double-width gate on the front of the enclosure is inscribed "LINDSAY BURIAL GROUND" on its top rail, which is surmounted by decorative scrollwork. The large 11' x 7'9" wrought iron arch over the gate, supported by double posts topped by spearpoints and inscribed "LINDSAY 1858," was added to the gate in 2004, in an effort to repair damage done by vandals. This arch was designed by Howard Nickles, a trustee of the Friends of the Lindsay Cemetery.

Lindsay Cemetery, in a clearing at the end of a dirt road, is on a low rise, bordered on three of its four sides by woods and sits between two small branches that drain into nearby Chickasaw Creek. It contains approximately 107 graves with inscriptions, approximately sixty graves marked with stones or rocks, and an unknown number of unmarked graves. The marked graves are predominantly headstones and footstones, most of them marble tablets although obelisks and table-top tombs are also present. The earliest marked grave is from 1820 and the most recent marked grave is from 1927, but most graves date from 1829 to 1892. The stones are arranged for the most part by nuclear or extended family units within the cemetery boundaries, but without formal stone, brick, or iron plot enclosures. The cemetery contains no formal landscaping or plantings.

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Lindsay Cemetery, established ca. 1820, is significant as the first cemetery in the Due West vicinity of what was then Abbeville District, and for its association with seventeen prominent early families of Abbeville District (later Abbeville County), from the early through the late nineteenth centuries. It is also an excellent intact example of an early-nineteenth through early-twentieth century cemetery reflecting typical burial customs and gravestones of the period.

The Lindsay Cemetery is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A as the first cemetery in the vicinity of Due West, for its association with the settlement, early growth, and development of Due West and this area of Abbeville District (later Abbeville County), and for its association with prominent area families of the early-to-late nineteenth century. It is also eligible under Criteria Consideration D because it derives its significance from its association with the settlement, early growth, and development of Due West and from graves of persons important to the community.

Additional Information

Lindsay Cemetery, long associated with the Lindsay family of Abbeville District though there are no marked graves of Lindsay family members in it, has been called “Lindsay Cemetery,” “Lindsay Graveyard,” or “Lindsay Burying Ground” since the mid-nineteenth century.

The first marked grave in the cemetery is that of John Murphy, Sr. (1746-1820), a native of Tyrone, Ireland.

The Lindsay Cemetery was owned by, or at least surrounded by land owned by, planter Joseph Ellis (1810-1890) as early as 1862, when he buried his sons—James Robert Ellis (1837-1862) and William Marshall Ellis (1842-1862), who were killed in action and died of disease in the Confederate army, respectively—there.

In 1872 another of Ellis’s sons, John Robert Ellis, asked the Session of the Due West Associate Reformed Presbyterian (A.R.P.) Church for assistance in having the cemetery cleaned and maintained, the Session agreed to pay half of those expenses.¹

M.G. Donald bought the cemetery from Joseph Ellis’s estate in 1886. In 1890 he sold the 1.25-acre tract to the Trustees of the Lindsay Graveyard: W.T. Cowan, Tully G. Ellis, T.L. Haddon, and Luther M. Pratt.

There was continuing interest in the 1880s and 1890s in maintaining the cemetery. Advertisements in the *Abbeville Medium* in 1888 and *The Press and Banner* in 1889 asked local citizens to help clean the cemetery, remarking, “The old Lindsay graveyard will be cleaned off . . . Bring your tools,” and “All parties interested are requested to meet at the Lindsay Burying Ground . . . for the purpose of removing the rubbish and putting the cemetery in better condition.”²

¹ Minutes of the Session, Due West Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Due West, S.C.

² *Abbeville Medium* (Abbeville, S.C.), 12 July 1888; *The Press and Banner* (Abbeville, S.C.), 25 July 1889. See also *Abbeville Medium* (Abbeville, S.C.), 7 July 1887; *The Press and Banner* (Abbeville, S.C.), 20 July 1887; and *The Press and Banner* (Abbeville,

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The last marked burial in the cemetery is the grave of M.M. Ellis (1837-1927).

The trusteeship of the Lindsay Cemetery evidently lapsed at some point after M.G. Donald's sale to the trustees in 1890, but in 1992 Sam Clark, then the owner of Joseph Ellis's old plantation which had included and surrounded the cemetery, led an effort to restore and maintain the cemetery once more.

Annual cleanup efforts were led by Sam Clark and his wife Sara and Jenny Hagan Kelly and her husband Dan Kelly. Jenny Hagan Kelly helped organize "Friends of the Lindsay Cemetery," an informal committee which paid for a new survey and negotiated with Joe Clark, the property owner, granting access to the cemetery. In 2007 the Friends of the Lindsay Cemetery chose five trustees to assume formal responsibility for the maintenance of the cemetery: Jenny Hagan Kelly, chair; Susan Hagen, Martha Holmes, Howard Nickles, and Lowry Ware.

Among the notable persons buried in Lindsay Cemetery are:

Col. Isaac Cowan (1764-1831), planter and ruling elder in the Due West Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church;

Rev. Augustus Elmore Ellis (1826-1855), Associate Reformed Presbyterian minister; born near Due West, Ellis graduated from Erskine College in 1845, studied theology, and was licensed as a minister by the Second Presbytery at Due West in 1846; after serving as a missionary in Kentucky, he helped found the Doraville Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church and an associated school in Dekalb County, Georgia, serving there from 1849 until his death in 1855;³

Sgt. James Robert Ellis (1837-1862), overseer and Confederate noncommissioned officer in Company G, 1st South Carolina Rifles (Orr's Rifles), serving in the Army of Northern Virginia; enlisted as 1st corporal, 1861; elected 4th sergeant, 1862; killed in action at Second Manassas, Virginia, 29 August 1862;⁴

S.C.), 26 August 1896.

³ "Ellis, Augustus Elmore," in *The Centennial History of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, 1803-1903* (Charleston: Presses of Walker, Evans, & Cogswell Co., 1905), p. 117.

⁴ Abbeville District Population Schedules, Eighth Census of the United States, 1860; National Archives Microcopy M267, Roll 137, Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of South Carolina: 1st Rifles (Orr's Rifles), Co-Fo (Washington: National Archives Microfilm); Randolph W. Kirkland, Jr., *Broken Fortunes: South Carolina soldiers, sailors & citizens who died in the service of their country and state in the War for Southern Independence, 1861-1865* (Charleston: South Carolina Historical Society, 1995), p. 104.

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John E. Ellis (ca. 1794-1859), Abbeville County magistrate and planter at both the Ellis family plantation on Chickasaw Creek, a branch of Little River, and another plantation known as “Groggy Springs,” on Jobs Creek, a branch of Long Cane;⁵

John Lindsay Ellis (1794-1879), planter on Clark Creek near Due West;⁶

Joseph Ellis (1810-1890), planter, father of James Robert Ellis and William Marshall Ellis;⁷

Pvt. William Marshall Ellis (1842-1862), student and Confederate soldier in Company G, 1st South Carolina Rifles (Orr’s Rifles), serving in the Army of Northern Virginia; enlisted as a private, 1861; died of typhoid fever at General Hospital, Camp Winder, Richmond, Virginia, 14 July 1862;⁸

Lt. Benjamin Milton Latimer (1832-1862), physician, farmer, and Confederate officer in Company G, 1st South Carolina Rifles (Orr’s Rifles), serving in the Army of Northern Virginia; enlisted as 2nd lieutenant, 1861; mortally wounded at Gaines’s Mill, Virginia, 27 June 1862; died of wounds at Richmond, 13 July 1862;⁹

James R. MacAdams (d. 1862), farmer and Confederate soldier in Company G, 1st South Carolina Rifles (Orr’s Rifles), serving in the Army of Northern Virginia; enlisted as a private, 1861; died of typhoid fever at Dill’s Farm Hospital, Richmond, Virginia, 5 July 1862;¹⁰

Joseph Pratt (1768-1826) a planter and miller, brother of James Pratt; their father William (d. ca. 1797) owned Pratt’s Mill, on nearby Little River; Pratt’s Mill was the scene of an action between Loyalists and Patriots during the American Revolution in October 1781, after which Tories burned the mill; William Pratt rebuilt the mill and his son Joseph Pratt operated it for many years;¹¹

⁵ Abbeville District Population Schedules, Seventh Census of the United States, 1850; Will of John E. Ellis, 1859, in James E. Wooley, ed., *A Collection of Upper South Carolina Genealogical and Family Records, Volume I* (Easley, S.C.: Southern Historical Press, 1979), p. 105; Lowry P. Ware, *Abbeville District, South Carolina Newspaper Notices of Land Cases and Sales 1836-1872* (Columbia: SCMAR, 1999), p. 17.

⁶ Abbeville District Population Schedules, Eighth Census of the United States, 1860.

⁷ Marion Horton Shook, *Carolina Roundup: Kay-Clinkscales-Pratt and Related Families* (Dallas: n.p., 1965), p. 87; Lowry Ware, *A Place Called Due West: The Home of Erskine College* (n.p.: n.p., 1995), pp. 85-86.

⁸ Abbeville District Population Schedules, Eighth Census of the United States, 1860; National Archives Microcopy M267, Roll 137, Compiled Service Records, 1st Rifles (Orr’s Rifles), Co-Fo; Kirkland, *Broken Fortunes*, p. 104; Ware, *A Place Called Due West*, pp. 85-86.

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¹⁰ Abbeville District Population Schedules, Eighth Census of the United States, 1860; National Archives Microcopy M267, Roll 141, Compiled Service Records, 1st Rifles (Orr’s Rifles), Mc-My; Kirkland, *Broken Fortunes*, p. 241,

¹¹ Shook, p. 84.

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Sgt. Stephen Langdon Pratt (1840-1862), Confederate noncommissioned officer in Company G, 1st South Carolina Rifles (Orr's Rifles), serving in the Army of Northern Virginia; enlisted as 3rd sergeant, 1861; died of pneumonia at Richmond, Virginia, 5 June 1862;¹²

John F. Simpson (d. 1865), farmer and Confederate soldier in Company F, Holcombe Legion, South Carolina Infantry, serving in the Army of Northern Virginia; enlisted as a private, 1863; captured at Jarratts Station, Virginia, 8 May 1864; died of variola in a prisoner of war camp at Elmira, New York, 19 January 1865;¹³ and

William J. Stevenson (d. 1862), farmer and Confederate soldier in Company F, Holcombe Legion, South Carolina Infantry, serving in the Army of Northern Virginia; enlisted as a private, 1861; furloughed home to Abbeville District, February 1862; died of measles and pneumonia at home in Abbeville District, March 1862.¹⁴

¹² National Archives Microcopy M267, Roll 142, Compiled Service Records, 1st Rifles (Orr's Rifles), N-Ri; Kirkland, *Broken Fortunes*, p. 282.

¹³ Abbeville District Population Schedules, Eighth Census of the United States, 1860; National Archives Microcopy M267, Roll 379, Compiled Service Records of Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of South Carolina: Holcombe Legion, Si-V; Kirkland, *Broken Fortunes*, p. 318; Randolph W. Kirkland, Jr., *Dark Hours: South Carolina soldiers, sailors and citizens who were held in Federal prisons during the War for Southern Independence, 1861-1865* (Charleston: South Carolina Historical Society, 2002), p. 421.

¹⁴ Abbeville District Population Schedules, Eighth Census of the United States, 1860; National Archives Microcopy M267, Roll 379, Compiled Service Records of Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of South Carolina: Holcombe Legion, Si-V; Kirkland, *Broken Fortunes*, p. 332.

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Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of the nominated property is shown as the hatched line that delineates and is labeled as "IRON FENCE," and is marked as "CEMETERY" on the accompanying plat entitled "Survey for Lindsay Grave Yard," prepared by Dunn & Dunn, Inc., Land Surveying and Civil Engineering, Anderson, SC, dated 1/18/07, and drawn at a scale of 1" = 100'.

Boundary Justification

The boundary of the nominated property is restricted to the historic extent of the Lindsay Cemetery, as surrounded by an iron fence measuring 150' by 130'.

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The following information is the same for each of the photographs:

Name of Property: Lindsay Cemetery
Location of Property: Lindsay Cemetery Road
Due West vicinity
Abbeville County, South Carolina

Name of Photographer: Tom Hagan
Date of Photographs: May 2008
Location of Original Negatives: Tom Hagan, Due West, S.C.

1. Overall view
2. Cemetery gate and arch
3. Front right side
4. Right rear corner
5. Left rear corner
6. Overall view, left center
7. Monument, left center
8. Grave of John Murphy, Sr. (1746-1820)
9. Grave of Joseph Pratt (1768-1826)
10. Grave of Sophronia C. Pratt (d. 1865)
11. Center of cemetery, with rock graves
12. Grave of John J. Simpson (d. 1864)