## ATOKA CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

## Novice, Texas

## www.atokacemetery.org

Dear Friends of Atoka Cemetery Association,

The annual Atoka Cemetery Association meeting will be held <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 13, 2017</u> this year. We will meet at the Novice United Methodist Church at 10:00 am for visiting and the business meeting will start at 11:00. At noon we will have our usual potluck meal. The bread and drink will be provided.

Following is the burial(s) we have had at Atoka since May of last year:

Ralph Raymon (Pete) Ray, Jr. - DOB: 8/24/55 - DOD: 6/14/16

Our condolences to the Ray family.

We want to welcome Larry Garvin as our new president of the Association as he was elected at the last meeting. We also want to give a big "helping of appreciation" to James Richards, our past President, for his years of dedication to the Atoka Cemetery Association.

Another change in our "staff" is the retirement of our long-time friend and cemetery caretaker Shelly Williams who did out outstanding job of taking care of the cemetery. We are fortunate to have Cole Richards, grandson of James and Anno along with Clay Richards to step in and take over the care of our cemetery.

We have had the old rotten benches and tables removed from the arbor and some of the cedars removed that were overtaking graves. Also, we are looking at spraying the cemetery for grassburrs and bringing in field dirt for filling in grave sites as needed.

Thank you for your past generosity in giving to the Atoka Cemetery Association. We depend on your donations to keep the cemetery mowed and the grave sites maintained. If you cannot attend the meeting and would to contribute, please send your donation to Atoka Cemetery Association, c/o Sue Shields, Treasurer, 699 CR 429, Novice, Texas 79538. Hope to see you at the meeting.

Larry Garvin, President

Sue Shields, Secretary/Treasurer

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Hope you can make it! Sue