The Legend of Julia Bullock

In 1869, Washington Curtis Bullock and his wife Caroline buried their ninth and youngest child. Her name was Julia Caroline Bullock. The inscription on her headstone notes that she was two years, eight months, and four days old at the time of her passing.

It is unclear what caused Julia’s death. Records of the time are few and available family history merely notes the date. The family buried Julia on a back portion of their land, part of 280 acres purchased by the family in 1866. It was land that Washington Bullock described as a "paradise" filled with an abundance of trees, berries, and fruits.

The land around Julia’s grave eventually became a family cemetery, known today as the Historic Bullock Cemetery. Over 40 residents have been laid to rest on the grounds. The most recent burial occurred in 2002 after the passing of Mary Evelyn Cozby Mobley, the great granddaughter of Washington Bullock.

The cemetery remains open to the public. It sits nestled in a cul-de-sac on Washington Court in the Red Hawk Development, near the intersections of Denton Tap and Bethel School Road.

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