Picture tour of the alley adjacent to Newtown Cemetery

Pictures taken on: April 27, 2025.

The alley is 17' wide per DB 86/188.

The boundaries of the alley have not been flagged/staked in the field, and it is unknown if the fences are at the edge of the alley, within the alley, or on adjacent property.

(Below) The Hill Street entrance to the alley has been blocked off by an unknown party.



(Below) The two markers closest to the alley in this picture may abut or encroach on the alley.



(Below) The epitaph on this marker faces the alley. The dates were not legible.



(Below) While there is evidence of some vehicle traffic in the alley, it is difficult to tell if it is recent or how frequently the alley is used. There are gates to the alley, but no evidence of vehicle traffic through the gates or onto any of the properties. This gate is in the rear of 556 East Gay Street.



(Below) An obstacle to vehicle traffic is this tree. The tree is approximately 13 feet from the fence. The marker visible in front of the tree may abut or encroach on the alley. It belongs to Hortense Mitchell 1911-1942.



(Below) This marker may abut or encroach on the alley. It belongs to Pete Toliver 1880-1937. The brush and vegetation on the left side of the image appears to encroach about 7 feet into the alley. This is directly behind 532 East Gay Street. Evidence of pedestrian traffic is visible going around the brush and vegetation. The marker is at risk of being struck if a vehicle attempted to move through this section.



(Below) Past the tree and brush, the alley area is less obstructed.



(Below) There was no evidence of vehicle traffic behind this multi-family building addressed as 508, 512, 516 and 520 East Gay Street.



(Below) There is evidence of possible vehicle traffic (or mower?) in the alley on the Sterling Street side facing Hill Street.



(Below) This is the tree and the brush from the Sterling Street side. There is evidence of foot traffic.



(Below) The ability use the alley for vehicular traffic between 532 and 540 East Gay Street is more difficult due to the location of the tree and brush in that area. The area circled in red (behind 524 & 532 East Gay Street) appears to be the location where possible and probable graves were identified in the report by Terrasearch Geophysical.

