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## Houston-Lea Cemetery

Latitude 30 19'10", longitude 96 20'47"

The Lea family cemetery in Independence across from Independence Baptist Church. When the widow of Sam Houston died of yellow fever during the epidemic of 1867, the danger of contagion made it impossible to carry her to Huntsville for burial beside her husband. She lies here, with her mother, Mrs. Nancy Lea, near the sites of their last homes and the old church they both loved.

(Houston), Margaret Lea, W. of Sam Houston, b. Marion, Ala., April 11, 1819, d. December 3, 1867.

(Lea), Nancy, W. of Temple Lea, b. May 1, 1780, d. February 7, 1864.

Williams, Inf. Dau. Of Mr. and Mrs. W. L., no dates.

Winfield Book: Independence Quadrangle, p. 48