

Where the Heck is Friendsville?

Many of you know that Mary and I don't live in Tellico Village. It wasn't for lack of trying. One of our main criteria in house hunting was to live on the water and have our own dock. We looked at numerous properties in Tellico Village and Rarity Bay, but just weren't able to find something that met our needs and our budget. Throw in the fact that we have two rambunctious Golden Retrievers, and we pretty much knew we needed property with a fence. We kept coming back to one of the first places we found on the internet, and after our second visit here we decided to pull the trigger.

It wasn't easy to find. The actual city of Friendsville is a very small, and only stretches about a mile either side of US 321 at the intersection of TN 333. It features a post office, city hall, a Marathon mini market and an ice cream parlor. Unincorporated Friendsville is much larger. From downtown Friendsville to our house, it is a ten minute drive through narrow, twisty roads with horse farms, cows, goats, donkeys and other assorted wildlife.

From the river, it is much easier to find us. Just drive your boat under the Tellico bridge, turn right to go upstream on the Tennessee River, and go a little over six miles to mile 609.3, and look for this on the right hand side:



We can actually get to the Yacht Club faster by boat than by car, weather permitting. We love the peace and quiet here, and spend hours on our porch watching the birds, critters and boat traffic on the river, as well as the beautiful sunsets. So if you are cruising up the Tennessee, feel free to blow your horn as you go by, or pull in to say hello.