

## HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Fayetteville Cemetery Association is a not-for-profit association, chartered in 1864 by the State of New York. The trustees are all non-paid local community leaders who endeavor to make sure the cemetery continues as a tranquil and permanent memorial to those buried in it.

Maintenance of the grounds is supported by tax deductible donations, income from endowments, and income from grave sales and fees. The cemetery receives no public tax money.

Day-to-day operations are handled by Charles Moore, the cemetery superintendent, who can be reached at 637-9680, a phone with a twenty-four hour answering machine. The cemetery trustees are Oliver G. Gridley, Robert L. Twichell, Charles Moore, Marjorie W. DeVoy, Wendy E. Jeffries, Barbara S. Rivette, Edward A. Tracy, and George B. Twichell.

This walking tour was originally prepared as part of the observance of the one hundred and twenty fifth anniversary of the founding of the Fayetteville Cemetery Association.

The handsome main entrance to the Fayetteville Cemetery (E on the map) is graced by stone pillars topped by urns which in the summer are filled with flowers. This is the main part of the cemetery that was created in 1864 when the Fayetteville Cemetery Association was organized to enlarge the earlier village graveyard that had been in use for nearly sixty years.

Seven acres were purchased and the cemetery was designed in the style of the time, with landscaped knolls and more than two hundred family plots. The first burial was a child of Lewis H. Eaton on August 23, 1864 and formal dedication was October 14, 1864. Within the first year, more than three hundred trees were planted, many of which still shade the graves and driveways. Samuel J. Wells whose farm "Wellwood," was across South Marlius Street was the cemetery trustee responsible for planting many of the trees and shrubs in this older part of the cemetery.

The stone wall along South Marlius Street, was built between 1904 and 1910 by Ed Chapman, a local mason, using glacial residue known locally as "hard heads." He dated each set of entrance pillars as the work progressed.

The 1864 cemetery has been expanded by gift and purchase to its present 28 acres.

- Barbara S. Rivette, March 1998

### 19 Tombstone of Captain Walter Worden

This honors a veteran of the American Revolution who died while a volunteer in the War of 1812. On the reverse is the record of his son, M. Lafayette Worden.

### 20 Tombstone of Jasper Huntley

The gratitude of his fellow citizens is recorded — "Erected by the citizens of Fayetteville to the memory of Jasper Huntley who gave to the public this burying ground. He died December 24, 1812, aged 42 years."

### 21 Newer Gravestones

One contains twenty-four lines of the text "I Did It My Way" on the reverse.

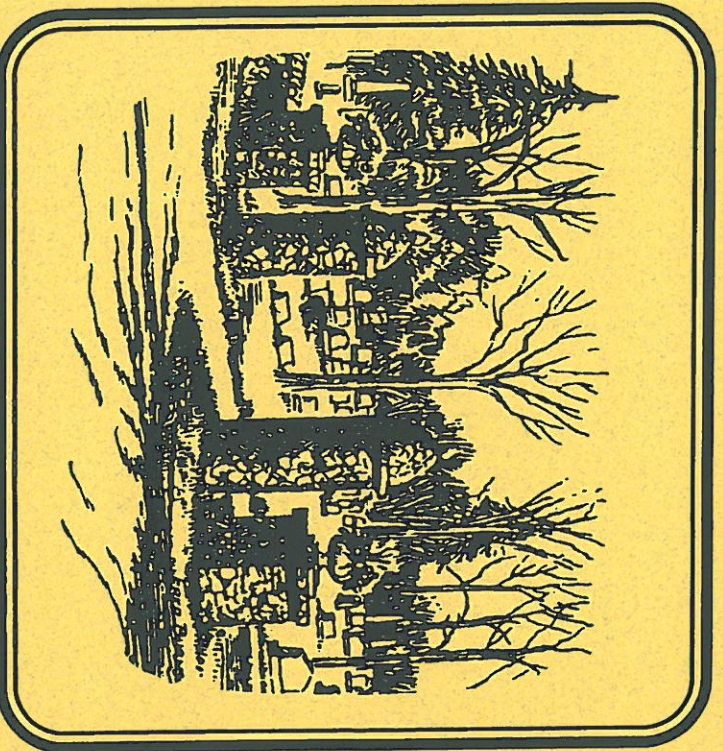
### 22 Monument of Matilda Joslyn Gage

This women suffrage leader selected for her tombstone a quotation she made nationally famous: "There is a word sweeter than Mother, Home of Heaven, that word is Liberty."

### 23 Monument to Veterans Since the Civil War

A flagpole and a limestone boulder from a local quarry were placed here in 1989 by the local Veterans of Foreign Wars Post.

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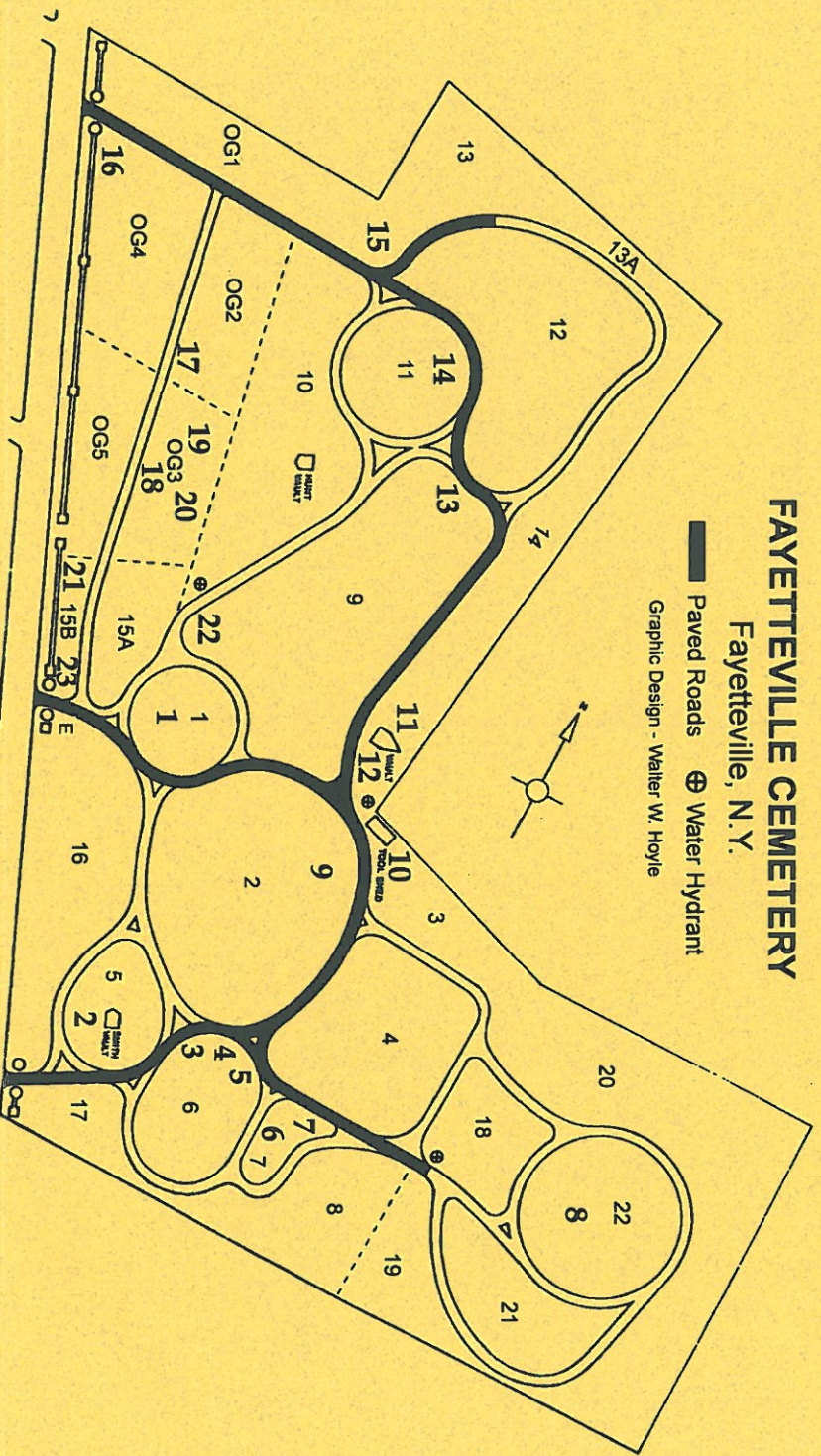
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# FAYETTEVILLE CEMETERY

## Fayetteville, N.Y.

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### 1 Monument to the Civil War Dead

The first Civil War monument erected in Onondaga County was built with donations from citizens of the Town of Manlius. The shaft carries names of 103 men from the town who died of wounds and disease during the Civil War.

### 2 Smith Mausoleum

Built about 1920 by the Howard Smith family.

### 3 Noble Family Plot

Limestone steps lead to the Noble Family plot where each corner has a limestone marker.

### 4 Blanchard Plot

Shrouded urn at the top of a monument is typical of the 1880s.

### 5 Burhans Plot

A fallen dove marks a child's grave.

### 6 Evans Family Plot

A granite figure and a stone curb define this family plot.

### 7 Beard Family Plot

A chopped-off tree trunk marks the grave of Charles Hale, Mrs. Beard's son who died when he was seventeen years old. The tree trunk encircled with vines, a tree stump, and anchors were symbols used frequently in the 1880s.

### 8 Newest Section

Five more acres have been divided into burial lots for current use. Gravel driveways are in place and trees and shrubs similar to those in original grounds have been planted.

### 9 Founding Trustees

Reuben H. Bangs, Ambrose Clark, David Collin Jr., Nathan Seward, Porter Tremain, and Hiram Wood are buried here. Nearby are Cortland Cunningham, a trustee and first cemetery superintendent, and David O'Neil, the first caretaker.

### 10 Cemetery Tool Shed

This was moved to the cemetery from its original location in back of a house on Salt Springs Road.

### 11 Burial Vault

Built in 1896 of local limestone.

### 12 Brown Tombstone

This has the family homestead on the reverse.

### 13 Stickley Family Plot

The marker contains a tribute to Leopold Stickley's national recognized craftsmanship.

### 14 Dawley Tombstone

On the reverse side is a farm scene showing the Dawley barn, the first steel farm barn built in America. In the foreground are the Karukul sheep that the Dawley family introduced to America.

### 15 Veterans Area

Marked by a flagpole, this section has many veterans, although fighters of the American Revolution, War of 1812, Civil War, Mexican War, World War I and World War II, Korea and Vietnam are buried throughout the cemetery.

### 16 Beard and Rohnor Family Plot

Decorative iron rail fence and limestone corners mark an old family plot.

### 17 Graves of Fayetteville Pioneers

Lambs mark children's graves while traditional symbols of the open book, finger pointed heavenward, and weeping willows mark others. Unusual lettering details, verses, and touching tributes are on older stones.

### 18 Iesse Worden Monument

A shaft of fossil-filled limestone taken from a local quarry.