

Woodlawn Cemetery Walking Tour 2012 Presented by: Sandy Creek History Center 1992 Harwood Drive Sandy Creek. New York 13145

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Woodlawn Cemetery began in 1820 as a Presbyterian Burying Ground.

The existing grave markers in Woodlawn Cemetery read like a Who's Who in Sandy Creek/Lacona history showcasing the contributions of many people who came before us.

Cemeteries have been compared to open-air museums. Accordingly, an observant stroll through a graveyard provides information on past families, communities, and belief systems.

This tour highlights the lives of our citizens through gravestones.

Please be respectful during your visit and take only photographs, not rubbings (which damage fragile inscriptions).



This cemetery is the resting place of over 400 brave men who served their country in war.

Honor our local firefighters



Section A

We begin at the sidewalk heading north several plaques dedicated in 1978 to honor Revolutionary War Soldiers

Jabez Baldwin, Jonathan Thrasher William Dunlap, Isaac Meacham



Salisbury Family

Gravestones along the fence line All members of this family were early businessmen in the town and served their country from the Civil War through current times. Nathan owned the Salisbury House, Franklin Street was named after Benjamin Franklin and Salisbury Street was named after this family.

Rev. Jacob Hadley Family



Veteran of the Cross Marker Rev. Hadley kept Sandy Creek early marriage records starting in 1827



Harrison Cole (1840-1916)

Leader of the 3rd Brigade Band during the Civil War and about 1880 organized Cole's Cornet band with 15-20 members. Several members of that Army band were killed at Gettysburg and Cole narrowly escaped capture by the Confederates.



Dunlap Family

This family came to Sandy Creek in 1812 and had Revolutionary War and Civil War soldiers buried here. **Smith Dunlap** was the first Postmaster (1817) **Phylander** served in the Civil War and is located at end of Row A (died 1867 age 27 years, wounded at Fredericksburg in 1862)

William E Howlett



Builder/Contractor Many large houses with pillar porches were built by him and are on the National Register of Historic Places

Potters Fields

Place of burial for unknown people or indigent people located at the end of Row A – north east corner

Section B

As we begin our tour at the sidewalk, to the right we find the gravestone of **Peter Whiteside's** 1813 marble slab. moved from Lacona. Peter was an Innkeeper. "In memory Mr. Peter Whiteside who died October 24, 1813 in the 29th year of his age"

David and Charlotte Hamer



Mr. Hamer gave the right of way across his farm and the land for the reservoir providing water for the villages.

William H. Cottrell (1811-1889)

Mr. Cottrell was a shoemaker by trade and conducted a boot and shoe store for many years. He came to Sandy Creek in 1831 and lived on the corner of Main and Railroad Streets

William Lindsev

Drowned in Lake Erie after being knocked overboard by the canvas whilst reefing the fore sail on the Schooner T. Martin August 20, 1864 aged 24 years

Peter G. Hydorn

Hydorn was one of the prominent business men of Eastern Oswego County and had been identified with the business interests of Lacona for 43 years.



Section C & D

Jonathan Herriman

Revolutionary War Soldier Died June 16, 1839 at age 86 He was originally buried in North Road/Barnard Cemetery His gravestone was broken, repaired and placed in his memory in Woodlawn on the lot of his children and grandchildren

Moses Morey

Died 1866 age 91 years, wife Philottee died 1860 age 81 years Older burials (includes Clark and Seeber) on these lots were moved to Woodlawn from the Morey family graveyard on the south side of the Lake Road, three miles west of the village



Daniel Bealls

War of 1812 soldier, died 1883 age 91 years

Hollis Family

John A. (1809-1898) William C. (1836-1862) Killed in 2nd Battle of Bull Run John J. (1841-1936) Civil War This family served its community in many ways as doctors, farmers, businessmen and town officials

Orrin House

Died 1864 age 62 years His store and residence appears on the 1861 Washingtonville Map giving us a glimpse into the local scene and was a part of a business complex on the west side of North Main Street between Lake Street and the mill pond.

Rev. Albert E. Corse

Veteran of the Cross Marker. Educated at Mexico Academy and Falley Seminary, Fulton was pastor of Methodist Churches in Northern and Central New York State for 40 years, retiring to live in Lacona



Osborn

Marker made from iron by local blacksmith, John Osborn. There are several others in Woodlawn including the Crouse Family in this same section.

Section G & E

Henry Roberts (1814-1909) Co. F 29 Conn. Vol. Colored Troops G.A.R Flag Bearer

John Kiblin (1810-1892)

An early pioneer settling in the western part of town for fortyfifty years and lived on the farm where he died.

Section H & F

Upton Family

Tradition says that at one time or another this family owned nearly all the land on the west side of the Salt Road.

Barnabas and Avis Munroe

Barnabas was a farmer and a tanner, living on the North Ridge Road.





Kent Family

This family settled in Sandy Creek by 1827; the Pierrepont Diary notes James Kent signed a contract to purchase land. Edson O. Kent, born 1847 on the Kent homestead and lived all his life

A. Jasper Moore (1868-1906)

"When the fitful fever is ended; and the foolish wrangling of the market and forum is closed; grass heals over the scar which our descent into bosom of the earth has made; and the carpet of the infant becomes the blanket of the dead."

Dr. J. Lyman Bulkley (1832-1909)



A local doctor; owner of the Bulkley Opera House; owner of the Corner Drug Store property ("drugs and medicines") that was sold to R.W. Shaul. In 1894 he was shot and stabbed by an inmate of an insane asylum, he recovered and the inmate (Gaylord Williams) shot and killed himself.

Sanford Wheeler (1919-1986)

Korean War Veteran Historian - History of Houses in Sandy Creek



Section J

Martin H. Thomas (1827-1898)

Owner Sandy Creek House/Thomas House/Martin Hotel 1891 Martin and son Fayette opened the Thomas House. Theodore Roosevelt was a guest.

Moreau Salisbury - Civil War Vet

...was wounded at the Battle of Antietam. A bullet went through his ankle, left him with a painful limp; his Civil War boots are in the History Center archives. His descendents are buried here also and this family served their country from the Civil War—World War II

Oren R. Earl (1812-1901)



Community Leader, owned and operated the first bank, first President of the Fair. When he came to Sandy Creek there were two public houses, two small stores and a dozen framed houses in the village. Gave land for the Sandy Creek High School and the fairgrounds.

Anna (Jones) Bartlett (1873-1963)

She was a descendent of Revolutionary War soldier John Otis and John Webster Colonial Governor of Connecticut in 1656.She graduated SCHS 1890 and was a charter member and contributed to the historical collection of the school.

Section L

Many Civil War Veterans are buried here including Levi Bird (1849-1899), a colored slave, born in Maryland, who enlisted as a cook in Company G. 154th Reg't. After the war he found ready employment at various duties around town and was a barber in Lacona.

Section K

Frank C. Plummer (1853/4-1921)

In 1894 he came to Sandy Creek and bought the Lacona House, a dwelling converted into a hotel.



William T. Tifft (1825-1912)

...was a leading businessman in the Village of Lacona

Section M & N

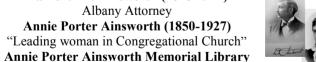




His wife Carrie worked by his side, "He would go out of his way at any time to do a personal favor or to bring cheer and courage to a desolate heart." In 1885 he became editor and proprietor of the Sandy Creek News

Danforth E. Ainsworth (1848-1927)

was their Gift to the community





Tracy Killam (1899-1961)

A collector of antique cars, bicycles and music and owner of Tru Kut Photo Engraving Co. His wife Irene (1897-1986)

Charles M. Salisbury (1857-1936)

Vice President of the Lacona Bank Killed in a bank hold up; the convicted men were sentenced to life in prison



Simon Woodard (1838-1927)

Wolf Valley Farm



Dexter Woodard (1880-191971)

Farmer and photographer; his life spanned the years from the era of hard labor and foot travel to the age of nuclear power and moon walks. He lived his 83 years in his home.

Section O-P-U

Mertice A. White (1918-1994)

WW II Nurse and after the War worked for Dr. John Mason of Pulaski

Blount Family Blount Lumber Company 1894-1993)



A local business that employed many people from the area for almost 100 vears.

> H. Floyd (1896-1974) George R. (1862-1932)

Porter-Blodgett Samuel N. Blodgett (1827-1873) Orlo R. Porter (1845-1900)

On this plot two gravestones (Emery and Urania Bartlett) were removed from Stevens Cemetery to this family plot

H. Louis Wallace (1871-1953)

A lawyer with a long record of public service to the village, town and county

Eugene M. Hastings (1876-1963)

He edited herd catalogs, learned the most advanced dairying methods of the time and founded the "Holstein-Friesian World" until his entry in World War I, after M.S. Prescott continued the magazine

Maurice S. Prescott (1892-1976)

Editor-Publisher of Holstein-Friesian World

George Corse (1897-1962)

Marine WW II

Corse Press 30 years; Columnist, "As I See It" Prominent in Scouting

Section O-S

Mabel Carnrite (1903-2005)

Began teaching 1923 at the Scripture one room school, then Hemlock and 4th grade at Sandy Creek until she retired in 1966. She belonged to the DAR

> Rev. T. T. Davies (1860-1937)Veteran of the Cross

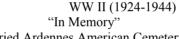


Dr. Harwood Hollis (1894-1947)

His father, Dr. LeRoy Hollis worked at the Orwell Sanitarian and Harwood continued his fathers work

> John Hugh Alexander (1918-1944)**Died in France** "In Memory of" "Greater Love Hath No Man"

Donald Zahler



Buried Ardennes American Cemetery And Memorial, Neuprce, Belgium



Gottlieb (1890-1976) Ida Zahler (1892-1979)

This family was evicted from Pine Camp in 1941 (WW II) to expand the military base which is today known as Fort Drum.

Alvin Krakau (1915-1982)

Krakau Implement Company, later Ontario Tire South Main Street and was a Oswego County Legislator and Town of Sandy Creek Supervisor

Section R-T-V

Frederick and Pauline Tanner

"Tommy" was part-owner of T.C.G. Oil & Fuel Co. Pauline was a secretary at T.C.G and reorganized the Coterie Club 1946ish



Charles T. Soule (1901-1979) Louise (Tuell) Soule (1904-2005)

Owned and operated a family farm on the Orwell Road (Rt. 22) all their lives. Louise died at the age of 101

Ralph and Maude Shaul (1875-1944)

Owned and operated the R. W. Shaul Drug Store on North Main Street from 1900-1944. It was then sold to Art Wart in 1944

Newton Wheeler (1893-1969)

Wheeler's Drug Store-Lacona

R Circle

Dr. LeRoy Hollis (wife Florence)

Died July 13, 1946 after almost 50 years as a local doctor. Camp Hollis is named after Dr. LeRoy

Dr. Starr Hollis (wife Ora)

Practiced in Bellville and Adams, NY

DeForest Hollis(wife Angie)

They remained on the family farm

Dr. Warren Hollis

Superintendent and Medical Director of the Oswego County Tuberculosis Hospital, Orwell

Niles Burkhard (1915-1998)

Wife- Mae Woods (1918-2004)

Operated "Burky's Grocery (North Main Street) until 1976

Section W

Richard Keating (1939-2001)

Owned Lacona Auction Barn for 20 years. This building was Austen's Hall where movies were shown in 1919.

Denver Miles (1923-2007)



WW II, 15th Army Heavy Bomb Group, Flying in B 24's as a Communication Specialist and side gunner, completing 51 missions, shooting down 2 enemy planes.

Arthur K. Ellis (1914-2001)

Arthur did the lettering for the WWII Honor Roll that sat in the park by the library

Ralph Howard (1927-1950) POW

Died of malnutrition in a North Korean prison camp



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