

# GETHSEMANE CEMETERY

*"A BERGEN COUNTY HISTORIC SITE"*

Located between Summit Place & Liberty Street in Little Ferry, NJ



## GUIDE TO GETHSEMANE'S GRAVE MARKERS

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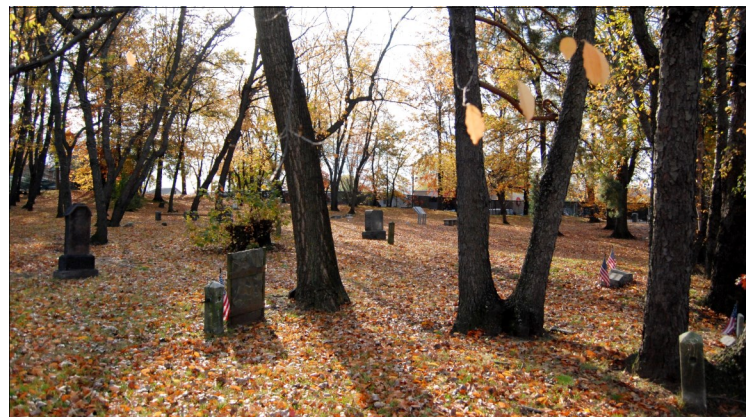


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LITTLE FERRY, NJ

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**G**ethsemane Cemetery is located west of the Hackensack River in the northern half of Little Ferry, NJ. It's not known when the first interment was made here. A deed of sale on November 17, 1860 to three prominent white Hackensack residents states that this one acre of land was to be used as a “cemetery for the colored population of the Village of Hackensack...” On March 21, 1901, the *Gethsemane Cemetery Association* was incorporated and the “Colored Cemetery” passed from white to black trusteeship. Seven trustees were appointed: William Hire, William Jackson, Thomas See, Thomas H. Tiebout, James P. Westcomb, George W. White, and Samuel Winfield. The cemetery's official name then became *Gethsemane Cemetery*.



The cemetery is located on a 1-acre sandy hill bordered on the west by Liberty (Moonachie) Road, which dates from 1819, and on the east Summit Place. Further to the east is the Bergen Turnpike road, originally laid out in 1804. Historically this area has been called “Sand Hill,” and the burial ground was sometimes called San or Sand Hill Cemetery.

The graves of over 500 people have been documented here. They include that of Elizabeth Dulfer (#11) who was born a slave c1790, freed in 1822, and died in 1880. During the 19th century, the clay pits in this area became the source of thriving brick and pottery industries. Among those who had the foresight to tap into these deposits was Elizabeth. She began amassing land here early in 1847 and eventually became one of the areas wealthiest businesswomen and landholders.

Two Civil War veterans, Peter M. Billings and Silas M. Carpenter, were also buried here but they have no grave markers. Both served in the Union Army in the Twenty-Ninth (Colored)





Connecticut Volunteer Regiment, an Infantry unit that was ultimately one of the four “colored” regiments in the Tenth Corps. Carpenter was born in Connecticut and Billings in New Jersey.

Fewer than fifty gravestones, some only fragments, still exist. Twenty-seven stones have inscriptions; the carved dates of death range between 1878 and 1911. Low stone and metal fences outlined a few family plots.

It is notable that African-American tradition places great importance on burial. It should be remembered that the presence or lack of gravestones at Gethsemane do not necessarily reflect the economic or social status of the deceased or their families. Of great significance are the terra-cotta pipe

grave-markers that were found here in the 1980s. These are evidence of surviving West African burial customs that have been found in southern cemeteries. These clay pipes, in addition to connecting the world of the living and the dead, were water-related, an example of African symbolism.



Baptist Church. It was reported in *The Hackensack Republican* of January 31, 1884, that when he died that month he was denied burial in the all-white Hackensack Cemetery. Instead, his family and church had to bury him in Gethsemane Cemetery. Public feeling was heated and reached beyond the local area. Besides the local *Bergen County Democrat* and *The Hackensack Republican* newspapers, several articles on this denial of burial appeared in *The New York Times* and *The New York Globe*.

This situation was brought before the New Jersey state legislature by the state’s newly-elected governor, Leon Abbett. He protested the denial and in a strong statement to the State Legislature said:

*“The regulation that refuses a Christian burial to the body of a deceased citizen upon the ground of color is not, in my judgment, a reasonable regulation, and therefore the church has the right to make the*



*interment...The Legislature should see that the civil and political rights of all men, whether white or black are protected...It ought not be tolerated in this State that a corporation whose existence depends on the Legislature's will, and whose property is exempt from taxation because of its religious uses, should be permitted to make a distinction between a white man and a black man."*

Two months later in March 1884, legislation dubbed the "Negro Burial Bill" was passed.

**B**urials continued in Gethsemane until the 1920s. Over time the site was neglected and vandalized. Stones were stolen or broken, and the cemetery became a dumping ground for car parts, garbage and all



matter of items. When the cemetery's very existence was threatened with destruction through development, members of the African-American community began the fight to save it. By 1985, title passed to Bergen County which saved it from the proposed development.

In the 1980s, now a Bergen County-owned historic site, archaeologist Dr. Joan Geismar performed and supervised in-depth research, analysis and restoration work at Gethsemane financed by the county. The staff of the Bergen County Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs (DCHA) and volunteers of the African-American Studies Committee of the Bergen County Historical Society conducted a comprehensive survey and inventory of the site. In 1988 gravestone conservationist Lynette Strangstad began repairing some of the stones. In 1989 Dr. Geismar and James Mellett conducted non-intrusive Ground Penetrating Radar surveys which determined the locations and approximate number of burials. In 1992 the DCHA published Dr. Geismar's resulting research in the book: *Gethsemane Cemetery in Death and Life*.



Few written records have been found for burials dating from before the 1870s at Gethsemane. Most likely there were earlier burials but these remain unknown. The first documented burial was that of Cornelia Smith, a 10-month old infant known from her gravestone to have died August 13, 1866. Records from the local Ricardo Funeral Home, the establishment responsible for many Gethsemane burials beginning in 1885, provided much of the information on who was buried here. From its beginning, Gethsemane served as a family cemetery for the local African-American population; after 1884 it also became a potter's field for indigent Caucasians. The two most common family names found at Gethsemane are Thompson, with 21 documented burials, and Jackson, with 22. The last documented burial, that of Louis Swinney, occurred on December 14, 1924.

Although the location of Gethsemane's original entrance is unknown, a plain sandstone obelisk (#25) that stands in what is believed to be its original position approximately half way between Liberty Street and Summit Place, may provide a clue. There are no burials associated with it and a corridor devoid of burials runs from the obelisk to the southern boundary. This suggests that the entrance was in this area.

In 1994 Gethsemane Cemetery was entered onto the *New Jersey* and *National Registers of Historic Places* due to the significant role it played in the enactment of New Jersey's early civil rights legislation as well as containing evidence of West African burial customs.

In 2003 the County celebrated the dedication of new meditation areas with interpretive panels that tell the story of this historic cemetery. They include three panels with the names of 515 of those buried here. Over 300 people attended the dedication and listened to music from the Hameed Drum & Dance Company, Garden State Choral Chapter and singer Sophia Saxon, and speeches by the N.J. Secretary





of State Regina Thomas, County Executive Dennis McNerney, the late Giles Wright, Director of the New Jersey Historical Commission's Afro-American Program, archaeologist Dr. Joan Geismar, poet Jeannette Curtis-Rideau and Gethsemane Historian Arnold Brown.

The Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs began Phase 1 tombstone restoration project in the spring of 2007. Stones were repaired and cleaned by cemetery restoration specialist and Robert Neal Carpenter.

After lying flat face-up in the ground for decades, the large Henry White tombstone was erected and placed on its base stone (#18 a-b). Revealed for the first time in living memory were the names of five of Henry's siblings carved on the reverse side: George, Leah Anna, Amos, Clarence and Willet.



### Memorial: Remembering Gethsemane's People

Large numbers of African American graves have gone unmarked throughout America's history. Fortunately, records exist for Gethsemane that identify most of those buried here. This memorial commemorates those people.

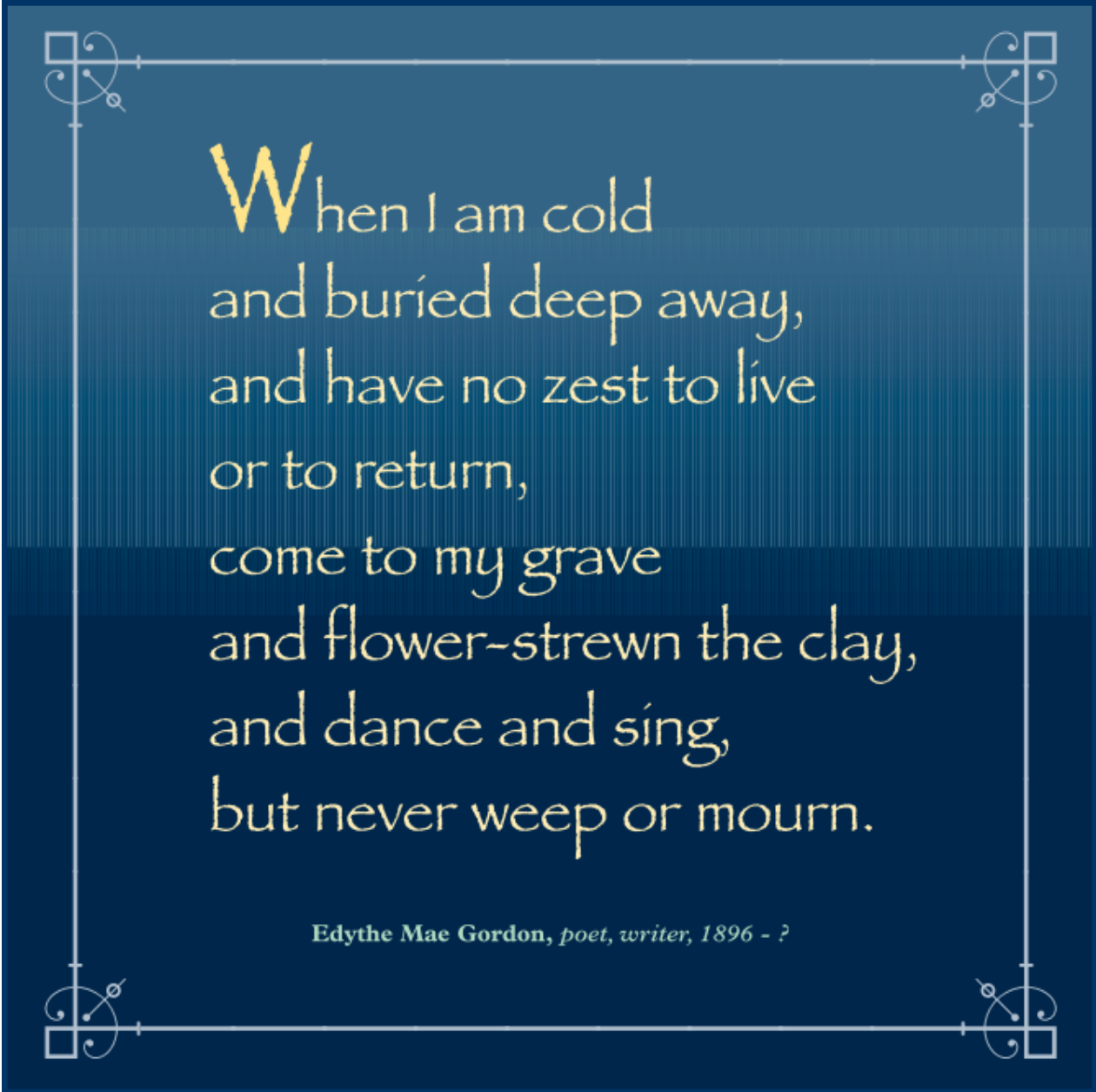
Note that the terms in the column headed "Color" are transcribed directly from official records or documents. "B" stands for Black, "C" for Colored, "W" for White, "N" for Negro, and "M" for Mulatto, a person of mixed race.

NAME OF DECEASED	DATE OF DEATH OR BURIAL	AGE AT DEATH	SEX	COLOR	NAME OF DECEASED	DATE OF DEATH OR BURIAL	AGE AT DEATH	SEX	COLOR	NAME OF DECEASED	DATE OF DEATH OR BURIAL	AGE AT DEATH	SEX	COLOR
Adams, Infant	2/14/91	—	M	B	Brown, Infant	1/24/99	—	M	B	Dickers, Harry	3/30/98	34	M	W
Adams, Oliver	4/6/97	17	M	B	Brown, Susan Price	2/1/97	39y 10m	F	C	Dickson, Sarah	1/27/96	63	F	B
Aiken, Adelaide May	3/2/91	1m 24d	F	B	Brown, Wallace	6/2/91	5m 12d	M	B	Dillard, George	1/6/96	61 2m	M	B
Aiken, John W. B.	6/25/91	19	M	B	Brownstone, Walter	4/1/97	41	M	W	Dillard, Marrying	7/4/97	3m 4d	F	W
Aiken, Mary M.	9/13/97	5m 2d	F	C	Burwell, (Child)	—	—	—	—	Duncan, Paraguide	9/27/97	29	M	W
Aiken, Mattie V.	7/17/97	77	F	B	Burwell, David	8/30/96	14	M	B	Duncan, Oscar	1/26/96	stillborn	M	W
Aiken, David Alexander	1/24/99	2m	M	B	Burwell, Edward	2/16/97	68	M	B	Dobson, Infant	6/27/99	stillborn	—	W
Albin, Wiley	3/1/97	17	M	B	Burwell, Emma (Infant)	8/10/97	19	F	B	Doreman, Sarah Ann	7/16/97	32	F	B
Anderson, Richard	8/15/94	31	M	B	Burwell, Helen M.	1/29/99	2y 11m	F	B	Drewniak, John J.	1/16/91	stillborn	M	W
Archer, George	4/9/97	45	M	B	Burwell, Husbah	9/4/96	21	M	B	Duiker, Elizabeth	2/12/98	96	F	B
Arva, James	6/3/99	—	W	—	Burwell, Nicholas	1/19/97	7y 2m 2d	M	B	Duiker, John H.C.	2/23/97	65	M	W
Armstrong, Infant	3/1/98	16	M	B	Cebus, Thomas M.	1/28/98	13 3m	M	C	Dwight, Matthew	3/20/97	17	M	B
Ashby, Elizabeth	7/11/97	3m	F	B	Campbell, Mary	5/18/97	29	F	B	Farmer, Ethel	1/17/97	4m	F	W
Austin, Amanda	7/13/97	1m	F	W	Carpenter, Wade	7/10/96	6m	M	C	Farr, James	3/26/97	4m	M	B
Baker's Child	4/8/97	48	F	B	Carpenter, Grace	1/10/98	73	F	B	Farr, Thomas E.	2/20/91	7m 2m	F	B
Banks, Ann	11/2/98	44	F	C	Carpenter, Miss M.	7/27/97	74	M	B	Flow, James	5/2/98	19	M	C
Banks, Sarah	4/29/97	46	F	B	Carpenter, Charity	7/13/99	15	M	W	Ford, George	1/21/91	19 3m	F	B
Banks, William	7/7/97	62	M	C	Childs, James	1/6/94	54	M	B	Frank, Susan	6/9/97	46	F	C
Banks, William	11/6/97	38	M	C	Christie, Henry	3/2/97	7m	M	B	Franklin, Samuel	5/19/97	7y 1m 14d	M	B
Bass, Samuel	1/22/97	18	M	B	Clark, John Henry	3/2/97	3	M	B	Franklin, Simon	2/3/97	43	M	B
Bass, Willard H.	3/25/97	6y 11m	M	W	Clark, Maria	3/10/97	27	F	B	Frazier, Lida	1/20/97	49 5m	F	B
Bass, Leah	3/25/97	34	F	N	Clark, (Infant)	4/3/98	7d	—	B	Freeman, Charles	6/26/97	10m	M	B
Bass, Sarah Louisa	7/26/97	15	F	C	Clark, Charlotte	7/20/97	7y 10m	F	B	Freeman, Charles	1/9/94	16d	M	B
Bass, Washington	3/25/97	5m 22d	M	C	Clark, Charles	4/4/97	16	M	B	Freeman, Charles	5/4/94	A	M	B
Bass, Infant	9/10/97	stillborn	—	W	Clark, Helen C.	2/10/97	1y 1d	F	B	Freeman, Mary M.	2/24/97	33	F	B
Bass, Edward	4/8/98	—	M	C	Clark, Howard	8/4/97	10m 15d	M	B	Fuchs, William	1/27/98	stillborn	M	W
Bass, Elizabeth	3/25/97	13y 5m	F	C	Clark, Infant	1/27/99	5d	—	B	Furber, John	3/4/96	A	M	B
Basson, Benjamin	2/1/98	16y 5m	M	C	Clark, James	3/1/99	4y 6m	F	B	Gabner, Edwidge H.	5/17/97	10m 5d	M	B
Berry, Albert F.	3/14/97	4	M	B	Clark, John H.	8/1/96	4	M	B	Geddes, John	1/2/97	47	M	B
Berry, Anne	5/4/96	49y 4m 12d	F	C	Clark, Susan	7/13/97	2m	M	B	Gerhart, Infant	1/17/97	stillborn	—	W
Berry, Lydia J.	2/24/97	92	F	B	Cherke, Rhoebe Jane	4/10/97	57	F	B	Gibbs, Infant	5/1/97	stillborn	—	W
Billing, Charles	1/15/98	—	M	B	Childs, Joseph	5/25/96	16	M	B	Gibbs, Infant	5/1/97	stillborn	—	W
Billing, Charles	1/20/98	71	M	B	Collins, Joseph	7/20/98	1m 2d	F	—	Gibbs, Infant	5/25/97	65	M	B
Billing, Eliza	5/23/94	28	F	B	Conklin, Philip	11/29/99	9d	M	W	Gibbsman, Elizabeth	1/21/98	65	F	B
Billing, Elizabeth	6/25/97	1m 14d	F	B	Conover, George M.	8/2/94	6m	M	C	Gibbsman, Mary	1/19/97	12	F	B
Billing, John	7/26/99	2m 7d	M	B	Cook, Lillian	5/25/99	12	F	B	Gibbsman, Mary	1/19/97	76	F	B
Billing, Lucinda	9/7/97	48	F	B	Conrad, Frances Anna	1/1/97	4d	F	W	Gibbs, James Jr.	3/30/97	168	M	B
Billing, Peter H.	1/24/97	75	M	B	Conroy, Cath. E.	7/10/97	11m 5d	M	B	Gibbs, Kenneth	1/21/98	11	F	B
Billett, Purnell	1/7/98	35	F	B	Dargoridge, Nathaniel	5/3/94	1y	M	C	Gibbs, John Jr.	1/21/98	148	M	C
Billett, William	7/26/99	7m	M	B	Dargoridge, Unknown	4/12/94	adult	—	C?	Gibbsman, Anna	1/29/97	37	F	B
Birkman, Ellen Q.	6/20/97	23	F	B	Clark, Charles	1/2/97	14	M	B	Girl, Corvetha C.	4/29/97	27y 2m	F	B
Birkman, Hester	1/19/97	67	F	B	Davis, Henry	1/29/97	31	M	B	Girdles, John	5/25/96	82	M	B
Biswell, Lilla	1/21/97	1y 3d	F	B	Davison, Lydia	9/27/97	2m 3d	F	C	Givens, Elizabeth	3/24/94	61	F	B
Bishop, William H.	1/25/98	stillborn	M	B	Davis, Mary C.	3/17/97	1m	F	B	Givens, Mary C.	1/17/98	19	F	W
Bishop, James T.	3/3/99	1y 1m	M	B	de Gray, Villa May	7/14/96	7m 4d	F	B	Harris, C. Hannah	1/27/98	45	F	C
Biswold, William N.	1/1/97	1y 6m 15d	M	B	de Gray, Walter	2/1/97	6m	M	—	Harris, Leda	1/25/96	15	F	W
Brown, Leoda (Infant)	1/11/98	3m	F	B	Dempsey, Frank Jr.	1/27/99	14b	M	W	Hartman, Elmer J.	1/16/97	1m	M	B
Brown, Ester	4/14/97	34	F	W	Dickerson, Samuel	6/14/94	62	M	C	Hammock, Wilbur	2/12/98	19 2m	M	B

Also repaired and erected was the stone for William Robinson (#3), who served on the U.S.S. Savannah and died in 1889.

Phase 2 of tombstone restoration and cleaning was completed in 2008.





When I am cold  
and buried deep away,  
and have no zest to live  
or to return,  
come to my grave  
and flower-strewn the clay,  
and dance and sing,  
but never weep or mourn.

Edythe Mae Gordon, *poet, writer, 1896 - ?*



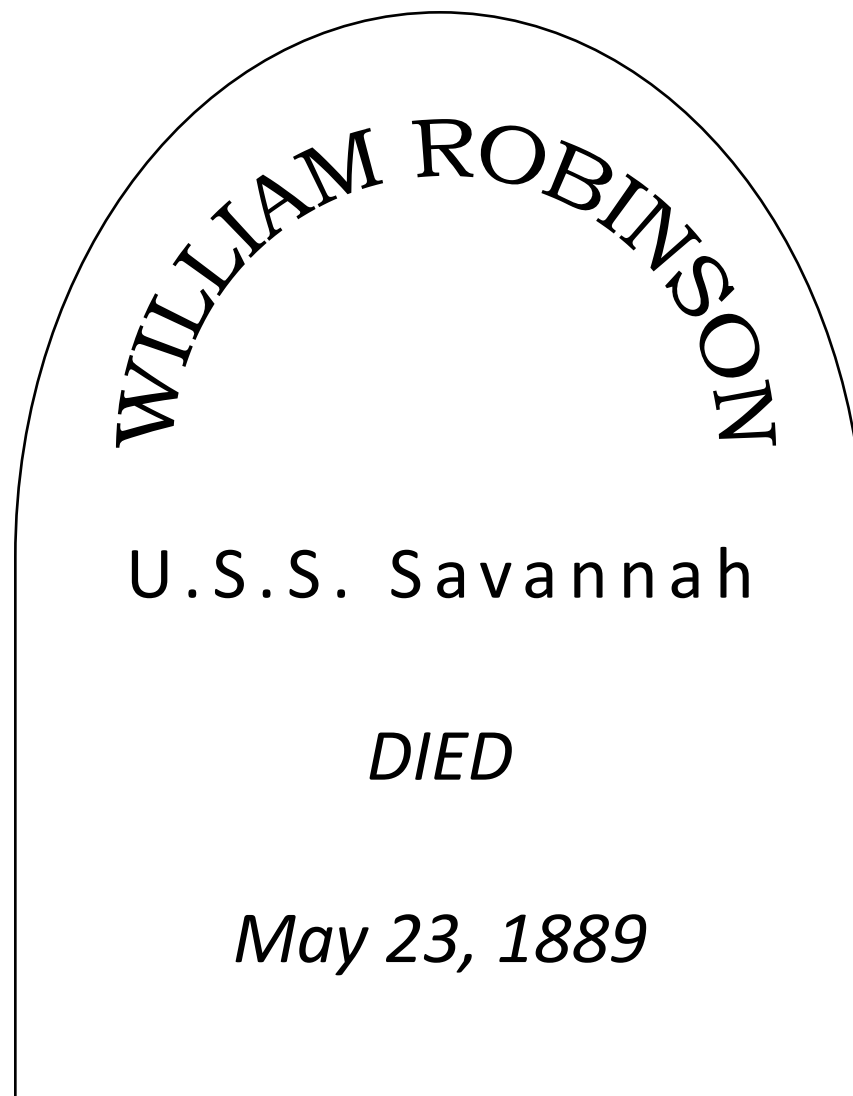


[ ]PH VAN RIPER

Joseph Van Riper, son of Benjamin and Carrie Van Riper,  
was a 56-year-old laborer when he died on November 9, 1891.



This headstone was vandalized and broken after the original cemetery restoration in the 1980s. It was restored and reset in spring 2007.



William Robinson's death certificate states that he was black, 60 at his death, worked as a hackman and was married. Two other veterans of military service, Peter M. Billings and Silas M. Carpenter, who served in the Union Army during the Civil War, are also buried in Gethsemane Cemetery. Both served in the 29<sup>th</sup> (Colored) Connecticut Volunteer Regiment, an infantry unit that was one of four "colored" regiments in the Tenth Corps. The Billings' tombstone was stolen in the 1980s. No tombstone was ever found for Carpenter.



# GEFFERSON FAMILY OBELISK

NORTH SIDE

WEST SIDE



Marble obelisk tombstone for Jane, Mary and Elizabeth Gefferson (or Jefferson) who were probably sisters.

**JANE GEFFERSON**

DIED JUNE 6, 1879

AGED 42 YEARS

AFFLICTION SORE, LONG TIME SHE BORE, PHYSICIANS TRIED IN VAIN, TILL GOD WAS PLEASED TO CALL [ ]ER HOME AND EASE HER FROM HER PAIN.

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**ELIZABETH GEFFERSON**

DIED  
DEC. 31, 1888  
AGED 65 YEARS

CALM AND PEACEFUL WAS HER END, WHEN CALLED TO [ ]AVE EACH PARTING FRIEND [ ]EEKLY SHE BOWED BENEATH THE ROD, WITH SWEET PERMISSION TO HER GOD.

**MARY GEFFERSON**

DIED JUNE 14, 1898  
AGED 70 YEARS.  
NOW SLEEPS IN JESUS BLESSED SLEEP, FROM WHOM NONE NEVER WAKES TO WEEP.

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## SQUARE GRANITE BASE



This base is all that remains of what must have been a large grave marker like the obelisk of the Gefferson Family [#4].



## FALLEN OBELISK

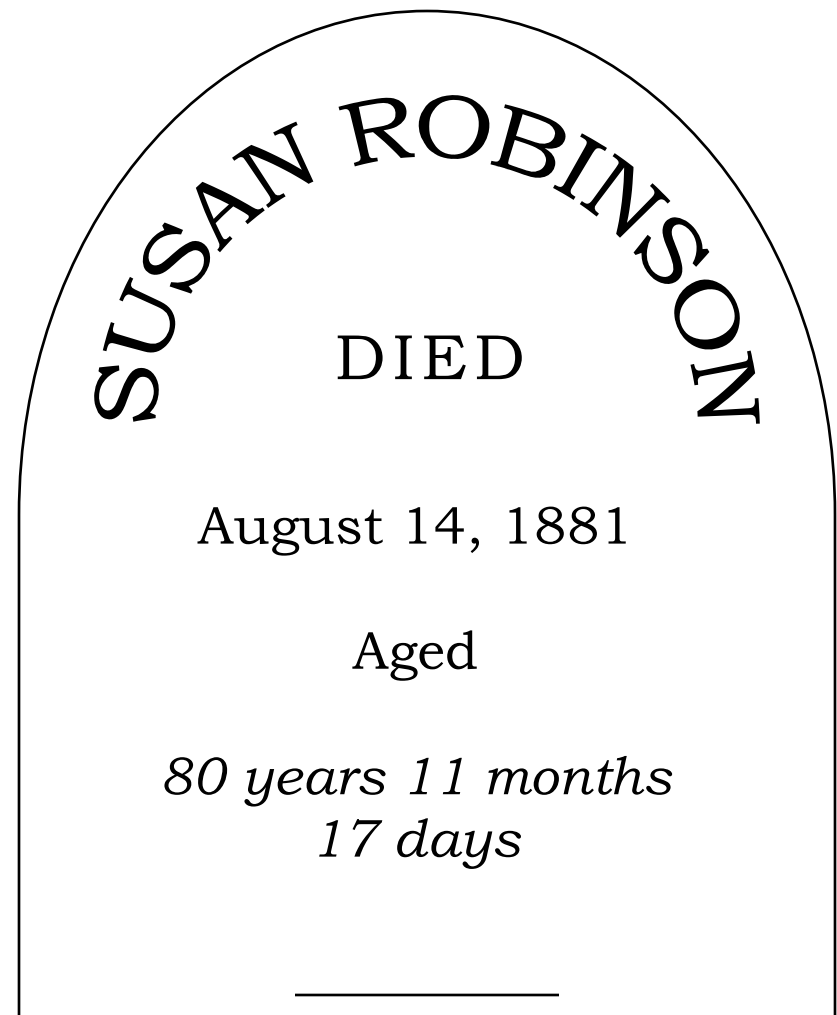


This obelisk was found in this condition. One end of the smaller stone remnant contains the now eroded name “Lena”. The gravestone may have been for Lena B. Turpen who died in 1922 at age 26. Or, more likely, for Lena Peterson who died shortly after her birth in 1907.

**LENA**



This stone was attached to a slab pedestal and placed adjacent to its original base during the 1980s restoration.

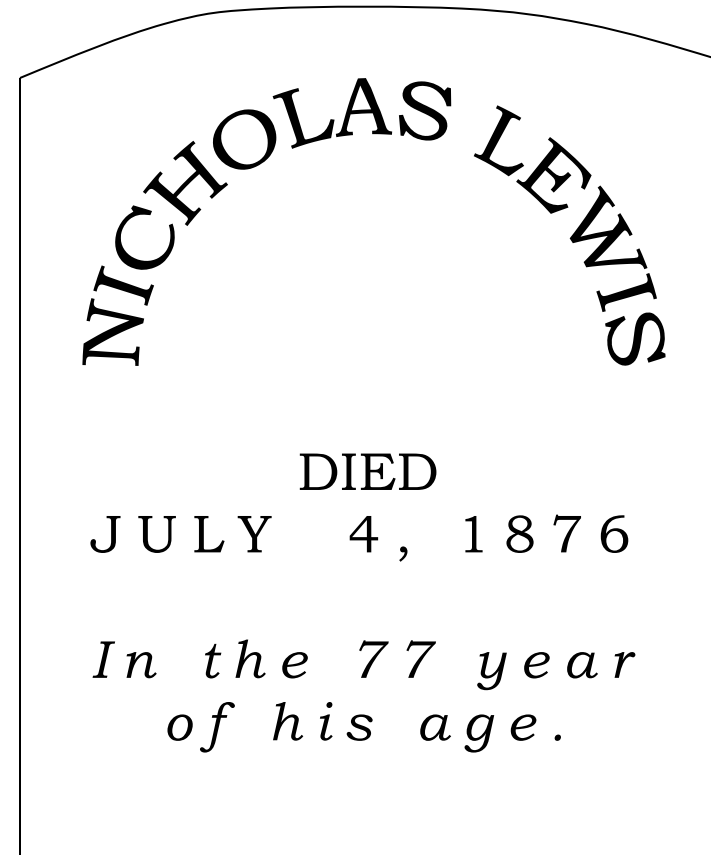


This gravestone is the only known record of Susan Robinson's death. The 1880 census lists "Susy Robinson," a black woman aged 79, whose 50-year-old daughter Polly was living with her.





This stone was attached to a slab pedestal during the 1980s restoration.



According to census records, Nicolas Lewis was a laborer and his wife Julia a washerwoman. Julia died in 1889 when she was 78. There is no surviving marker but records indicated she was buried in Gethsemane by "Capt." Lewis who was probably her son Nicholas.



This stone was attached to a slab pedestal during the 1980s restoration.

DIANA LEWIS

DIED

[ ]arch 27, 1871

According to census records Diana Lewis was 31 when she died. She was married to Nicholas who was a boatman. Ten people with the Lewis surname are buried in Gethsemane.

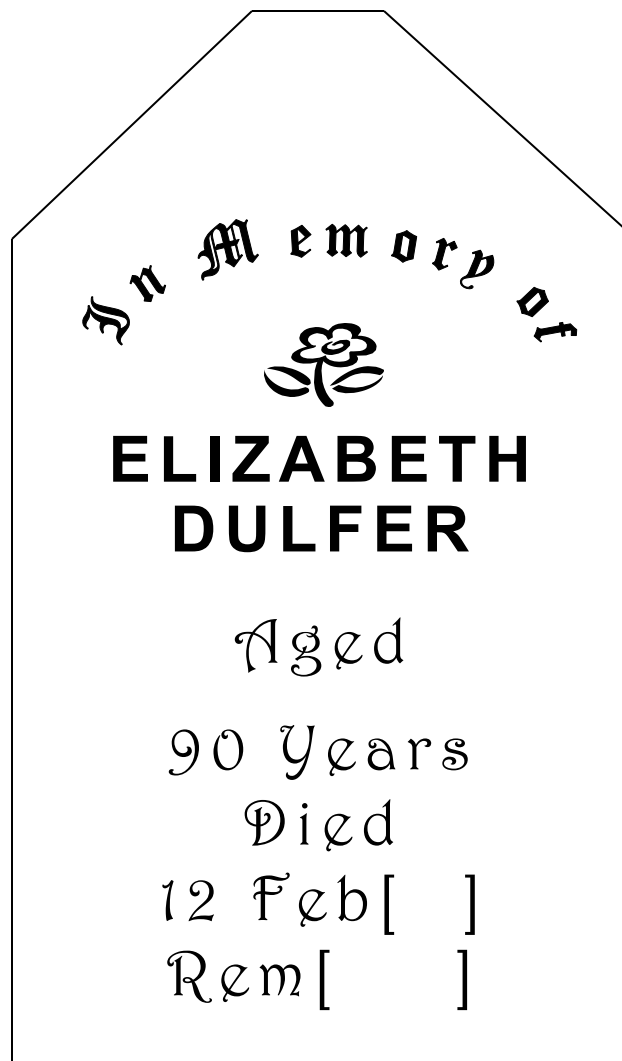




Carved slate headstone.

JOHANNA  
THOMPSON

There are records of 21 Thompsons buried at Gethsemane but none have been found for a Johanna.



**Elizabeth Dickerson Campbell Sutliff Dulfer** was born a slave c1790. According to Gethsemane historian Arnold Brown, her grandfather was an American Indian and her grandmother, mother and father (Dickerson) were African American. The surname on her June 17, 1822 Certificate of Manumission (giving Elizabeth her freedom) was that of her owner William Campbell. Betty, as she was often known, spoke Jersey Dutch, the language spoken by the Campbell household. She married her first husband Alexander Sutliff, an African American teacher originally from the Isle of Jamaica, in the late 1820s in New York City. By the late 1840s she and her husband (who died by 1855) had returned to the Little Ferry area where she had grown up. Elizabeth began buying - *in her own name* - farmland and property along the west bank of the Hackensack River containing clay-beds. This area was known for its brick industry which expanded greatly after the Civil War. For 20 years she sold clay which was sent to potteries in NJ. She remarried in 1859 to John Dulfer, a white Dutchman who was thirty-three years her junior. By the time “Aunt Betty” died in 1880 she had become one of the areas wealthiest businesswomen and landholders.





This stone was repaired in spring 2007.

CORNELIA SMITH

DIED

August 13, 1861

*aged 1 year, 11 month*

*and 6 days*

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*Suffer little children to come  
unto me and forbid them not  
for of such is the kingdom [ ]*

Cornelia Smith is the first  
documented burial in Gethsemane.



The earliest reference to Samuel Dickerson is on 1860 census records where he is listed as a laborer and his wife Sarah Roberson [#14] as a washerwoman. They are later listed as having three children: Thomas, Matilda and Phoebe.

Samuel predeceased his wife by 12 years.

SAMUEL DICKERSON

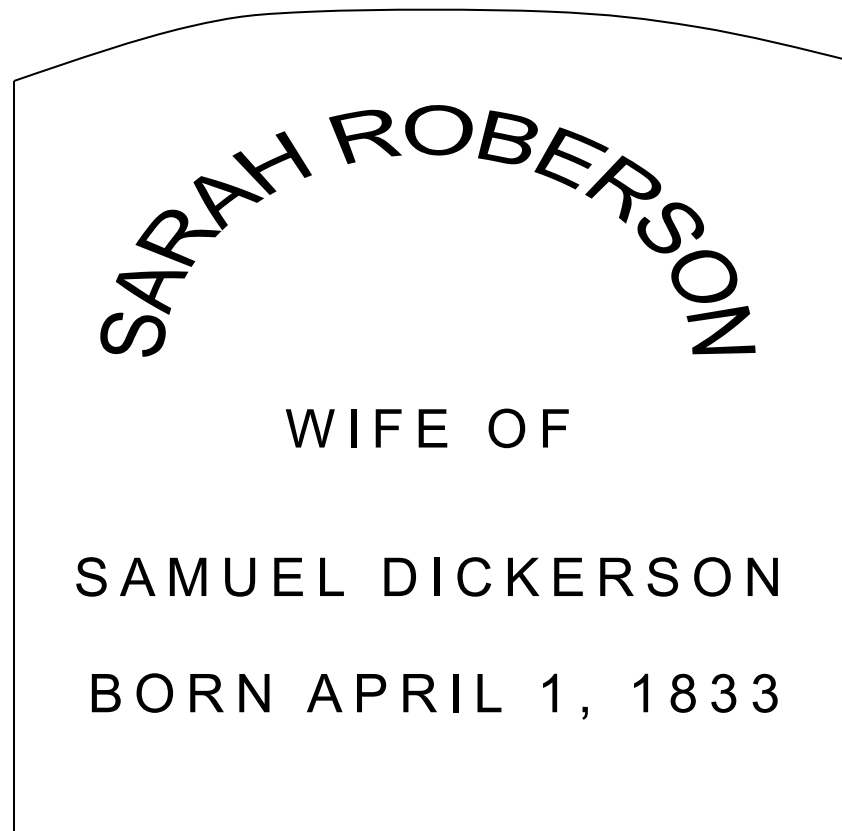
BORN

SEPTEMBER 26 1829

DIED

JUNE 14, 1894





Sarah Roberson's stone is unusual for being a re-used stone. The lower half, which had broken off, contains the engraved inscription "RACHAEL CLARISSA / DAUGHTER OF / STEPHEN D.M. AND MARY / VREELAND / DIED APRIL 19 / 1859. According to genealogical records, Rachel was the 22-year old daughter of Stephen De Mott and Mary Westervelt Vreeland. Both she and her father died in 1859. They and the rest of the immediate family are buried in Edgewater.



## BROWNSTONE MARKER

No inscription



## ELIZABETH AND EDWARD JACKSON HEADSTONES



Elizabeth and her husband Edward Jackson are both found on the 1885 state census when they were living in New Barbadoes (Hackensack) with their children Betsy, Sophia, Jonathan E. and Arthur.





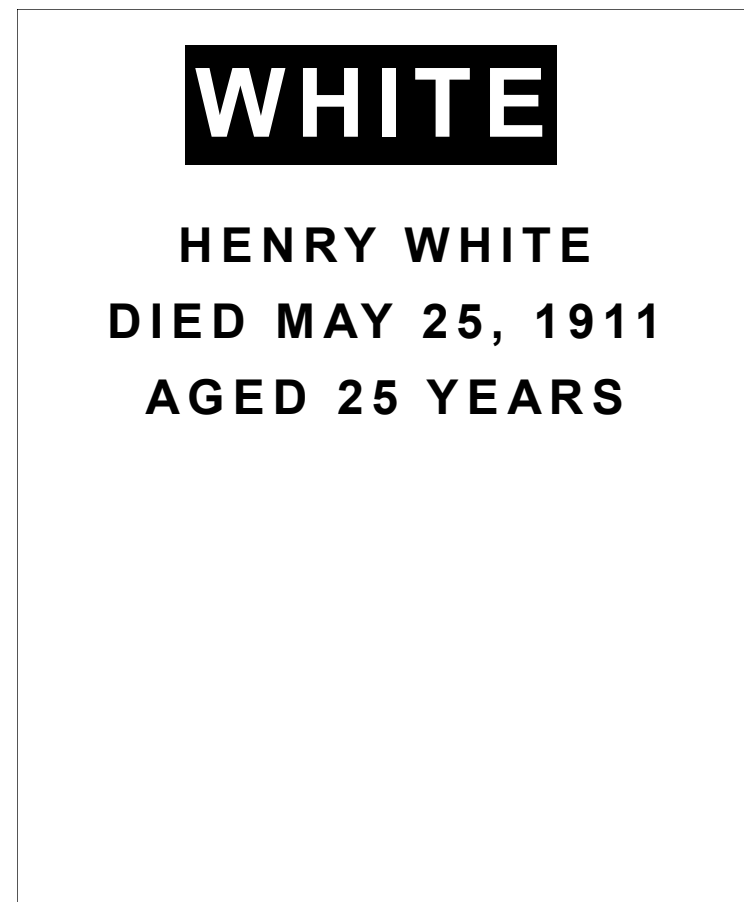
THOMAS JEFFERSON  
DIED MARCH 27, 1901  
AGED 67 YEARS  
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The burial of Thomas Jefferson, a laborer, was the first one recorded after the cemetery was incorporated in 1901. No relationship to Mary, Elizabeth and Jane Gefferson (Jefferson) [#10] has been established.





This granite tombstone had been flat, buried in the ground, face up, for over 30 years. When it was reset on its base in spring 2007, it revealed a carved inscription and names on the reverse side.  
[See next page.]



Henry White was one of the many children of Lucy and George Washington White. His father was one of the seven trustees of the cemetery when it was incorporated in 1901.

**IN MEMORY OF  
GEORGE  
LEAH ANNA  
AMOS  
CLARENCE  
WILLET**

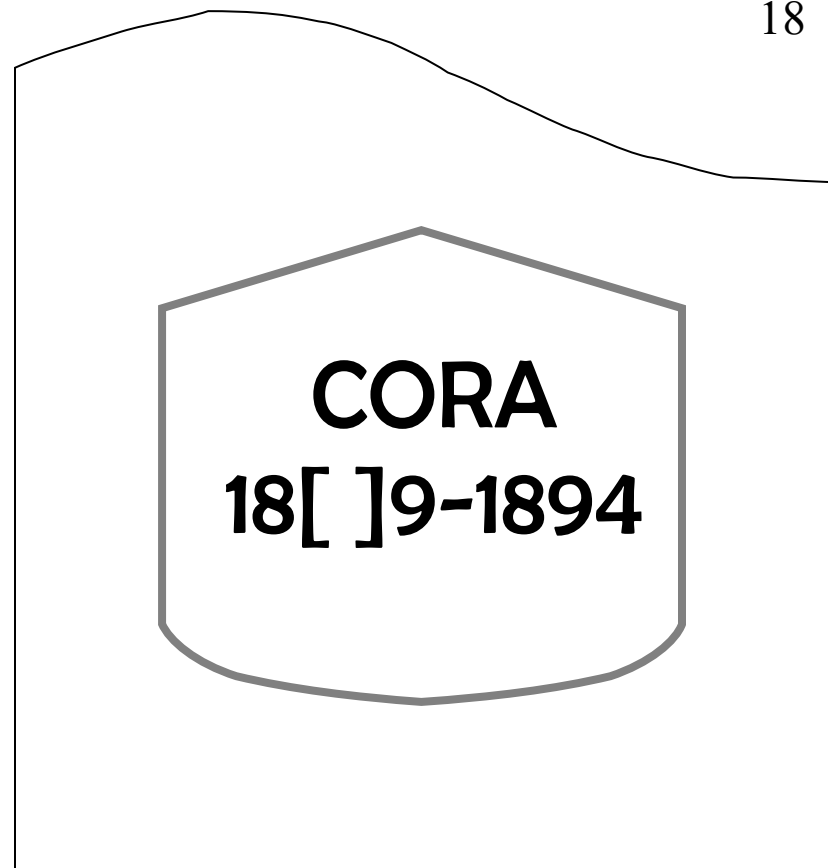


This is the reverse side of Henry White's tombstone [#18a]. When it was erected and reset on its base in spring 2007, it revealed these five names which may be those of Henry White's siblings.





This stone was reset in spring 2007.



This stone, carved in the shape of a tree stump symbolizing a young life that was cut short, was for Cora Oblenus who died of acute bronchitis just before her fifteenth birthday. She was the daughter of John and Ann Adelia (de Groat) Oblenus who had several children. Their connection to William O'Brienus [#24] is unclear. The surname Oblenus (O'Brienus) is widespread in Bergen County. At least 10 people with this name are buried in Gethsemane.



Susan Jackson, born in New York, was a servant in several Hackensack households, the last for Amelia Fisher. She appeared to have remained single and had no children. Fisher paid for Jackson's funeral which was more elaborate than most at Gethsemane. It included a substantial granite marker and death announcements in local newspapers. The announcement from the *Bergen Record* is printed here in its entirety.

**JACKSON**

SUSAN JACKSON  
1841-1903

Death of a Faithful Servant

Susan Jackson, a colored woman aged 62 years, died Sunday night at the home of Mrs. A.V.W. Fisher on Anderson street, Hackensack, in whose family she had been employed for 27 years. Susan was one of the old-time faithful domestics of whom there are but few remaining. She was a worthy woman, lived close to her Maker, and was highly praised by the members of the family she served so loyally. She received tender care during the several weeks of her final illness, and her funeral, held yesterday, further evidenced the esteem in which she was held. Rev. E.T. Sanford of Calvary Baptist Church conducted the service, assisted by Rev. Arthur Johnson of the Second Reformed church, and Mrs. Arthur Johnson sang. "Aunt Susan" will be missed by many who admired her excellent qualities.

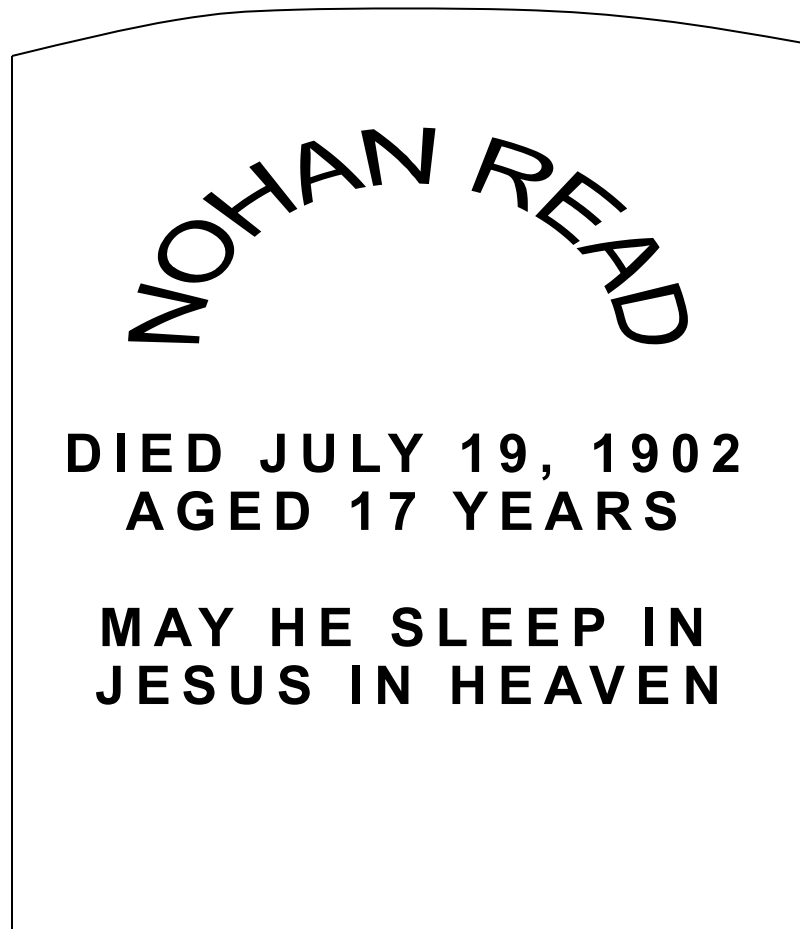
Bergen Record, June 11, 1903





Nov. [27]  
*Aged 1 Year 11 [Mos]  
& 12 Days*

For many years only the top edge of this stone fragment could be seen. In the spring of 2007 it was dug up revealing part of the carved inscription of a child's tombstone. The bottom portion was also found and the stone was repaired and reset.



Nohan (Nattie) Read's cause of death was by drowning. His granite tombstone is one of the few to withstand the years of the cemetery's neglect.





This stone was attached to a slab pedestal during the 1980s restoration.  
See #24 for family information.

JULIA MORRIS

*Wife of*

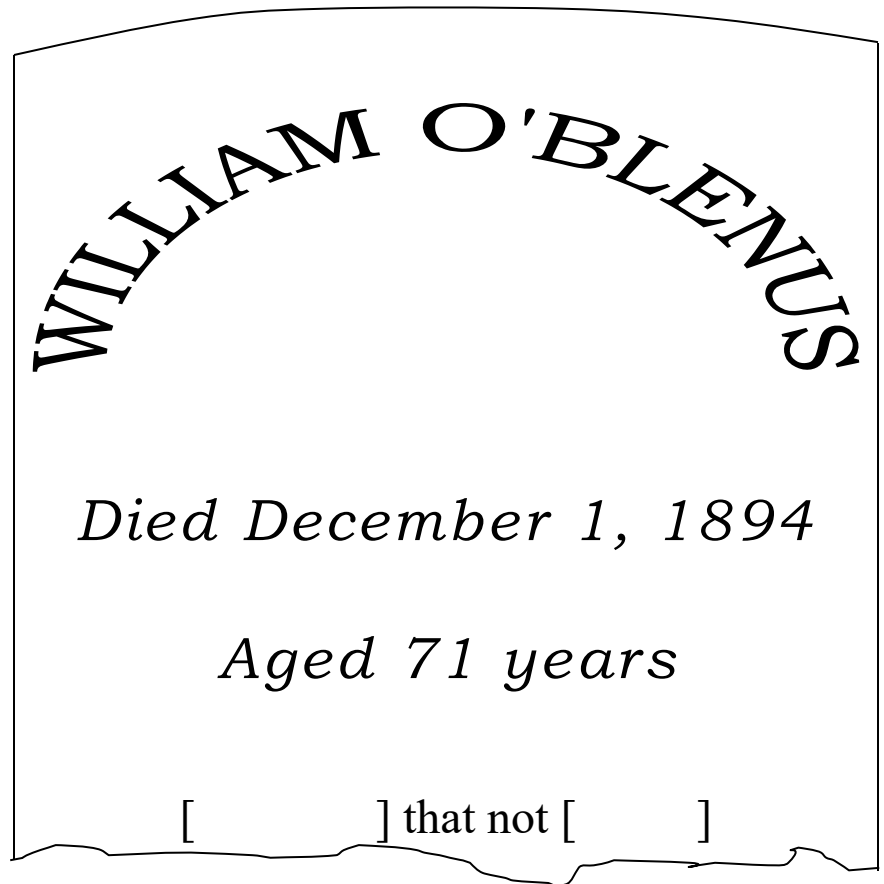
WILLIAM O'BLENUS

Aged 61 years  
23 days

*God my Redeemer [     ]  
And [     ] from the [     ]  
Looks down and watches all my dust  
.....]*



This stone was attached to a slab pedestal during the 1980s restoration.



William and his wife Julia Morris (#23), according to the 1870 census, had five children living with them in Bergen County. At list three of the children, Anthony, Sarah and Julia Annie, are buried in Gethsemane.





## BROWN SANDSTONE PILLAR OR OBELISK.

This obelisk stands in what is believed to be its original position, approximately half way between Liberty Street on the west and Summit Place on the east. There is no burial associated with it and Ground Penetrating Radar analysis revealed that there is a corridor without burials running from here to the southern boundary. This suggests that the original 19<sup>th</sup> century entrance was in this area.

The late Samuel Porter, who had family buried here, remembered from childhood visits a Liberty Street entrance on the western side. When the cemetery was active, Summit Place on the east and Route 46 on the south, did not exist. It is possible that a dirt path or road led from what is now Liberty Street to an earlier entrance than the one remembered by Mr. Porter.



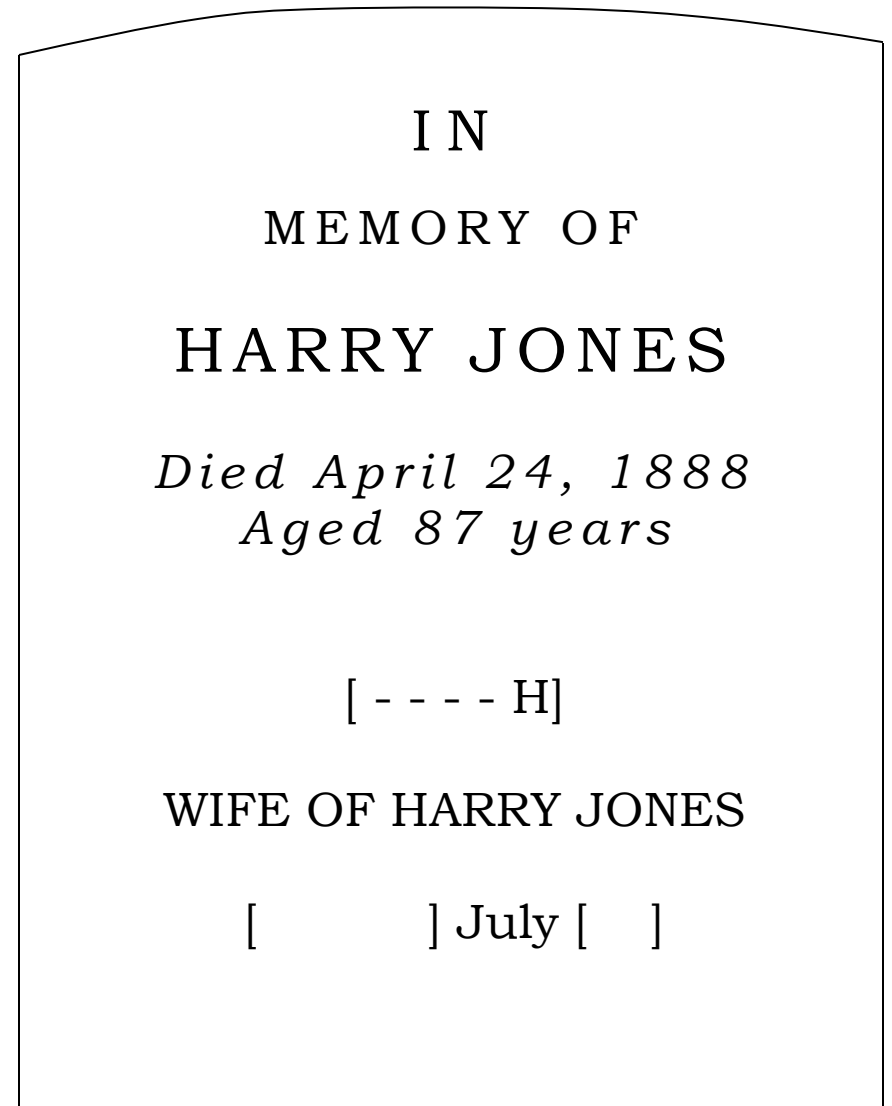
**RICHARD R. MATTISON**  
**DIED NOV. 27, 1892**  
**AGED 23 YRS. 10 MOS.**  
**& 29 DAYS.**

Richard Mattison was a railroad porter living in Palisades and was the son of Dick and Mary Mattison. He died of the effects of diabetes.





This headstone was vandalized and broken after the original cemetery restoration in the 1980s. It was repaired and reset on a new base in spring 2007.



This may be the stone for the Harry Jones and his wife Sarah who appear on the 1860 Hackensack census. Also listed in the census are Henry (age 21) and Sarah (age 16), who may be their children.

## SANDSTONE FOOT OR HEADSTONE



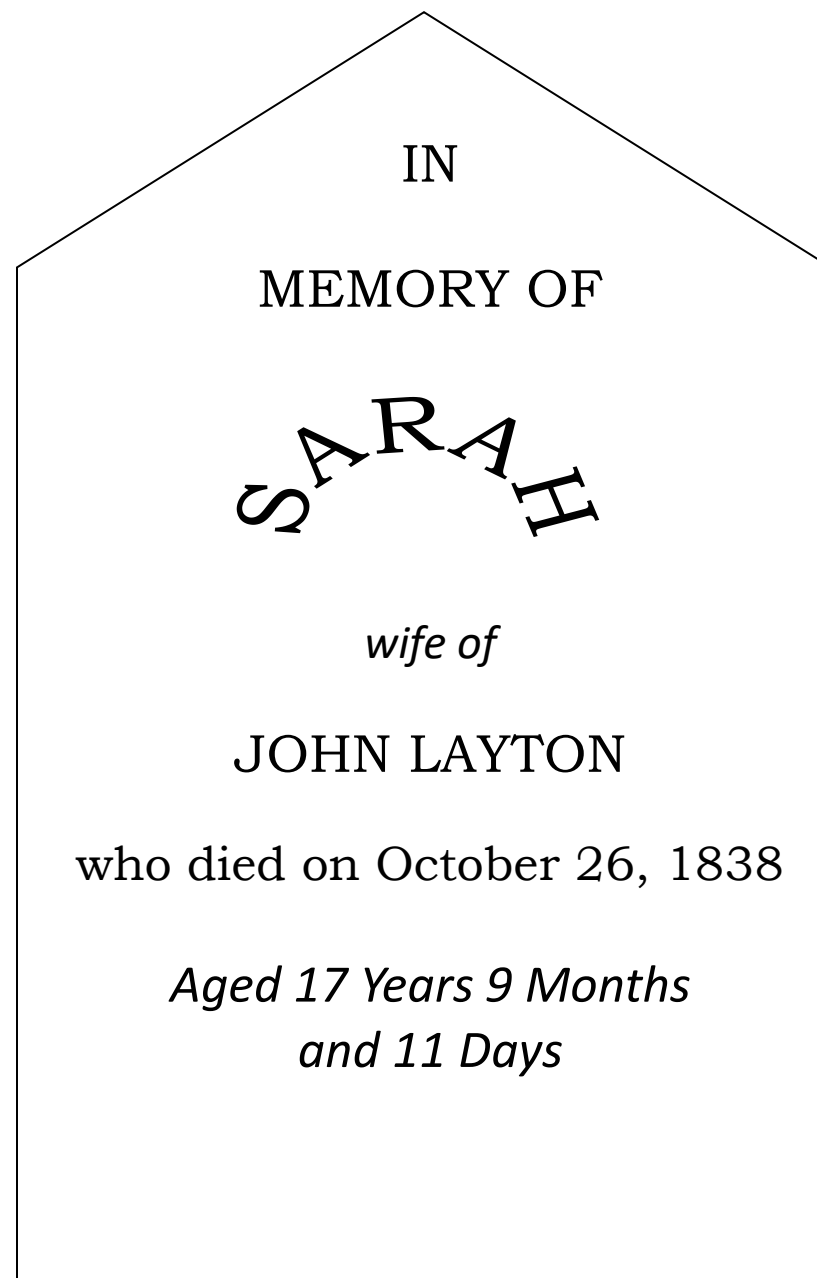
T.C.

The person commemorated by this marker has not been identified.





This headstone was not in any of the original surveys of Gethsemane Cemetery. The stone was found in Gethsemane in the summer of 1999.



# Memorial: Remembering Gethsemane's People

Large numbers of African American graves have gone unmarked throughout America's history. Fortunately, records exist for Gethsemane that identify most of those buried here. This memorial commemorates those people.

Note that the terms in the column headed "Color" are transcribed directly from official records or documents. "B" stands for Black, "C" for Colored, "W" for White, "N" for Negro, and "M" for Mulatto, a person of mixed race.

NAME OF DECEASED	DATE OF DEATH OR BURIAL	AGE AT DEATH	SEX	COLOR
Adams, (infant)	2/14/01	—	—	B
Addison, Oliver	6/8/99	17	M	B
Allen, Adalene May	3/5/01	1m 20d	F	B
Allen, John W. B.	6/25/01	19	M	B
Allen, Mary M.	8/13/87	5m 2d	F	C
Allen, Mattie V.	7/17/05	27	F	B
Alston, David Alexander	12/24/09	2m	M	B
Alston, Wiley	3/12/01	17	M	B
Anderson, Richard	8/15/04	31	M	B
Archer, George	4/9/87	45	M	B
Area, Jaqua	6/3/09	—	—	W
Armstrong, (infant)	3/13/06	1d	—	W
Aubrey, Elizabeth	7/11/15	3m	F	B
Aulolua, Antonia	7/13/05	1m	F	W
Bagley, Onie	4/3/07	60	F	B
Banks, Ann	11/2/88	44	F	C
Banks, Sarah	4/29/10	46	F	B
Banks, William	7/7/16	52	M	B
Basley, William	11/6/91	30	M	C
Bas, Samuel	1/22/84	38	M	B
Bates, Ethel R.	3/26/03	6y 11m	F	W
Bates, Leah	3/25/91	34	F	N
Bates, Sarah Louisa	7/25/92	35	F	C
Bates, Washington	9/25/85	5m 22d	M	C
Batz, (infant)	9/19/11	stillborn	—	W
Beckham, Albert	4/6/00	?	M	C
Bennett, Elizabeth	8/25/91	13y 5m	F	C
Benson, Benjamin	2/12/88	16y 9m	M	C
Berry, Albert E.	3/14/13	54	M	B
Berry, Anne	5/6/86	45y 4m 12d	F	C
Berry, Lydie J.	2/22/03	92	F	B
Billings, Charles	11/27/88	—	M	C
Billings, Charles	12/30/18	71	M	B
Billings, Ella	5/2/04	20	F	B
Billings, Hilder	6/27/02	1m 14d	F	B
Billings, John	7/28/89	2m 7d	M	B
Billings, Lizzie	9/7/01	40	F	B
Billings, Peter H.	12/5/02	75	M	B
Blind, Purnella	1/7/08	36	F	B
Blunt, William	7/20/09	7m	M	B
Bookman, Ellen Q.	9/29/12	25	F	B
Bookman, Ester	10/5/03	67	F	B
Boswell, Lillie	1/21/01	1y 3d	F	B
Bowen, William E.	1/24/08	stillborn	M	W
Boyd, James T.	3/5/09	1y 1m	M	B
Broadie, William N.	1/-/12	3y 6m 15d	M	B
Brown, Estella (Wright)	11/11/08	3m	F	W
Brown, Ester	4/16/97	8d	F	W

NAME OF DECEASED	DATE OF DEATH OR BURIAL	AGE AT DEATH	SEX	COLOR
Brown, (infant)	1/24/99	—	M	B
Brown, Susan Price	2/21/92	39y 10m	F	C
Brown, Wallace	6/7/91	5m 12d	M	B
Brumage, Walter	4/1/93	43	M	W
Burwell, (child)	?	—	—	—
Burwell, David	9/30/06	14	M	B
Burwell, Edward	2/16/19	60	M	B
Burwell, Emma (Elmira)	8/10/02	39	F	B
Burwell, Helen M.	12/3/00	2y 11m	F	B
Burwell, Hezekiah	9/4/16	21	M	B
Burwell, Nicholas	11/18/24	37y 2m 2d	M	B
Caimes, Thomas M.	11/28/00	1y 3m	M	C
Campbell, Mary	5/10/12	29	F	B
Carpenter, Male	7/10/86	6m	M	C
Carpenter, Orice	10/18/08	73	F	B
Carpenter, Sisas M.	7/27/12	74	M	B
Cavusnak, Charley	7/13/89	35	M	W
Chickey, James	1/6/04	54	M	B
Christie, Henry	8/2/03	7m	M	B
Cisco, John Henry	3/2/92	3	M	B
Cisco, Maria	3/21/81	27	F	B
Clark, (infant)	4/2/10	7d	—	B
Clark, Charlotte	7/9/07	7y 10m	F	B
Clark, Evelyn	4/01/2	16	F	B
Clark, Helen C.	2/13/10	1y 1d	F	B
Clark, Howard	9/4/07	10m 15d	M	B
Clark, (infant)	12/27/89	5d	—	B
Clark, Jennie	3/1/99	4y 6m	F	B
Clark, Peter H.	9/19/04	47	M	B
Clark, Sunny	7/13/11	2m	—	B
Clarke, Phoebe Jane	4/18/18	57	F	B
Cobb, Joseph	5/26/09	5d	M	B
Collins, Jennie	7/5/08	1m 9d	F	—
Conkin, Philip	11/28/89	9d	M	W
Conover, George M.	8/5/04	4m	M	C
Cook, Lillian	5/26/99	1d	F	B
Cottrell, Frances Anna	10/1/11	4d	F	W
Coines(?), Chas. E.	7/10/03	11m 6d	M	W
Dangerfield, Nathaniel	3/3/94	1y	M	C
Dangerfield, Unknown	4/12/94	adult	—	C?
Davis, Charles	1/23/12	34	M	B
Davis, Henry	12/2/07	31	M	B
Davison, Lydia	9/27/85	2m 3d	F	C
Dawson, May C.	8/17/05	10m	F	B
de Groat, Vida May	7/14/96	7m 4d	F	B
de Groat, Walter	2/21/02	6m	M	—
Demarest, Frank Jr.	12/2/90	14h	M	W
Dick(erson), Samuel	6/14/94	62	M	C

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Dickers, Harry	8/19/89	34	M	W
Dickerson, Sarah	12/29/06	83	F	B
Dillard, George	10/2/06	8y 2m	M	B
Dillard, Murvring	7/4/03	3m 4d	? W	
Discato, Pasquillo	9/27/03	29	M	W
Dittman, Oscar	12/25/06	stillborn	M	W
Dobbins, (infant)	4/27/09	stillborn	—	W
Doremus, Sarah Ann	7/18/89	52	F	B
Drinkwater, John J.	10/4/11	stillborn	M	W
Dulfer, Elizabeth	2/12/80	90	F	B
Dulfer, John B.C.	2/23/85	65	M	W
Eastley, Matthew	8/29/79	17	M	B
Farmer, Ethel	11/7/07	4m	F	W
Farr, Alonzo	9/26/07	stillborn	M	B
Farr, Florence E.	2/20/01	7m 20d	F	B
Flow, James	3/2/88	39	M	C
Ford, Georgina	12/14/11	1y 3m	F	B
Francis, Susan	6/19/83	45	F	C
Franklin, Samuel	3/19/23	71y 1m 16d	M	B
Franklin, Simon	2/1/83	53	M	B
Frazier, Lilly	1/5/81	4y 5m	F	B
Freeman, Charles	6/26/03	10m	M	B
Freeman, Charles	1/9/04	14d	M	B
Freeman, Charles	5/4/04	A	M	B
Freeman, Mary M.	2/16/13	33	F	B
Fuchs, William	11/27/08	stillborn	M	W
Furrcle, Roch	3/0/06	30	M	W
Grimes, Eldridge H.	5/17/03	10m 8d	M	B
Galfield, Anthony	6/12/84	65	M	C
Gawbarino, (infant)	18/12	stillborn	—	W
Garino, (infant)	9/15/11	stillborn	—	W
Garrison, (infant)	9/1/11	stillborn	—	W
Gee, Joshua	5/25/21	45	M	B
Gefferson, Elizabeth	12/11/88	65	F	B
Gefferson, Jane	6/6/79	42	F	B
Gefferson, Mary	(1898)	70	F	B
Gibbs, James Jr.	3/3/09	stillborn	M	B
Gibbs, Kenneth	8/29/10	7m	M	B
Goin, John Jr.	10/31/00	1d	M	C
Greenleaf, Anna	12/8/11	37	F	B
Grey, Cornelius C.	4/19/80	27y 7m	M	C
Grimes, John	3/25/00	62	M	B
Gross, Elizabeth	7/7/84	61	F	B
Guy, Victore	10/17/08	19	? W	
Haine(s), Hannah	2/24/89	45	F	C
Harnie, Louis	10/28/96	35	F	W
Hammond, Elmer J.	11/8/10	5m	M	B
Hammond, Wilbur	2/12/08	1y 2m	M	B

This is the first of three panels at Gethsemane Cemetery which list the names of people known to be buried here. A major source of information were the burial records of the Ricardo Funeral Home which was founded in the 1880s. The Ricardos were white Hackensack undertakers who serviced the local African-American community. Four hundred and ninety-six burials have been documented from these records but should be viewed as only the minimal number of burials at Gethsemane.



NAME OF DECEASED	DATE OF DEATH OR BURIAL	AGE AT DEATH	SEX	COLOR
Hannibal, Frank	4/17/84	52	M	N
Harris, Albert	5/9/86	5y 6m	M	C
Harris, Anna M.	12/5/21	1y 3d	F	B
Harris, Etta	7/4/86	1y 2m	F	B
Harris, Fannie P.	3/24/17	10m 23d	F	B
Harris, Francis A. Miss	10/5/97	37	F	C
Harris, G...	11/12/91	3m 18d	—	C
Harris, Helen B. M. A.	7/30/07	3m	F	B
Harris, Ida H. (Eva)	8/7/89	5m	F	C
Harris, John	10/16/03	?	M	B
Harris, Joseph	12/28/15	—	M	B
Harris, Josephine	10/8/06	18	F	B
Harris, Katherine	10/24/04	1m 2d	F	B
Harris, Mabel	5/3/00	stillborn	F	B
Harris, Peter	4/14/93	76	M	C
Harris, Rosalind	4/1/88	1m 17d	F	W
Harris, Samuel McFadden	7/18/02	2m	M	B
Harris, Sarah E.	1/24/03	66	F	B
Harris, Stella	1/13/06	stillborn	F	B
Harris, Thomas	12/2/02	77	M	B
Harris, Thomas	12/31/18	—	M	B
Harris, Wm. W. (Phelps)	6/12/96	1y 11m 20d	M	C
Hawkins, Harriet	12/31/12	58	F	B
Hawkins, Helen E.	2/21/83	3y 1m 13d	F	B
Hennessey, James	7/9/11	4m	M	W
Heyny, Dorothy	4/10/10	stillborn	F	W
Hire, Rebecca	5/8/09	46	F	B
Hire, Thomas	12/25/07	78	M	B
Holland, Elizabeth	11/29/01	—	F	B
Hollenbeck, Ida Mary	10/29/02	7m	F	B
Hollinbeck, James W.	1/4/81	4m	M	B
Hommell, (infant)	10/6/10	2h	—	W
Horak, Frank	1/24/08	stillborn	M	W
Huland (?), Fridrik	7/10/89	24	M	W
Hunter, male	6/6/99	6m	M	B
Hunter, William	6/3/07	3y	M	W
Isaac, (infant)	8/17/11	SB	—	B
Isaac, Mary M.	11/9/10	35	F	B**
Groat, Elizabeth	2/7/84	61	F	B
Guy, Victore	10/17/08	19	?	W
Haine(s), Hannah	2/24/89	45	F	C
Hamle, Louis	10/28/96	35	M	W
Hammond, Elmer J.	11/8/10	5m	M	B
Hammond, Wilbur	2/12/08	1y 2m	M	B
Hannibal, Frank	4/17/84	52	M	N
Harris, Albert	5/9/86	5y 6m	M	C
Harris, Anna M.	12/5/21	1y 3d	F	B
Harris, Etta	7/4/86	1y 2m	F	B
Harris, Fannie P.	3/24/17	10m 23d	F	B
Harris, Francis A. Miss	10/5/97	37	F	C
Harris, G...	11/12/91	3m 18d	—	C
Harris, Helen B. M. A.	7/30/07	3m	F	B
Harris, Ida H. (Eva)	8/7/89	5m	F	C
Harris, John	10/16/03	?	M	B
Harris, Joseph	12/28/15	—	M	B
Harris, Josephine	10/8/06	18	F	B
Harris, Katherine	10/24/04	1m 2d	F	B
Harris, Mabel	5/3/00	stillborn	F	B
Harris, Peter	4/14/93	76	M	C
Harris, Rosalind	4/1/88	1m 17d	F	W
Harris, Samuel McFadden	7/18/02	2m	M	B
Harris, Sarah E.	1/24/03	66	F	B

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Harris, Stella	1/13/06	stillborn	F	B
Harris, Thomas	12/2/02	77	M	B
Harris, Wm. W. (Phelps)	6/12/96	1y 11m 20d	M	C
Hawkins, Harriet	12/31/12	58	F	B
Hawkins, Helen E.	2/21/83	3y 1m 13d	F	B
Hennessey, James	7/9/11	4m	M	W
Heyny, Dorothy	4/10/10	stillborn	F	W
Hire, Rebecca	5/8/09	46	F	B
Hire, Thomas	12/25/07	78	M	B
Holland, Elizabeth	11/29/01	—	F	B
Hollenbeck, Ida Mary	10/29/02	7m	F	B
Hollinbeck, James W.	1/4/81	4m	M	B
Hommell, (infant)	10/6/10	2h	—	W
Horak, Frank	1/24/08	stillborn	M	W
Huland (?), Fridrik	7/10/89	24	M	W
Hunter, male	6/6/99	6m	M	B
Hunter, William	6/3/07	3y	M	W
Isaac, (infant)	8/17/11	stillborn	—	B
Isaac, Mary M.	11/9/10	35	F	B
Jackson, Alexander	6/17/87	3y 24d	M	B
Jackson, Anna	7/22/07	4m 14d	F	B
Jackson, Edna	11/25/85	2y 4m	F	B
Jackson, Edward	7/24/85	8	M	B
Jackson, Edward	3/12/10	73	M	B
Jackson, Elizabeth	5/14/89	45	F	B
Jackson, Henry	1881(?)	40	M	B
Jackson, John	11/6/86	40	M	B
Jackson, Marcelina	3/18/97	3y 4m	F	C
Jackson, Martha	12/6/11	3m	F	B
Jackson, Mary J.	2/7/11	38	F	B
Jackson, Mary Jane	8/21/13	41	F	B
Jackson, Richard	4/8/89	—	M	C
Jackson, Samuel	11/3/89	—	M	C
Jackson, Sarah	3/7/95	48	F	B
Jackson, Susan A.	6/7/03	62	F	B
Jackson, Vima	4/24/89	13	F	B
Jackson, Walter	6/13/82	1y 4m	M	B
Jackson, William	3/28/01	38	M	C
Jackson, William	7/22/94	22	M	B
Jackson, William	1/8/06	40	M	B
Jacobus, ...	5/20/02	adult	M?	W
Jacobus, Anna E. (Hannah)	4/2/06	24	F	B
Jabeka, John	3/27/99	47	M	W
James, Irene J.	8/1/07	1y 3m	F	B
Jefferson, Ann	8/13/21	88y 4m 9d	F	B
Jefferson, Thomas	3/28/01	67	M	B
Jenks, Julia	3/19/84	28	F	B
Jennings, Lewis	9/30/82	5y 11m	M	B
Jenkins, Douglas	9/6/13	25	M	B
Johnson, Anthony	9/29/80	78	M	C
Johnson, Clara	4/1/83	1y 2m 3d	F	B
Johnson, George	8/7/97	4m	M	B
Johnson, Luella	7/22/06	9y 8m	F	W
Johnson, William H.	10/5/89	7y 3m 14d	M	C
Jones, Edward P.	6/12/98	8y 4m	M	B
Jones, Harry	4/24/88	87	M	B
Jones, Henry	5/7/05	47	M	B
Jones, Infant	1894?	—	F	B
Jones, Mary E.	2/8/01	2y 3m	F	B
Jones, Nancy	3/29/87	52	F	B
Jones, Sarah(?) Mrs.	c. 1870-88	adult	F	B
Jorden, Stephen	2/29/10	43	M	B

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Junior, Frank E. (Jr.)	11/28/06	5d	M	B
Kaiser, Betsy	4/26/03	59	F	B
Kaiser, Sarah E.	4/22/80	42	F	C
Kammler, (infant)	12/13/09	stillborn	—	W
Kearney, Bertha	7/28/08	2m	F	W
Keiser, Diana	9/16/93	65	F	B
King, Ann	5/31/00	—	F	B
Kipp, Anthony	6/26/81	23	M	C
Kirkpatrick, Eliza	11/3/04	41	F	B
Kirkpatrick, Elmer	7/13/10	17	M	B
Kirkpatrick, Isaac	8/24/03	43	M	B
Kirkpatrick, Isaac S.	5/2/83	1y	M	B
Koster, Charles	?	74y 11m	M	W
Kreuger, Frank	7/3/95	35	M	W
Kroh, (infant)	9/10/10	stillborn	—	W
Lamey, Victor	1/19/00	50	M	W
Lange (infant)	10/5/03	stillborn	—	W
Lawrence, Mary	1/12/88	47	F	B
Lewis, (child)	9/17/85	—	—	C
Lewis, ...	6/21/80	7d	—	B
Lewis, Annie	6/21/11	63	F	B
Lewis, Charles E.	11/21/11	50	M	B
Lewis, Charles E.	12/15/15	35	M	B
Lewis, Dianne	3/27/71	—	F	—
Lewis, Healy	8/15/79	4m	—	B
Lewis, John H.	3/18/88	70	M	B
Lewis, Julia	7/30/89	78	F	C
Lewis, Nicholas	7/4/76	—	M	—
Linsier, Hazel Mary Ida	5/7/09	2y 6m 2d	F	B
Linsiere, Lavinia	2/11/11	27	F	B
Linsiere, Mack	7/10/10	60	M	B
Livingston, (infant)	2/14/02	stillborn	—	—
Lockwood, Pearl	8/1/00	1y 6m	F	B
Loder, Josephine	5/30/11	29	F	B
Loder, Theodore	7/27/11	5y 4m	M	B
Lorack, Elizabeth	8/17/14	2d	F	W
Magnus, John	6/13/02	55	M	W
Mann, Jane	10/13/91	5m	F	C
Mann, John Wesley	6/1/10	18	M	B
Martin, Ethel Marie	7/20/10	2m	F	B
Martin, Jerry	2/26/08	1d	M	W
Mattison, Richard R.	11/27/92	29	M	B
Mayer, (infant)	11/13/10	stillborn	—	W
McQuado, Edward	10/21/89	35	M	W
McWay, Cornelius	6/7/07	stillborn	M	W
Melburne, Varona Eliz.	5/25/04	2m 16d	F	B
Meyers, Mary	11/16/92	2	F	B
Millburn, Annie	3/6/06	1d	F	B
Miller, Charles	9/29/87	4m	M	C
Miller, Sarah Eliz.	4/14/90	38	F	C
Mills, Harrison	8/9/13	6m	M	B
Miner, Stewart R.	7/4/08	2m	M	B
Moor, Samuel	1884?	75	M	B
Moore, Arthur	8/4/07	5m	M	B
Moore, Helen A.	6/21/08	1y 5m	F	B
Moore, Jane	7/27/07	85	F	B
Moore, John H.	10/12/03	44	M	B
Morris, Julia (Oblenus)	1/21/89	61y 21d	F	B
Mulligan, Plossie	3/1/96	6m	F	C
Mulligan, Gladys	4/8/04	5m 2d	?	B
Myers, John	2/15/08	48	M	W
Neal, William	6/11/03	1y 4m 14d	M	B

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Neill, Ester L.	3/1/09	1y 5m	F	W
Neill, Lillie M.	7/22/06	1y 2m 4d	F	B
Neill, Mary E.	1/9/10	1m 3d	F	B
Neilson, (infant)	5/19/11	stillborn	—	W
Neumeyer, Chris	3/7/99	40	M	W
Oblenus, Cora	9/14/94	14y 11m 4d	F	C
Oblenus, Eliz. Mrs.	3/11/83	51y 9m	F	B
Oblenus, Harry	2/25/83	56	M	C
Oblenus, Julia A.	4/21/73	10	F	B
Oblenus, Sarah	9/25/77	22	F	B
Oblenus, Sarah	11/9/82	2y	F	C
Oblenus, William	12/4/94	71	M	B
Oliver, Helen	3/18/18	2y 3m 30d	F	B
Oliver, Jodie	5/17/84	1y	F	B
Olsten, Clark Aaron	3/13/11	3d	M	B
Osten, Paul	10/6/08	stillborn	M	B
O'Blenus, Anthony W.	10/10/02	52	M	B
O'Blenus, Jane	5/11/00	34	F	B
O'Blenus, Mary C.	1882?	34y 4m	F	B
O'Dell, John	5/1/88	1d	M	B
O'Neal, Harry H.	4/7/14	9m 14d	M	W
Palmer, Mary A.	2/28/14	62y 9m	F	B
Parnell(?), Sarah	4/4/01	33	F	B
Patrick, Earl C.	7/12/11	3y 4m	M	B
Pennell, Hampton	6/7/11	55	M	B
Peterson, James B.	9/12/10	7m	M	W
Peterson, Julia	8/6/02	82	F	B
Peterson, Lena	10/6/07	8d	F	B
Peterson, Sarah J.	9/12/17	7m	F	B
Phillips, Annie	3/27/00	28	F	B
Pickett, Andrew	3/24/10	1h	M	B
Plumber, George	1/4/07	stillborn	M	B
Plumber, George W.	5/28/09	stillborn	M	B
Pope, Louetta	3/7/02	1y 9m	F	B
Pope, Louisa	10/6/00	45	F	B
Pope, Oliver	4/2/09	1y 3m	M	W
Pope, William	7/25/02	1d 7h	M	B
Porter, (son)	3/16/93	—	M	B
Porter, Charlotte E.	8/3/89	27	F	B
Porter, George W.	8/18/02	22	M	B
Porter, Josephine	2/1/91	50	F	B
Porter, Josephine	9/3/94	—	F	C
Porter(?), Laura Helen	9/9/06	9m 29d	F	B
Porter, Mary L.	6/3/04	31	F	B
Porter, Samuel B.	1/26/12	64	M	B
Pratt, Annie	4/23/93	17y 7m	F	M
Pratt, Frank W.	8/6/03	25	M	B
Pratt, James	1/18/99	5m 3w	M	C
Pratt, Mammie E.	7/12/00	26	F	B
Price, Annie	6/1/02	48	F	B
Price, Anthony Jr.	6/1/93	42	M	B
Price, Sam	2/14/93	33	M	B
Price, Sarah Jane	2/29/88	65	F	C
Reed, Nettie (Nolan Reed)	7/29/02	17	M	B
Reeve, Melvina	9/16/03	4m	F	B
Rhodes, Annie	4/9/06	1d	F	W
Rhodes, Lillie	5/10/07	1d	F	W
Ridley, Grace	12/2/00	4m	F	B
Roberson, Phalis	1/9/03	88	F	B
Roberts, Nettie C.	5/18/81	3y 1m	F	C
Robertson, Christopher	3/22/11	1m 21d	M	B
Robinson, Caesar	7/10/96	90	M	B

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Robinson, Hannah	3/9/94	73	F	B
Robinson, Jacob	7/2/22	adult	M	B
Robinson, Susan	8/14/81	80y 11m 17d	F	B
Robinson, Susan	7/20/19	75	F	B
Robinson, William	3/23/89	55	M	C
Rowland, George	12/24/07	33	M	B
Rowland, James	5/31/04	53	M	B
Ruback, Jacob	9/16/08	45	M	W
Russell, (child)	6/20/10	stillborn	—	W
Sacra, Katherine	8/17/11	1m 12d	F	W
Sanders, Charlott(e)	2/3/90	84	F	C
Sanford, Edward	3/6/85	23	M	B
Sanford, Georgianna	6/8/00	55	F	B
Sanford, Henry	10/20/08	70	M	B
Sanford, male infant	5/7/83	31d	M	B
Sanford, Sam (child)	4/27/00	—	M	—
Sanford, Samuel	4/16/01	21	M	B
Saxon, Lida Jane	6/23/82	40	F	B
Schlicke, Carl Frederick	7/28/97	3m 20d	M	W
Schrader, Frederick	10/8/08	stillborn	M	W
Sciaco, Benjamin	3/25/01	42	M	B
Scott, Arella	11/1/09	23	F	B
Scott, Irene A.	8/12/13	2m	F	B
See, Davenport	2/21/94	11m	M	D
Sewkitt, Jacob	11/21/08	4d	M	W
Simmoma, (infant)	4/7/11	—	—	B
Simmoma, Ethel	1/29/05	1d	F	B
Simmoma, Martha	1/30/06	stillborn	F	B
Sisco, Herbert	7/15/94	3m 1d	M	B
Sisco, John	6/8/03	62	M	B
Sisco, Linnai	2/18/90	38	F	B
Skak, Yun(?)	11/18/92	45	M	W
Smith, —	5/13/86	6d	—	W
Smith, Cornelia	8/13/66	11m 6d	F	—
Smith, Jane	3/18/82	41	F	C
Smith, John	8/20/82	1y 2m	M	B
Smith, Leroy P.	12/9/06	5d	M	W
Smith, Mary	2/14/07	stillborn	F	—
Smith, Mrs. Susan	3/10/88	108	F	C
Smith, William	11/10/85	21	M	C
Spencer, Frances	12/17/06	22	F	B
Sprague, Thomas E.	8/18/15	8m 6d	M	B
Stanley, William	4/15/89	50	M	W
Sweeney, Donald A.	7/19/03	9m 8d	M	B
Swinney, Louis	12/14/24	45y 10m 7d	M	B
Taffe, (infant)	9/18/10	stillborn	—	W
Tankwine, John	7/7/94	45	M	W
Tebout, William B.	11/12/90	11y 9m	M	B
Templeton, Gustave	9/17/11	1d	M	W
Thoms, (infant)	6/18/10	5 min	—	W
Thompson, (infant)	5/30/10	stillborn	—	W
Thompson, Ada	8/21/02	adult	F	B
Thompson, Andrew	8/4/92	75	M	C
Thompson, Anthony	8/11/02	adult	M	B
Thompson, Dinah B.	2/15/08	69	F	B
Thompson, Frank	12/27/14	43	M	W
Thompson, Hannah	7/24/06	69	F	B
Thompson, Harry	7/31/86	70	M	N
Thompson, Harry	3/16/12	74	M	B
Thompson, Hester	6/8/87	—	F	B
Thompson, James H.	2/23/14	61	M	B
Thompson, Jane	3/15/81	7	F	C

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Thompson, Johanna	?	—	F	—
Thompson, John	10/27/00	44	M	B
Thompson, Rachel	12/14/02	69	F	B
Thompson, Samuel	7/29/90	70	M	C
Thompson, Sarah	7/16/80	24y 6m	F	C
Thompson, Sarah	11/8/05	44	F	B
Thompson, William L.	7/26/14	21	M	B
Tiebout, John R.	7/12/08	10m 21d	M	B
Toliver, Annie	1/3/04	37	F	C
Toliver, female (?)	7/28/09	stillborn	?	B
Towns, Josephine	3/21/07	26	F	B
Trainer, Susan	6/17/89	50	F	B
Turpen, Lena B.	4/11/22	26y 6m 19d	F	B
Tyler, Mary	6/5/10	25	F	B
Umacka, William	5/13/11	2h	M	W
Urban, Joseph	9/1/93	60	M	W
Van Orden, Maad	5/1/10	22	F	B
Van Ripper, Joseph	11/—/91	56	M	C
Veilhaus, Claus	4/27/91	40y 9m 19d	M	W
Veilhaus, Claus	4/28/91	10m 3d	M	W
Venable, Edward	4/21/13	10	M	W
Vreeland, Rachel C.	4/19/59	22	F	W
Walker, Glydis E.	8/15/10	6m	F	B
Walker, Son	7/31/07	9m 2d	M	B
Watson, Florina May	12/26/88	2	F	B
Watson, Ida	3/8/87	7y 6m	F	C
Watson, Jane	5/21/96	44	F	B
Watson, John Peter	7/1/88	20y 6m 14d	M	B
Watson, Thomas C.	8/1/05	26d	M	B
Welz, Henry	6/9/10	1d	M	W
West, Robert	9/28/06	1y 4m	M	B
Westcomb, (child)	2/9/92	C	—	C
Westcomb, James P.	1/10/06	48	M	B
Westcomb, Owen E.	7/25/93	3m	M	M
Wheeler, Joseph	4/1/88	80	M	C
White, Eleanna	2/10/93	12y 6m	F	B
White, Eva	12/14/89	1y 8d	F	B
White, Fannie	6/29/00	18	F	B
White, George Washington	5/18/15	64	M	B
White, Henry	5/22/11	25	M	B
White, James	5/21/13	44	M	B
White, Lucy	5/12/24	70y 9m 25d	F	B
White, Maggie	3/25/84	3	F	C
Wilkins, Rastus	2/14/07	9m	M	B
Williams, (Peter) Henry	8/9/89	36	M	C
Williams, Hannah	2/4/92	—	F	—
Williams, James E.	11/10/05	4m	M	B
Williams, Robert	5/6/82	43	M	B
Williams, Robert Ed.	3/31/82	4m	M	B
Williams, Thomas	1/12/81	69	M	B
Williams, Thomas	5/28/00	66	M	B
Wilson, Eva May	3/8/16	2y 24d	F	B
Wilson, John	5/9/07	46	M	B
Wilson, Lucy F.	8/11/96	22	F	C
Wise, (infant)	10/10/11	stillborn	—	B
Wise, Harriet	7/16/03	?	F	B
Woody, Ellis E.	8/17/11	32	M	B
Woody, Irene	12/17/12	22y 9m 19d	F	B
Wright, Archie I.	7/26/07	1d	M	B
Wyatt, Eunice W.	12/16/04	20y 8m 8d	F	B
Young, John	5/29/02	47	M	W



# *Souls of Gethsemane*

*What will they say about me when I'm gone  
Will it be that I enjoyed the wonders of nature  
At its worst and best  
Turned my face to the sun and rain  
- smiled and basked in its glory  
Said amen that is good*

*Will they say I was a good son / daughter / brother / sister  
father/ mother - friend  
A true member of Human Kind who reached out to others  
To heal, touch and express the emotions of one being  
In tune with the joy of life --- the joy of being*

*Will they say that I gave to my community  
And shared by the giving of my time, my strengths  
Then speak of my ability to communicate with the  
Young, the old, the less fortunate*

*Will they say I enjoyed my journey on this Earth - lived it well  
Had a life full of experiences while sharing  
and caring about others  
Knew the importance of my time here and understood its gift*

*Will they say I was a child of God  
Who loved Him, lived by His message and desire for me  
To do what I was sent on Earth to do*

*As my old bones rest in peace  
I hope they say I made my mark  
And left this world a better place  
Say through me and my story  
I have helped heal a generation / bridged a road to understanding  
And sparked a sense of brotherhood  
For those who will follow*

*--- Jeannette Curtis-Rideau*



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