



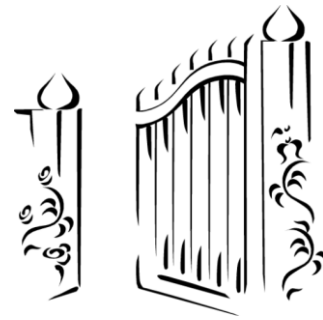
# TRUSTEES OF CEMETERIES

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An important duty of the Town, through its Cemetery Trustees, is to "...provide and maintain around all...cemeteries a good and sufficient fence, and to supply the fence with necessary gates". Each year as funds permit the Trustees target one or more sites to install, replace and/or repair fences, walls, and gates. Given the number of burial sites and cemeteries within the Town, the natural deterioration of fences and gates, and some additional problems with falling limbs, trees, frost and cows it is a never-ending process! But in 2009 with the assistance of the Beech Grove Cemetery Assoc two major sites received new/renovated gates.






A two year project at the Buzzell Cemetery on Shellcamp Road was completed in 2009. This cemetery was expanded in 1988 by the then owner, Buzzell Cemetery Assoc who placed a farm gate at the main entrance to the new section. The cemetery was transferred to the Town in 2005. In 2008 Kevin Fife completed wall work to facilitate the installation of permanent gates for pedestrians and vehicles and in 2009 David Court designed, fabricated and installed the two gates. The design is a significant enhancement to our primary Town cemetery and well complements this historic heritage site.

With a vote of support from Town Meeting 2009, the Beech Grove Cemetery Assoc disbanded and transferred ownership of the Cemetery to the Town of Gilmanton in July. All existing records and lot care funds are also now held by the Town. The 6+ acre site, originally established as the Beech Grove Cemetery by Samuel L Greeley in 1872, currently consists of six separate burial sections with 243 evident burials. The existing gates were erected in 1922. Prior to transferring the Cemetery to the Town, the Beech Grove Cemetery Assoc renovated the existing gates with minor gate and wall repairs and refinishing. The gates will serve a fitting entrance to this very lovely site for many years to come.








The Trustees are currently gathering more detailed information on the Beech Grove Cemetery. If you have old pictures, letters, information on individuals buried there, lot deeds, obituaries or other such information that you would be willing to share please send it to the Cemetery Trustees at the above address or leave it with the Town Clerk. Originals or copies are accepted and originals can be reproduced and returned.

Other 2009 Cemetery projects included:

-  Amendment of Cemetery Rules to include newly acquired Beech Grove Cemetery
-  Removal of a very large tree down into the Tibbetts Cemetery – no damage occurred to gravestones or boundary wall
-  First lot sale in the Buzzell Cemetery as a Town cemetery

Not all of our 2009 anticipated projects were completed, and those along with others constitute our 2010 “*List of Things To Do!*”:

-  Post information/regulation signs at cemetery sites and erect easement and access markers
-  Complete the rock wall surrounding the Foster Cemetery
-  Evaluate replacement of missing wall section at the Beech Grove Cemetery
-  Draft a Trustees Handbook
-  Work with Probate Court to simplify lot ownership process

In addition to Kevin Fife and David Court who assisted us in 2009, the Trustees wish to thank the Voters of the Town of Gilmanton, Carl Moorehead, Paul Lines, Richard Foss, and neighbors to the Sawyer Lake and other cemeteries who help to maintain the sites, remove brush and limbs, allow access over their property to the cemeteries and keep a watchful eye on these important community sites. Additional information on sites, including available lots can be accessed on the Town website. Please contact us at any time with your information, questions or comments.

Very Respectfully Submitted,

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Cemetery, Burial Ground and Historic Sites managed by the Cemetery Trustees:

<b>Beech Grove<sup>S</sup></b> Province Road	<b>Foss<sup>NS</sup></b> Pine Hill Road	<b>Levi Hutchinson<sup>NS</sup></b> Rogers Road	<b>Plummer<sup>NS</sup></b> Sawyer Lake Road
<b>Besse<sup>PA</sup></b> Hall's Hill Road	<b>Foster<sup>NS</sup></b> Allens Mill Road	<b>Lougee<sup>NS</sup></b> Crystal Lake Road	<b>Sanborn<sup>NS</sup></b> Middle Route
<b>Buzzell<sup>S</sup></b> Shellcamp Road	<b>French<sup>NS</sup></b> French Road	<b>Mary Butler Homesite<sup>HS</sup></b> Mary Butler Lane	<b>Sawyer Lake<sup>NS</sup></b> Sawyer Lake Road
<b>Carr<sup>NS</sup></b> Upper City Road	<b>Friends<sup>NS</sup></b> State Route 140	<b>Merrill<sup>NS</sup></b> Pancake Hill Road	<b>Sleeper<sup>NS</sup></b> Old Stage Road
<b>Clough<sup>NS</sup></b> Old Stage Road	<b>Guinea Ridge<sup>NS</sup></b> Guinea Ridge Road	<b>Mudgett<sup>NS</sup></b> Loon Pond Road	<b>Smith Meetinghouse<sup>PA</sup></b> Meeting House Road
<b>Copp<sup>NS</sup></b> Province Road	<b>Hatch Road<sup>NS</sup></b> Hatch Road	<b>Mudgett Homesite<sup>HS</sup></b> Pancake Hill Road	<b>Tibbetts<sup>NS</sup></b> Route 140
<b>Edgerly (1)<sup>NS</sup></b> Old Stage Road	<b>Hatie Smith Road<sup>NS</sup></b> Hatie Smith Road	<b>Osgood<sup>NS</sup></b> Loon Pond Road	<b>Town Pound<sup>HS</sup></b> Province Road
<b>Edgerly (2)<sup>NS</sup></b> Hatch Road	<b>Hilliard<sup>NS</sup></b> Thistle Road	<b>Page<sup>NS</sup></b> Middle Route	<b>Weed<sup>PID</sup></b> Allens Mill Road
<b>Emerson<sup>NS</sup></b> Geddes Road	<b>Hillside<sup>NS</sup></b> Edgerly Road	<b>Parsons<sup>NS</sup></b> Province Road	<b>Wicka<sup>NS</sup></b> Meadow Pond Road
	<b>Leavitt Road<sup>NS</sup></b> Leavitt Road	<b>Pine Grove<sup>PA</sup></b> Stage Road	<b>Wilson Hill<sup>NS</sup></b> Upper City Road

<sup>S</sup>-Lots for Sale    <sup>PA</sup>-Private/Association    <sup>HS</sup>-Historic Site    <sup>NS</sup>-No Lots for Sale    <sup>PID</sup>-Pending ID