Pioneer Cemetery

Bath, Steuben Co., NY

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"WHAT OLD TOMB STONES TELL US"

Early Residents of This Village Recalled by Inscriptions on Tomb Stones in Old Cemetery.

The Village Improvement Society has prepared the following list of names and dates on the stones in the Old Cemetery , beliving that many readers of the villiage papers, both in and out of town, may be interested therein.

Among them are some of more than passing interest as that of the daughter of the founder of this villiage; the first pastor of the Presbyterian Church, and others here given:

- In memory of Christian Williamson, daughter of Charles and ---- Williamson Born in Scotland 11th Nov. 1789 Died at Bath 2d Sept. 1795.
- Sacred to the Memory of the Rev. John Niles Pastor of the first Presbyterian church of this villiage who departed this life on the Lords' day morning Sept. 13th in year of our Lord 1812, et. 36 yrs.
- In memory of Joseph Inslee for many years an Elder and Deacon in the Presbyterian church who died April 3d 1813 aged 75 years.
- Eleanor, wife of Gen'l Geo. McClure who departed this life June 16th 187 ae. 40 yrs.
- Emminent for domestic virtues, beneficence and piety. In her faith example and counsel, she being dead yet speaketh.
- In memory of The profound Schollar and Humble Christian Mr. Eli Eddy, classical instructor 1783 - 1832.
- This stone is erected by his affectionate students.
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- Rufus Sears a minister of the gospel 1817-1842.
- James More, 1727 - 1829
- John Moore, 1775-1859
- Dr. Absolem Townsend, 1805-1844
- Henry A. Townsend, 1769-1837.
- Elizabeth Muffat Townsend, 1774-1813
- Sarah G. dau. Benj. and Helen Wood, 1822-1844
- Helen D. Fowler, John Fowler infants.
- John and Nancy, children of Reuben and Nancy Robie.
- Johnathan Robie, 1811-1833
- Erastus Glass, 1782-1841
- Lydia Glass, 1779-1835
- Alfred Glass, 1807-1834
- Homer Glass, 1806-1833
- Franklin Glass, 1804-1838
- Mary Ann Oldfield, 1814-1836
- James Johnson, 1781-1858
- Eunice Johnson, 1760-1826
- Adalaid R. Page ...1847
- John Warden, 1765-1841
- Elizabeth Warden, 1759-1833
- Julia wife of King Watkins, 1793-1870
- George Beckwith, 1810-1835
- Thomas Rutherford, 1778-1852
- Ann Masen Rutherford, 1788-1827
- Thomas S. Rutherford, 1811-1835
- Thomas Rutherford, 1818-1842
- Elizabeth Rutherford, 1822-1844
- Thomas M. and Vilet R. Rutherford
- Catherine Amelia Daniels
- Esther Ann White, 1835-1853
- Mary Corbett, 1825-1854
- Susan Jennett Gibson 1842
- George W. Taylor, ... 1841
- Elizabeth Taylor, 1784-1857
- John Faulkner, 1754-1833
- Catherine Faulkner, 1760-1848
- Catherine Faulkner, 1801-1853

- Richard Faulkner, 1805-1853
- Maria A. Faulkner, 1794-1836
- John P. Faulkner, ... 1834
- Henry Hallis, ... 1848
- Alex M. Conner, 1819-1841
- Rachel, wife of Edward Howell, 1762-1822
- William and Robert Howell, ... 1838. Twin children of
- William and Adelphia Howell
- Harriet Howell Reeves, 1783-1829
- Martha, wife of Dr. A. Niles, 1815-1845
- Permelia, wife of Rev. Daniel Lawton, 1818-1842
- Fanny d. dau James and Caroline Webster 1846
- Delana, dau Wm. and Mary Biles
- Infants, Thomas and Lucinda Bailey
- Thomas, son of Jesse and Emily Edwards, ... 1852.
- George S. Hempstead 1829
- Sarah, wife of John McCoy, 1805-1821
- John B. Metcalf, 1816-1857
- Henry McElwee, 1770-1858
- Jane McElwee, 1777-1813
- Nancy Rutherford McElwee, 1815-1840
- Charles Edward Lane, ... 1811
- Children of Parez and Susan Gilmore
- Amos Fisk, 1788-1827
- Belinda Porter Leland, 1806-1842
- Dominick Quin, 1796-1827
- Andrew Smith, 1762-1837
- Elizabeth Smith, 1770-1858
- Robert Irwin, 1763-1842
- Marth Irwin, ... 1847
- Joseph French, 1798-1833
- Catherine French, ...1828
- Nancy Cole, 1808-1820
- Ebenezer Rice, 1778-1843
- Sarah H. Rice, 1821-1842
- Children of L.H. and E.L. Read, ... 1842 and 1845
- Joseph Sloan, son of Rev. Isaac Platt, 1824-1843
- Rebecca Platt, ... 1836
- John Graham, 1780-1845
- Susan Graham, 1801-1850
- G. Plowman Graham, 1822-1840
- Hnery A. Graham, 1823-1841
- John Moore, 1771-1830
- Amanda Moore, 1772-1851
- Finia McClure, 1796-1847
- Louisa Hendee, ... 1849
- Samuel Turner Edwards, 1789-1810
- Polly, dau. James and Sarah Faulkner, 1796-1812
- Harriet Rochester, 1794-1815
- David Whitaker, 1814-1825
- Aaron Butcher, 1765-1842
- Phyminta Butcher, 1782-1862
- John Richardson, 1777-1855
- Catherine Richardson, 1783-1858
- Amanda Richardson, 1819-1845
- Wm L. Richardson, 1816-1834
- Nancy Richardson, ... 1810
- Sally Ann Richardsion, ... 1825
- Simeon P. Niles, 1815-1845
- Asa, son of Ephraim and Sally Smith, ... 1834
- Elias L. Platt, ... 1843
- David S. Black
- Mary Jane Black
- William G. Black
- Weighty wife of George Wilcox, 1797-1851

- Thomas Cooper, 1778-1846
- Philemon M. Chase, 1799-1820
- Sarah G. wife of Alfred Brundage, 1825-1843
- Mary Brundage Ellas, ... 1835
- James French, 1769-1842
- G.S.F. Comstock (soldier of the Civil War).
- Robert W. VanGelder (soldier of the Civil war) 1847-1862
- Polly VanGelder, 1801-1845
- Rhoda A. Hedges, 1794-1832
- Andrew G. Burley, 1798-1811
- Nancy Willour
- Morgan L. Willour, 1832-1837
- Eliza Ann Bowlby, 1811-1842
- ..... Carruthers, 1824-1845
- Philip Morse, 1816-1843
- Wm. H. Ellas, ... 1822
- Pennetty, Zephania, children of John and Barbara Campbell.
- John, son of James and Sally Smith, ... 1841
- Betsey dau. Jas. W. and Polly Strong, ... 1822
- Catherine Lindsay, ... 1831

The president of the Village Improvement Society will be pleased to receive assistance in restoring these stones from descendants or other relatives of those buried in this cemetery. It is hoped that this place may be converted from disgrace and an eyesore, to a suitable resting place for the dead.

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