Palatine Church Site • Section 5

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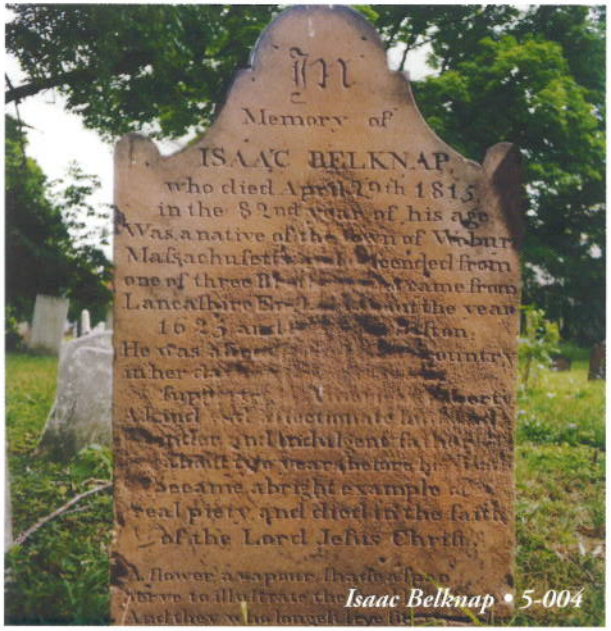

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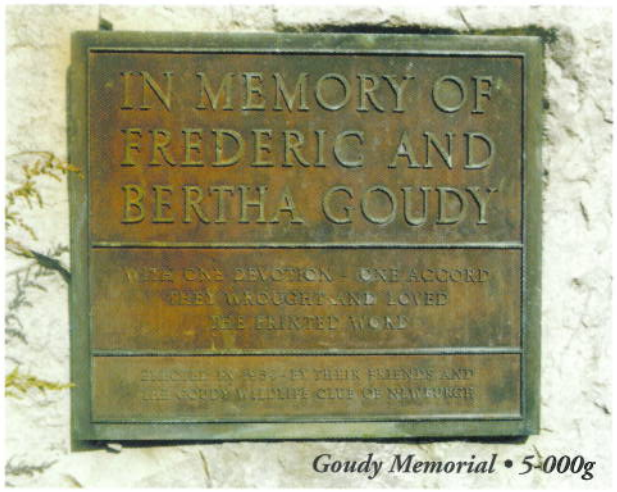

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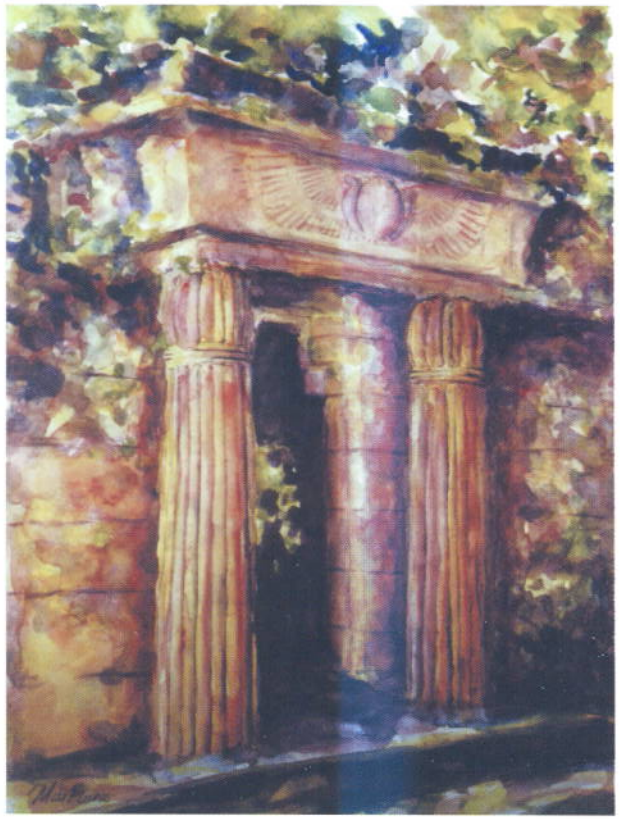

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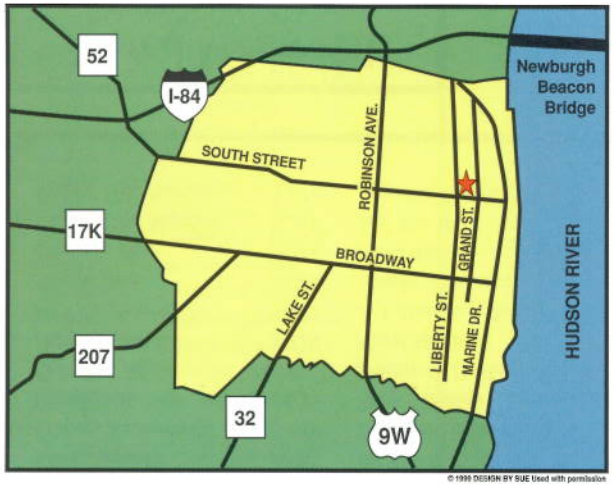


Congressmen

Jonathan Fisk, (3-431) born in 1778, moved to Newburgh in 1800, studied law, was admitted to the bar in 1802, and immediately commenced practice. He was elected as a Republican to the Congress in 1809, and in 1813. President James Madison appointed him United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York in 1819.

Thomas McKissock, (3-434) born in 1790, McKissock was admitted to the bar and commenced practice in Newburgh. He was appointed to the NYS Supreme Court in 1847, and was elected as a Whig to Congress in 1849.

Robinson Mausoleum

According to a *Newburgh Telegraph* story of February 8, 1908, Captain Henry (Bully) Robinson, whose farm embraced what is now Washington Heights, was the first to bring goldfish to America. The 1853 mausoleum, thought to be designed by Andrew Jackson Davis, is the only Egyptian Revival monument in the world that consists of a pyramid erected atop a mastaba. Captain of a vessel engaged in trade with French ports, Robinson brought home a lot of "those pretty fish", and put them in a pond on his farm. By 1835-36, he settled down in Newburgh to pass his declining years.

Although his life in Newburgh was one of retirement, Captain Robinson formed several rowing clubs, particularly the Newburgh Regatta Association in 1837, later the Newburgh Amateur Boat Club Association. He died on March 9, 1866, aged 83 years and 10 months. Legend has it that "Bully" was always promising his wife a mansion, which turned out to be the magnificent mausoleum. There were no surviving children, and it is believed that the family became extinct with the passing of other distant relatives.

Old Town Cemetery History

The Old Town Cemetery was begun in 1713, about four years after the first German pioneers arrived. It predates the Glebe Patent of Newburgh issued in 1719, the incorporation of Newburgh as a village in 1800, and, of course, its incorporation as a city in 1865.

There are about 1,686 persons buried in the cemetery. The earliest burial that could be ascertained by those who published inscriptions in 1898, is 1759 (5-019 Geroge Meritt), though even at that time there were stones already so old that the writing had been obliterated. The last burial took place around 1967, but there is at least one later family memorial stone.

In the northwest corner is Weygant's/Weigand's Tavern, whose patrons included George Washington, who frequented it during the 16 months he maintained his headquarters in Newburgh. In the southwest corner is Calvary Presbyterian Church, built by Frederick Clarke Withers in 1858.

Overlooking the Hudson River, the Old Town Cemetery is the oldest cemetery in the Hudson Valley. It is located in the block bounded by Liberty, South, and Grand Streets, where the church of the Palatine settlers stood (the outline of which is marked in the cemetery with a DAR memorial).

Architects' Memorial (Proposed)

In tribute to those who are part of Newburgh's architectural history, such as Withers, Davis, White, Nivens, Upjohn, Estabrook, Pollard, Olmstead, Vaux, and Downing, this memorial will be created using materials and details synonymous with each.

Graves & Memorials of Selected Noted Persons

Designated by ★ on the map

PERSON	SECTION	NOTED FOR
Ammerman, Derrick	3-189	Amer.Rev., Sloop Master
Anderson, Mary	5-141	Yellow Fever Victim
Belknap, James	3-442	Fire Chief, Postmaster
Belknap, Samuel	5-003	Bunker Hill
Belknap, William	5-001	Amer. Rev. Officer
Bowman, Phineas	5-084	Amer. Rev., Legislature
Bowman, Mary	5-084	"Of Marked Character"
Bradford, Merritt	3- 118*	Mayflower Descendant
Brown, Chichester MD	2-093	Noted Physician
Brown, John	3-221	1798 Irish Rebellion Refugee
Buckingham, Benjamin F.	1-156	Fire Chief
Carpenter, Henry B.	2-083	Street Name, First Foundry
Carpenter, Jacob	5-034	Nbg-Fishkill Ferry
Carter, Elizabeth	5-140	Yellow Fever Victim
Chambers, John	1-126	Street Name
Clark, James C.	3-085	1st Barber, Wigmaker
Clinton, Katherine S.	3-409	Daughter Of Dr. Clinton
Clough, Jane Ann	4-054	Sloop "Neptune" Survivor
Crawford, James	3-006	Brother Of David Crawford
DaSylva, John	3-114	Noted Merchant
DeWint, Peter C., Jr.	3-132	A. J. Downing's Brother-In-Law
Dewitt, John	3-226	Member Constitutional Conven.
Donnelly, Peter	3-024	Noted Author
Dubois, Gen. Matthew	3-269	Rev. War Hero
Dubois, Gen. Nathaniel	3-371	Brigadier General
Fisk, Jonathan	3-431	Congressional Representative
Forsyth, Rev. John	3-327	Author, Published Sermons
Fowler, David	1-145	Street Name
Fowler, David Dr.	3-470	Noted Physician
Fowler, Rev. Samuel	3-090	Methodist Minister
Freneau, Mary	5-278	Revolutionary Poet's Daughter
Gardiner, Robert	3-257	Sloop Captain
Gazlay, Ward M.	3-364	Publisher Of "Political Index"
Gidney, Isaac	1-025	Street Name
Goudy, Frederick & Bertha	2-000g	"Father Of Typesetting"
Gourlay, Robert	3-414	Capt., War of 1812
Halstead, Capt. C.	3-201	Barge Captain
Hasbrouck, Isaac	3-461	Son, Col. Jonathan Hasbrouck
Hasbrouck, Jonathan	3-464	Street Name
Hedges, Dr. Phineas	3-268	Noted Physician
Halstead, Gersh'm	2-039	Steamer Captain
Howell, Benoni H.	3-329	Fire Chief
Howell, David	5-078	Noted Merchant
Hoyle, Raphael	3-149	Artist, Hudson River School
Hubbard, Edward	1-164	Hudson River Pilot
Hunn, John S.	5-280	Bank Cashier
Johnson, Samuel	1-087	Steamer Captain
Kemp, Robert D.	1-030	Street Name
Krebs, Rev. John M.	1-125	Presbyterian Minister
Lander, Benjamin	3-308	Street Name
Lawson, John	3-255	Fire Chief
Lawson, Robert	4-111	Grocer, Village Board Of Trustees
Ledyard, John	4-130*	President, Village Board Of Trustees
Leon, Pedro	1-099	Early Glebe Resident
Lewis, Benjamin Franklin	3-014	Bookseller, Binder, Publisher
Libby, William S.	3-348	Noted Merchant
Macaulay, Robert	3-075	Son Of Noted Hotel Keeper
Mace, Benjamin H.	2-000m	Postmaster
Mailler, William K.	3-026	David Crawford Associate
McCarrell, Rev. Joseph	2-079	Associate Reformed Minister
McKinley, William	3-224	Noted Citizen
McKissock, Thomas	3-434	Congressional Representative
Niven, Daniel	5-178	Capt, Engineers, Soc. Of Cincinnati
Noyes, Aaron	3-360	Brickyard Owner
Reeve, Selah	3-380	House In Famous Engraving
Robinson, Capt. Henry	3-318	1st goldfish to America
Rogers, James	5-195	Sloop Captain
Rogers, Jason	5-194	Sloop Captain
Simpson, Joseph	1-096	Bookseller, Stationery
Smith, Benjamin	5-144	Named Street For Grandfather James
Sneden, Samuel G.	3-406	Leather Manufacturer
Thayer, William	2-101	Noted Merchant
Thayer, William	2-102	Noted Merchant
Walsh, John DeWitt	3-321	Street Name
Watkins, Victor M.	2-076	Teacher, Librarian
Wells, John W.	2-085	1st Foundry Successor
Woolsey, Elijah	2-036	Sloop Captain

* Stone Missing

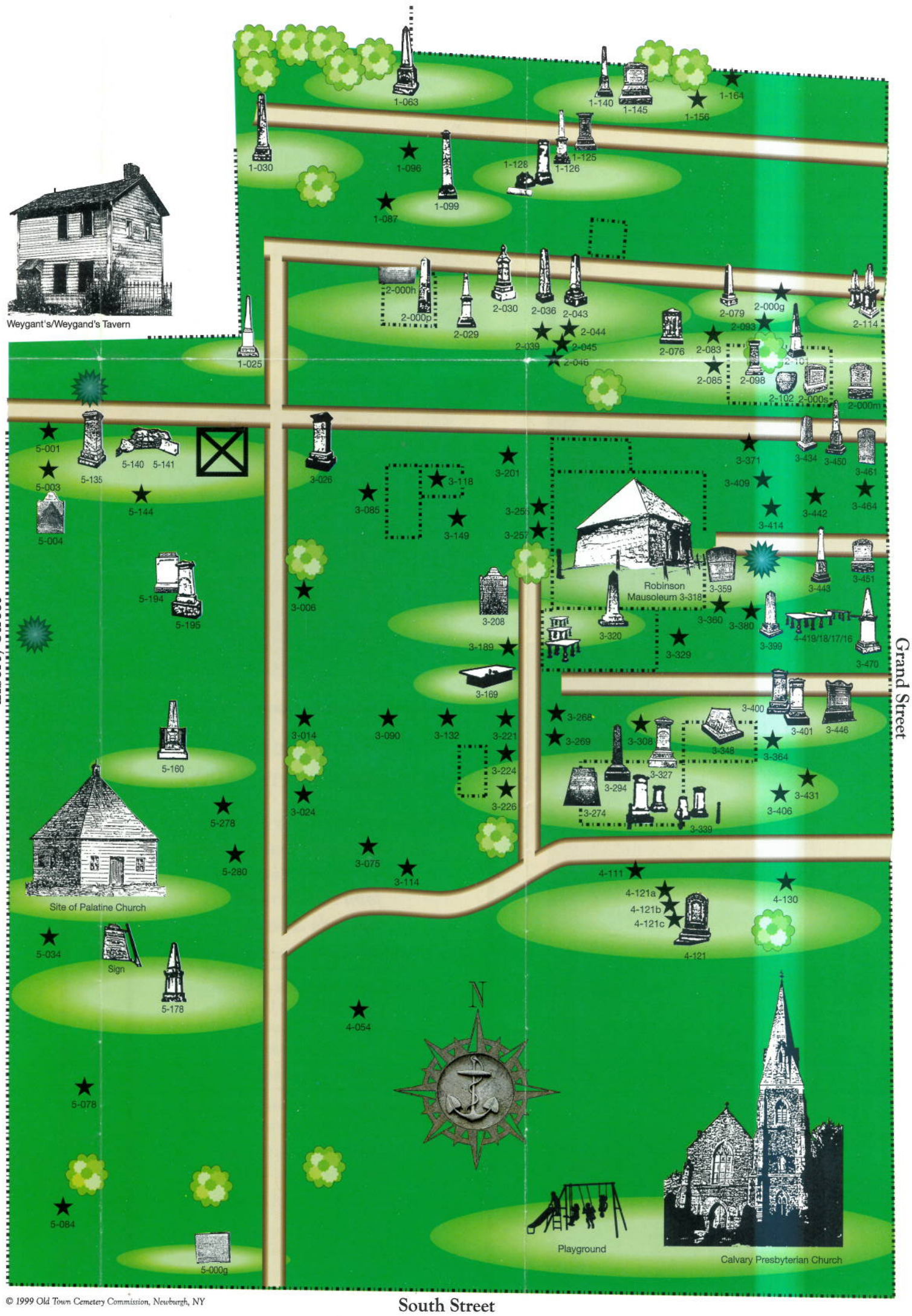
Noted Memorials

Designated by drawings on the map

SECTION	PERSON
1-025	Gidney, Isaac
1-030	Kemp, Robert D.
1-063	Lilburn, Nancy
1-099	Leon, Pedro
1-125	Krebs, John M.
1-128	Krebs, Katherine
1-140	Wiseman, Archibald
1-145	Fowler, David
2-000h	Horobin family
2-000m	Mace, Benjamin
2-000p	Pryer Family
2-000s	Sypher, Obagiah Lum
2-029	Clyde, John & Sarah White
2-030	Quaid Family
2-036	Woolsey, Elijah
2-043	Hilton family
2-076	Watkins, Victor M.
2-079	McCarrell, Rev. Joseph
2-098	Carpenter Family
2-101	Thayer, William
2-102	Thayer, William
2-114	Gidney, Jonathan
2-115	Gidney, Fanny Scott
3-026	Mailler, William K.
3-169	Waddington, Robert
3-201	Halstead, Capt. C.
3-208	Gillespie, William
3-274	Thompson, James
3-294	Forsyth, John
3-318	Robinson, Capt. Henry
3-320	Walsh Family
3-327	Forsyth, Rev. John
3-339	Beveridge/Forsythe
3-348	Libbey, William S.
3-359	Marsh, Harriet Noyes
3-399	Reeve Monument
3-400	Mailler, William
3-401	Belknap, Marieta
3-416	Roe, Mary
3-417	Roe, Jane
3-418	Vanderbeck, Ann
3-419	Walker, James M.R.
3-434	McKissock, Hon. Thos.
3-443	Reeve Family
3-446	Belknap, Aaron
3-450	Hasbrouck, Eli
3-451	Johnston, William
3-461	Hasbrouck, Isaac
3-470	Fowler, Dr. David
4-121	Stewart Family
Section 5	Historical Sign
Section 5	Palatine Church site
5-000g	Goudy Memorial
5-004	Belknap. Isaac
5-078	Howell, David
5-135	Dodge Family
5-140	Carter, Elizabeth
5-141	Anderson, Mary
5-160	Garrett family
5-178	Niven, Daniel
5-194	Rogers, Jason
5-195	Rogers, James

Legend

- Gravesite Noted Memorial
- Pine Tree
- ★ Gravesite Noted Person
- Deciduous Tree
- Path
- Site of Architects Memorial (Proposed)
- Fence



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