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RIVERSIDE CEMETERY AND FOUNDATION

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THE CHOICE IS YOURS

When our founders carved Riverside Cemetery out of virgin farmland in 1876, they had a vision.

They weren't wanting a cemetery for their time plus a couple more decades. If that had been their plan, Riverside would have been filled and closed long ago.

But the prominent Clevelanders who built Riverside were thinking about the future.....about you.

So they built a cemetery which would meet all Greater Clevelanders' needs for 200, or more, years. We are proudly into our second century of service.

And our founders gave us more than a beautiful cemetery site with plenty of room to grow.

They gave us some very important guidelines, and important heritage, for Riverside's operations:

- Always consider, and care for, each person selecting Riverside as a member of our extended family much as his or her own family.
- Always provide the highest quality maintenance and care of the grounds while allowing families to remember departed members in their preferred manner.
- Always serve people with personal consideration, honesty, and in complete confidence without regard to religion, race, or background.

Those were pretty strong orders, yet, as Riverside has endeavored over the years to meet your changing needs, we have never varied from those guidelines.

Today we believe and we hope that you will find that Riverside Cemetery offers you more value and concern for your investment in burial rights.

We offer you and your family:

1. Traditional sections where you may remember your family members with above-ground memorials and tasteful, personalized planting.
2. Memorial park sections for those who prefer the atmosphere of open space provided by flush, ground-level markers.
3. Group sections where members of church, fraternal, or social groups may be together and where special memorials or remembrances can be arranged.
4. An urn garden and columbarium in a rustic valley seclusion setting for those who choose cremation.
5. A special section set aside just for infants, and another area for youths.
6. Endowment programs for those families who want to provide memorial tributes and/or have annuals planted (where permitted) each year or to arrange for more frequent special turf care for their sites beyond that provided by our normal high standard maintenance.
7. A convenient interest-free payment program for purchasing burial sites long before they are needed to spare surviving family members of this last-minute emotional task.

Above all, Riverside Cemetery still has several thousand desirable sites throughout our grounds to serve you, and your family's needs for many, many years.

And, at Riverside all of your discussions about burial sites, and any other concerns, are handled personally by our General Manager and our Administrative Staff who serve without financial commission. Their primary concern is always serving your individual needs and best interests with honesty and integrity in a very caring, sincere and totally confidential atmosphere.

We would like to show and discuss with you historic Riverside Cemetery's beautiful grounds and burial options before a loss of life occurs, as well as when a time of need occurs. Our office hours are from 8:00-4:00 Monday through Saturday. While appointments are not required, an advance call can allow us to better serve you at your desired convenience.

Just remember.....*The Choice Is Yours.*

NEW SECTION DEVELOPMENT

Two new sections are being developed for probable opening in 2004. Both are traditional in design. One is Section 31, directly across from Section 30 and just north of our Willowdale Avenue entrance. Its basic design will match its predecessor, but it will offer the opportunity for one-piece, double-wide memorials or single headstones in the rows which do not back up to the shrubbery dividers. The latter will all be sized for monuments or lower memorials of any size which fit on the lot.



In our valley, Section 21 is tangent and due east of Babyland, Section 18. A beautiful wooded hillside rises above this flatland area and is footed with a rustic split rail fence. Some lots here will be sized for monuments (10 ft.) while others (9 ft.) will accommodate single piece, double-wide markers, grass level up to 18" high, or single headstones up to 18" high. This will be our first traditional offerings of this type in our scenic valley.



We are confident you will find our pricing for these larger memorial accommodations to be favorably competitive with any other local Cemeteries having similar offerings. Your comparative inquiry is always welcome during our regular office hours.

MEMORIAL TRIBUTE POLICY

We are continually asked about our policies with regard to floral memorials placed on gravesites. It is especially concerning to persons who discover an item(s) missing which they have placed earlier.

Memorial tributes are always placed at one's own risk. When you and I place such items on the graves of our family members, we must do so with

the understanding that someone without compassion or conscience may decide our tribute would be better in a place of their choosing.

We permit live and artificial items year round. This privilege is not allowable in most cemeteries, especially regarding artificial items. We grounds-clean all graves only twice annually on 3/01 and 10/15. Most other cemeteries do this far more frequently, some weekly or within prescribed, short time periods after specific special occasions. Our primary stipulation is that everyone limit the number of items on one grave to 3. If several persons want to participate in putting items at a grave, rotate the tributes – remove one old when placing one new. Too many items at one location look uncomplimentary to your loved ones and create an unsightly appearance to the general cemetery. Your cooperation in this regard will be greatly appreciated. Over-decorated graves will be cut back as necessary.

If you are not sure what is allowed in your section, it is always advisable to check with the office first. This will avoid our having to remove something which is not permitted.

SILK FLOWER BOUQUETS



We are still offering a nice selection of beautiful silk flower bouquets for our families and friends to purchase for gravesites. Total cost for the bouquet, tax, and placement if desired, is \$20.00. They are all on display in the office

Each bouquet comes with a small green plastic self-standing vase, will fit into the various fold-in vases, or can be inserted in the ground directly. They are very appropriate at anytime of the year, but are especially nice for birthdays, anniversaries, Mother's and Father's Day, and Memorial Day. Other than our 3/01 and 10/15 clearing times, we will not remove these items. And, we cannot assume responsibility for them after they are placed.

IN-GROUND FLOWER VASE

We also have two types of fold-in vases available for sale. One is made of aluminum and costs \$20 installed. The other is zinc and costs \$35 installed.

FROM THE FORMEN

♥ HEARTFELT GRATITUDE ♥

BY SHIRLEY & KEN

It is with much gratitude that we acknowledge a generous grant to our Foundation recently from the Charles M. & Helen M. Brown Memorial Foundation. The primary intended purpose of this gift is to provide funding for establishing a Riverside Web Page and ultimately offering important information about our Cemetery and burials for the historical and genealogical education and research of our immediate and extended families and friends as well as the general public.

The warm weather is finally here. Just a few friendly reminders for the summer season.

- Please limit the items to 3 per grave; Anything more than 3 will be removed.
- We ask that no glass or porcelain items be put out. They break too easily and our staff and visitors can get hurt.
- Also, please do not put out rocks or pebbles around headstones, plantings or decorations. They do not stop the grass from growing and they are very dangerous when trimming and cutting the grass.
- For the families that plant flowers on their lots, please remember it is your responsibility to keep them weeded. The plants make the cemetery look very nice, but when the weeds take over they resemble overgrown fields and look terrible. When this situation occurs, we will have no alternative but to cut them down.
- Always check with the office first to see if your section allows in-ground planting. If the section does not, annuals must be put in a pot which can be moved comfortably.

Your co-operation in these guidelines will be greatly appreciated by your Cemetery's administrative and grounds maintenance staff as well as our valued families and many welcome visitors.

"HAVE A GREAT SUMMER"



"Whatever your lot in life,
build something on it"

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q-If we need time to consider the purchase of pre-selected burial space, what arrangements are available to hold the graves in reserve?

A-Upon request, we will hold pre-selected graves for up to 30 days without financial obligation. After that time, if no action has been forthcoming, the "hold" is removed and the spaces involved are returned to open availability. If one wants to keep graves on reserve, an interest-free account must be opened with a 20% downpayment or they can be purchased outright and receive a 5% discount.

We periodically receive requests to reserve gravespaces, especially at the time of a death within the family, and often we never hear from the potential buyers again. Then, many months, or even year(s) later, they call and are disappointed when they realize the wanted space is no longer available. Therefore, if one does want to be near other family or friends, they need to act when the desired plots are still available.

Q-Why don't you charge extra for perpetual care of newly purchased graves as I've noticed is done by some other Cemeteries?

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Seasonal Gate Closing Hours

During the summer and early fall this past year, we experimented with a later closing of our gates. Since it was only a trial run, the posted gate time was not changed. Our gates remained open until 7:00 p.m. during the week and continued to close at 5:00 p.m. on weekends. We feel this later accommodation better served our working families, and was well received. Therefore, we'll continue the later weekly closings again this year following the daylight savings schedule (from the first Saturday in April through the last Saturday in October), and will extend the later closing hour to include weekends and weekdays.

LEST WE FORGET...



JOHN N. DAYKIN
1829 – 1892

John N. Daykin was a conductor on Abraham Lincoln's Funeral Train.

He was born on December 6, 1829 in Gunnerside, Yorkshire, the eldest son of Joseph Daykin and Ann Woodward. In 1833 he traveled to America with his parents where they settled in Sharon Center, Ohio. John Daykin came to Cleveland in 1852 where he worked as a stonemason. On December 1, 1854 he got a job as a brakeman on the Cleveland, Columbus and Cincinnati Railroad. A few months after his marriage in 1856 he was promoted to freight conductor, a position that he held until September 1, 1865. It was during this period that he was honored to be a member of the crew of Abraham Lincoln's funeral train. On April 29, 1865 it traveled from Cleveland to Columbus on the C.C.C. railroad during its journey from Washington D.C. to Springfield, Illinois. John Daykin was promoted to Passenger Conductor in September 1865 and continued in that position until his retirement in 1888.

Like his father and grandfathers before him, John N. Daykin invested in real estate. He is shown as having an ownership interest in Lot #24 in Sharon Township at one time. In 1857 he acquired some property in Sheboygan County, Wisconsin from his father. The family's long time interest in Nebraska began in 1869 when John purchased land in Jefferson County that would later be the site of Daykin, Nebraska. Several years later he added to his Nebraska holdings with the purchase of two sections in neighboring Nuckolls County.

Between 1865 and 1879, he purchased at least five properties on Walton Avenue in the near west

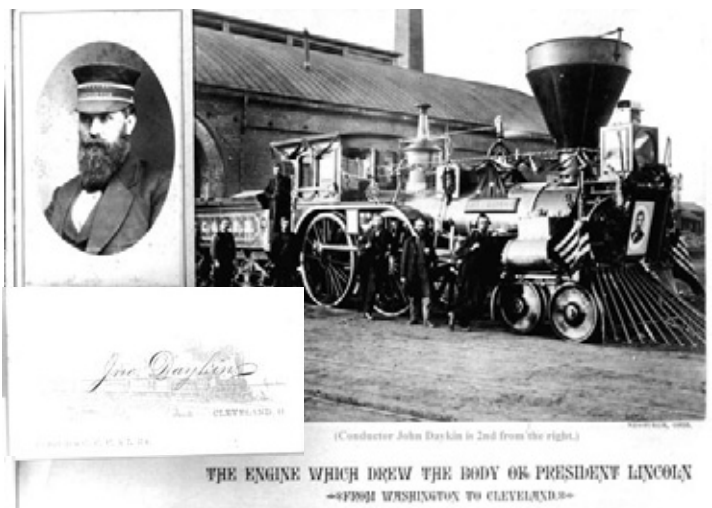
side of Cleveland. One of these lots was at the corner of Walton and Mill Street that was the location of John N. Daykin's home at the time of his death. In May 1877 James Lonsdale Broderick visited John Daykin while he was in Cleveland during his trip from Yorkshire. Regarding his visit, James Broderick reported: "He drove us out with a fine horse, once a winning trotter and very fast, to see the Cemetery which was laid out last year and of which he is a trustee. They have a small burial chapel and a vault underneath into which coffins are let down and kept for some time before burial for fear resurrection men would get the bodies for the Medical Students to dissect. John Daykin introduced me to Mr. Curtis, superintendent of the Cemetery." (Mgr. note: This is the first time this explanation for the vault has ever surfaced.)

The Daykin Lot is distinguished by its large central family monument topped with a magnificent reclining granite lion. We are told by family that John Daykin selected this animal to recognize his British heritage where the monarch is symbolized by the lion.

After his death in 1892, in a Memoriam issued by The Riverside Cemetery Association, of which he had been a charter member of its Board of Trustees, it was said that "he was a favorite conductor on the C.C.C. road. He was noted for his punctuality, never in 34 years having failed his train."

This information was taken from family research supplied by Philip Daykin of Prescott, AZ, great grandson of John N. Daykin.

PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S FUNERAL TRAIN





TITUS N. BRAINARD
1825-1910

In 1814, Asa Brainard traveled forty days by Ox-Team wagon from Connecticut to the Western Reserve of Northern Ohio and bought about 140 acres on Columbus Street (now Pearl/W. 25/Scranton) to establish a residence and a farm. Since we are told all of the land at that time was owned by brothers-in-law Lords & Barber (Josiah Sr), we assume they were the brokers who sold it to him.

Titus was the grandson of Asa and the 3rd generation to run the farm. Not all of the land was converted to crops; much of it remained rustic woodland with streams, ravines, and a variety of bridges connecting various parts together. The residence and out-buildings were situated approximately where Scranton Rd. now intersects with W. 25 St., including some of the land where I-71 is located.

In November 1875, Titus agreed to sell 102 1/2 acres of his property to the newly formed Riverside Cemetery Association. Thirty acres were developed rather quickly in time for a public opening on July 8, 1876. As Titus contemplated where his family lot would be located, he was said to have noted that the rural land below the northeastern bluff of the property would never remain as farmland but would surely be transformed into a major city. This was especially probable, he felt, because of its proximity to Lake Erie. He wanted his lot to overlook this development, so he chose a place where this would be possible. His friend and neighbor, Nicholas Meyer, selected a similar-sized lot close-by and overlooking his adjacent farm.

Titus probably saw some of his City prophecy fulfilled since he lived until 1910 when west side Residential and Commercial development was then well underway.

A-We trust 20% of the income from every gravesite sold in our Perpetual Care Fund, which is double the minimum State requirement. Our Perpetual Care amount, therefore, is included in our stated grave prices and is not added on as a surcharge.

Q-You are now 128 years old, do you still have space available?

A-Most definitely! What most persons see when passing our Cemetery on Pearl Road is our shortest border. The grounds spread out eastward to a total acreage just under 90. We overlook I-71 from the Pearl/W. 25th entrance to the Innerbelt, as well as a long segment of the Jennings Freeway.

Space in our originally developed sections is limited, but we still have considerable room in areas which were developed mainly in our last half century. At this time, we don't have a mausoleum for casket entombment. We do have niches, however, for the above-ground entombment of urns. Ground burial with almost any type of headstone or monument is available for your consideration.

There are no commissioned sales persons or counselors at Riverside. All burial right sales here are handled personally by the General Manager and his Administrative Staff.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

- William HalleyGeneral Manager
- Valere CraigAdm. Asst.
- Marijane HalleyAdm. Asst.
- Shirley BillGeneral Foreman
- Kenneth LangleyAsst. General Foreman

Cemetery gates are open 7:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m. 4/04-10/29
Office hours are 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday – Saturday
(except holidays)

CEMETERY GRAVE CLEAN-OFF DATES
MARCH 1 & OCTOBER 15

NAME CROSSES IN FLAT STONE AREAS PERMITTED
NOV. 1 – APR. 1 ONLY

RIVERSIDE CEMETERY IS A NON-PROFIT ASSOCIATION OF LOT OWNERS WHOSE REVENUES FROM SALES & SERVICES ARE USED TO MAINTAIN AND ENHANCE OUR GROUNDS.

Please remember your beautiful Victorian Stone Chapel when considering a place for funeral and/or memorial services. Since our re-opening, after a four-year restoration, we have had 90 services in our Chapel including two small weddings. Every family was so pleased with the very special atmosphere and feeling they experienced during their time in this treasured, historical building.

If you are in a daytime group, which possibly has luncheon meetings, and would be receptive to a unique location and program, you might want to consider using our Chapel. A box lunch could be enjoyed outdoors, either under the porte cochere or on the surrounding grounds, followed by a short orientation on Riverside and maybe a little tour of some notable burial sites. You could also have lunch elsewhere with just your program here. Interested persons can discuss this option with Bill Halley by calling the Cemetery Office.

Contributions to our Foundation are used for needed general grounds embellishments and to support educational programs hosted by our staff and outside volunteers. Among the grounds programs, we have underwritten our annual professional feeding of 1/3 of our trees, some roadway resurfacing, adding new trees in open areas, restoration work on our Nationally Registered Administration Building, and the total restoration of our 1876 Stone Chapel. Many century-old Non-Profit Cemeteries, like ourselves, need this type of financial assistance for such general projects which benefit all of our families and visitors through the enhancements of our grounds which would be difficult and often not possible to handle with our normal operating revenues. We really appreciate the thoughtful and generous support we've received in this regard, and hope this tax deductible assistance will continue.

In Grateful Appreciation

New Contributors and Additional Gifts To Our Foundation Since the Fall Issue

Helen & Charles Brown Memorial Foundation	Shirlie Wozniak <i>In memory of Lt. W.E. Glatz & Thaddeus Wozniak</i>	Tom Baran
Delores Valachovic <i>In memory of Sophia Stepanik & Paul Valachovic Jr.</i>	Maryann & Don Obert <i>In memory of Joseph Poe II</i>	Ede & Ralph Spencer <i>In memory of the Schmotzer & Wagner Families</i>
The Foster Family Foundation	Ellis Thompson <i>In memory of Virginia Thompson</i>	Susan & Earl Feierabend <i>In memory of Agnes & George Feierabend</i>
The Carey Funeral Home <i>In memory of Families we have served</i>	William Allen Jr. <i>In memory of William Allen Sr.</i>	Marijane & Bill Halley <i>In memory of Madeline & Heber Halley & Paul Hiller</i>
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Walda Otankis	Daniel Kossin <i>In memory of Elinor Marshal & Ralph Kossin</i>	James E. Michael
The Lubrizol Foundation	Barbara & Robert Oldenburg	Normand Thomas <i>In memory of all Veterans who have served under an American Flag</i>
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