

Copeland Hill Cemetery



Copeland Hill Cemetery is located at 2 Cemetery Lane in the Township of Tiny.

Copeland Hill Cemetery, also known as United Cemetery has a rich history and is designated under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, and listed on the Municipal Heritage Register. It is connected to the Wesleyan Methodist Church, which held services in Penetanguishene as early as 1829 to begin the conversion of First Nations to Christianity. The Church owed its beginnings to members of the garrison from Drummond Island that settled here after Drummond Island was returned to the Americans following the War of 1812.

The Copeland Family donated the land for the Cemetery in the 1830s. They were a predominant industrial family of North Simcoe with vast holdings in timber and owned and operated many mills in the area. The Cemetery has some prominent citizens buried in it, including members of the Gidley Family. Gidley boats are revered worldwide for their craftsmanship and quality. Upon his death, John Gidley was considered to be the pioneer of Canadian watercraft.

Most of the graves are in good condition for their age, though some have been taken over by the surrounding forest. In the original plan, the back area was “reserved for strangers”.

Below are those at rest in this Cemetery.

Index of Souls

Name	Dates
Belyea, Elizabeth	1805-1892
Belyea, James	1806-1891
Bluff, Hannah	d. 1904
Bowles, Robert	1814-1894
Bowles, William H.	1844-1916

Breithwaite, Bessie M.	d. 1891
Brock, Archibald	1872-1960
Brock, Ethel E.	1905-1909
Bush, Austin K.	1876-1967
Bush, Charles	1865-1952
Bush, Clifford	1911-1922
Bush, Hazel E.	1917-2000
Calhoun, Pte. J.W.	1883-1947
Cummings, Earnest S.	d. 1891
Cummings, Francis	d. 1891
Cummings, James O.	d. 1891
Davidson, Alfred B.	d. 1872
Day, George T.	1865-1950
Donaldson, Elizabeth	d. 1904
Donaldson, George	1878-1961
Donaldson, Minnie	d. 1899
Donaldson, William	1871-1963
Donnenworth, Elizabeth	1852-1932
Donnenworth, Frederick	1840-1922
Ethel, Ina	1896-1903
Frankland, Jane A.	1839-1922
Gidley, Capt. John	1829-1893
Gilley, Mary	d. 1873
Glaspell, Edwin W.	1845-1915
Glaspell, Fred A.	d. 1913
Glaspell, John	d. 1894
Glaspell, John	1808-1892
Glaspell, Mary A.	1816-1886
Glaspell, Sarah A.	1854-1915
Hall, Zalmon Louis	1889-1894
Hargrave, Harriett	d. 1907
Hart, Charles	d. 1904
Hornsby, Alice	d. 1881
Hornsby, John	d. 1892
Hornsby, Joseph	d. 1898
Hornsby, Joseph	d. 1876
Jennings, Millicent	1857-1891
Lynn, Jennie V.	1875-1906
MacGregor, Carrie	1885-1965
MacGruther, Elizabeth	1844-1923

Maguire, Sarah J.	d. 1904
Martin, Frank	1907-1976
McCarty, Emma	1856-1893
McDonald, Sarah A.	1879-1966
Milligan, Mary	1836-1913
Newberry, William	d. 1910
Osborne, Alexander C.	1835-1924
Osborne, Earnest W.	1872-1894
Osborne, Harry L.	1864-1889
Patterson, Zillie	d. 1873
Ray, Elizabeth	d. 1891
Ray, John	d. 1824
Redpath, Mary	d. 1905
Reynolds, Effie Etta	d. 1897
Smith, John	d. 1889
Sneath, Alfred	1828-1915
Sneath, Alfred John	1868-1883
Sneath, Eunice	1863-1949
Taylor, Emily	1846-1928
Taylor, Richard	1810-1889
Warren, Mary A.	1835-1887
West, Gertrude	1872-1945
West, Martha	1798-1883
West, Maud	1877-1959
West, William	1839-1914
Whalen, Alfred	1880-1884
Whalen, Charles	1867-1912
Whalen, Frederick	1877-1889
Whalen, William	1841-1915
Wright, William	d. 1889
Yates, Lillie	d. 1880
Yates, William	d. 1884
Young, Mary E.	1846-1904