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1841

WOODLAND

HISTORIC CEMETERY & ARBORETUM



April Tours & More!

With close to 200 acres to roam, more than 3000 trees to enjoy, and a treasure trove of history to discover, Woodland is a beautiful place to learn about the history of Dayton.

- Parking is available both inside and outside the Main Gate.
- Meet at the Eichelberger Plaza (pictured above--in front of Main Office, inside & right of the gate)

- Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a water bottle if needed.

- Tours will launch rain or shine, except in the event of thunder or lightning.

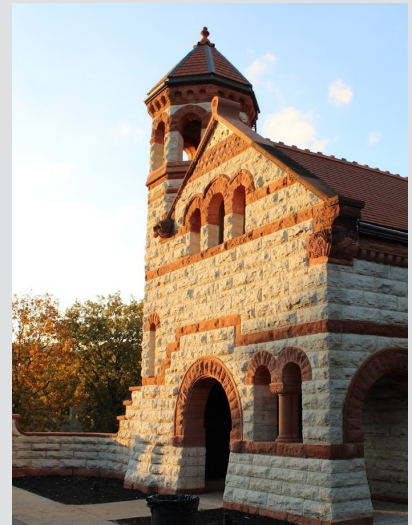
- All tours require a reservation and a \$5 donation to the Woodland Foundation is suggested. Your generosity helps us to preserve, protect, and share the treasures of Woodland with our friends and neighbors.



Classic Historic Tour:

Founded in 1841, Woodland is one of the oldest rural cemeteries in the United States.

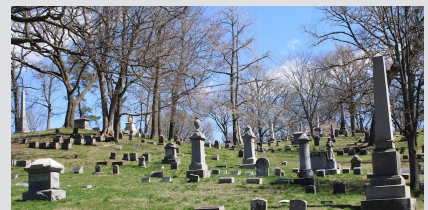
Visit the final resting place of the Wright Brothers, Paul Laurence Dunbar, Erma Bombeck, James Ritty, the Stanley Family, the Mead Family, George Newcom and many other famous and infamous Daytonians.

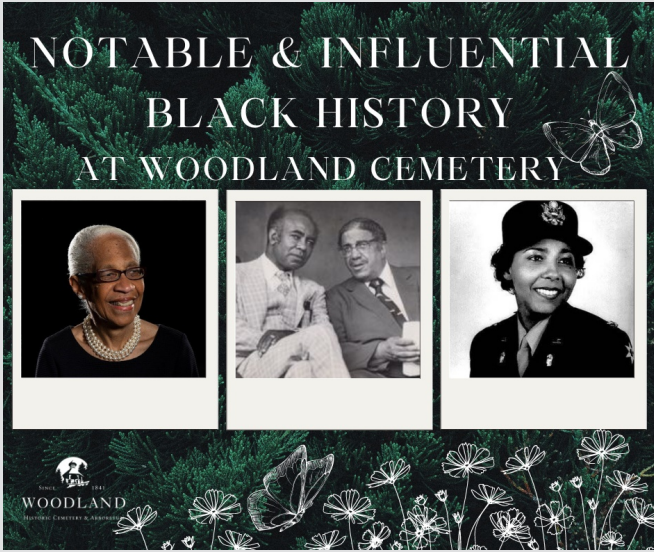


Upcoming Tour Dates:

- 4/15 @ 5:30pm
- 4/16 @ 10am & 6:30pm
- 4/18 @ 6pm
- 4/23 @ 10am
- 4/25 @ 6pm
- 4/29 @ 5:30pm

Click [here](#) to register!





**Notable & Influential:
Black History at Woodland**

Celebrating some of Dayton's notable Black citizens!

Learn about the brilliant scientists, vibrant artists, and shrewd politicians whose invaluable contributions made Dayton the city it is today.

Upcoming Tour Dates:

4/27 @ 2pm

Click [here](#) to register!



The Daytonians:

Stories of local heroes, inventors, and lives touched by tragedy. Did you know that Jack "Johnny" Walker Jr. was a well-known Dayton television personality and businessman? That Margaret Mayo served as a nurse during the Civil War? Who killed Delena Allman?

Upcoming Tour Dates:

4/20 @ 11am

Click [here](#) to register!





Upcoming Tour Dates:

4/30 @ 6:30pm

Click [here](#) to register!

History, Mystery, Murder & Mayhem

Whose deathbed confession solved the murder of young Christine Kett?

Was a serial killer really stalking the streets of Dayton in 1905?

Who did Jacob Harvey escape from prison to kill?

Learn about Woodland's brushes with the law in these true stories of History, Mystery, Mayhem & Murder!

- This tour takes approx. 2 hours, and is sometimes described as "strenuous"; young children or elderly persons may struggle with the terrain.
- Please Note: This tour relates actual accounts of murders that took place in Dayton. Content may not be appropriate for all audiences; participant discretion is advised.



□ Woodland Residents Who Saw the Solar Eclipse of 180 □:



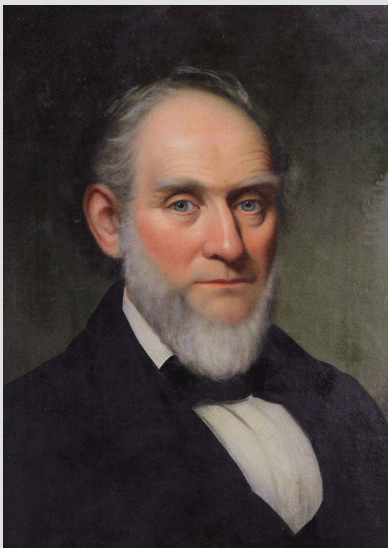
Lydia Huffman

1779-1865

After service one Sabbath morning, Mrs. Lydia Huffman was baptized in the Miami river, a little to the east of the present site of the Main Street bridge. It was the first baptism, so far as known, ever witnessed in Dayton.

Section 61, Lot 182

Above Photo: "History of the First Regular Baptist Church of Dayton," p 14



1791-1868
Section 77, Lot 235

Anna & Jacob Bosler

Dr. Jacob Bosler, after a practice of twenty-five years as a regular physician, became a convert to homeopathy in 1849, and followed that system of practice the rest of his life.

- "History of Dayton, Ohio"
(1889), Chapter 20



1805-1865

Photos: Dr. Jacob Bosler, circa 1858, attributed to artist Charles Soule. Anna Bosler, attributed to Ira Condit Denise.



Joseph Wheeler

1796-1871

Born in Halifax County, Virginia in 1795, Wheeler was emancipated in 1805 and moved to Dayton in 1824. He married Catherine Sells, and their descendants have "played a significant role in Dayton's history in the areas of law enforcement, the preservation of local black history, music and community/fraternal organizations," according to "Dayton's African American History" by historian Margaret E. Peters.

Section 90, Lot 873

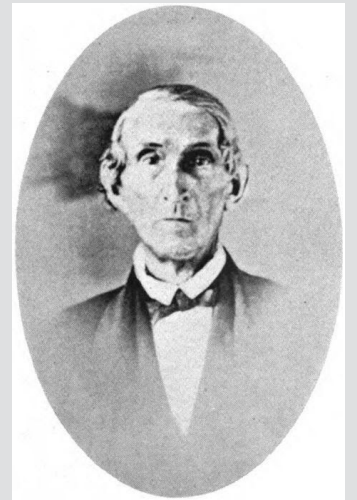
Above Photo: From "Dayton's African American History" by Margaret E. Peters, 1995.

Jane & Nathaniel Wilson

1800-1874 & 1791-1849

Jane, daughter of George and Mary Newcom, was born in Dayton on April 14, 1800, at her father's tavern, on the corner of Main Street and Monument Avenue. She was married in 1819 to Nathaniel Wilson, a respected early pioneer in Dayton. He was one of the first school directors of the city and served as treasurer beginning in 1840. He was also a member of the Grand Jury that indicted accused murderer John McAfee. McAfee was ultimately found guilty and hanged at the edge of town.

Section 16, Lot 52



Photos: via FindAGrave.com



Share Your Story With Us!



Here at Woodland, we love to share stories of those who rest within our grounds.

It is most often thanks to family members or newspaper articles that those stories reach us, which allows us to include their loved ones in features like this.

Does your relative have a story we should be telling? Let us know by sending an email to ashimp@woodlandcemetery.org

Come Visit Us!



Volunteer opportunities

Woodland is seeking volunteers to give presentations to community groups on subjects such as local history, notable biographies, and trees.

Not into public speaking? Consider getting involved with our horticulture team, or assisting with special events & research projects.

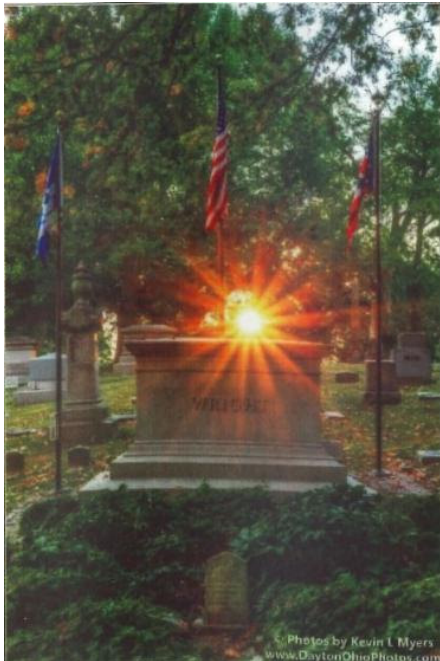
*If there is something you'd like to see here at Woodland please reach out to us & suggest it!

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday
8am-5pm

If you need help finding where someone is buried, need directions to a particular area, or have questions about pre-planning or funeral services, Woodland's Staff is here to assist you!

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