

HISTORIC WEYMOUTH CEMETERY

Weymouth Preservation Society – Medina Township

Weymouth's first burials 1819 to 1838 were at the Indian burial ground overlooking the Rocky River. This cemetery was originally for the Heacox family whose graves are near the cemetery entrance. Some headstones are very early, with graves of settlers born in the 1700s. This became the cemetery for the Weymouth Church. The tall evergreen trees along the east edge of the cemetery were planted as a hedge in 1872. Visitors tied their horses to the white board fence and it was covered with chew marks. The gravestones were cleaned and restored by the WPS and the Township in 2014. The graves have been photographed and can be found on Find-A-Grave.com.

1. **Edward Perkins** was a teacher, lawyer and state representative. When I71 was built the Perkins house was moved to Hamilton Road.
2. **Eunice** and **Lemuel Graham** were some of the earliest Weymouth settlers, arriving by horse & wagon in 1824. They were married in Vermont in 1784 and had 13 children. Lemuel fought in the Revolutionary War.
3. **M Cresida McAlmont** died I 1849 8 months old. Her father was a Weymouth doctor. He went to Little Rock, Arkansas where he was mayor, founded the medical college and performed the first knee surgery that could bend.
4. **Flora Penfield** was 14 months old when she died. Her father Samuel Penfield was pastor of the Weymouth Church 1847-1850. At first, all we could see was Flora C so it took a long time to determine who she was.
5. Local storekeeper **John Sayle** emigrated from Ireland and died in 1841, age 31. "All you that come my grave to view, Think I lived once on earth like you. Do not delay repent in time, For I was taken in my prime"
6. Rev Roger Searle was a missionary from Connecticut who founded St Paul's Episcopal Church, the oldest organized congregation in the county, in Weymouth in 1817. His daughter **Cecelia Searle** died here age 23.
7. **Amos B Alcott** and brother **Eugene Alcott**, sons of Addison and Almira Alcott who were the Aunt and Uncle of famed author Louisa May Alcott.
8. **John Wooster** died July 18, 1853, aged 76. His gravestone was made by AG Tousley whose shop was on South Court in Medina. "KSHTWSST" in a circle is a Masonic symbol. Medina Masons were founded March 9, 1820.
9. **Roland Hamblin**, son of Mary Jane and David, died at 3 months. Lambs signify the innocence of children.
10. **Selden Barnes Welton's** granite obelisk. He arrived in 1818, logged off 5 acres where the Weymouth Church is now, and "sowed them to wheat." He died in 1881 at age 86 of "gradual wearing out of the fabric of life".
11. **Eben Welton** Selden's son born in Connecticut in 1764 served in the Revolutionary War. His farm was on Granger Road. He died in 1853 and still has descendants in our area.
12. Wainwright and township trustee **James Palmer** built a cabin on lot 16 in 1816. His wife Susan was a renowned landscaper. Note his footstone, the small marker with the initials JP behind his grave.
13. **Joseph Packard** (1835-1867) was wounded in the Civil War. Battlefield surgery left him bedridden. After three more surgeries, his leg was removed at the hip in 1867 but he died three days later.
14. **Eliza Northrop Barnes** was the township's first teacher, in a log cabin built when the settlers arrived in 1817.

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