

Resident Spotlight: Father and Son Soldiers

Col. John Grimes and Alexander Grimes

Col. John Grimes was born April 27, 1755, a son of Samuel Grimes of Pennsylvania. John later served with distinction in the Revolutionary War. In 1808, John ran a tavern on the east side of Main Street near Monument and First streets. It was a log building, one and one half stories high with a log barn and feed yard located near the back alley. The large living room of the house became the popular place for many of the socializing events of that day. The bell in the belfry rang twice for meals as was the custom at taverns in those days. When the town meeting was called to discuss building a free-bridge across the Mad River, the meeting was held at Col. Grimes tavern on January 27, 1816. At that time, the town's people were crossing the river by ferry boats. The building of the bridge was a major advancement in early Dayton history. Col. John Grimes died on June 13, 1836 at the age of 81. Col. Grimes was originally buried in the old 5th St. burial grounds and later was reinterred at Woodland Cemetery on June 12, 1855. His final resting place is in Section 77 Lot 135.

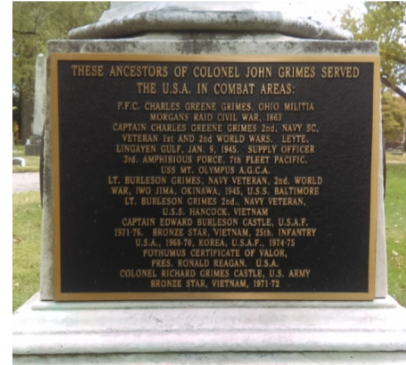


This industrious son of Col. John Grimes, Alexander Grimes, served in the War of 1812. Alexander was a Dayton merchant who worked in close association with Steel and Peirce under the name of Grimes & Company. In 1828, Alexander was one of Dayton's fire wardens and formed the fire-guards to provide protection and security around fire areas. Mr. Grimes was elected to the State Legislature in 1827 and 1830 and was cashier from 1831 to 1843 of Dayton's first bank. He also served as the Auditor of Montgomery County. Mr. Grimes was married twice. His second wife was the sister of Charles Russell Greene, Marie Antoinette Greene. Alexander Grimes died January 12, 1860 at the age of 69. He is located in Section 77 Lot 136.



On one side of the Grimes monument you will find the ancestors of Col. John Grimes who served in the U.S. Military and their honors.

P.F.C. Charles Greene Grimes - Ohio Militia Civil War
 Capt. Charles Greene Grimes, II - U.S. Navy: WWI, WWII
 Lt. Burleson Grimes - U. S. Navy: WWII
 Lt. Burleson Grimes, II - U. S. Navy: Vietnam
 Capt. Edward Burleson Castle - U. S. Air Force: Vietnam
 Col. Richard Grimes Castle - U. S. Army: Vietnam



Woodland Honors All Veterans

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)

The VFW traces its roots back to 1899 when veterans of the Spanish-American War (1898) and the Philippine Insurrection (1899-1902) founded local organizations to secure rights and benefits for their service. Many arrived home wounded or sick and there was no medical care or veterans' pension for them. Often times, they were left to care for themselves.

Today, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States is a nonprofit veterans service organization comprised of eligible veterans and military service members from the active, guard and reserve forces.

Woodland is the final resting place of veterans of every war in which the United States has been engaged.

Charles Goodwin Bickham (1867 - 1944) Medal of Honor Recipient



Lt. Bickham received his Medal of Honor for "distinguished gallantry" on May 2, 1902, in the Battle of Bayang, during the Moro Rebellion.

Lt. Bickham "crossed a fire-swept field, in close range of the enemy, and brought a wounded soldier to a place of shelter." His medal was awarded by Theodore Roosevelt on April 28, 1904.

Charles Goodwin Bickham is located in Section 101 Lot 1420.



Moments in Time from our Friends at South Park Historic District

Henry Elias Ware 332 Johnson Street

Henry E. Ware served a three-year enlistment as a private in the Union Army, Company E of the First Ohio Volunteer Infantry regiment, from September 1861 to August 1864. This regiment served in Kentucky and Tennessee, fighting in a number of conflicts including Shiloh, Chickamauga, and Missionary Ridge. During his service, Ware suffered a gunshot wound but fulfilled his enlistment.



Following his return to Dayton, the Dayton City Directory lists Henry as a city fireman from 1866 to 1870 and an engineer from 1876 to 1893.

Henry married Caroline Ziesler on September 19, 1861 in Montgomery County, Ohio. He died on June 22, 1894 due to rheumatism. Henry, Caroline and other family members are buried in Section 69 Lot 396.

Windows of Woodland

Dunbar's Willow

This window depicts the words written in the Negro dialect associated with the antebellum South by Dayton poet and author, Paul Laurence Dunbar, in the poem A Death Song published in 1913. You can also find the poem on the bronze plaque at his grave site in Section 101.

Lay me nigh to whah 'hit makes a little pool
An' de watah stans' so quiet 'lak un' cool
An' de little birdies in de' spring
Ust come an' drink an' sing
An' de chillun waded on dey way tu' school

You are invited to visit the Mausoleum to view all of the beautiful stained glass windows within at your leisure or join us for a guided tour on Thursday's June 8, July 13, August 10, September 7 or October 5 at 9:00 a.m.

Please RSVP to [937-228-3221](tel:937-228-3221).

The Mausoleum is open daily from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Photos along the walls were submissions to our annual photo contest that is held in September of each year. Patrons and guests of the cemetery are encouraged to take photos throughout the year. For more information on the Photo Contest and a complete set of rules, click [here](#) to visit our website.



Upcoming Tours and Events

Spring Migration Bird Walk

Saturday, May 13, 2017 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Let's Talk Trees Tour

Wednesday's: May 17, June 14, July 12, August 16,
September 13 and October 11

Time: 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Memorial Day Weekend Office Hours

Saturday, May 27 8 am - 4 pm

Sunday, May 28 10 am - 4 pm

Monday, May 29 9 am - 4 pm

Memorial Day Weekend Gate Hours

Woodland Ave. Entrance 8 am - 7 pm

Waldo St. Entrance 8 am - 6 pm

Memorial Day Service

Monday, May 29 at 2:00 pm

Join us in the Civil War section as we honor our veterans with a special program and service.

Woodland Historic Tour

June 14 and 24, July 12 and 22, August 16 and 26, September 13 and 23, October 11 and 21

Tours begin at 10:00 am

History, Mystery, Mayhem and Murder Tour

Thursday's at 5:30 pm: June 15, July 20, August 17,
September 21

Saturday's at 10:00 am: June 24, July 22, August 19,
September 16

Evening Lantern Tours beginning at 6:30 pm: October 3, 5, 9, 11, 12, 16, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26

Faith and Friends Radio Broadcast and Walking Tour

Thursday, August 3, 2017

Bill and Melody will be broadcasting live from Woodland Cemetery from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. Then join them for the Women of Woodland walking tour at 6:30 pm.

Woof Walk

Saturday, August 5

Tours begin at 9:00 and 10:30 am

Discover Woodland Days

Sunday, October 1

Tours begin at 12:00, 12:30 and 1:00 pm



Dayton Metro Library Programs

Early Brewers of Dayton

Northmont Library in Englewood

Monday, May 15, 2017 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Call [937-463-2665](tel:937-463-2665) for more information

Doctors of Dayton

Kettering - Moraine Library

Tuesday, June 20, 2017 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Call [937-496-8939](tel:937-496-8939) for more information

Cemetery Symbols and Representations

Wilmington - Stroop Library

Monday, July 17, 2017 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Call [937-496-8891](tel:937-496-8891) for more information

Cemetery Symbols and Representations

Northmont Library in Englewood

Thursday, August 10, 2017 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Call [937-463-2665](tel:937-463-2665) for more information

Street Names of Dayton

Kettering - Moraine Library

Tuesday, August 22, 2017 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Call [937-496-8939](tel:937-496-8939) for more information

Tours and programs are free and open to the public. Reservations are required for all tours at the cemetery. Please call [937-228-3221](tel:937-228-3221). For more information about tours and programs at Woodland and in the community, click here to visit our website. Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum is located at 118 Woodland Avenue off of Brown Street near the UD campus.

Volunteers Needed!

Woodland is seeking volunteers to lead tours and present programs to the public. If you like history and enjoy walking through the cemetery call us now for immediate training. Not interested in leading a tour, we have other positions as well: historical research and helping to plan out new tours, assisting with special events, public speaking engagements, researching family histories, sewing costumes for special events, researching and tagging trees and plants in the arboretum, office work, etc.

For more information on these or any of our volunteer activities, please contact Debra Mescher at [937-228-3221](tel:937-228-3221) or debra@woodlandcemetery.org.



Continuing Education Credit for Nurses and Social Workers

Communicating Bad News - presented by Richard Kaufhold of VITAS Healthcare.

Wednesday, May 10, 2017 from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm at Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum in the community Mausoleum located at 118 Woodland Ave., Dayton, OH 45409.



One (1) Clinical Education credit hour will be given to each attendee.

Please RSVP (required) by May 7 to Angela McCracken at angela@woodlandcemetery.org or 937-228-3221 ext. 140.

Light refreshments will be served.

Support Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum!

Are you a ClubDLM or Kroger Plus Card holder? Would you like to support the Woodland Cemetery Foundation by doing your normal grocery shopping? You can when you register your shopping card to our organization! **Remember, you must sign up for this opportunity each year but you can sign up during anytime of the year.**

→ Go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com and link your Kroger Plus Card to Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum #28721.



→ Go to www.dorothyane.com/ClubDLM/goodneighbor and link your ClubDLM number to Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum #821.



→ We are a CFC-approved charity. Designate your contribution to our organization. Use CFC code: 44068.



Our Foundation continues to focus on the restoration, preservation, horticultural and educational projects needed to keep Woodland a cultural resource for Dayton and Ohio. Thank you for your continued support!

Thank you for your donation to Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum

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Woodland Arboretum Foundation

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Membership Level

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_____ \$50 Contributor	_____ \$250 Associate	_____ \$1,000 Patron
_____ Other	_____ \$175 Anniversary Club	

Foundation members will receive our quarterly newsletter, *Woodland Wire*, and invitation to member events.

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Woodland Cemetery is proud to partner with the following organizations: The Aviation Trail; The National Aviation Heritage Area; Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historic Park and ThinkTV.



Interested in learning more about Woodland and who is buried there? Visit our Facebook page to read the historical biographies of our residents and to see photographs of our beautiful outdoor museum.