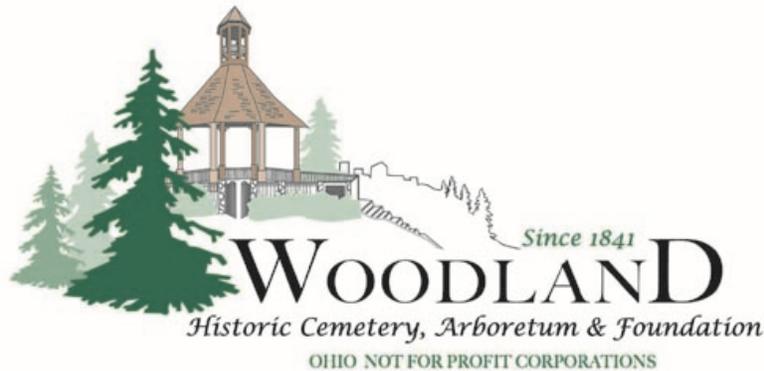


Beautiful. Timeless. Still Available...



Another 175th Year Milestone!

On Memorial Day 2018 and in anticipation of the 175th Anniversary of the first burial in Woodland Cemetery on July 11, 1843, Woodland would like to express our sympathies and condolences to our community: May God bless everyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one today and everyday. Be strong and cherish the moments of happiness.

The first burial at Woodland took place on July 11, 1843 when Allen Cullum, who died on July 9th was laid to rest in Section 77 Lot 83. He was a native of Butler County, Ohio and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellow's (IOOF) and was just 38 years old.

Leading up to the first burial, the Woodland Trustees gave public notice that the cemetery would be open for the sale of burial lots on June 7, 1843. On June 24, 1843, Letitia C. Backus purchased Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Sections 55 and 65, including the alley ways for \$140.00. In those lots are buried Woodland notables: General Fielding Loury, Major David Ziegler and Daniel Cooper, often known as the "Father of Dayton."



Mr. Cooper died on July 13, 1818. He was the 28th interment at Woodland having been removed from the Old 5th Street Cemetery to Woodland on May 4, 1844.

Mr. Cullum could have been a member of one of three IOOF lodges that were established in the area: Montgomery Lodge, Number 5 which was instituted on May 3, 1833; Dayton Encampment, Number 2 which was chartered on August 2, 1839; or Wayne Lodge, Number 10 which was chartered in April 1840.

In September 2017, Curtis O'Regan from Mansfield, Mass., chose to do his Eagle Scout project at Woodland and did the restoration work on the Cullum Monument. The top and bottom photos of the monument are the before and after photos of the restoration.

In honor of the 175th anniversary of the burial of Allen Cullum, each person who

contributes \$175 or more to the Arboretum Foundation between May 1st and July 31st will receive a special gift from Woodland.

Read on for more details.



Military Resident Spotlight: Buddie V. Branch 1925-2011

The 761st Tank Battalion was one of a small number of African American tank units and was the first group of African American tankers to reach France during World War II. Assigned to Patton's 3rd Army, the 761st saw heavy combat as they moved across France and Germany. Nearly 50 members of the Battalion were decorated for bravery in combat. Corporal Buddie Branch was one of those men.



Buddie began his military career on August 9, 1943 when he was drafted and sent to Armor School at Fort Knox, Kentucky. A year later he was on a train headed to an east coast port to be shipped to Europe. When the trains went through towns in Louisiana, he and other African American soldiers had to draw the window shades because some white people would throw rocks at the train when they saw black G.I.s. On their way to St. Nicholas du Port, east of Nancy, France, the French people cheered the black soldiers on in a welcoming manner.

Buddie was the recipient of a Bronze Star and this was his citation:

Buddie V. Branch, 35873752, Corporal, Infantry. Company "B", 761st Tank Battalion, APO 655, U. S. Army, for heroic achievement in action against the enemy on 25 November 1944, in Honskirch, France. Corporal Branch, after having established covering fire for seventeen walking casualties, voluntarily dismounted from his tank, and with utter

disregard for his personal safety, distinguished himself by courageous bravery in the face of heavy enemy fire. Corporal Branch succeeded in inspecting six disabled tanks, aided in the removal and evacuation of seven litter cases, carrying each one back approximately three hundred yards to shelters, while enemy 88mm guns, mortars, machine guns, and snipers continued to fire upon the disabled tank column for a period of four and one half hours. Corporal Branch's courage and devotion to duty is an inspiration to all. Entered military service from Dayton, Ohio.

After his military service, Buddie returned to Dayton to complete his senior year at Roosevelt High School. He worked at Wright Patterson Air Force Base for thirty years. He was also a graduate of the Cincinnati College of Embalming later becoming a Funeral Director for Smith Funeral Home.



Buddie took part in the Veteran's History Project sponsored by the Library of Congress. Recordings of his interviews about the 761st Battalion and his service can be found on the project's website.

Buddie V. Branch was born on February 14, 1925 in Dayton, Ohio and died on January 31, 2011 at the age of 85. He is located in Section 307 Lot B Grave 55.



Arboretum Spotlight: Tuliptree

Tuliptree
Liriodendron tulipifera

One can argue about whether the "tulips" are the outline of its leaves or its cup-shaped flowers. But both undoubtedly contributed to the fanciful name given to this tree by early settlers. And the tuliptree is still beloved for its beauty today, serving as the state tree of Kentucky, Indiana and Tennessee. It is the tallest of the eastern hardwoods-and a rapid grower when conditions are right.



If you're looking for a stunning tree that grows quickly and doesn't suffer from many pest problems, your search is over.

This tree is considered both a shade tree and an ornamental tree. It features a spreading canopy capable of blocking sunlight and adds visual interest and beauty to landscaping.



The tuliptree blooms in May and June, producing tulip-shaped flowers 1½-2" in diameter with greenish-yellow petals and a splash of orange at the base. It provides vibrant yellow color in the fall and produces alternating leaves that are 3- 6" long with distinctive lobes, a flat base and two ear-like tips.

This tree provides food in many forms for many animals. In fall and winter, young trees are browsed by white-tailed deer and rabbits. The spring flowers provide nectar for ruby-throated hummingbirds. Tuliptree seeds, maturing in summer and persisting into winter, provide food for both birds and mammals, including finches, cardinals, quail, mice, red squirrels, gray squirrels and rabbits.

Once plentiful in their natural habitat in eastern America, tuliptrees were favored by loggers for railroad ties and fence posts. George Washington planted tuliptrees at Mount Vernon which are now 140' tall, and Daniel Boone used the wood of this tree for his 60' dugout canoe.

Information about this tree and other trees can be found at arborday.org/trees/treeguide.

Woodland: Then and Now

Then:



Now:



The Pump House

By the summer of 1899, the old pumping machinery which pumped and forced water into a reservoir near the top of Lookout began to give out after twenty-two years of service.

A new well was dug and water was pumped at an elevation of 169 feet above the pumping station to the Lookout.

The pumping system was discontinued in 1951 when city water became available.

The pumping station was divided into two rooms, one served to house the new pumping machinery and the other contained a reception room and restrooms.

The top photo is undated and the bottom photo was taken in March 2018.

Woodland Arboretum News

In case you missed it, here is the announcement of our Level II Arboretum Accreditation.

Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum Awarded Level II Accreditation by ArbNet Accreditation Program

Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum in Dayton was awarded a Level II Accreditation in spring 2018 by The ArbNet Arboretum Accreditation Program and The Morton Arboretum, for achieving particular standards of professional practices deemed important for arboreta and botanic gardens. The ArbNet Arboretum Accreditation Program is the only global initiative to officially recognize arboreta at various levels of development, capacity, and professionalism. Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum is also now recognized as an accredited arboretum in the Morton Register of Arboreta, a database of the world's arboreta and gardens dedicated to woody plants.

Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum sits in the heart of



downtown Dayton on over 200 verdant acres of rolling hills with over 3000 trees on the property. Founded in 1841 and established by John Van Cleve, Van Cleve chose the original 40 acre site for its hilltop views and remarkable variety of trees. In 1843, Van Cleve did an inventory of the trees on the property and found 41 different species. In the early years, special care was taken to preserve the finest specimens of trees and shrubs to retain the natural beauty of the area. Most of these tree species are still represented on the grounds and the species list has grown to over 165. Woodland is best known for its collection of Oak trees. Of the 58 species that are native to North America, Woodland has 25 varieties. Over the years, Woodland has been the recipient 10 "State Champion Tree" awards from the Ohio Division of Forestry.

Woodland continues to grow its tree population with strategic removal of dying or distressed trees. Removal of such trees allows the undergrowth the opportunity to flourish and to fill in the canopy where needed. The arboretum works closely with Mark Webber, a Board Certified Master Arborist, to select and plant trees and shrubs throughout the grounds. Additionally, Woodland was selected by the Ohio Chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture (OCISA) to hold a series of free educational programs for green industry professionals at the arboretum through April 2019. Beginning in May 2018, Woodland will offer its annual series of tree tours called Let's Talk Trees which will be held on the second Wednesday of each month, May through October, at 10:00 a.m.



Webber stated that, "If you like trees and plants that have stood the test of time, then a visit to Woodland should be on your calendar. When I first visited Woodland in 1986, I was taken aback by how grand the trees of this place were, by how their branches created a cathedral-like experience. More so, the collections of trees and plants at Woodland are a beautiful living botanical guide for anyone who wants to experience and or learn about plants. However more compelling is how the trees of Woodland play such a significant role in Dayton's urban core by improving air

quality, reducing ozone, having a place of solitude and remembrance, and providing other critical social and environmental services. Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum is one of Dayton, Ohio's most magnificent jewels of the Gem City."

You can visit Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum 365 days a year from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. daily.

Upcoming Tours and Events at Woodland

Historic Walking Tour

June 14, June 23, July 10, July 21, August 16
at 10:00 am

June 12, July 17, August 14, September 4
at 6:00 pm

Summer Bird Walk

July 21 at 9:00 am



Woof Walk

August 4

Tours depart at 9:00 and 10:30 am

Discover Woodland Days

October 7

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

Let's Talk Trees Arboretum Tour

June 13, July 11, August 8, September 12 and October 10
at 10:00 am

Woodland Indoor Mausoleum Tour

June 7, July 12, August 16, September 6, October 11, November 8 and December 13
at 9:00 am

Dayton's Walk of Fame Tour

June 5, July 24, August 7, September 18
at 6:00 pm

Luminaries of Dayton

June 9, July 14, August 11, September 8 and October 13
at 10:00 am

History, Mystery, Murder and Mayhem Tour

June 13, July 18, August 15 and September 19
at 5:30pm

June 30, July 18, August 18 and September 15
at 10:00 am

All tours will depart from the Fountain Plaza at the Front Gates.

Community Programs**Dayton' Walk of Fame**

Grace Brethren Village

1010 Taywood Rd., Englewood

Friday, June 15, 2018 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Call 937-836-4011 for more information

American Revolutionary War Soldiers at Woodland

Vandalia Senior Center

21 Tionda Dr. S., Vandalia

Monday, July 16, 2018 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Call 937-898-1232 for more information

Faith and Friends Radio Broadcast and Walking Tour

Listen as Bill and Melody broadcast live from Woodland Cemetery on Thursday, August 3rd from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. Then join them for a Walk of Fame tour through Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum starting at 6:30 pm.

To listen and for more information go to faithandfriendsradio.com.

Tours and programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted. Reservations are required for all tours at the cemetery. Please call 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 Angie Hoschouer at 937-228-3221 or ahoschouer@woodlandcemetery.org.

\$175 Anniversary Club

In honor of another 175th Anniversary, the first burial in Woodland Cemetery, we encourage you to become a member of our \$175 Anniversary Club. We hope you will consider upgrading your yearly membership donation or make an additional donation in honor of Allen Cullum, a farmer from Butler County who was laid to rest on July 11, 1843 at the age of 38.

Each donor making a donation of \$175 or more from May 1st through July 31st will receive a set of ceramic Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum coasters.

Don't delay, send in your donation today. Limit one set of coasters per donor for this campaign.



Thank you for your donation to Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum.

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937-228-3221

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Membership Level

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| _____ \$30 Friend | _____ \$100 Supporter | _____ \$500 Sponsor |
| _____ \$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.

Please accept (my)(our) GIFT for 2018 in the amount of \$ _____

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Prefer to give online? [Click here](#) to go to our secure online giving account.

Support Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum

Are you a ClubDLM or Kroger Plus Card holder? Would you like to support the Woodland Arboretum 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 [krogercommunityrewards.com](https://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) and link your Kroger Plus Card to Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum #28721.

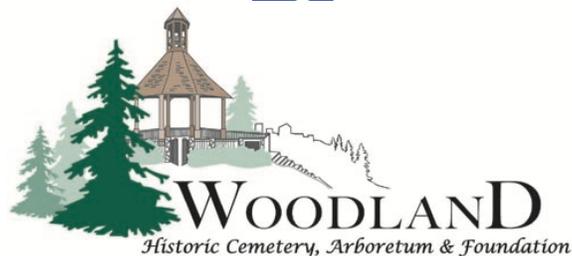


→ Go to www.dorothyane.com/ClubDLM/goodneighbor and link your ClubDLM number to Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum #821.

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!

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

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.



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