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It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Winter

Symbols of the Season:



The Dark-Eyed Junco is a sure sign of cold weather to come!

Although some Juncos do hang out in Ohio year-round; many, many more arrive to spend the winter. Compared to their usual haunts in the mountains or farther north, Dayton is a balmy escape from the winter's worst.

The surest sign that the shy little birds you spot are Juncos are in the tail—as the bird darts away, it will flash white feathers that frame the tail.

Did You Know:

Certain seasonal symbols have their own cemetery-specific meanings. Evergreens are associated with immortality because they appear lush and lively all year round. Ivy is also sometimes used to connote immortality, but is also linked with ideas of friendship and loyalty.

Formed into a wreath, these immortal evergreens may indicate a person who has achieved notable things (especially laurels —another evergreen) but more generally symbolizes the victory of life over death and the immortality of the soul.





Happy Birthday, LTC Charity Adams Earley!



Lt. Col. Charity Adams Earley was the first Black woman to serve as an officer in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAACs). Her unit was the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion; charged with organizing and directing mail to U.S. servicemen which had gone undelivered in the chaos of WWII.

The 'Six Triple Eight' was the only predominantly Black US Women's Army Corps unit that served overseas. To learn about LTC Earley's experiences in her own words, check out her memoir; "One Woman's Army: a Black Officer Remembers the WAC".

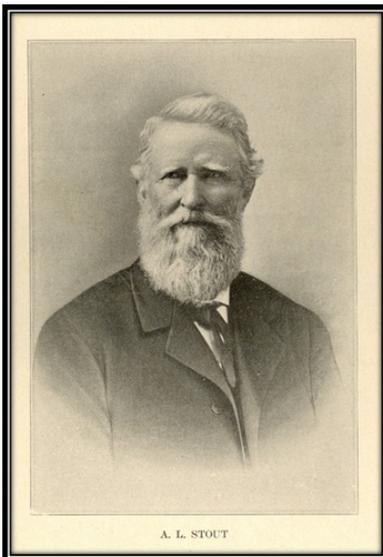
The Six Triple Eight began their mission in Birmingham, England. Faced with hangars piled high with undelivered post, the women worked around the clock to sort and redirect letters and packages. They were given six months to clear the backlog, but were able to accomplish their goal in just three. Next they moved to postal facilities in France to do it all again. Earley estimated that the unit handled approximately 65,000 pieces of post per day.

Here at the *Minute*, we're eagerly awaiting the release of "[The Six Triple Eight](#)"; a new film about the unit's contributions to the war effort, starring Kerry Washington, Sam Waterston, Susan Sarandon and Oprah Winfrey.

Catch "[The Six Triple Eight](#)" at the Neon, starting December 6th, or on Netflix beginning December 20th, and let us know what you think!



Mexican-American War: 1846-1848



CPT. Atlas L. Stout
(11/05/1822 - 1/21/1898)

"BURIAL OF CAPTAIN STOUT—Impressive Ceremonies at the House and at the Cemetery.—

The funeral of Captain Atlas L. Stout took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late residence on West Second street. The services were conducted by Dr. M.E. Wilson, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. The music was rendered by a male quartet. The opening hymn, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," was touchingly sweet. The remarks of Dr. Wilson followed in a very impressive manner. After this service the Scottish Rite Masons took charge. A part of the ceremony was exceedingly interesting—in the conferring of the degrees in the lodge, a ring is given, and part of the injunction is that it shall be worn during the lifetime of the owner, and at his death it shall be given to his nearest friend or his widow. Yesterday the ring was given to Miss Irene Stout, the eldest child of the deceased. The remarks of Mr. Horace Irvin in the presentation of the ring were very interesting and eloquent. Much of what Mr. Irvin said was not part of the ritual, but was pertinent to the occasion. After the presentation of the ring the remains were taken charge of by the deceased's Masonic friends. The funeral

cortege was very large and was preceded by a military band and a detachment of the Scottish Rite Masons, in uniform.

The ceremony at the grave was brief and impressive, and was conducted by Dr. Wilson. The lot of the deceased at Woodland is beautifully situated, and overlooks the city with which the Captain's long life was practically and successfully identified."

- Obituary published by *the Dayton Herald*, 1/25/1898 pg. 3



Upcoming Events!



Annual Holiday Remembrance Event:

Woodland Cemetery will be hosting our annual Holiday Remembrance Service in our Tiffany Chapel.

Please join us to remember and celebrate those who have gone before us.

We welcome all family and friends to share in music, words of comfort and a candlelight service.

Woodland's Tiffany Chapel:

12/13 @ 6:30 pm

Click [here](#) or call our office:
(937) 228-3221 to RSVP!



Support Woodland:

Woodland is proud to remain an active part of the Dayton community as a popular place to walk, relax and enjoy.

We invite you to contribute to the Woodland Arboretum Foundation to ensure that what's meaningful to you today, continues tomorrow! Your gift makes an immediate impact on the horticulture, arboriculture, and restoration efforts needed to maintain one of Dayton's most historic and beautiful outdoor museums.

Thank you for your generous support of Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum.

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Come Visit Us!



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!

Volunteer opportunities

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

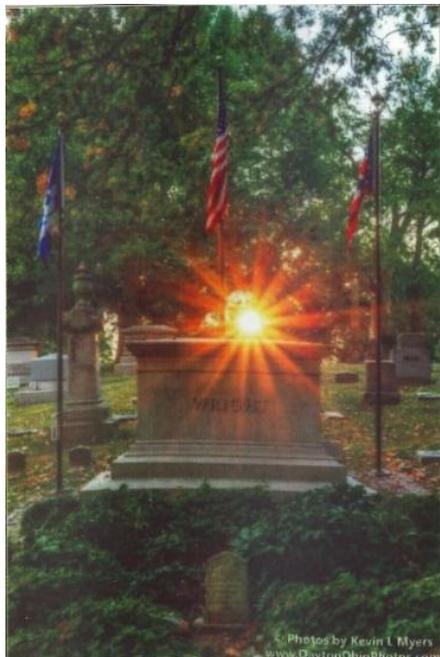
Not into public speaking? Consider getting involved with our horticulture team, or assisting with special events & research projects.

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

Tours & More:

We welcome walkers, runners, and wanderers -- leashed dogs & school groups.

Register for a guided tour: visit the Woodland Cemetery website! Learn about fascinating Daytonians resting peacefully in one of America's oldest rural garden cemeteries! Or check out our [virtual tours!](#) (if you really don't want to go outside)



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