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WOODLAND

HISTORIC CEMETERY & ARBORETUM

Some Monuments of Woodland

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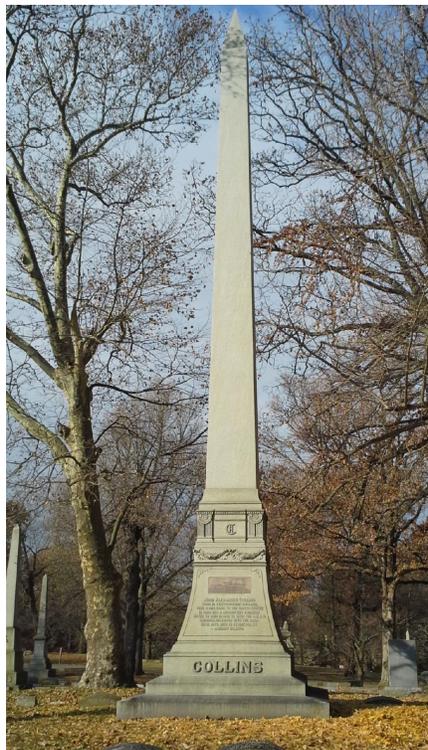


From 1893 to 1896, many large monuments were placed at Woodland. Some came in easy while others created challenges for the movers.



The Schenck Monument

The Dayton Herald
December 13, 1893



The Collins Obelisk



Charles Roesch Monument

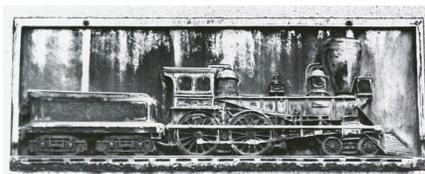
Staniland, Merkle & Staniland were prohibited yesterday by the B.C.A. from hauling a thirteen-ton stone over the Washington street bridge. The stone was destined for Woodland Cemetery, where the above firm are erecting a monument for R.C. Schenck, and this stone was to be the base. It was on a stoutly built wagon, weighing one ton, and ten horses were required to draw the wagon. After being refused permission to cross the bridge referred to, the workmen attempted to cross the Fifth street bridge, and were again met with a peremptory refusal. The stone was hauled back to the yards, and will be loaded on a flat car, and taken over the railroad bridge.

John Alexander Collins decreed in his will that a sum of \$10,000 be set aside and used for the erection of a monument to the memory of railroad engineers. Mr. Collins was builder of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton (C.H.& D.) Railroad. The obelisk was cut from a solid piece of granite quarried in Vermont.

From ground to top, the monument stands 56 feet tall and just the base itself weighs over 25,000 pounds.

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Item six of the Charles Roesch will reads: "I will and direct my executor to select a suitable lot on which I am to be buried in Woodland cemetery at Dayton, O., and to erect thereon a monument to perpetuate my memory, the expense of said lot and monument not to exceed three thousand dollars (3,000)."

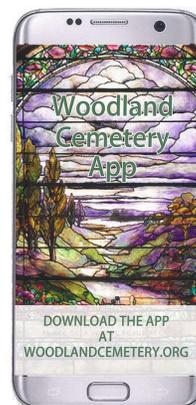
The Dayton Herald, July 2, 1896: "Upon the front of the monument is a likeness of Mr. Roesch, done in bronze relief. The likeness is an excellent one, and this distinguishes the monument from all the rest in the cemetery."



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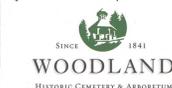


Memories of a loved one should last for generations.

Using our app, you can:

- Navigate to your relative or friend's grave using our GPS-based system
- Share stories about your family
- Upload photos and video
- Share memories with your family on Facebook

Your loved one's memorial page is automatically created when you make cemetery arrangements with our office. You may also share and upload information by using our burial database via our website (woodlandcemetery.org). (please contact our office if you need assistance)



A Woodland Milestone

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