

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

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Epitaphs of New Fairfield Connecticut
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The following record of epitaphs was carefully transcribed from physical inspection of the five New Fairfield cemeteries. Most of the Partially illegible inscriptions were filled in by previously published and private sources. Some tombstones which were previously recorded are now missing altogether. This book is an attempt to help reserve part of the history and people of New Fairfield so that they may be "Gone but not forgotten".

TOWN CENTER CEMETERY (names P through Z)

The oldest existing cemetery in town is the Town Center Cemetery. It is located on the east side of Brush Hill Road (Route 39) across from the Town Hall and the former location of the Congregational Church.

There are several stones dating back to the 1700's. The oldest legible one is that of HANNAH BRUSH who died April 3, 1774. Numerous fieldstones and illegible stones remain in the cemetery. Since the last recording of this cemetery in 1934, 13 stones are now missing, destroyed or totally illegible.

A primitive art from unique to New England exists in the carved designs on the ancient tombstones. The Stone of BENJAMIN BEARFS who died March 8, 1802 and his wife Abigail who died March 14, 1802 have two death's heads carved into it. Several others have the willow and urn designs, which were one of the most popular mortuary decorations.

Buried here among the families of the town is PHILLIS, a slave of MARTIN KELLOGG who died April 30, 1810 in the 46th year of her age.

The original Congregational Church was located near the site of the present Consolidated School. It remained there from its beginning in 1742 until 1836/7 when a new church was built next to the Town Hall across from the Town Cemetery. The church remained here until a new one was built and dedicated in 1957 at the present site of Meeting House Hill Road. Supposedly there was an ancient burying ground located near the original parsonage on Meeting House Hill. It was reported in 1885 that the graves were marked with small natural stones.

Legend

///-----/words contained on one line/
/next line on stone/

Tombstone missing, information filled in from other sources

G-----from Gerow Cemetery records

H-----from Ct. Library records, Hartford, Ct.

N-----from Cyrus Booth Library, Newtown, Ct.

book by Josephine C. Frost.

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PALMER

Jeanie E. Palmer 1836 - 1916

John T. / son of / Reuben & Armenia / Palmer /
died / Oct. 10, 1841 / aged 6 years / 13 dys, /

H Julia P dau. of Walter & Polly Palmer,
died Mar. 9, 1811, Age 1 yr. 4 mos. & 24 dys,

PECK

In memry of / Benjamin A. Peck / who died Dec. 2, 1843 /
aged 82 yrs. /

In memory of / Eunice / wife of / John C. Peck /
who died / May 16, 1850 / aged 28 yrs. /

In memory of / Frances E. / wife of / John C. Peck /
died Oct, 2, 1862 / age 43 yrs. /

Dea. / John C. Peck / Feb. 14, 1820 / Jan. 26, 1901 /

Saved by grace.

Mary E. / dau. of / John C. & Eunice / Peck / died /
Dec. 15, 1860 / aged 7 yrs. 3 mos. /

She is not dead but Sleepeth.

Mary O. / wife of / Benj. Peck /died / March 31, 1873 /
aged 91 yrs. 11 mos. & 6 dys.

*I have trusted in thy mercy
My heart shall rejoice in thy sal-
vation. Ps. 13.5*

PECK

In memory of / Polly A. / wife of / William Peck /
who died / March 22, 1861 / age 77 years /

In memory of / two children / dau. of / William & /
Polly Peck / March 27, 1821 / aged 1 mo. /

In memory of / William Peck / who died / Apr. 3, 1847 /
age 63 years /

PANFIELD

In memory of / Cornelia wife of / Levi Penfield /
who died / Feb. 16, 1834 / aged 20 yrs. & 25 dys. /

In memory of / Hanah wife of / Thaddeus Penfield /
died / May 29, 1831 / in her 62nd year /

In Memory of / Sally dau. of / Thaddeus & Hannah /
Penfield / who died / Dec. 28, 1803 / in the 9th year.

In memry of / Thaddeus Penfield / who died / June 28,
1845 /aged 80 yrs 1 mo. & 21 dys.

PENNY

In memory of / Abigail / Penny / wife of / Robert Penny /
died / Mar. 20. 1840 / age 59 yrs. /

(sunk into ground halfway)

In memory of / DeborahPenny / daughter of /Robert & /
Abigail Pemy / died / April 25, 1838 / in the 26th
year / of her age. /

In memory of / Elizabeth / W. Penny / dau. of / Robert & /
Abigail Penny / who died / Aug. 18, 1838 / in the 17th year/
of her age . /

In memory of / Emely F. Penny / dau. of / Robert & /
Abigail Penny / who died / Feb. 10, 1840 / in th 16th
year / of her age. /

Mary P. Penny / died / June 4, 1877 / age 75 yrs. / 24 ds. /

POTTER

Sarah J. / wife of / William R. Potter / died / Sept. 9,
1868 / AE 26 yrs. 9 mos. & 6 dys /

. *H* William Irvine Potter , son of William R. & Sarah J
died / March 27, 1864, age 3 yrs. 10 mos. & 2 dys

(small stone next to Potter's)

William R. Potter / member / Connecticut Artillery / died /
Mar. 29, 1862 / aged 29 yrs. /

(Civil War flag in 1932)

REYNOLDS

Mary C. wife of / C.W. Reynolds. / dau. of Enoch & Rachel /
Knapp / Apr. 11, 1855 Aug. 18, 1908 /

ROBINSON

In Memory of / Hannah B. Robinson /who died /

Jan. 24, 1813 /aged 87 years /

ROGERS

Col. Amzi Rogers / born Dec. 17, 1793 / died /
May 21, 1880 / FATHER /

War of 1812 marker in 1932

(two stones on one base with Betsey)

Betsey Barnum / wife of / Col. Amzi Rogers /
born Apr. 27, 1794 / died June 3, 1880 / Mother ?

H Cornelia Rogers, dau. of David B. & Sarah B.
died April, 8, 1845 age 2 yrs. 8 mos. & 12 dys.

David B. Rogers / went home / March 7, 1901 / aged
85 yrs. 7 mos. & 8 dys. /

Our Darling, / Emma / died / Dec. 25, 1860 / AE 3 yr. /
& 5 mos. & 5 dys. /

(dau. of David B. & Sarah B. Rogers)

Medad Rogers / son of / David B. & Sarah B. / Rogers
June 10, 1851 /
aged 3 mos. & 3 dys. /

In memory of / the Rev. / Medad Rogers / who died /
August 25, 1824 / aged 74 yrs. /

(old stone with tree design)

In memory of / Rachel / widow of / Rev. Alidzo Rogers /
who died / Feb. 4, 1838 / in the 83rd year / of her age. /

Tree design on stone

Sarah B. / wife of / David B. Rogers / died /
March 16, 1872 / aged 51 yrs. /

Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.

Theodore Dwight / July 10, 1822 - Dec 26th 1905 /

Emily Louise / March 6, 1828 - Dec. 27, 1915 /

Harriet Alice / Aug. 24, 1837 - Dec. 27, 1915 /

Children of / Amzi & Betsey Barnum Rogers /

RUBEY

Mrs. Rebecca / wife of / G.W. Rubey, M.D. /
of Westport, Ct. / eldest dau. of / Wm. B. &
Mary Hawley / died / May 23, 1855 / AE 26 yrs
6 mos. & 4 ds. /

SCUDDER

H Amos Scudder, died Dec. 29, 1829, aged 32 yrs.

In memory of / Orlando B. Scudder / who died /
March 17, 1856 / aged 32 yrs. /

SMACKETT

Peter Nicholas Smckett / 1886 -1927 /

STEVENS

Betsey / wife of / Levi Stevens / died /
Oct. 31, 1844 / aged 55 yrs. / & 10 mos. /

In Memory of / Betsey Ann / dau. of / Levi & Betsey
Stevens / Oct. 11, 1822 / age 3 mos. & 17 dys. /

Levi Stevens / died March 25, 1357 /
aged 72 yrs. & 5 mos. /

STEVENSON

Adella / wife of / William Stevenson / died /
Sept. 17, 1879 / age 17 yrs. 5 mos. & 16 dys./

*A light is from our household home
A voice who loved is stilled
A place is vacant in our hearts
That never can be filled*

In Memory of / Phebe wife of / Benjamin Stevenson /
who died / May 29, 1803 / in the 53rd year /of her age /

TAYLOR

In memory of / Benjamin Taylor / who died /
July 7, 1797 / aged 78 years

In memory of / Lucy wife of / Jonathan H. Taylor /
who died / Jan. 9, 1815 / in the 20th year of / her age /

Mrs Mary wife to / Mr. James Taylor d / ceased Dec. 31,
1779 / aged 38 years /

How frail the life

Tis but a -----

Twixt-----

TREADWELL

In memory of /Hannah dau. of / Jabez Jr. &
Lydia / Treadwell /Feb. 18, 1834 / age 2 yrs. /
3 mos. & 15 dys. /

H Jabez Treadwell, died Jan. 21, 1850 age 54 yrs.
11 mos. & 23 dys.

In memry of / Lydia Penfield / wife of /
Jabez Treadwell /born Dec. 12, 1802 / died
Jan. 28, 1891./

TROWBRIDGE

Abiah Trowbridge /died / Jan.15, 1859 / age 59 yrs.

Abran Trowbridge / who died / Nov. 20, 1842 / AE 70 yrs /

Sarah / wife of / Abram Trowbridge / died Jan. 13, 1865 /
aged 96 yrs. 10 mos. & 7 dys. /

WHITON

Carrie L. Whitton /1840 - 1922 /

WINTON

Mary L. Hawley / wife of / Orin H. Winton /
1835 - 1920 /

Orrin H. / son of / Orrin H. & Mary L. H. / Winton /
died April 5, 1865 / aged 8 mos. & 22 dys. /

Orrin H. Winton / died / Jan. 18, 1865 / aged 28 yrs.
2 mos. & 18 d's /

The loved one sleeps

fieldstone AR ENR died Jan. (possible - Jabez Treadwell)

fieldstme T 0 1776

_____ *An (old stone with skull design illegible possible Abel Barnum)*

_____ *In mernory of / _____ who died / Dec. 29, 18__ /
in the 11 / of her life*

(possible Clarinda Lessey)

_____ *W A H A R _____ the 81 year of / her age /*

(old and broken field stone)

_____ *In Memory of / Mr. S O R B / dster _____ di /
September / 14 AD 1757 / age 24 years /*

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