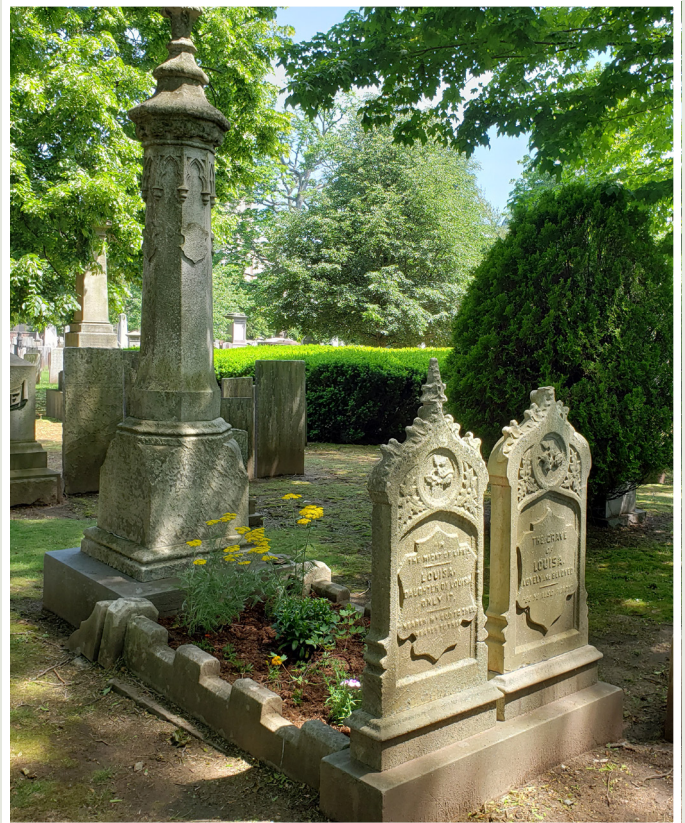


Cradle Graves of the Grove Street Cemetery



The Friends of Grove Street Cemetery invite you to visit twenty-four graves which once again hold flowers, as they did in the Victorian period. Known as “cradle graves” for their shape, these special tombstones were designed to incorporate small flower beds to be tended by family members. While some were created for infants, most memorialize beloved wives, husbands, daughters, and sons aged 16 to 85, who died between the years 1847 and 1908. Below is a list of the interred; a guide to their gravesites is on the other side.



- 1 Joseph Manuel Andreini (1879–1880)** at 5 Sylvan Ave., East
findagrave.com/memorial/11334809/joseph-manuel-andreini
- 2 Olive Louise Clapp (1868–1886)** at 26 Sylvan Ave., East
findagrave.com/memorial/120066781/olive-louise-clapp
- 3 Jane Staveley Honey (1848–1908)** at 29 Sylvan Ave., East
findagrave.com/memorial/137562520/jane-edith-honey
- 4 Sarah Day Trowbridge (1845–1863)** at 42 Cypress Ave., West
findagrave.com/memorial/10486274/sarah-day-trowbridge
- 5 Abigail Phillips Salisbury (1814–1869)**
at 39½ Linden Ave., East
findagrave.com/memorial/11336236/abigail-salisbury-salisbury
- 6 Mary Virginia Donaghe (1831–1847)** at 11 Ivy Path, North
findagrave.com/memorial/208235103/mary-virginia-donaghe
- 7 Harriette Thompson Heminway (1844–1885)**
at 12 Ivy Path, North
findagrave.com/memorial/18788711/harriette-h-heminway
- 8 Alice Smith (1880–1881)** at 22 Ivy Path, North
findagrave.com/memorial/39387593/alice-smith
- 9 Three generations of one family** at 58 Spruce Ave., East
findagrave.com/memorial/76395666/thaddeus-hotchkiss
Thaddeus Hotchkiss (1783–1850)
Harriet Ball Hotchkiss (1785–1870)
Nelson Hotchkiss (1812–1879)
Clara Benton Hotchkiss (1815–1880)
Nelson A. Hotchkiss (1837–1878)
Hattie Hotchkiss Griswold (1842–1869)
Martha C. Hotchkiss (1849–1869)
- 10 Emma Gilbert Caskey (1841–1876)** at 36 Spruce Ave., East
findagrave.com/memorial/10626719/emma-richmond-caskey
- 11 Narcissa Perry Hitchcock (1796–1854)**
at 18 Spruce Ave., East
findagrave.com/memorial/133488154/narcissa-hitchcock
- 12 Three Bryan siblings** at 34 Locust Ave., East
findagrave.com/memorial/208970186/william-daggett-bryan
William Daggett Bryan (1856–1858)
Henrietta Miles Bryan (1855–1898)
Mary Brown Bryan (1860–1861)
- 13 Robert Chamberlin (1880–1901)** at 50 Locust Ave., West
findagrave.com/memorial/209270003/robert-morse-chamberlin
- 14 Edwin Rood (1873–1876)** at 8 Central Ave., West
findagrave.com/memorial/125715845/edwin-rood
- 15 Philip Easton Pardee (1897–1898)** at 6½ Central Ave., West
findagrave.com/memorial/125715059/philip-easton-pardee
- 16 A mother and daughter sharing one grave**
at 17 Central Ave., East
findagrave.com/memorial/135863505/louisa-b_-austin
Louisa B. Hughes Austin (1830–1854)
Louisa Hughes Austin (1852–1870)

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Pictured above: The double cradle grave for Louisa Hughes Austin and her daughter Louisa, at 17 Central Ave., East.

Some of the cradle graves are extremely high style—particularly those of Sarah Day Trowbridge (number 4 on the map) and Abigail Phillips Salisbury (5)—while others are simply a small initialed headstone and low coping to define the flower bed, with the names inscribed on a central family monument in the lot. Markers of this type appear on the Bryan family lot (12) on Locust Avenue, and on the Hotchkiss lot (9) on Spruce Avenue, which is remarkable for its group of seven cradle graves. The burials there spanned from 1850 to 1880 and memorialize Thaddeus and Harriet Hotchkiss, their son Nelson and his wife Clara, and that couple’s children Nelson, Hattie, and Martha.

The Grove Street Gardeners chose flowers appropriate to the period of the gravesites. Come back often to see what’s in bloom!



The Grove Street Gardeners welcome new members. We are active from May through October and currently are working on maintaining the newly planted flowers in the cemetery’s cradle graves. For more information or questions contact friends@grovestreetcemetery.org. No experience is necessary. We will mentor you.