

In search of Samuel V. and Ann Eliz Graham

I am in search of where Samuel V. and Ann Eliz Graham are buried. They died in Enfield, Samuel V. on May 1895 and Ann Eliz Graham March 1905. If anyone knows where they are buried please let me know. (historian@townofenfield.org)

Rumsey Cemetery

In case you never heard of and don't know where Rumsey Cemetery is located, you can find this cemetery on Trumbulls Corners Road, on top of a small knoll across from Rumsey Hill Road in the Town of Enfield.

The one thing that stood out the double headstones.

I found out these are called double tympanums (tym·pa·num) are usually saved for twins and husband and wives. The tympanums are the curved top of the stone.

The doubles in Rumsey are all of husband and wife.

Sally and William Longcoy

Sarah and Jacob Rumsey

Elizabeth and John Nobles

One large slate stone

Mysterious one that looks like a double that says "Gone but not forgotten"

There are 67 names recorded by Alan Chaffee, Newfield Town Historian in the 1980's and Dora Pope Warden from the 1920's.

The first written reference for the ownership of the cemetery is found in the

deed's of the property dated January 1, 1900, property sold to Frank S. Stevenson from Lucy Gray (Deed book 153 page 571 Tompkins County Clerk's Office, Ithaca, NY). It stated the a piece of land be "...reserved.. .. plot upon said premises formerly and now used as a burial ground".

This property was passed back forth between members of the Rumsey Family, Jonathan, James, Mary J. and others. Many of the owners are now buried in the cemetery.



The oldest burial recorded for the cemetery, I did not find the headstone, was that of George H. Nobles, 2 year old son of Squire J. and Hannah Nobles. He died 194 years ago, on September 20, 1821.

The newest burial recorded is that of Lou Gray, wife of Adam Gray, 1931.

Jacob and Jane Rumsey, son and daughter of Isaac Rumsey, who built one of the first known Mill at Enfield Falls in 1817 are buried here. Just a note that Isaac's mill burned in the 1830's and was replaced by Jared Treman, grandfather of Robert H. Treman and is the present Mill at Upper Treman State Park.

John and Elizabeth Nobles who are buried here came here to Enfield with their sons, Timothy, Charles and Squire J. in 1809, traveling from the Newport Township of Pennsylvania. They decided to move permanently here in the spring of 1810. Their home was located in the area of the current "Nobles Farm House" on Connecticut Hill Road. The current house was built in 1883 by Anson Noble, a Queen Anne Victorian, which stands on the original foundation of the first homestead. This is the same area where the "Little Red School House" Nobles School District 10 was located.

The Nobles family were neighbors of James and Martha Horton Rumsey who came to Enfield with their family in 1806. They are both buried in the cemetery. James was a Revolutionary War soldier being recruited in 1776 from Orange County, New York.

We invite readers to share their memories send e-mail to historian@townofenfield.org.

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