



HOLLYWOOD CEMETERY

Selected Resources Available at the Library of Virginia

Hollywood Cemetery was formally dedicated on 25 June 1849. Designed by architect and landscape designer John Notman, Hollywood was modeled after the rural cemeteries popular during the mid-nineteenth century. In addition to providing a place for burials, these cemeteries were designed for the living to enjoy a natural, park-like setting. When James Monroe was reinterred there on 5 July 1858, the prestige of Hollywood was established. More than eighteen thousand Civil War soldiers and officers were buried there, solidifying Hollywood's place of importance in the hearts of Virginians. Other notables buried at Hollywood Cemetery include Jefferson Davis, Ellen Glasgow, and John Tyler. Hollywood continues as an active cemetery, frequented by tourists and locals alike who come to visit ancestral and notable gravesites, to admire the extensive examples of mortuary art and decorative cast iron, and to enjoy the lovely grounds and picturesque views.

ARCHIVAL AND MANUSCRIPTS MATERIAL

Dimmock, Marion Johnson. Architectural drawings and plans, 1885–1908, n.d. General Architectural Files Collection, Folder 15, Accession 36481.

Plans, sections and elevations (five items) of the Mortuary Chapel at Hollywood Cemetery drawn 1897–1898 by M. J. Dimmock, architect.

Hollywood Cemetery Company. Records: Richmond, Virginia, 1847–1992. Business Records Collection, Accessions 30045, 32756, and 34423 (microfilm). Miscellaneous reels 626–628, 1015–1024, 1025–1027, and 1130–1131.

This collection consists of the business records of the Hollywood Cemetery Company of Richmond, Virginia. These records include a list of original subscribers, copies of deeds to the property, plats, board of directors' minutes, correspondence with John Notman, registers of interments, and card indices to burials. Originals held by Virginia Historical Society, Richmond, and Hollywood Cemetery Company, Richmond.

J. Henry Brown Monuments, Inc. Order books, 1899–1920. Business Records collection, Accessions 23985 and 24142.

Twelve volumes containing names and addresses of customers, prices charged, as well as sketches of the cemetery monuments, head-, corner-, and date stones, including specifications and inscriptions. Many of the entries indicate monuments placed in Hollywood Cemetery. Partial index available online at the Library of Virginia Web site.

Richmond (Va.) Office of the City Engineer. Architectural drawings and plans, 1809–1975. Roll 18, Accession 34886.

Blueprint of plan of Hollywood Cemetery dated 1910 with plots numbered. Drawn by John Hooper, compiled from old sectional maps of J. Notman, Joseph J. Pleasants, and C.P.E. Burgwyn.

Richmond (Va.) Office of the City Engineer. Architectural drawings and plans, 1809–1975. Folder 14, Accession 34886.

Partial plan of Hollywood Cemetery and the Clarke Springs property.

Goudie, Carolyn. Guide to Cemetery Records at the Library of Virginia.

This unpublished guide is available at all reference desks. See Richmond City section for a complete listing of available records of interments of Hollywood Cemetery.

MAP COLLECTION

Hollywood Cemetery. Richmond, Virginia. March 1994. 755.44 S8 1994.

Copy of map distributed by Hollywood Cemetery detailing lots and sections.

PUBLISHED MATERIAL

DuPriest, James E. *Hollywood Cemetery: A Tour.* Richmond: Richmond Discoveries, Inc., 1985.

Gentleman of Richmond. *Address Delivered at the Dedication of the Hollywood Cemetery, on Monday, the 25th of June, 1849.* Richmond: Macfarlane & Fergusson, Printers, 1849.

Gordon, Armistead C. *John Tyler, Tenth President of the United States; an Address by Armistead C. Gordon, at the Dedication, October 12, 1915, of the Monument Erected by Congress in Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Va., in Memory of President Tyler.* [n.p.], 1915.

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Hollywood Cemetery. *Historical Sketch of Hollywood Cemetery, From the 3d of June, 1847, to 1st Nov. 1875.* Richmond: Baughman Brothers, 1875.

Ladies' Hollywood Memorial Association. *Our Confederate Dead.* Richmond: Whittet & Shepperson, Printers, for Ladies' Hollywood Memorial Association, 1916.

Ladies' Hollywood Memorial Association. *Register of the Confederate Dead, Interred in Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond, Va.* Richmond: Gary, Clemmitt & Jones, Printers, 1869.

Markham, Jerald H. *List of Confederate Veterans Buried in Hollywood Cemetery from Camp Lee Soldiers Home, 1894–1946.* Lynchburg, Va. : J.H. Markham, 1986.

Mitchell, Mary H. *Hollywood Cemetery: The History of a Southern Shrine,* 2d. ed. Richmond: Library of Virginia, 1999.

IMAGES

Various images, including postcards and photographs, are available for research in the Picture Collection.
(By appointment, Monday through Friday, 9–4:30)

