

BLACK CEMETERY, BERLIN, VERMONT

This gem of a cemetery is believed to be the oldest cemetery in Berlin. Located on what is now a dead end road, it is completely surrounded by a stone wall with a granite post on each side of the gateway. The stones are old mostly slate with a few granite. The large monolith on the highest point of the cemetery has lost the urn that was on the top. It is lying on the ground beside the base. A couple of stones have been broken off and are on the ground. A number of stones have become overgrown with lichen and some just show the effects of time. This cemetery was first listed by Raymond and Gertrude Bosworth for the Berlin Historical Society during Aug. and Sept. 1982. Revisited in Sept. 1986 by Jennie Winters. Mapped and verified.

To reach this cemetery you proceed up Crosstown Road from the corners, under the I-89 overpass and turn left. Take a right at the fork and proceed along the Brookfield Road to the first right turn. This will be Black Road. There is a dead end road at the entrance to this road. Black Cemetery is on the left about a quarter of a mile.

2. This stone lies flat on the ground but after cleaning off the lichen it can be read. It reads; Sally, wife of, John Mitchell, died, Mar. 11, 1865, age 82 y'rs.
4. In memorium, of Margaret Wallace, wife of Matthew Wallace who died April 13, 1823, age 76 yrs.
5. Thomas Wallace, 1778-1813, his wife Catherine Elkins 1794-1844.
7. Matthew Wallace Jr., died, Feb. 23, 1808, age 22 yrs.
8. In memorium, Matthew Wallace, Esq. who died, June 1, aged 35. This stone is cracked.
9. Several broken stones, one piece reads, Samuel Tillotson died Oct. 17, 1838, age 62 yrs.
10. Piece of stone with only the following legible: Betsy, wife of Samuel Tillotson, died July 15, 1850, age 67 yrs.
11. John M., son of S. & B. Tillotson died, Sept. 26, 1846. Age 31yrs.
12. In memory of Mary S., daughter of Capt. Samuel and Betsey Tillotson. She died, Dec. 11, 1819, age 9 mos.
13. Daniel H. Tillotson, son of, Samuel. & Betsey Tillotson, died, August 9, 1813, aged 1 yr. 3 mos.
15. In memory of Carlos, son of Capt. Samuel and Betsey Tillotson. Nov. 4, 1818. Age 5 yrs.
16. William W. Tillotson died Nov. 29, 1881, age 65 yrs. "How we miss thee." American Legion Flag.
17. Dea. Joseph Curtis, was born at Mansfield, Conn., June 30, 1751 and died at Berlin, Vt. Dec. 20, 1833. Aged 82 yrs. "The memory of the just shall live."

18. Ebenezer Knapp, born July 5, 1776, died Oct. 9, 1839. Aged 73 years.
19. Irene, wife of Ebenezer Knapp, died, May 22, 1842. Aged 64 years.
20. Hildah, daughter of Ebenezer: and Irene Knapp, born June 18, 1811. Died, Feb. 24, 1813.
21. Caroline, daughter of Irene and Ebenezer Knapp. American flag. Born Oct. 27, 1807. Died Jan 27, 1808.
22. C.K.
23. Geo. M. Stewart, died, Aug. 9, 1851. Aged 32 years, and 8 months. "Dear friends weep not for me."
24. This involves three stones apparently in the same lot and one person. Stone at front of lot which has been broken, only. Mr. William McAllister could be deciphered. At the rear of the lot is an old stone, badly damaged that reads: In memory of, Mr. _____ McAlli _____ who died, 12th ----1811.

 "Behold and see as you ____ pass by
 As you are now ____ once was I
 As I am now so you must be
 Therefore prepare to follow me."

 There is an American Legion marker and a flag. Directly in front of this stone is a new stone that reads as follows: In memory of Mr. William McAllister who died March 12, 1811. Age 72. He was born at Londondary, N.H. The son of William and Jane Campbell McAllister - Scotch - Irish immigrants, his wife was Mary Clark. He was a soldier in the American Revolution from Jaffrey, N.H.
27. Sally, wife of, Job Reed, died, Jan. 28, 1849. Aged 84 years.
28. Job Reed, died Mar. 27, 1842. Aged 81 years. Revolutionary soldier.
30. Betsey, wife of Phlander Robinson, died, Sept. 27, 1843. Aged 46 years Adeline, daughter of P. & B. Robinson, died June 18, 1842. Aged 9 years.
31. In memory of Lyman, son of Mr. Jacob and Mrs. Abigail Black, who died Sept. 10, 1801. Age 6 yrs. 10 mos. 23 da. Small marker: Lyman Black.
37. Mr. Lyman B. Silloway, died, March 22, 1825. Age 23 years. Foot marker.
39. In memory of Abigail, wife of Jacob Black, who died Dec. the 10th, 1810 in her 58th year.
 "Her duty finished to mankind
 To god her spirit she resigned."

 Marker in front with just the name A. Black.

50. Capt. John Hubbard died August 23, 1835. Aged 35 yrs. "Prepare to die."
51. John N., son of, John and Mary Hubbard, died March 21, 1836. Aged 1 yr. 8 mo. 1 da. First is an old stone in bad condition then a cluster of five not at all readable.
53. Betsey Hubbard aged 9 mo. 5 da. died July 17, 1799. Eber died Oct. 27, 1802. Age 7 mo. 16 da. Lucinda died Aug. 29, 1816. 1 yr. 2 mo. 26 da. Harriet died Jan. 22, 1820. Aged 6 yr. 4 mo. 6 da. Peter B. died Mar. 10, 1820. 9 mo. 8 da. Children of: Peter & Polly Hubbard.
56. Dea. Peter Hubbard died May 3, 1852 Aged 77 yrs. 6 mo. 11 da. Polly, his wife, died Oct. 18, 1854. Aged 81 yr. 5 mo.
"Precious in the sight of the lord, is the death of his saints."
75. Mary, wife of Asa Loveland, died Aug. 4, 1849. Age 74 years, 5 mos.
76. Asa Loveland died July 25, 1865. Age 88 Yrs. "He ___ lived ___ as we who die."
77. This stone is flat on ground and reads as follows: Willis P., son of John and Adeline Stewart died at Alexandria, Va. Aug. 14, 1863. Age 21. Member of Co. C. 13 Regt. Vt. Volunteers. Flag in DAR holder.
78. Eliza A., wife of John Stewart, Jr., died Sept. 6, 1834. Age 28 years, 2 months, 6 days.
79. Capt. John Stewart died Oct. 31, 1859. Age 52 yrs.
80. Adeline, wife of John Stewart, Jr., died Mar. 26, 1885. Age 75 yrs. 11 mos. 9 das.
"She has gone to meet her loved ones."
81. Anna L., Daughter of John & Adaline Stewart, died Jan. 4, 1885. Age 28 yrs 2 mons.
"We part to meet again."
83. Prudence, wife of James Perley, died Oct. 9, 1856. Age 80 yrs.
84. James V. Perley died Oct. 22, 1856. Age 47 years.
"Tread gently on this grassy spot with softened heart draw near
For they who god forgetteth not are sleeping sweetly hear."
96. Abigail Corliss, wife of James Perley, died July 26, 1831. Age 65 years.
97. James Perley, died Mar. 17, 1851, age 86 years.
100. Vlani, daughter of Asa & Margaret Andrews, died Sept. 2, 1823. Aged 2 years.
101. Ezra, son of Asa & Peggy Andrews, died Nov. 16, 1814. Aged 1 year, 11 months.
102. Marker, Elisha A., Son of John Jesiesha 197_ ?
102. Small broken stone with only e___h legible.

103. Here lie two sons of Elijah & Mabel Andrews. Elisha, died Oct.21, 1809, age 1 year, 7 months. Richard, died Oct. 25, 1797, age 2 yrs. 1 month.
106. The grave of Elijah Andrews who died June 19, 1826. Aged 68 years.
107. Mabel F., wife of Elijah Andrews, died Nov. 6, 1846. Aged 84 years.
110. Hiram born Jan. 14, 1827 - died Feb. 14, 1827. Chester G. born May 5, 1832 - died Feb. 19, 1833. Emeline born March 24, 1825 - died Feb. 21, 1833. Susan born April 14, 1836 - died Dec. 10, 1836. Children of Hiram & Emily Taylor.
111. In memory of, Ruhamiah, daughter of Capt. David and Mrs. Ruhamiah Taylot aged 10 years. Died Jan. 26, 1810.
114. Emily, wife of Hiram Taylor, died June 18, 1838. Aged 40 years. Matilda, dear daughter, died July 11, 1838. Aged 6 weeks.
115. Broken stone. Lower part read "MS"
"What I do thou knowest not now but thou shalt know hereafter."
Upper part on ground read: Hiram Taylor died June 26, 1865. Age 67 years 18 months.
116. The grave of Capt. Daniel Taylor, who died Feb. 16, 1831. Aged 70 years old. Flag in holder.
117. Ruhamah, wife of Capt. Dan'l Taylor, died Feb. 9, 1853. Aged 92 years.
118. Truman Taylor died February 19, 1845. Aged 51 years, 8 months. Flag in holder.
128. In memory of Polly Stewart, died May 24, 1814 in her 21st year.
"Farewell my friends below
And all and all that once was dear
I leave your charms to go
Where perfect joys appear."
130. Tamor, wife of John Stewart, age 78 yrs. died May 3, 1869.
132. John Stewart died Sept. 27, 1847. Age 73 yr. 5 mo. 17 da.
"This is all of earth."
134. In memory of Hannah, wife of Simpson Stewart, died Jan. 13, 1813 in her 61st year.
"Her duty finished to mankind,
To god her spirit resigned."
135. Simpson Stewart died June 13, 1841. Age 92 ys. 4 mos.
136. Matthew W., son of Silas & Elizabeth Clark, died Jan. 29, 1808. Aged 14 mos. 14 das.

137. Abner Paul died Jan. 27, 1864. Age 88 years. Lucreta Paul died May 25, 1845. Age 66 years. Lona died Aug. 24, 1802. Age 1 mo. 23 days. Abner W. died Feb. 3, 1805. Age 5 mos. 2 days. Paulina C. died Feb. 14, 1843. Age 29 yrs. Lucretia died Feb. 22, 1846. Age 42 yrs. Amanda P. died May 10, 1846. Age 23 yrs. Several lines not legible then the name Paul. There are two holders with flags.
140. Front of this stone says. Nettie.
"We part to meet again." Mary
Back of stone records the following.
Sarah Annette, daughter of James V. & Sarah M. Perley, died Aug. 10, 1863. Age 14 yrs. & 6 mos.
141. Nathan J. Camp died July 30, 1886. Age 66 years. 5 regt. Vt. Volunteers.
Sarah M. Camp, his wife.
143. Hugh L., son of James V. & Sarah Perley, died Aug. 14, 1845. Aged 5 years.
144. Front of next stone says: Abby. Back of stone records the following: died Sept. 19, 1852, age 8 years, daughter of J.V. & Sarah Perley.
150. In memory of Maria R. Strong, who died April 14, 1936. Age 18 Yrs. Dau. of Nathan & Milla Strong.
151. The grave of Levina Strong, daughter of Nathan & Milla. Died May 5, 1829. Age 19 years.
152. The grave of Halsey N. Strong, son of Nathan & Milla, died June 23, 1834. Aged 23 years.
153. Milla, wife of Nathan Strong, died Oct. 2, 1847. Aged 71 years.
154. Nathan Strong died, Apr. 5, 1848. Aged 73 years. Erected by his daughter, Julia Strong Foster. Note: This stone was flat on the ground.
159. Sacred to the memory of Mrs. Celina, wife of Mr. Daniel Flagg, died Feb. 12, 1826. Age 27 years old.
"No pain nor grief nor anxious fear,
Invade the tomb, no mortal woes can reach the
Peaceful sleeper here, while angels watch with
Soft repast."
161. Tall monument urn fallen from the top. Almost center of cemetery, with the following inscriptions . On back: Gershom Heaton, physcian, died, Jan. 28, 1850. Age 78 yrs. Polly Wallace, his wife, died Aug. 20, 1850. 56 yrs. Front Side: Volney T. Heaton, age 37 yrs. died February 10, 1853. V. P. Heaton died July 14, 1813. Age 8 yrs. Left Side: Son of G. and P. W. Heaton. Aged 18 da. died May 22, 1804. Daughter died Mar. 16, 1813, 1 mo. 12 da.

162. Phebe S. died April 18, 1825, age 19 mo. Daniel E., died Sept 14, 1829. Age 15 mo.
Children of Phebe & Sarah 1st & 3rd wives of Daniel Flagg
163. Sacred to the memory of Mrs. Phebe, wife of Mr. Daniel Flagg, died, June 25, 1824. Age
25 years.
164. Sacred to the memory of Mr. Daniel Flagg who died, Jan. 16, 1831. Aged 37 years.
166. Isaac, son of Dea. Wm. & Elizabeth Flagg died Sept. 20, 1821. Aged 2 years, 6 months.
Samuel, son of Mr. Daniel Flagg, died Jan. 16, 1811. Aged 37 years.
167. Elizabeth, wife of Dea. Wm. Flagg, died June 4, 1820. Aged 39 years.
168. In memory of Abigail Flagg, wife of Dea. William Flagg, who died Jan. 11, 1812 in her
57th year.
"She was pious in life, patient in sickness,
Resigned in death, her soul is gone with god to rest"

Foot stone. W.F. Flagg.
169. In memory of Dea. William Flagg who died Nov. 12, 1838. Aged 83 years, 28 da. Just
back of this stone is a small stone which reads, W. F. Flagg.
- ? John Hubbard, died April the 10th 1842. Age 36 yrs. Flag in holder.
- ? Mary, daughter of Asa & Margaret Andrews, died, Sept. 2, 1823. Aged 2 years.