

## JOHNSTON - SAWYER CEMETERY, BERLIN, VERMONT

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The Johnston Cemetery is located on Route 12 about 2 miles south of Montpelier about half way between Montpelier and Riverton. It is on the right side just after the railroad overpass over Route 12. Sharp right and up a slight rise.

This cemetery has many interesting old stones. Some are almost impossible to read because of age and deterioration. I have given each stone a number and have tried to list them in rows that begin at the south end of the cemetery. The first three quarters is row number I through IX, then you walk up a slight incline and near the south fence you will find a family plot that is numbered X. Just behind this row you will find two stones that are near the front ( south) side of the fence, then a row up the side of the fence that runs to the back.

This cemetery has a lot of unused space in it. This makes it hard to record. The stones are spread out and a lot of markers have no inscriptions. It was difficult to determine whether they were used to mark graves or to mark lots.

This small cemetery sets on a slight hill among many large trees. It is enclosed on all sides with a fence.

1. Upright piece of slate with the initials P. J.
2. John Moses died Feb. 4, 1862. Age 68 yrs. Abigail A., his wife, died Sept. 30, 1880. Age 85 yrs.
3. A small stone that has the word "Mother".
4. Julia A. 4 yrs., 11 mo. Also a small stone. At the foot of each head marker is a small granite marker with no writing, numbers 2 through 5.
5. Daniel T. 5 yrs., 7 mo. This is a small stone.
6. Maria A. Moses died Jan. 27, 1896. Age 20 yrs.  
"We miss you dear sister"
7. Sarah J Moses, July 18, 1829 - April 2, 1905.
19. Tall Monument. Hayden, Dame, Submit, John, Hannah, wife of John, and Esther.
22. Phebe B., wife of Harvey Johnston, died Sept 3, 1880. Age 74 yrs.
27. Rev. James Sawyer died July 11, 1859. Age 94 yrs., 6 mos.
28. Anna, wife of James Sawyer 2<sup>nd</sup>, died Aug. 1, 1819. Age 39 years.

29. James Sawyer died March 5, 1801. Age 68 yrs.
30. Lydia, wife of James Sawyer, died April 16, 1814. Age 79 yrs., 11 mo.
31. James Sawyer died aged 29 yrs. Betsey Ann, daughter of J. & L. Sawyer. Age 14 yrs. There is more on this stone but it can't be read.
32. Edward Sawyer died May 3, 1849. Age 86 yrs.
33. Salley Sawyer died Jan 4, 1880. Age 67 yrs., 11 mo.
34. Lydia Sawyer died June 16, 1881. Age 73 years, 4 months, 6 days.
35. Norman D. Sawyer born Feb 10, 1819, died Sept. 2 1885. "At Rest".
47. Col. Cyrus Johnston died July 25, 1860. Age 88 yrs.
48. Polly, wife of Col. Cyrus Johnston, died Feb. 9, 1827. Age 56 yrs.
49. Peter, son of Cyrus & Polly Johnston, died Sept. 20, 1801. Aged 2 yrs.
50. P. Johnston. The writing is too faded to read.
51. Hannah H. Johnston died January 22, 1857. Age 27 years.
52. Robert Johnston died Sept. 11, 1812.
53. Arpaeliza Johnston, wife of Robert Johnston, died March 17, 1887. Age 88 years, 8 months.
54. Fred E. Johnston, son of C. H. and L. D. Johnston, died January 23, 1863. Age 1 year, 10 months, 3 days.
55. Arthur V. Johnston, son of C. H. and L. D. Johnston, died May 19, 1861. Age 2 years 26 days.
57. James Johnston died March 3, 1835. Some faded words follow.
65. Infant died June 19, 1887.
67. Emma A. Corbitt Pratt died July 30, 1910. Age 16 years 7 months 9 days.
68. Henry J. Moore, 1849 - 1918.
69. Olivea Vandenburg, 1824 - 1912.

70. Badly eroded. Died 1888.
71. Badly eroded.
72. (No name legible.) In loving memory of Grandpa died Dec. 6, 1886. Age 92 years, 9 months.
73. Ray Sawyer Feb. 7, 1889 to Aug. 14, 1902.
74. Annie Drew Sawyer, 1863 to 1950.
75. Lizzie M. Sawyer Jan. 24, 1865 to Sept. 26, 1905.
76. Wealthy J. Sawyer Oct. 31, 1838 to Apr. 2, 1923.
77. James N. Sawyer, April 8, 1867 to Sept. 29, 1939.
78. Ellen Sawyer, wife of Edward, March 20, 1876 to Feb. 22, 1953.
79. Edward S. Sawyer April 3, 1859 to Dec. 7, 1900
80. Harold E. Sawyer (in memoriam), son of Edward and Ellen (Baker). Lost at sea June 23, 1928. From SS Standard Arrow Lat 26-20N long 7S-22W. 6-23-1896 to 6-23-1928.
81. Baby Ruth Sawyer Mar. 2, 1900 to Jan. 19, 1901.