

CITY OF MEDFORD HISTORICAL COMMISSION AND CEMETERY TRUSTEES
CROSS STREET CEMETERY VETERANS MARKER LOCATION
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OVERVIEW

The Cross Street Burying Ground is Medford's second oldest cemetery. The site was originally located in Medford Square until the construction of Interstate 93 prompted the relocation to Oak Grove Cemetery in 1956. The monuments within represent the broad array of working-class individuals and their families from the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Of particular note are the veterans. There are fifteen markers representing fourteen individuals who volunteered to serve their country. The Historical Commission and Cemetery Trustees are working together to restore their stones. As part of that project, we have compiled a list of locations so that these individuals may receive recognition for their sacrifices in defense of their community and country.



View of Cross Street Cemetery looking west toward Brooks Pond. The Cemetery is bounded by a low stone wall.

METHODOLOGY AND SOURCES

Confirmation of the veterans within Cross Street Cemetery was undertaken before the beginning of the restoration work of their monuments. Best efforts were made to check existing information to memorialize all those veterans at rest here. This list is specifically for those who saw combat and does not include those who were in military-related services (such as the militia) in peacetime.

Stones from veterans of the American Revolution were identified using the following sources:

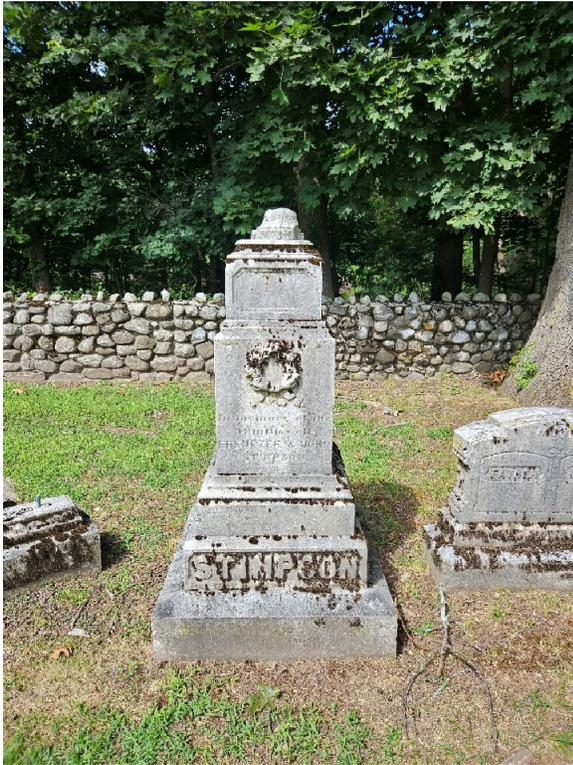
- Medford in the Revolution by Helen Tilden Wild. Medford: J.C. Miller, Jr., Printer, 1908.
- Soldiers and Sailors Whose Graves Have Been Designated By Markers of the Society by the Massachusetts Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Boston: Published by the Society, 1901.

Civil War veterans were identified by their military stones first and then by utilizing the following:

- Record of Inscriptions in Cross Street Cemetery as of September 15, 1937 by Wade S. Hervey.

PHOTOS OF MONUMENTS IN PROJECT AREA

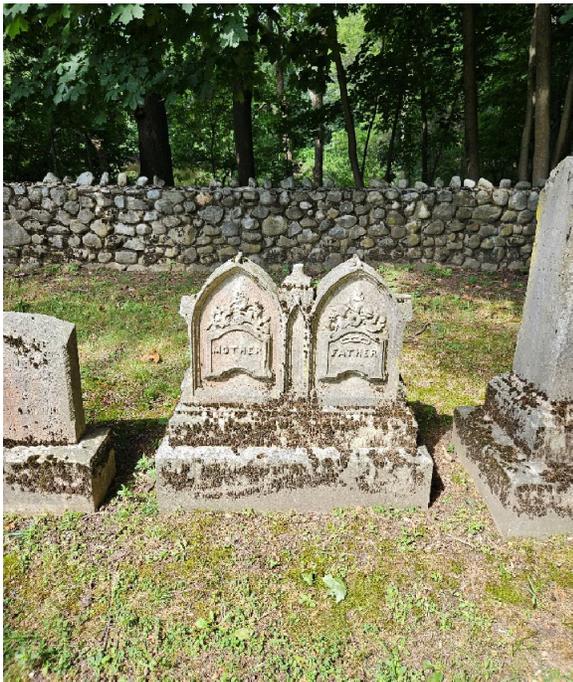
Photos are identified by their row and then placement. We have provided the names of the individuals for clarity.



1-14 Ebenezer Stimpson – American Revolutionary War



2-57 Edward F. Crockett – Civil War



1-22 Horatio Peak Jr. – Civil War



3-67 Major John James – American Revolutionary War



8-274 James Richardson – American Revolutionary War



11-372 Thomas O H Mitchell – Civil War



10-359 Hollis Hartshorn – Civil War



11-373 Unreadable but likely Henry S. Joyce – Civil War



11-374 Horace J. Tolman – Civil War



11-376 William Cheney – Civil War



11-375 Hamilton D. Clark – Civil War



11-377 Henry R. Hathaway – Civil War



11-378 John Debbins – Civil War



11-380 Horatio N. Peak Jr. – Civil War



11-379 Rodney C. Hathaway – Civil War