

WRITTEN IN STONE





FRIENDS OF BURIAL HILL FOUNDED IN 2010, COMMITTED TO THE PRESERVATION OF BURIAL HILL



THEN & NOW

Cushman 1898 and 2015



Howland 1898 and 2015



First Fort 1898

and 2015



by Don Dewey

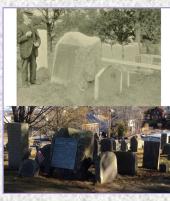


Lasting Impressions

Friends of Burial Hill member Paulette Chernack and Cassandra Davidson's book Lasting Impressions Art, Symbolism, and History Found in Graveyards and Cemeteries is available in hardcover at the Plimoth Plantation and on Amazon.

http://www.perpublisher.com/per210.html

Clark 1898 and 2015



Gray 1898 and 2015









Thank You for your generosity!

- LeBaron Foundation \$1000.00
- Harvard Pilgrim Community Spirit 9/11 Mini-Grant of \$500.00
- John and Gretchen Moran Charitable Fund \$600.00

Cheryle Caputo & June Gillette Receive DAR Award



On Wednesday, May 17th, the Duxbury Chapter of The Daughters of the American Revolution presented The Excellence in Community Service Award to Friends of Burial Hill founders Cheryle Caputo and June Gillette for their tireless efforts on Burial Hill.

Congratulations!

Burial Hill Cleanup-Earth Day



Two bags of trash collected on School St. and brush cleaned up along back fence. Thank you volunteers!

Gravely Speaking

FOBH wants you! for cleanup, gravestone conservation, and special events. Training provided. Join a cleanup team or form your own. Burial Hill has never been cleaner. Thanks to all who continue to be vigilant!

Digitization of Burial Hill Surveys—FOBH continues to upload <u>completed survey sheets</u> on gravestones that have been cleaned by workshop volunteers for all to access. To volunteer to enter data, contact Don Dewey at d49dewey@gmail.com

Burial Hill Photos-If you have old photos of Burial Hill, please email copies to Cheryle at: cheryle.burialhillfriend@ verizon.net

Photographers Needed-There is a need for designated photographers to document FOBH activities.

Handyperson Needed—We need a wooden sandwich board type sign to advertise our workshops. Is there a handyman or handywoman out there who could make one for the "Friends"? We will supply the material.

FOBH T-shirts

We have FOBH logo t-shirts for \$18.00 Sizes M, L, XL Checks made payable to: FOBH P.O. Box 1578 Plymouth, MA 02362



FOBH Volunteer Opportunities

<u>Veteran's Flag Replacement</u>—Please join us Saturday, May 27th, 8 am-12 pm as we replace the Veteran's flags at Burial Hill Cemetery. Any time you can give is appreciated!

Gravestone Conservation Workshops

All Fridays are 2-4 pm and all Saturdays are 8-10 am. Fridays in June—2nd, 9th, 16th, 30th, and July—7th, 21st Saturdays in June—10th, 17th, and July—1st, 8th, 22nd

New Policy requires participants to pre-register for the workshops. Kindly let us know by Thursday in a workshop week if you plan to attend. If you are interested in helping to conserve the stones on Burial Hill, please email Cheryle or June to register (see emails below). You must be a trained FOBH member to participate. Be sure to check Facebook for updates and cancellations for workshops/events.

Annual Fund

Your contributions to the Friends of Burial Hill's Annual Fund will help us to complete our archaeological explorations seeking the mass grave of the seamen of the Brigantine General Arnold which ran aground in Plymouth Harbor in December 1778. We are so close.

Your contributions will allow us to continue to raise awareness and engage new audiences through quality programs and events. And most assuredly, we will continue our grave-stone conservation.

Please help us in our efforts to conserve and preserve Burial Hill. We were there when no one else was. Gifts in any amount are appreciated. FOBH is registered with the IRS as a 501(c)(3) and fully tax deductible. Visit the website: www.friendsofburialhill.org

Thank you!

Buried But Not Forgotten



Caleb Cook

March 29,1651 - February 15, 1721/22

HERE LYES ye BODY

OF MR. CALEB COOK

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IN THE 72d

YEAR OF

HIS AGE

Caleb Cook was the second of seven children born to Jacob Cooke and Damaris Hopkins Cooke. He was a direct descendant of Mayflower passengers Francis Cooke and Stephen Hopkins.

He is remembered for his involvement in the death of Metacomet. He was a soldier under the lead of Col. Benjamin Church and while closely pressing the Indians, Cook, and an Indian named Alderman, of the Seaconet tribe were placed on duty to watch Philip, lest he should get out of a swamp, where he had hidden, and if possible to kill Philip. He soon had a chance, and fired at him, but his gun missed. He then bid Alderman to fire, and he soon became their victim, having been shot through the heart. (Kingman) In his Last Will and Testament. Caleb Cook states "I

Sticks and Stones

Julian & Gregorian Calendars

In 1582, when Pope Gregory XIII introduced his Gregorian calendar, Europe adhered to the Julian calendar, first implemented by Julius Caesar in 46 B.C. Since the Roman emperor's system miscalculated the length of the solar year by 11 minutes, the calendar had since fallen out of sync with the seasons. This concerned Gregory because it meant that Easter, traditionally observed on March 21, fell further away from the spring equinox with each passing year. The Julian calendar included an extra day in February every four years. Leap days were added in years divisible by four, unless the year is also divisible by 100. If the year is also divisible by 400, a leap day is added regardless. www.history.com

give & recommend my soul into ye Hands of God that gave it & my Body I commend to ye Earth to be buried in Decent Christian Burial at ye discretion of my Executrisc.[sic]." He died on February 15,1721/22 from smallpox. Although not a man of great wealth, his inventory indicates a life of very comfortable means.

Caleb Cook's gravestone can be found on Burial Hill in Section L #39. His grave is marked with a slate stone depicting a stylized skull or soul effigy with concentric half circles broken by a scalloped design to possibly represent wings or the ascension of the soul. The inscription panel is bordered with simple scroll work. Probably carved by Plympton carver Nathaniel Fuller. The marker was cleaned, documented, and photographed in 2014 by FOBH and is slated for additional conservation treatments. Note: At the time of Caleb Cook's death the Julian calendar was still in use in Plymouth thus the double dating on his marker. Several dates for his death were found including February 5, 13, 15, and 23. February 15 is the date carved into his marker. ckc

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with a donation or membership

Please remember the Friends of Burial Hill with a donation to help defray the costs of workshops and events. As always 100% of your donation is used in Burial Hill's preservation.

Individual Membership: \$25
Family Membership: \$40
Corporate Membership: \$200

Donations in any amount are appreciated. Please see our website to make a donation or mail your check payable to: FOBH, P.O. Box 1578, Plymouth, MA 02362.

Contributions to FOBH are tax deductible under section 170 of the Code and we are qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055,2106 or 2522 of the Code.

If you have not yet sent your dues for 2017, please take a moment to renew or join.

Thank you everyone for your donations this year!

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