

Scottish Heritage Society

of the Rochester Area, Inc.

APPLICATION TO RESERVE A GRAVESITE New Scottish Burial Plot, Section 3, Lot 212, Mount Hope Cemetery

The New Scottish Burial Plot is located at the corner of Evergreen and Forest Sts. in beautiful and historic Mount Hope Cemetery in Rochester, New York. It was purchased on behalf of the Rochester Scottish Society in 1888 by John Stewart, after the Old Scottish Burial Plot at Sylvan Waters was filled to capacity. The funds for the New Scottish Burial Plot were provided by benefactor Angus McDonald, a local steamship ticket agent.

As time passed, the existence of the plot was largely forgotten by the Scottish community. Because of inactivity, the New Scottish Burial Plot became subject to reclaim by Mount Hope Cemetery. However, in 2014 the Scottish Heritage Society (SHS) assumed Trusteeship of the New Scottish Burial Plot with the right to approve burials.

If you are a first, second, or third generation Scot and a resident of Upstate New York, for a modest application fee of only \$100, you can purchase a gravesite in the New Scottish Burial Plot — a savings of several thousand dollars. The \$100 fee goes towards providing markers for Scots buried in unmarked graves in the cemetery.

As of 2023, there are 18 available gravesites in the New Scottish Burial Plot. In keeping with the original intent, preference is given to SHS members, but SHS membership is not required. **Note:** There is an overall limit of two gravesite reservations per family line, with an additional limit of a single gravesite reservation per generation within that family.

This fee does not include any funeral, headstone, or burial costs. The \$100 is just the cost for the gravesite. Contact Mount Hope Cemetery at (585) 428-7999 for information on interment fees.

| APPLICANT DETAILS | | |
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| Name | | Return application to: Scottish Heritage |
| Address | | Society, P.O. Box 26669, Rochester, NY |
| City/State/Zip | | 14626, or e-mail <u>rocscots@aol.com</u> . Applicants will be contacted to arrange viewing of original heritage documentation. Do not cond original documents or foo |
| Phone | | |
| E-Mail | | Do not send original documents or fee. Allow 30 days for processing. |
| CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL Member of Scottish Heritage Society Yes | □ No □ | |
| Residency City of Rochester Monroe County | | Outside Monroe County |
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| Proof of Heritage: Birth Certificate / Marria | age Record 🔲 / Death Cer | tificate |
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| Date Heritage Docs Reviewed:// | Reviewed by: | 2 |
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| Copies to: Applicant / Scottish Heritage Society / Mount Hope Cemetery, 1133 Mt. Hope Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620 | | Date:/ Initials: |