



the south end of William Street in the town center. About this same time, there was a shift in cemetery style, a style pioneered by Mount Auburn Cemetery in Cambridge, MA. The new style was that the burial place be landscaped more naturally as a place to be enjoyed by the living.

Riverside began in the winter of 1846-47, when Warren Delano II, a Fairhavener and grandfather of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, purchased a parcel of land from Jonathan Nye. The cemetery was laid out and a corporation was formed in March 1847, with Delano serving as its first president. The cemetery was consecrated on Sunday, July 7, 1847. Delano's death took place in August. In 1881, the sexton's home was built at a cost of \$1,000. In 1889, the trustees have since acquired additional property and the cemetery now totals 100 acres.

Since 1931, Riverside Cemetery has been superintended by three generations of the Reid family. The current superintendent is Peter Reid. His grandfather, Hay Reid, came to Fairhaven from the Delano family. Following Hay Reid's death in 1948, Peter's father Norman H. Reid took over and served as superintendent for 57 years, retiring at the age of 87. Norman Reid died in 2005 at the age of 96.

1. **Henry Huttleston**, 1768-1832, and **Rhoda (Merrihew) Huttleston**, 1771-1841. Henry Huttleston was a shipping merchant and the grandfather of Henry H. Rogers (# 21). Ships he owned were captured by privateers during the War of 1812. Huttleston Avenue was named for him. The Huttlestons' remains were moved here from Acushnet Cemetery.

2. **Capt. Alexander Winsor**, 1810-1891. Winsor was captain of the famed clipper ship *Flying Cloud*, father of banker Walter P. Winsor (#24) and grandfather of horticulturalist Bancroft Winsor (# 21). Capt. Winsor set a speed record sailing the *Flying Cloud* from New York to London in 18 days.

3. **Atkins Adams**, This monument to merchant Atkins Adams (1782-1849) was the first one to be erected in Riverside Cemetery. It was moved from the old village burying ground at the south end of William Street.

4. **Martha (Jenney) Coggeshall**, 1849-1916. She was a member of the Fairhaven Colonial Club, which was founded in 1912. In her will she bequeathed her home at 6 Cherry St. to the group for use as a meeting place and to house its collection of art and artifacts from Fairhaven's history.

5. **Ruby (Eldredge) (Merrihew) Allen**, 1750-1835 and **Stephen Merrihew**, 1742-1783. They were great grandparents of Henry H. Rogers (# 22). Stephen built the house at 39 Middle Street that became Rogers' childhood home. The house passed from Ruby to her daughter Rhoda Huttleston (#1), then to Mary E. Rogers.

6. **Thomas Whitfield**, 1882-1944. The second-longest serving selectman in Fairhaven history, he was a grandson of William H. Whitfield (#8). Whitfield operated clambake pavilions at Fort Phoenix and at Linsely Park amusement park in Dartmouth. He also owned the wharf at Fairhaven Shipyard.



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7. **Ahira Kelley**, 1810-1880. Ahira Kelley was a prominent shipping business A. Kelley and his son-in-law, William A. Kelley, owned the wharf at Fairhaven. Kelley was also known as D.N. Kelley and operated a business in Fairhaven. Kelley owned the wharf at Fairhaven Shipyard.

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forming the school orchestras and for directing the band for Fairhaven High School. She also served 12 years on the school committee, up to the age of 82, and was very active in many town civic groups.

16. **Walter Silveira Sr.**, 1901-1988. The longest serving selectman in the town's history, Silveira was first elected following the death of Thomas Whitfield in 1944 and continued in office until his death in 1988. He was the first Fairhaven selectman of Portuguese descent.

17. **Dr. Martha E. Cummings**, 1930-2004. An educator with volunteer service in many Fairhaven civic and historical organizations, including the Fairhaven Historical Society, the Fairhaven Improvement Association and the Unitarian Memorial Church, she also served as president of the board of trustees of the Riverside Cemetery Corp.

18. **John I. Bryant**, 1850-1929. Bryant, a native of County Cork, Ireland, was the town's third-longest serving Selectman with 24 years in office in nonconsecutive terms. A stone mason by trade, Bryant served as assistant superintendent of streets. He was also postmaster, a county commissioner, a constable and a member of the Board of Health.

19. **Zephaniah Pease**, 1861-1933. The editor of the *New Bedford Mercury*, Pease worked for the newspaper for 53 years. He was also an avid historian who wrote and/or edited a number of articles and publications on local history. He was widowed in 1921 and married the widow of Dr. Charles W. White (#20).

20. **Charles Warren White Jr., M.D.**, 1859-1904 Possibly at the invitation of Henry H. Rogers, White came to Fairhaven following the death of physician George Atwood (#34). He married Eliza Childs, a teacher at Rogers School, and operated his practice from the home he built at 14 William St. He died at the age of 44 on his own operating table during surgery for gallstones. In 1907, Henry H. Rogers built the White Home for Nurses at St. Luke's Hospital in New Bedford in memory of Dr. White.

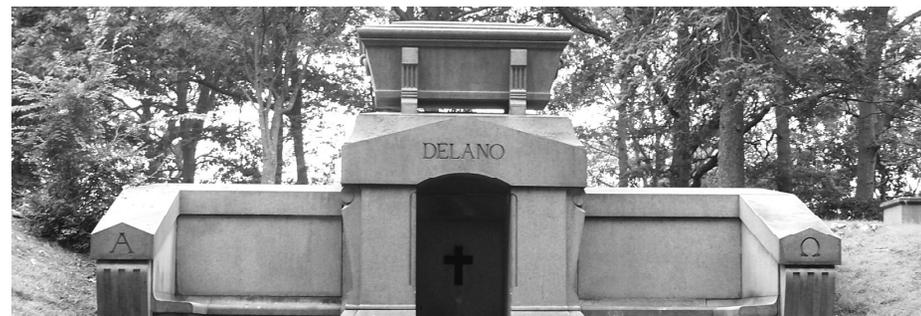
21. **Bancroft Winsor**, 1889-1939, and **Beatrice Winsor**, 1893-1975. Bancroft Winsor, grandson of Capt. Alexander Winsor (#2), gained recognition in horticultural circles for raising gladiolas and selling the bulbs nationwide. Today his legacy is due to starting a 25-acre orchard in Acushnet, which he named



Henry H. Rogers mausoleum

22. **Henry H. Rogers mausoleum**, built 1893. Henry H. Rogers (1840-1909) was born and brought up in Fairhaven and started a small oil refinery in Pennsylvania at the age of 21. He became one of America's wealthiest men, eventually serving as second in command in John D. Rockefeller's Standard Oil Company. Beginning in 1885, Rogers financed a number of public buildings in Fairhaven, including Rogers School, Fairhaven High School, the Town Hall, the Millicent Library and the Unitarian Memorial Church. The mausoleum, designed by architect Charles Brigham, is modeled after the Temple of Minerva in Athens. It is the final resting place of Rogers, his first wife Abbie, three of their children, Rogers' parents, sister, daughter-in-law Mary and grandson H.H. Rogers III.

23. **David N. Kelley**, 1856-1942, and **Hon. David L. Kelley**, 1889-1969 David N. Kelley incorporated his father Ahira's (#7) waterfront business as D. N. Kelley & Sons, and shifted the focus away from fishing and into pleasure-craft building and



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It was formed in 1860 and served until his death. He was president of the Bristol South District Medical Society in 1863. From 1864 to 1879 he was president of Riverside Cemetery.

35. **Ellery Taber**, 1809-1890. Taber, a descendant of some of the town's earliest settlers, was a sea captain. He also served as a selectman in 1864. This monument was toppled by the Great New England Hurricane of 1938.

36. **Ezekiel Sawin**, 1792-1870. Sawin was the owner/agent of whaleships and was elected the first president of the Fairhaven Bank and of the Fairhaven Institution for Savings. He was also president of the Fairhaven Branch Railroad. In 1840 he built the Greek-revival mansion at the southwest corner of William and Washington streets, but later had to sell it after losing his fortune in the financial "panic" of 1857.

37. **Deac. Joseph Bates**, 1750-1828, and **Deborah (Nye) Bates**, 1765-1828 Joseph Bates Sr., a native of Wareham and a veteran of the Revolutionary War, moved to Fairhaven in 1793. He was one of the original subscribers to build the New Bedford Academy (later the Fairhaven Academy) and oversaw the purchase of a lot and the building of the private school. He was a senior deacon of the Congregational Church and was placed in charge of a local militia company during the War of 1812. He and Deborah (Nye) Bates were the parents of Joseph Bates Jr., who was a founder of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

38. **F.R. Whitwell**, 1793-1861. A businessman with whaling and shipping interests, Furman R. Whitwell was an original incorporator of the Fairhaven Institution for Savings and served as a selectman in 1841. His son, F.R. Whitwell Jr., 1835-1910, was also involved in whaling and other business interests. The book "My Dearest Anna: Letters of the Richmond Family" outlines some of the history of the Whitwell family.

39. **Phineas Terry monument** The Terrys were a seafaring family. Phineas Terry (1778-1867) was born in the Long Plain area of Acushnet and returned to Fairhaven after years in merchant shipping as a captain. His sons Phineas and Clinton were also captains. Another Terry was a ship builder and another a cooper. Several Terry daughters married sea captains. In 1849 during the Gold Rush, Terry ships carried people and supplies to California. A couple of family members settled there. Paul Terry, the cartoonist who started Terrytoons, is descended from the Fairhaven Terry family.

40. **John A. Hawes** 1823-1883. A graduate of Harvard in 1845, Hawes was a lawyer who was very active in local politics. During the Civil War he was Captain of Company E, Third Massachusetts Regiment. He was a State Senator in 1871 to 1872 and again 1874 to 1875. Hawes Selectman 1857, 1860 and also served

Howland is best known as a local historian, whose book "A History of the Town of Acushnet" was published shortly after his death.

42. **Rita Steele**, 1921-1985 The director of the Millicent Library from 1953 until her death, Miss Steele brought new life into the library, oversaw its expansion with a new addition in 1968 and kept alive the town's historical ties both with the Rogers family descendants and with the families of Capt. William Whitfield and Manjiro Nakahama.

43. **Charles H. Gifford**, 1839-1904. A marine artist who built a home and studio at 7 Lafayette Street overlooking New Bedford Harbor, Gifford earlier had been a prisoner of war during the Civil War. At a young age he had been inspired by an exhibit of the works of Albert Bierstadt, but his parents discouraged his artistic interests and he worked as a carpenter and shoemaker. In 1865, after selling a painting of Palmer's Island for \$10, he opened an art studio in New Bedford and worked in New York before returning to Fairhaven. Today examples of his work are in several local collections.

44. **Eli Bence**, 1865- 1915 A druggist at D.R. Smith's Drugstore in Fall River in 1892, Bence played a role in the infamous Lizzie Borden case. He claimed that the day before Andrew and Abbie Borden were murdered, Lizzie Borden came into the shop where he worked and asked to buy Prussic Acid, a deadly poison. Bence refused to sell it to her. He was brought to the Borden house and positively identified Lizzie. Bence's testimony, was not admitted at the trial however, because it was considered to be "too remote." In 1894, two years after the murders, Bence opened a pharmacy of his own in New Bedford. His second wife was Annie Maxfield of Fairhaven and he is buried with his wife here in the Maxfield family plot.

45. **George H. Taber**, 1808-1901. Taber became a sea captain in the merchant service in 1832 and sailed many voyages before retiring from the sea in 1842. He served as a Selectman in 1851, 1863, 1869-1878 and 1886 and was an assessor for 15 years. He was President of the Fairhaven Institution for Savings and a trustee of the Millicent Library. Taber became a Freemason in the Star-in-the-East Lodge of New Bedford in 1850 and remained active in Masonic affairs for more than fifty years. In 1901, the Concordia Lodge, F.& A.M. changed its name to the George H. Taber Lodge, F.& A.M. in his honor. Taber's nephew Henry H. Rogers (#21) gave the lodge its building at the northwest corner of Main and Center streets the same year. Taber married Eliza Parker Bates, the daughter of Seventh-

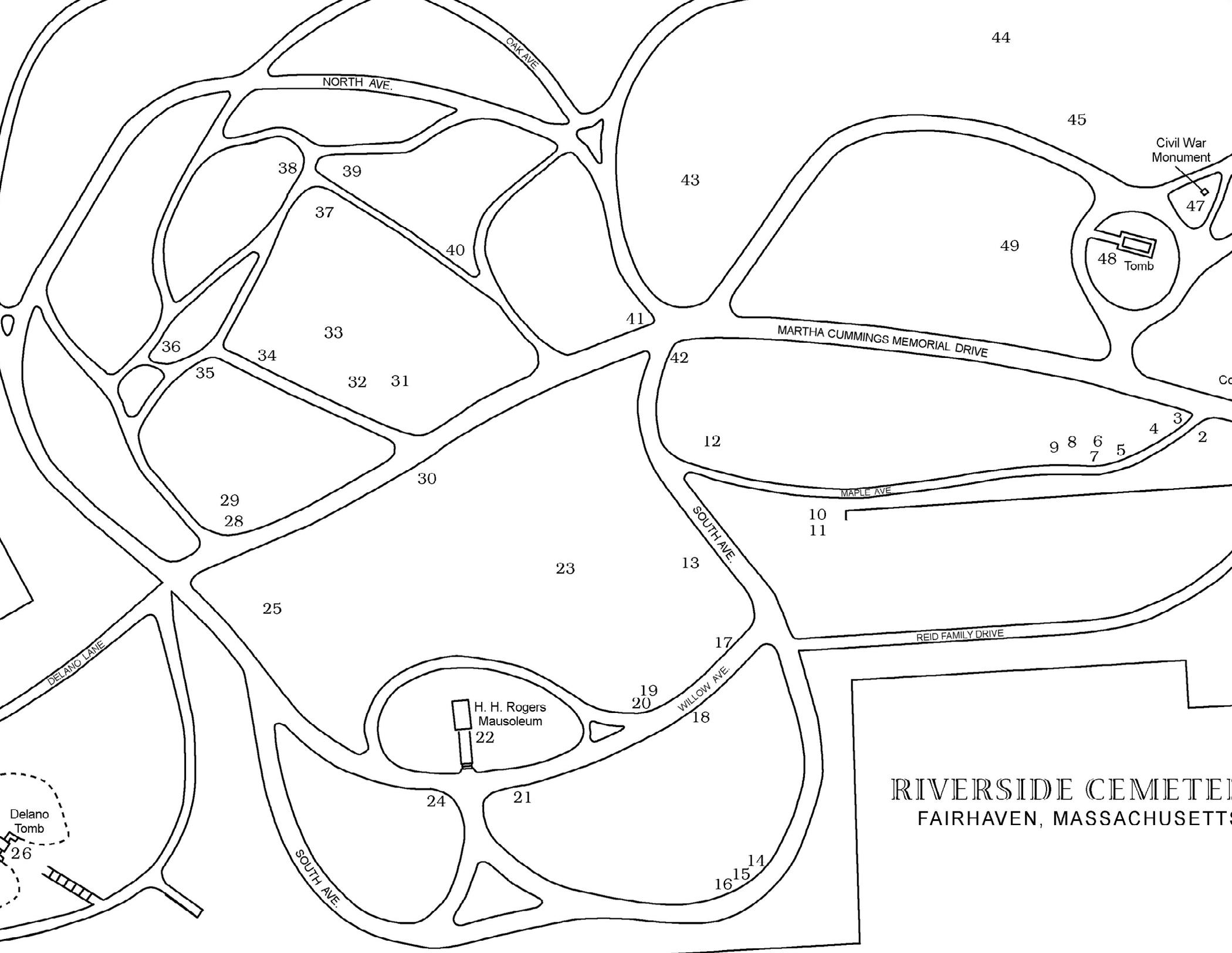


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