

Cemetery Map



1. Edith Ellen Newman - Died 1889 (104-3)

She died at 18 years of age and she was the first interment in the cemetery.

2. Jack Stokes 1923 – 2000 & Helen Stokes 1921 - 2004 (117-8)

Jack Stokes was an influential local politician. He was an NDP Member of Provincial Parliament representing the Lake Nipigon riding as well as Speaker of the House.

3. Gino and Rosa Spadoni - Gino died Feb. 22, 1970 and Rosa died on May 1, 1976 (118-1)

Local entrepreneurs who purchased the McIntosh General Store on the corner of Scotia and Winnipeg and later renamed it Spadoni's Department Store. They also started the first car dealership.

4. Albert Garrity - 1893 – 1977 (114-20)

Mr. Garrity owned a convenience store on Scotia Street. He was known to hide money in lunch boxes and accidentally one was sold. He was also a car-man and worked for the Canadian Pacific Railway.

5. Sidney Robert Priske (P.O. RCN) Died 1943 (111-9)

He was a Petty Officer in World War II and was lost at sea.

6. Lauri Wilko Halonen - 1883 – 1971 (106-18), Maria Aleksandra Halonen - 1892 – 1953

Lauri and Maria were married in 1910 in Lapenlahte, Finland and later immigrated to Canada. Lauri was the caretaker of the railway gardens which brought compliments from all who passed through on the train. Their son Pete was Post Master General of Canada.

7. Robert Winters – 1888 - 1979 (109-14)

Mr. Winters led an interesting life including sailing around the world, helping to build the Panama Canal and building the first road from Schreiber to Terrace Bay which is now part of the Trans Canada Highway.

8. Rena B. Ross – 1924 - 1993 (M-13)

Rena worked for the Canadian Pacific Railway. Rena was a dedicated volunteer on many local committees such as the Catholic Women's League and the Royal Canadian Legion's Auxiliary.

9. Reverend McHugh Died 1958 (201-5)?

Father McHugh is the only catholic priest in the cemetery. Next to his grave stands a large, white cross which was erected in honour of him by parishioners.

10. Joseph Cebrario - 1902 – 1958 (201-3) Mauro Cebrario – Died 1979 (109-15)

Mauro originally built the cement blocks for his home which expanded into a business for him and brother Joseph. Eventually Mauro became a contractor and Joe a store owner.

11. William Scott – Died 1963 (101-24)

William (Pop) Scott was born in Schreiber and was in the bakery business for many years. He was also the Reeve of Schreiber from 1936-1938.

12. Anselm Haapa – 1886 - 1962 (115-11)

Mr. Haapa owned and operated a dairy farm. He also grew vegetables which were sold to local residents. When he could no longer sell unpasteurized milk, Anselm used his horse and wagon to pick up the town's garbage.

13. A. Barclay (Mugsy) & Minnie McQuaig

Mugsy died in 1978, Minnie died in 1968 (206-10) Mugsy and Minnie owned a restaurant at the Canadian Pacific Railway station. Mugsy was also a weigh freight conductor on the CPR.

14. Charles Skinner – Died 1962 (117-20)

Charles owned the local barbershop and offered haircuts for 35 cents. Mr. Skinner was also the local librarian for 25 years.



History

- The cemetery was established between 1928 and 1931, when the township assumed operation.
- Schreiber's first funeral home was the Gawley Funeral Home (c 1943) located on the corner of Main and Scotia (where the current King's Funeral Home is located). It was a family operation. The funeral home was a "home-based" operation where everyone had a role in the business from transportation to embalming to applying makeup. Wakes would be held in the family's living room.
- Ken McNally took over in 1965.
- Joe King purchased and opened King's Funeral home in 1976-1977.

Interesting Information

- There are approximately 1153 interments in the Schreiber Municipal Cemetery
- The oldest person in the cemetery is Catherine Lavina D'Arcy, born 1866, died 1966.
- During the Great Depression (1929-1939) there were 37 interments.
- In 1918-1919 there was a Spanish Influenza epidemic. Schreiber lost 6 people to this flu.

The local cenotaph (bottom) honours Schreiber soldiers who died in the wars. It includes soldiers from World War I, World War II and the Korean War. There are currently 26 names on the cenotaph located at 302 Scotia Street, downtown Schreiber.

Symbolism on Grave Markers

Gravestones reveal the variety of cultures, religions and customs which make up our community.

Robert Christie 107-22

Tree Trunk/Stump: Usually marks the graves of Woodmen of the World members.

William Archibald Geary 113-8

The "Cross" symbolizes Christianity

Alvin & Mavis Slater 105-11

Links (chains) are the official symbols for the Oddfellows and Rebekah Lodge.

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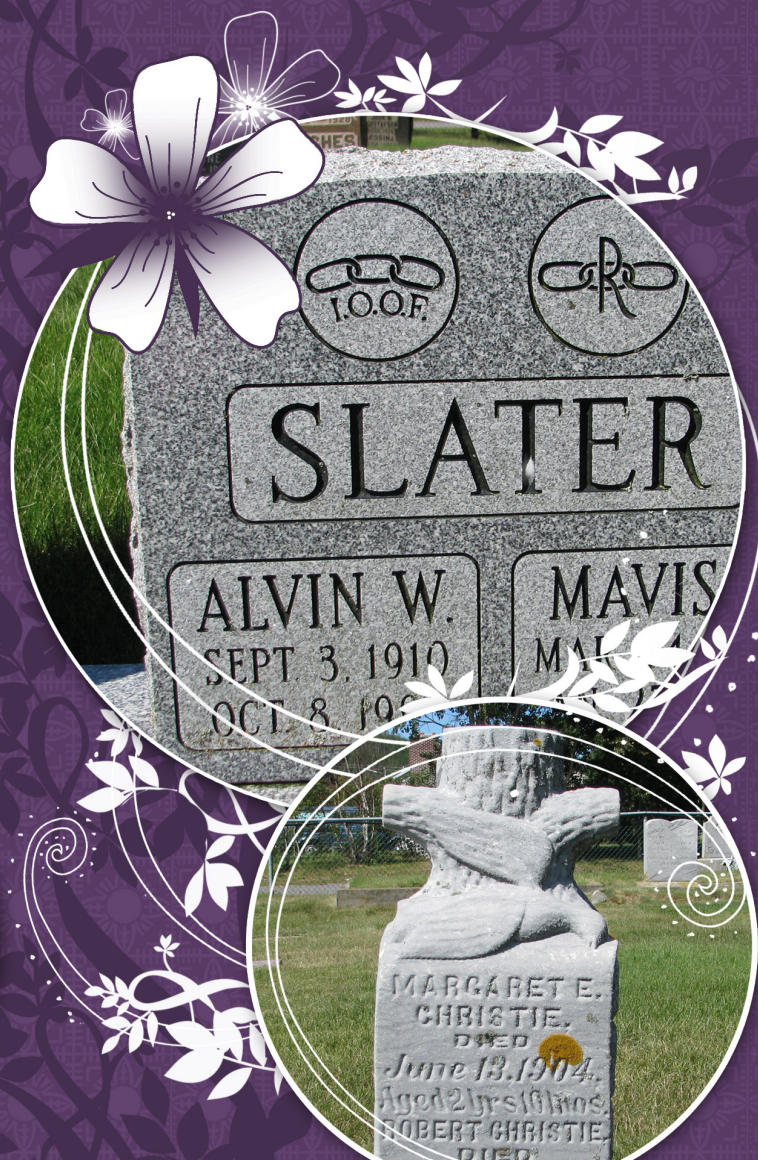


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Cemetery Tour

Discover Schreiber's hidden history at the cemetery.



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 Highway 17, Quebec and Erie St.
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