

WELCOME to the Eugene Masonic Cemetery and a tour of the grave sites of some truly remarkable people. Many of their names will be familiar because so many Eugene landmarks are named after them.

These early settlers crossed the country to their “Promised Land,” but they were also responsible for turning that promise into reality. They cleared land, started businesses, built homes, raised crops and livestock, bore children, and fed and clothed their families.

At the same time they contributed to the public good. They provided leadership for the fledgling governments of Eugene City, Lane County, and the State of Oregon. They founded schools and churches. They brought the University of Oregon to Eugene, supported it financially, and guided its operations. They built public buildings, bridges, parks, and roads.

Read about their lives. These people – through their energy, faith, perseverance, and civic pride – together created our community.

## Common Symbols in Historic Cemeteries

Late nineteenth and early twentieth century headstones contain a variety of carved figures and designs that reflect people’s beliefs about death. Here are some of the more common designs and interpretations found in cemeteries:

<i>Angel</i> . . . . Rebirth. Trumpeting: call to Resurrection	<i>Dove</i> . . . . . Purity, devotion	<i>Hourglass</i> . . . Time’s inevitable passing
<i>Bible</i> . . . . Faith in God	<i>Garland</i> . . . . Victory	<i>Lamb</i> . . . . . Innocence
<i>Bird</i> . . . . . Eternal life	<i>Gates/Doors</i> . . Heavenly entrance	<i>Shell</i> . . . . . Resurrection, life everlasting
<i>Flower</i> . . . Frailty of life	<i>Hand</i> . . . . . Heavenly reward	<i>Tree</i> . . . . . Life, mortality
<i>Candle</i> . . . Life	<i>Heart</i> . . . . . Love, mortality, triumph of soul over death	<i>Wheat</i> . . . . Divine harvest
<i>Crown</i> . . . Glory of life after death		<i>Wreath</i> . . . . Victory

1. Wiley Griffon – streetcar driver

2. John W. Johnson – first UO President

3. Darwin Bristow Family

4. Catherine Davis – pioneer nurse

5. James and Samantha Huddleston

6. W. W. Withers – murdered sheriff

7. Alexander Seavy Family – hop farmers

8. Stewart Eakin Family

9. A.W. Patterson – Renaissance man

10. Fielding McMurry – sold Masons the land for the cemetery

11. Mahlon Harlow Family

12. Thomas Kincaid Family

13. Richard Parsons Family

14. Avery A. Smith Family

15. Philip Castleman – photographer

16. Eugene and Mary Skinner – first settlers

17. Frank Chambers – businessman

18. Minnie Luckey and Albert Wilson – romantic tragedy

19. Charles Croner Family
20. T.J. Hendricks – banker

21. Ellen Scott – pioneer mother

22. Charles and Janet Collier – surveyor and educator

23. John M. Thompson – attorney

24. George Belshaw Family

25. Jacob Hampton Family

26. Pliny Snodgrass – banker

27. W.J. Smith – death with dignity

28. Mary Spiller – member of UO’s first faculty

29. George and Sybel Collier – scientists

30. Ed McClanahan – stage driver

31. Luther and Samantha Dillard

32. Hollis Children – diphtheria deaths

33. The Honorable John W. Whiteaker  
The first Governor of Oregon

34. Maude Kerns – artist/educator

35. J. B. Underwood – over-achiever

36. Rev. Edward Geary – pioneer preacher

37. Prior and Eleanor Blair – early pioneers

38. Gee Deen Luckey – early Chinese resident

39. Lord Nelson Roney – builder

40. Benjamin J. Hawthorne – soldier and scholar

41. Francis B. Dunn – merchant

42. Thomas Condon – geologist and missionary

43. Glen G. Anderson – logger/farmer

44. Henry G. Hadley – sheep raiser

## Self-Guided Walking Tour



Visit Famous People Buried  
in the Eugene  
Masonic Cemetery



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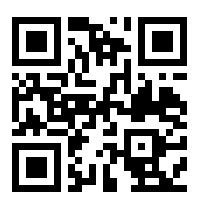
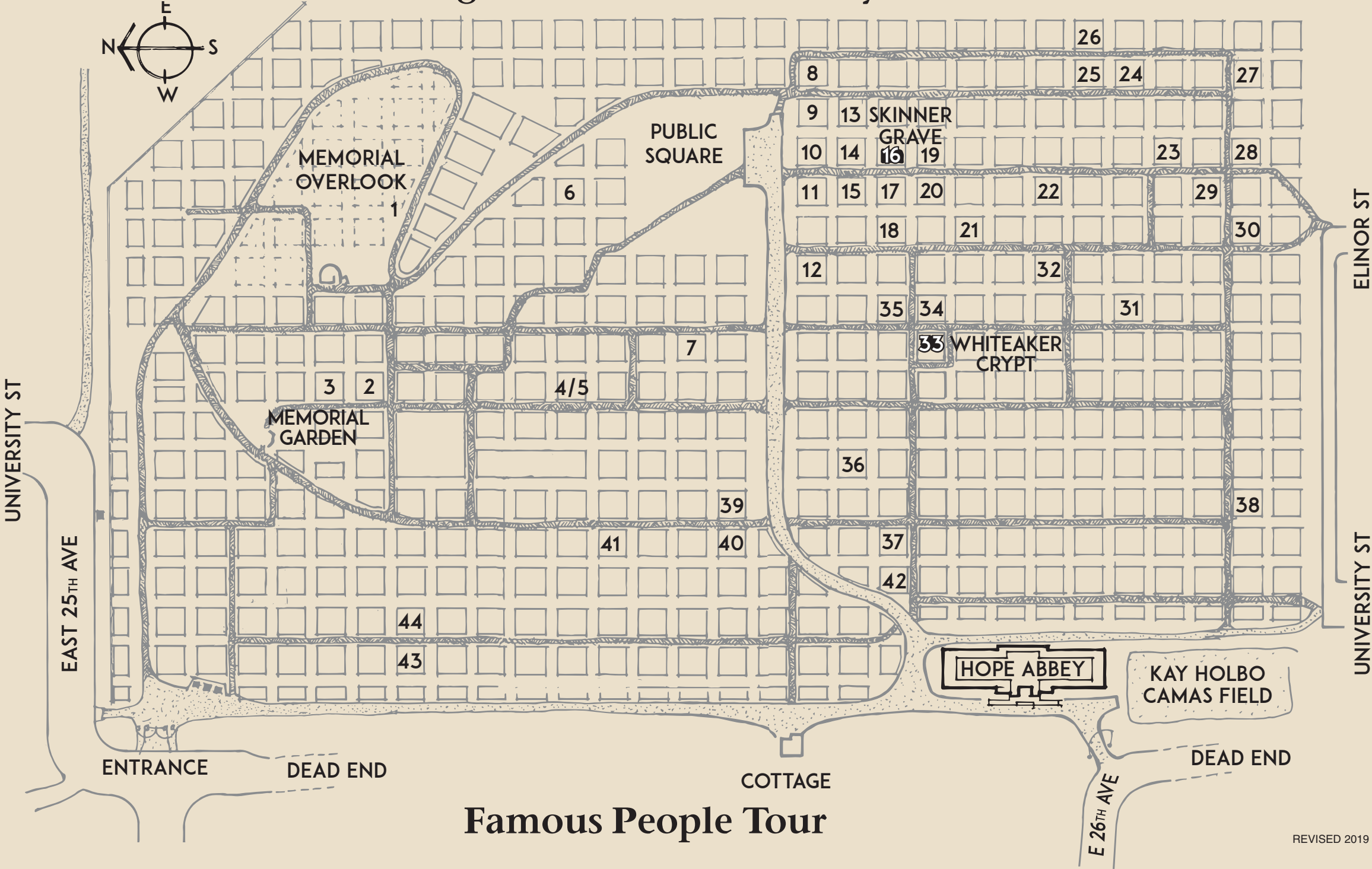
Welcome to the Eugene Masonic Cemetery.

The plot histories in this tour are merely a sample representation of the beginning Eugenians whose memories still live on this site.

Visitors to the cemetery are invited to view and learn more about these great people through our historical guide.

The numbers on the map correspond with the numbered list on the other side.

The tour begins at the entrance at East 25th and University.



## Famous People Tour