

Cemetery Records

A great number of the original records for the cemeteries owned and managed by the Town have been lost over the years. However, a good number still exist.

Though Riverside is the oldest cemetery in Smithfield, there are a number of records available for the property. The Town possesses a large number of copies of original deeds, an original lot sale record, and a map of the cemetery showing lot owners as of 1959. This map is still used today to locate lots and grave spaces. Until 1989, there were no interment records maintained for the cemetery. While the records maintained since 1989 may not contain information as to the exact location of a specific grave, they provide a starting point for those individuals wishing to research their ancestry and the location of their loved ones. The deed records have been placed in a searchable computer data base for fast and easy access.

Beyond those records of the transfer of the property, no record of interments exists for John Thomas Cemetery. Additionally, there is no known map of the cemetery.

The Town maintains a number of records for Resthaven Cemetery. These records include the original lot sale record, a large number of original deed copies, and a map of the cemetery. Records of interments have been kept since 1989. While the records maintained since 1989 may not contain information as to the exact location of a specific grave, they provide a starting point for those individuals wishing to research their ancestry and the location of their loved ones. The deed and lot sale records have been placed in a searchable computer data base for fast and easy access.

Records maintained by the Town for Oakland Cemetery include the original lot sale record, a large number of original deed copies, and a map of the cemetery. Records of interments have been kept since 1989. While the records maintained since 1989 may not contain information as to the exact location of a specific grave, they provide a starting point for those individuals wishing to research their ancestry and the location of their loved ones. The deed and lot sale records have been placed in a searchable computer data base for fast and easy access.

The Town has, and maintains, extensive records for Sunset Memorial Park. These records include the original lot sale record, the original interment record, a large number of original deed copies, a map of the cemetery, and comprehensive interment information which enables Town officials to locate the exact location of all deceased persons interred in the cemetery.