

FORM E - BURIAL GROUNDS

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108



SOMERSET

Palmer Street

Palmer Street Cemetery

Ship:

Public

Private

ESTABLISHMENT:

Approximate number stones 900

Earliest death date November 23, 1797

Latest death date 1983, present

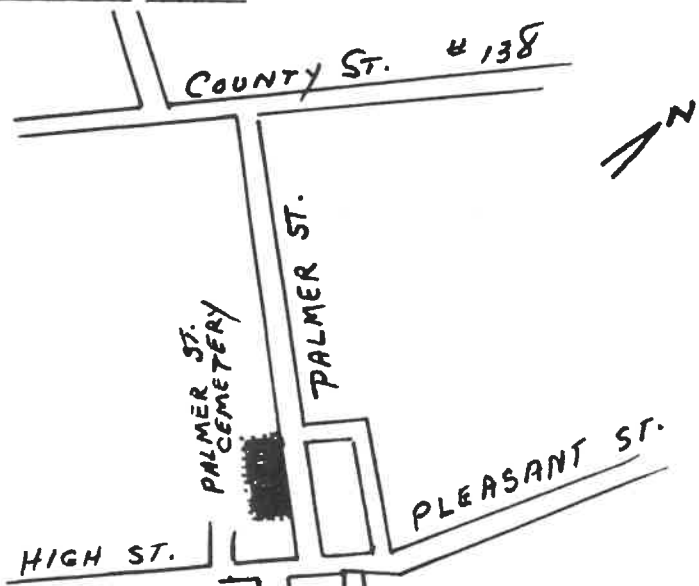
Condition

well kept, grass mowed, cared for
most stones standing, in excellent
condition

field stone walls, bounding cemo-
tery, also in excellent con-
dition

SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's location
in relationship to nearest cross streets
and other buildings or geographical features.
Indicate north.



Recorded by Louise B. Simcock

Organization Somerset Historical Comm.

Date May 6, 1983

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ASSESSMENT OF ART WORK (describe materials used, designs, motifs, symbols that are either common or unusual, known carvers).

In older section markers are of gray slate or white marble

Oldest headstone, erected to: Sacred to Memory of

This stone is oblong, gray slate	Elhanah Palmer Age 55 who departed this life November 23, 1797
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Headstone, erected for: Mary, wife of Capt.

This stone is oblong, shaped at top - 	Surbinas P. Marble Died March 3, 1817 36 years, 25 days
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There is one above ground granite vault, approx. 4' x 6" x 4'
A granite mausoleum, approx. 8' x 10' x 12' with stained glass
window in rear wall has places for six caskets. Carved
above entrance door, which is iron, is the name DOULL

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (discuss religious affiliations, major period of use, importance within town).

Families represented, Eddy, Davis, Chase, Borden, Marble, Clark Palmer, were all early settlers of the village. Many headstones are erected for sea captains, some lost at sea.

Clifford M. Holland, chief engineer of the Holland Tunnel, N.Y. is buried here.

Two granite gate posts were given in memory of D. Borden Davis and flank the main drive. An inscription is cut into each post on the street side (north). The East post bears the inscription: Palmer Street Cemetery. The West post: erected in memory of D. Borden Davis.

Joseph Chace

#11

Birth: 1821
Massachusetts, USA
Death: 1885
Somerset
Bristol County
Massachusetts, USA

Son of Asa and Nancy Chace. Husband of Julia A. (___). Father of Jesse M. Chace, Emma F. Chace; and Arthur Boward Chace. Occupation, Tailor.

Family links:

Spouse:

Julia A. Chace (1838 - 1864)*

*Calculated relationship

Burial:

Hathaway-Chace Cemetery

Somerset
Bristol County
Massachusetts, USA

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Julia A. Chace

Birth: 1838
Massachusetts, USA
Death: Nov. 19, 1864
Swansea
Bristol County
Massachusetts, USA

Wife of Joseph Chace. She died in her 27th year.

Family links:

Spouse:

[Joseph Chace \(1821 - 1885\)](#)

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Eben P. Chace

Birth: Feb. 8, 1827
Massachusetts, USA
Death: 1905
Somerset
Bristol County
Massachusetts, USA

Son of Joseph Chace & Nancy Pierce. Husband of Mary E. b. 1837, father of Mary F. Chace 1863-1887; Eben V. Chace 1866-1907; Idolettie P. Chace 1859-1877; William H. Chace 1857-1895; Helen N. Chace 1861- ; Joseph W. Chace 1869- ; Anna P. Chace 1872-.

Burial:
Hathaway-Chace Cemetery
Somerset
Bristol County
Massachusetts, USA

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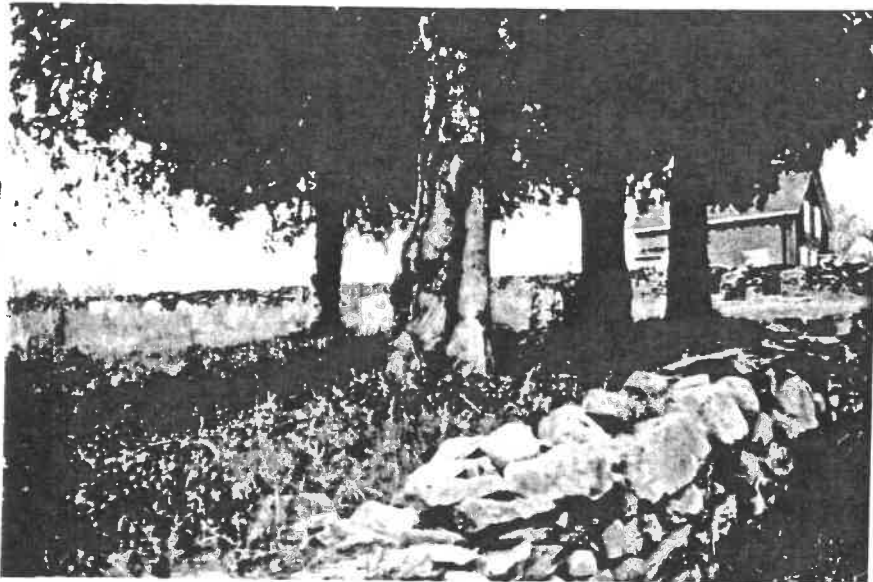
5/77. In Somerset, on the south side of Marble St, on hill, 1,000 frnt east
of County Road, at roadside, easily seen from street, poorly kept,
walled all around

✓ Joseph Chace	1734	59	11, 17/1834
✓ Nancy, his wife	1734	21	5/2/1835
✓ Isaac Chace	1815	34	5 11 1838
✓ Sarah, his wife	1834	33	9, 18, 1837
✓ Joseph Chace	1821	65	1836
✓ Julia, his wife	1834	27	11, 19/1861
✓ Eben Chace	1827	79	1806
✓ Mary E., his wife	1837	81	1818
✓ Mary E., their dau	1863	81	1844
✓ Adolette, dau same	1859	18	1877
✓ William H., son same	1857	38	1898
✓ Eben V. Son same	1866	41	1807
Nancy Chace, dau of Nathaniel & Deborah Chace	1830	41	5/22/1851
Amy A., wife of Marcus Chace	1817	45	6 11, 1862
Asa Chace, son of Joseph (1784) & Nancy Chace	1830	60	10/14/1890
Lydia, dau of Calb and Phebe Butterworth	1766	90	1, 10/1856
Eliz. beth Bourne	1780	53	8, 1823
Mary Bourne	1786	25	3/20/1811
Oliver Mason	1799	67	2/7, 1868
Elizabeth, his wife	1804	54	8/16/1858
Nancy, his wife	cannot read stone		
Stephen Lancheater	1750	78	9/2/1836
James Luther	1776	62	5/27/1838
Elizabeth his wife	1789	36	11/6/1825
✓ John Peirce (Elder)	1662	90	9, 8, 1752
✓ Betsy, his wife	1834	74	4/3/1733
Hannah Y., wife of Clothier Peirce (Old Type Stone)	1700	29	8, 29/1739
Eliz beth, wife the same	1703	27	11/2/1740
Abigail, dau of Samuel & Phebe Peirce (Old Type Stone)	1727	1/	3/29, 1728
Ebenezer Peirce	1756	70	10/31/1826
Abigail, His wife	1775	35	11, 11/1860

"Hathaway Chace"
#11

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City Somerset, Mass.

Address Marble St.

Section Pieree/Chace

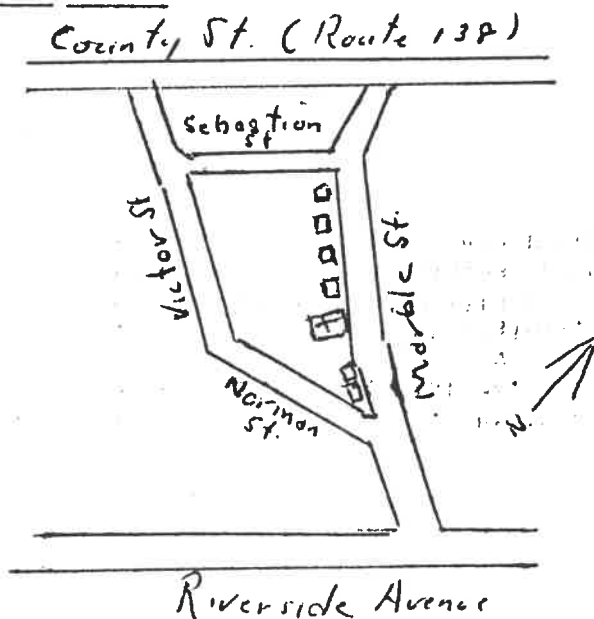
Ownership:
 Public
 Private

DESCRIPTION:
 Approximate number stones 120 Plus
 Oldest death date 1728
 Newest death date 1946

Condition Area fronting on Marble St not
too bad but rear of cemetery a mass of
weeds, brush and tall grass. Many stones
down, toppling and some broken.

SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's location
in relationship to nearest cross streets
and other buildings or geographical features.
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Recorded by James Bradbury

Organization Somerset Historical Commission

Date 13 May 1983

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ASSESSMENT OF ART WORK (describe materials used, designs, motifs, symbols that are either common or unusual, known carvers).

Variety of materials used. Brown sandstone, white sandstone, gray slate, gray marble and a reddish sandstone. Red and brown sandstones are rectangular with tops cut in form of a large oval sided by smaller ovals. Inscribed with a scroll motif. No carver's names visible. Remaining stones standing are either rectangular or rectangular with rounded tops and no motifs. Many of the stones are mere jagged bits of fieldstone or ~~xxx~~ slate jutting a couple of inches above the ground. In some instances footstones are present.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (discuss religious affiliations, major period of use, importance within town).

#12 Purinton-Pierce, Weaver Cemetery

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	818

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Somerset, Mass.

Address Arnold St.

Purinton/Weaver

Ownership:

Public

Private

DESCRIPTION:

Estimated number stones 12

Estimated death date 1809

Actual death date 1809 * (1858)

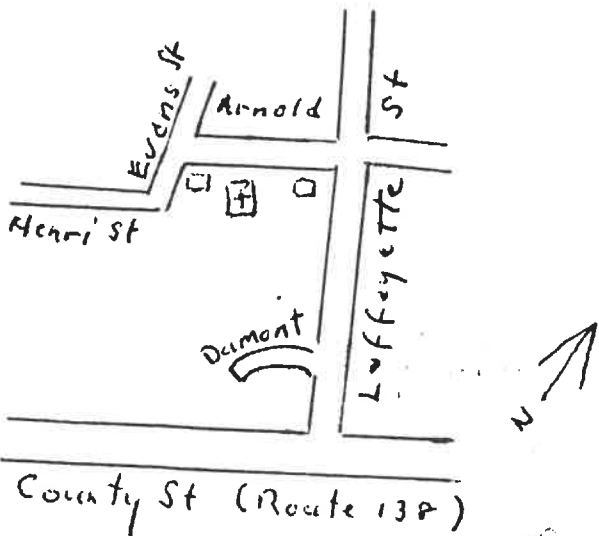
Condition No headstones standing. Broken segments here and there. Weed grown. Even jagged field stone headstones have nearly disappeared since a 1975 survey by this writer.

* Only date discernible now. In 1975 an 1858 date existed.

Field rock walls still in place bounding an area 50 x 70'.

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ASSESSMENT OF ART WORK (describe materials used, designs, motifs, symbols that are either common or unusual, known carvers).

Headstones, fallen and broken, of white sandstone without motifs. No carver's name on segments found. Most headstones consisted of jagged bits of field stone or gray slate protruding an inch or so above ground.

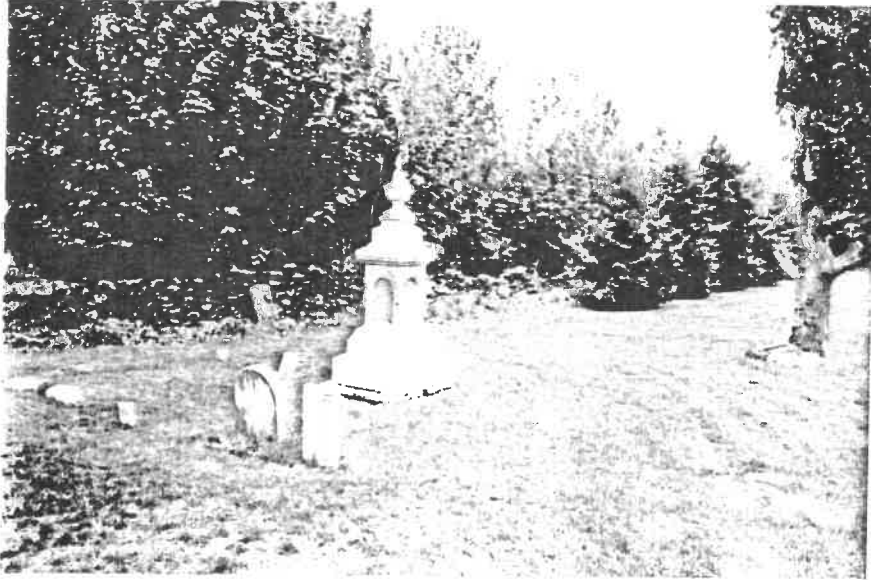
HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (discuss religious affiliations, major period of use, importance within town).

FORM E - BURIAL GROUNDS

#13 Purinton
Behind Church

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Somerset

County Street, rear of Congregational Christian Church
Purinton

Ownership:

- Public
- Private

Approximate number stones

15

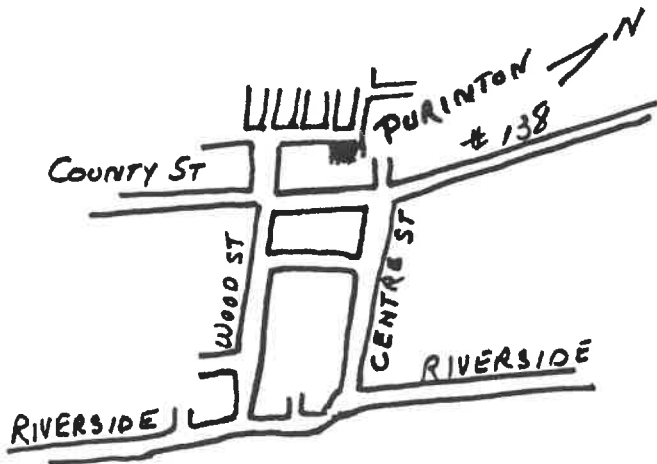
Earliest death date 1843

Latest death date 1900

Condition mowed grass, forms part
of the church yard, bordered on west
and north by stonewalls, covered with
growth. Two stones standing against
north wall, one other stone set
against tree.

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 Date May 3, 1983

ASSESSMENT OF ART WORK (describe materials used, designs, motifs, symbols that are either common or unusual, known carvers).

Monument, in center, has all the appearance of marble, but is actually of metal construction. Notes, Samuel G. Purinton, died Dec. 16, 1899. Age 79 years, 2 months and 24 days. Names of other Purinton family members, with information of each is also on monument.

Oldest marker for Palmer Wilbur, died Oct. 14, 1843, age 66 years, 7 months and 8 days.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (discuss religious affiliations, major period of use, importance within town).

One stone marker, set apart (about 15 feet to the south of the cemetery which measures 20' x 40' is the headstone of Rev. R. B. Eldridge and states that he was the first member of the Rhode Island and Massachusetts conference.