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More Burial Options! NEW! Section T

We have opened another section of land for burials located south of Old Glory Plaza and Section G. This section will be available for casket burials and cremations with flat markers only. It will contain over 200 lots with one to four spaces in each lot. Each space may contain one casket burial, one casket burial and one cremation burial or two cremation burials. Our goal is to offer our cemetery families as many options as possible to accommodate their wishes and those of all of their family members.

Here we grow again !!

We are very excited to announce an expansion of David's Cemetery. Late last year we purchased the property formerly known as Educational Resources, Inc. DBA: The Miami Valley Pre-School and prior to that, the Carousel Nursery School for many, many years.

The structure was built in 1960 on .9 acres located at 4631 Far Hills Avenue.



The building will be demolished to facilitate an expansion and renovation of our baby section, provide additional burial spaces and a new memorial garden.

Please call our office for more information or schedule a tour of all we have to offer!

7th Annual Flag Day Celebration held Friday, June 14, 2019



Door Prize Winner: Jeannie Brandt Congratulations Jeannie! Our free event continues to draw large crowds with wonderful smiling faces! Everyone enjoyed everything from the gorgeous weather to the beautiful music by The Greater Dayton Brass Ensemble to the yummy meal served up by Belmont Catering!

We are always so privileged to start our evening with the Kettering Fire Department Honor Guard and the National Anthem at the foot of our glorious flag!

We estimate at least 500 people were in attendance this year and we are already looking forward to next year!

Mark your calendars for next year! Friday, June 12, 2020



Mark your holiday calendar... **Christmas Eve Luminaries** Tuesday, December 24, 2019 Beginning @ Dusk

Did you know...

As early as 1865, Union veterans went back to the fields on which they fought to memorialize their deeds and their fallen comrades. In the days before national parks, veterans would purchase small plots of land from local farmers, churches and municipalities. From there, the veterans would employ a sculptor and/or monument manufacturer to design and build their monument. Some purchased their monument from a catalog; you may see the same soldier adorn a Union monument at Gettysburg and a Confederate monument at Chattanooga. The majority of Union monuments were placed from 1880 to 1918.

NEW WEBSITE

We are pleased to announce the launch of our new website! Our goal with this new website is to provide our visitors an easier way to learn about David's Cemetery. The new website is interactive and gives you better access to learn about all the services we have to offer. The site contains beautiful virtual tours of many of our sections and facilities, our rules/ regulations, our floral policy, rental agreements for the Community Mausoleum Chapel and Gathering Room along with an enhanced burial/locator page and more. We will regularly update our content with helpful information, newsletters, announcements and photographs. We hope you find the new website easy to access information and we also wish to establish this portal as a source of information for our cemetery families and those who visit our cemetery. *www.davidscemetery.com*

David's Cemetery is a proud sponsor of the Remembrance Walk at *Hospice*

(www.battlefields.org)

David's Cemetery-where peace and beauty provide rest and solitude.

Superintendent's Message

This year I will start a new tradition of bringing you the history of one our residents that resides at David's Cemetery. This year's person of focus is the Miami Valley native, Myron E. Scott. Myron was born in Camden, Ohio on September 16, 1907 where he grew up in Dayton with his father who was a baker. Myron later attended the Dayton Institute of Art and worked for the Dayton Daily News where he learned photography while working after school each day. He worked for the newspaper on and off for 22 years.



In June 1933, while on a photo assignment for the paper in Oakwood, Ohio, he photographed 6 boys racing down Big Hill Road in wooden crate cars on buggy wheels. He talked to the boys and persuaded them with the offer of prizes to bring their friends the next day with more cars in exchange for him taking additional photos. The next day 16 cars showed up and raced for prizes, Myron got his photos and took them back to the paper. Myron used these photos to convince the Dayton Daily News to sponsor a race later that summer. On August 19, 1933, over 300 cars showed up, with over 40,000 spectators lining the race route that started at Smithville Rd. and

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went down Burkhart Hill, with the finish line at South Garland Ave. (Just west of where the old Wilbur Wright Football fields ended,

when I was young in the 50s this was next to the Glawe Awning factory). David Wyse won the 11-year-old and under and Randall Custer of Oakwood High School won the 16-year-old and under. Alice Johnson the only girl in the race finished 3rd

Myron and the newspaper decided they had a marketing tool and signed up 34 other newspapers across the country to hold local races and then send their winners to Davton in 1934, for the Grand Champion race. During that time Myron purchased all rights to





Top of Burkhart Hill

the race and copyrighted the phrase "All American Soap Box Derby".

On August 18, 1934, they again held the Championship race on Burkhart Hill with over 65,000 people lining the route which included Indy 500 winner Wild Bill Cummings and Aviator Jimmy Mattern. The winner, Robert Turner from Muncie, Indiana, won \$500. They awarded 2nd place to Claude Alexander from Chattanooga, Tennessee, and 3rd place Jack Fusternberg from Omaha, NE.

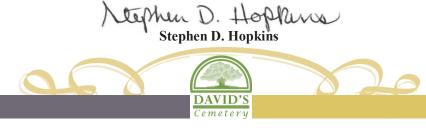
For 1935 Myron convinced Chevrolet to sponsor the race with the Grand Prize being a four-year college Scholarship with Chevrolet agreeing to purchase all rights to the race from Myron, give him a job at Chevrolet, and move the race to Akron, Ohio.

In 1952, Myron was in a special executive meeting headed by Chevrolet Chief Engineer Edward N. Cole to find a new name for a new Chevrolet sports car that was in development that began with a "C". They had reviewed over 300 names, but no name satisfied everyone. That evening Myron went home and searched the "C" section of the dictionary and stopped at the definition of the word "Corvette", which was a speedy pursuit ship in the British navy. Myron suggested the name to the group the next day, and the rest is history.

Myron continued to work for Chevrolet until his retirement in 1971. In 1997 he was inducted into the Soap Box Derby Hall of Fame and in 2002 GM inducted him into the Chevrolet Corvette Hall of Fame. Myron E. Scott passed away on October 4, 1998 at the age of 91 and is entombed in David's Mausoleum. (Photos: Wright State University Libraries' Special Collections and Archives)

Please remember that the cemetery grounds and all three mausoleums will be cleaned off starting at 7:30 a.m. Friday, November 29, 2019 (the day after Thanksgiving). If you have any items you wish to keep, please remove them before that day.

You may place decorations back into the cemetery and mausoleums on Sunday, December 1, 2019.



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2019 HOLIDAY

•SPECIAL DISCOUNT ON WREATH ORDERS PLACED BEFORE OCTOBER 15th, 2019.