



Uxbridge Historic Cemetery  
Committee  
May 2015

"To know the character of a community I need  
only visit its  
cemeteries" Benjamin Franklin

Dear Friend of our Uxbridge Cemeteries:

The Uxbridge Historic Cemetery Committee receives no money from the town of Uxbridge. We must rely on the generosity of donors and local businesses to help us preserve and restore these treasured sites.

At the present time we provide summer maintenance – mowing and leaf removal - for 15 cemeteries. The estimated cost this year is \$3400.00. We also reset fallen stones and try to repair broken stones when it is appropriate. The cost associated with these activities is funded by generous donations and the interest from our funds.

This spring committee members toured the cemeteries we maintain to make a list of work that needs to be done. Fortunately there has been no major damage to any cemetery, however, the costs associated with cleaning the cemeteries of brush, branches and dead trees, inside and around the perimeters, will be an additional \$2000.00.

Last year the committee continued the process of registering all the cemeteries with the Massachusetts Historical Commission. This will ensure that our cemeteries are protected and preserved for future generations. This process requires documentation of the historical significance of the cemetery, documentation of the origin of the cemetery, information about the families/people buried in the cemetery, map documentation and pictures of the cemetery.

In May the Committee continued a long tradition of placing a new flag (approximately 1400) on every veterans' grave in the town of Uxbridge.

We are asking you to give us a hand by making a donation for the summer 2015 maintenance of our cemeteries. Whatever you can spare is appreciated. No amount is too small, or too large. With your donations we can continue to maintain 15 of our 31 neglected and abandoned cemeteries.

Make checks payable to: Town of Uxbridge-Cemetery Donations Fund.

**Send your donation to:**

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Gratefully,  
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