

Old Cutchogue Burying Ground  
Conservation Treatment Workshop  
May 4 & 5, 2018

The objective of the May 2018 *Conservation Treatment Workshop* was to repair and straighten headstones and footstones facing Harbor Lane, which borders the west side of the site. This section of the burying ground dates from the mid- to late 19<sup>th</sup> century and contains early gravestones of Cutchogue's African American residents. All of the stones are of white marble.

Conditions include: severe tilting, which puts stones at risk of falling and breaking; detachment/broken stones with no apparent losses; and buried or sunken stones. In several cases, more than one condition was noted on a single stone (e.g., broken and buried). A total of 8 headstones and 6 footstones were treated over two days by stone conservator Joel C. Snodgrass, with the assistance of volunteers.

In addition to the conservation treatment of headstones and footstones, a granite fence post facing the Main Road was also repaired as a demonstration project for Boy Scout Joe DePinto, who has chosen repairing and straightening the 45 stone posts that face Main Road and Harbor Lane as his Eagle Scout project. The stone posts were installed in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century to support a wooden picket fence, which later deteriorated. Approximately half of the stone posts will require repair, and all need cleaning. The project is scheduled for summer of 2018.

The following headstones and footstones were repaired during the May 4/5 workshop:

Deborah Tuthill (d. February 8, 1864)  
533H



Robert H. Webb (d. 12/19/1843)

545H



Susan Case (d. November 17, 1858)

547H



Jane Reeve (d. April 30, 1839)

562H





Alexander Silone (d. May 1881) & Parthenia Reeve Silone (d. February 28, 1854)

563H



E. H. (footstone: possibly Edmund Hawkins, 566H)

564 F



Mehetabel Hawkins (d. April 16, 1884)

567H



Selden B. Case (d. February 28, 1891)

568H



L. M. M. (unidentified footstone)

568F



Caroline B. Case (d. November 10, 1873)

569H





I. C. C. & L. G. C. (footstone: Isabel C. Case & Lucretia G. Case)

570F



L. C. (footstone: Lorenzo Case, 548H)

571F



S. H. L. (footstone: Sybil Lawrence, 572H)

572F



G. B. L. (footstone: Gulielma Bowne Lawrence, 573H)  
573F



Stone post  
A24

