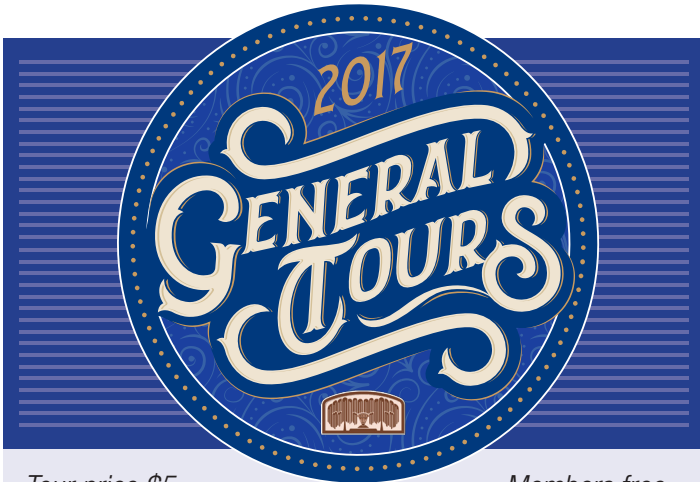


*We have surprises for you all summer long!*

THERE ARE 350,000 PERMANENT RESIDENTS IN MOUNT HOPE CEMETERY. To make sense of picking and choosing the best ones to visit, you need a guide. We have great tour guides, experts in their fields. So, if you want your surprises to be the best, get up and go on spring, summer, and fall walking tours with them. You will be surprised, and in the bargain, you will learn an interesting amount of history.

On the following pages are tours focusing on women's rights, Erie Canal, Jewish leaders, pioneers, heroes, rich and famous, medical leaders, entrepreneurs, reformers, scofflaws, Revolutionary War, ice cream business, cemetery design, geography, fall foliage, politicians, inventors, Civil War, bird watching, symbols, funerary art, baseball pioneers, and more.





Tour price \$5

Members free

### **PUBLIC TOURS**

Sundays at 2 p.m., and Memorial Day, July 4, Labor Day First Fridays, June–August at 6 p.m.

Meet at North Gatehouse

*These tours are a two-hour walk of about one mile. Overview includes Susan B. Anthony and Frederick Douglass, local history, horticulture, geology, architecture, symbolism.*

### **TWILIGHT TOURS**

Thursdays, 7 p.m., May 11–August 10

Meet at North Gatehouse

*These 75-minute tours include topics on Sunday tours on an alternative route.*

### **The Bird Watcher Tour**

Sunday, May 14, 8 a.m.

Meet at North Gatehouse

*Guides: Joanne Mitchell and Audubon Society reps*

Bring Mother out to join the Genesee Valley Audubon Society members as they seek out migratory birds.

### **South (Flat) End Tour**

Saturday, May 27, 11 a.m.

Meet at South Entrance

*Guide: Don Hall*

Visit residents in former prehistoric lake section, such as George Washington's drummer boy, founder of Gannett News, and many area industrialists and entrepreneurs.

### **Lost Secrets**

Saturday, June 3, 11 a.m.

Meet at South Entrance

*Guide: Prof. Emil Homerin*

This popular tour examines symbols, inscriptions, and funerary art that expressed views of life, death, and immortality in the 19th century.

### **Batter Up: Rochester's Baseball Pioneers**

Saturday, June 10, 11 a.m.

Meet at North Gatehouse

*Guides: Rochester Baseball Historical Society*

The unique history of baseball in Rochester as told through the lives of early Rochesterians who played the game. Learn how baseball and its rules changed over time.

### **Jewish Roots in Rochester**

Sunday, June 11, 11 a.m.

Meet at South Entrance

*Guide: Nancy Kraus*

Explores the enormous contribution of Rochester's Jewish community.

### **Erie Canal I: Basins & Builders**

Saturday, June 17, 11 a.m.

Meet at North Gatehouse

*Guide: Nancy Uffindell*

The Erie Canal made Rochester a boomtown. Meet people with connections to this legendary waterway.



Tour price \$7 — Members free

### **Cranks, Catalysts & Collisions in History**

Saturday, May 6, 11 a.m.

Meet at North Gatehouse

*Guide: Dennis Carr*

A collection of people you may never have heard of who influenced major events in American and global history.



Myron Holley, superintendent of Erie Canal construction, built this stone warehouse in 1823 to handle storage of all the flour he predicted would be made in Rochester with the opening of the Erie Canal. Learn about many more people associated with this legendary transportation project on “Erie Canal I” and “Erie Canal II” tours.

### Erie Canal II: Boatyards & Businessmen

Saturday, June 24, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guide: Nancy Uffindell**

The Erie Canal had important impacts on America. Meet the people involved with this celebrated project.

### The Push for Equality in 19th Century America

Saturday, July 1, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guide: Vicki Schmitt**

Hear the stories of people committed to women’s rights and antislavery.

### Pioneers, Reformers, & Heroes

Saturday, July 8, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guide: Sally Millick**

Major contributors to shaping New York, who rest in Section G.

### Home to the Prosperous & Penniless

Saturday, July 15, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at South Entrance

**Guide: Cam Tran**

Stroll paved Grove Avenue and learn about residents of great wealth and status and those without, but left a mark nonetheless.

### We’ve Got the Cure: Leaders in Medicine

Saturday, July 22, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at South Entrance

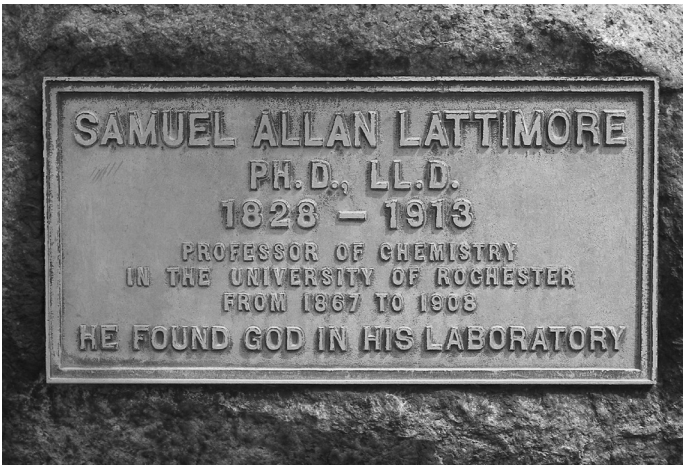
**Guide: Dennis Carr**

Rochester has been home to many innovators and leaders in the medical field. Learn more about their contributions, which have helped so many people.



This massive marble statue of the Weary Pilgrim, resting on his arduous journey in the Crusades, stands on the gravesite of Aaron Erickson, a highly successful wool merchant, who in his day was the preeminent wool merchant in the country. Erickson became one of the 15 wealthiest men of Rochester. He commissioned Nicola Cantalamessa-Papotti, the notable Italian sculptor who received commissions from King Ferdinand of Italy and Pope Pius IX. Papotti also created a memorial for U.S. President James A. Garfield. See this awesome masterpiece on the “Pioneers, Reformers, and Heroes” tour.





*Dr. Samuel Allan Lattimore was one of the most important and cherished figures in the history of the University of Rochester. He was professor and chair of the chemistry department for 41 years. The U.S. government trusted him to assay the nation's gold. He was immensely popular not only with his students but with the public at his free public lectures on "the fascinating truths of science". Learn more on the tour: "We've Got the Cure: Leaders in Medicine".*

### Roads Less Traveled By

Saturday, July 29, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guide: Pat Corcoran**

Meet 19th century Rochesterians, pivotal leaders, entrepreneurs, and heroes in sections not often visited on other Mt. Hope tours.

### The Civil War & King Cotton

Saturday, August 5, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guide: Barry Platt**

The peculiarity of American slavery and Reconstruction, and the Civil War as the start of the long march toward freedom and equality in America.

### The Revolutionary War

Saturday, August 12, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guides: Dennis Carr, DAR and SAR**

The American Revolution told through the lives of veterans within Mt. Hope, featuring music provided by the Towpath Fife and Drum Corps.

### The Ice Cream Tour

Saturday, August 19, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at South Entrance

**Guide: Don Hall**

Learn about the making and selling of ice cream and sundries, one of Rochester's earliest businesses, and be treated to a dish of special ice cream.

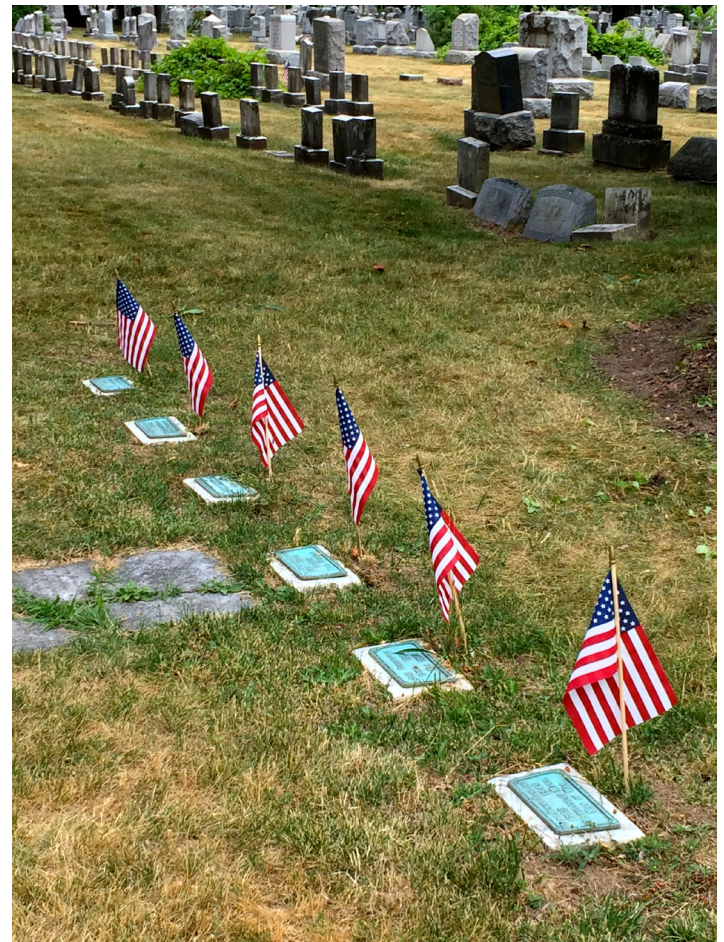
### The Push for Equality in 19th Century America

Saturday, August 26, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guide: Vicki Schmitt**

Repeat presentation of July 1 tour.



*Here are the gravesites of six U.S. Army servicemen killed in 1779. On "The Revolutionary War" tour, you will learn about the Groveland Ambuscade at which a scouting party of a U.S. Army regiment was captured and two of the soldiers were ritualistically tortured overnight until they succumbed in the morning. Along the way, there are many more stories, plus 18th-century music by the Towpath Fife and Drum Corps.*





The story of ice cream in Rochester leads in multifarious directions. Here is the gravestone of J. Hungerford Smith, who was a champion soda-fountain fruit syrup manufacturer. His memorial is a polished red granite cube that sits atop a rusticated gray granite base. The cube symbolizes truth, wisdom, and moral perfection, all of which worked for J. Hungerford Smith's business. His firm still exists, making fruit syrups of exceptional quality. Sometimes, "The Ice Cream" tour offers a chance to taste it on special ice cream.

### Form & Function of Mt. Hope Cemetery

Saturday, September 2, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guide: Dennis Carr**

The history of the cemetery itself—its origins, design, and layout.

### Shadow of Shakespeare

Saturday, September 9, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guide: Sally Millick**

Created to mark the quadricentennial of Shakespeare's death, this fun tour relates famous Shakespeare quotes and readings to Mt. Hope residents, including a William Shakespeare.

### Home to the Prosperous & Penniless

Saturday, September 23, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at South Entrance

**Guide: Cam Tran**

Repeat presentation of July 15 tour.

### Geology of Mt. Hope Cemetery

Saturday, September 30, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guide: UR Prof. Rory Cottrell**

A geologist leads a tour revealing how glaciers formed the dramatic landscape of Mt. Hope thousands of years ago.



Mt. Hope Cemetery's William Shakespeare was the 18-year-old son of Henry & Ellenor East, who attempted to bring forth another Bard of Avon, but, unfortunately, he died too soon to accomplish much. You, however, can brush up your Shakespeare and start quoting him now on this tour titled, "Shadow of Shakespeare". Your guide is a Shakespeare scholar, and she is a lot of fun.





*In the background, behind the Florentine fountain, is a conical hill that in geology is known as a kame. It is a steep-sided conical mound of sand and gravel deposited by a melting glacier. It is formed by a waterfall at the leading edge of the glacier, which empties meltwater containing sand, gravel, and other sediment into a lake, much in the way an hourglass operates. When the lake drains away, what is left is a kame. Learn a lot of interesting things about glacial moraines, kames, eskers, kettles, and more on this fascinating tour, “Geology of Mt. Hope Cemetery”, conducted by a University of Rochester geology professor.*

### **Mischief, Murder, & Mayhem**

Saturday, October 7, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guide: Dennis Carr**

Meet permanent residents who bent, broke, or enforced the law, or whose lives met an unfortunate end.

### **Grand Torch Light Tours**

Saturday, October 7 and Tuesday, October 10

Groups go out every 12 minutes from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Call 461-3494 or visit [www.fomh.org](http://www.fomh.org) for details and ticket prices.

### **Rochester’s Gilded Age**

Saturday, October 14, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guide: Sally Millick**

East Avenue was home to notable residents. Hear their stories and about their grand mansions.

### **Fall Foliage at Mt. Hope**

Saturday, October 2, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at North Gatehouse

**Guides: Zak Steele & Ed Olinger**

Enjoy fall foliage of historic cemetery trees with landscape architects who will identify and explain the variety.



## Rochester's Political Players

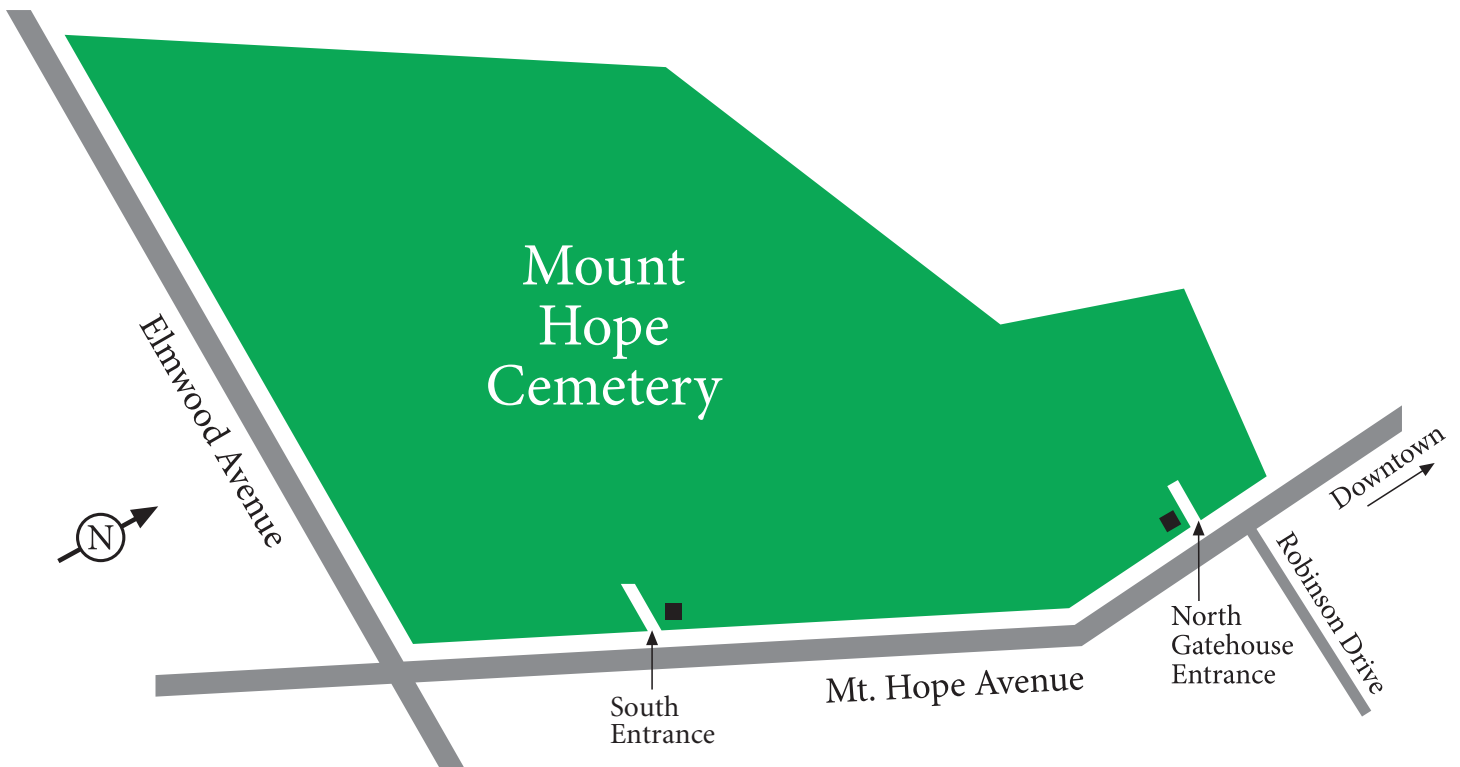
Saturday, October 21, 11 a.m.

👉 Meet at South Entrance

**Guide: Sally Millick**

Starting at the gravesite of the inventor of the voting machine, take a trip through history of Rochester and New York State governmental structure and political figures who had national impact.

*Mount Hope Cemetery, with its thousands of trees, is an arboretum that is ablaze with color in the fall, and fall is usually ideally cool and suited for taking a long walk. Treat yourself to the surprise of fall color and also learn how to identify a variety of trees in our temperate zone. Two landscape architects who have long relationships with the flora of the cemetery will be your very special guides on the "Fall Foliage at Mt. Hope" tour.*





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## William Shakespeare in Mt. Hope?



Is this what today is called “fake news” or “alternative fact”? You will find out on the “Shadow of Shakespeare” tour, offered on the inside pages of this Epitaph. Then, take the tour and learn how this Shakespeare quote applies to Mount Hope:

*“Be not afraid of greatness, some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them.”*



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