Guided tour of Easton Cemetery

Cemetery programs are handled by a group of volunteers and as such tours are not given on a regular basis. We would be happy to accommodate any group if we know well in advance. Weather is certainly a factor since this is an outdoor tour so it is suggested that a rain date is planned as well. The 4th grade tour includes a school visit to discuss the tour with the students and a one and a half hour tour in the cemetery with the teachers and docents.



Topic: History including the Revolutionary and Civil Wars.

Cost: Free

Length: 1:30; can be adjusted to the time available to the group.

Maximum group size: Groups of 15-20 are best with about 80 in total.

Adult/ Child Ratio: One docent and one teacher per 15 students is ideal

Location/address for bus: 401 North Seventh Street in Easton

Grade Level/ Ages: 4th grade and older

Accommodations? The roads are paved but many are not in very good condition.

Students must be able to walk about a mile. Wheelchair accessible,

but there are hills.

Other information: There are no bathroom facilities available on the grounds. Resource

information is provided to teachers along with activity booklets for the

students. We have a very limited number of docents so advance notice of several weeks is essential. Other tours can be adapted to

the grade level.

The Historic Easton Cemetery

Easton Cemetery's parklike cemetery landscape design is based on the picturesque romantic styles of the early and late 19th century. Its landscape is set with thousands of examples of funeral artwork, in a variety of decorative styles, spanning Greco-Roman Revival, Gothic Victorian, and Art Deco. Established in 1849, Easton Cemetery is the earliest and best surviving example of a romantic parklike cemetery within the Lehigh Valley metro area. Architecturally noteworthy features include a Gothic Revival Gatehouse and office, stable, cemetery chapel, and a Gothic frame workshop.

The cemetery is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and has a signer of the Declaration of Independence (George Taylor) buried there.

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