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## A Walk Through Evergreen Cemetery



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So many exciting things have been happening over these usually quiet summer months. If you have visited us recently, you have seen the expansion of the Crematory coming to fruition. The photo on this page is of the resurrection of the new end portion of the building. It looks much larger than the original building but in reality it is directly in proportion to the original Crematory.

We are planning a Dedication Ceremony once the Crematory expansion is complete. Please consider joining us. Refreshments will follow the ceremony.

Many of you have been ordering flowers for your loved one through our new online website shop. When we enter the office in the morning, the first thing we

do is check the website for flower purchases, which are then documented on our calendar for future placement. It makes ordering flowers easy. Just post your name, location of your loved one, date you would like flowers placed, put them in your cart, pay with your credit card, and we will choose the freshest most beautiful flowers just prior to the date that you request placement. We will email you a photo so you are sure flowers have been placed according to your desires. It's as easy as that and beautiful. You will never forget to place flowers again. You can pre-order at your leisure.

We have recently completed the monument/marker section of the online shop. It was a bit more detailed in the design phase than the flower shop. It is necessary for us to determine in what location your loved one is resting so we can advise you regarding what type of monument or marker can be placed in that location. It's a simple process. Check it out and let us know what you think.

There are upright monuments, double slant markers,



Munger Construction Company supervises placement of the last block on top of the Crematory extension wall.

slant markers, flush markers, and infant & cremation markers in various granite options.

The next selections to be added to the shop are Niches in the Columbarium, cleansing of gravestones, and eventually the Midnight Mary T-shirts in black and hot pink. Do not despair. The T-shirts should be available by Christmas for stocking stuffers.

Some visitors have asked us to remind you to respect the people who are resting here at Evergreen. We are glad that you are visiting, but please keep in mind that this is a place of rest.

Keep vehicles off the grass and No Burnouts on our Pavement! Thank you.

Our notable in this issue is John Addison Porter (Secretary to US President William McKinley).



### Seasonal Flower Program



Our seasonal flower program has moved online. Please visit our website to make your selections for any time of the year or any special event. Enjoy this new option and new way to shop with your credit card.



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Evergreen pond at sunset.

## Pre-plan Your Own Place to Rest In Style...

Have you ever thought about where you want your final resting place to be? We oftentimes show you monuments and markers, niches in the Columbarium, and even memorial benches. As you drive through the cemetery you might wonder about the private mausoleums within the cemetery or the statues of beautiful women. If you have lived your life well, saved your money, and are not sure how to celebrate your life when it is time for you to rest, then pre-plan now. Make your own decisions. Place a grand statue on top of your gravesite like the industrial magnates of the past, choose your own location, or even decide to reside in a private mausoleum.



## John Addison Porter - (1856-1900) - Secretary to the US President

John Addison Porter was born in New Haven on April 17, 1856. His parents were John Addison Porter and Josephine Earl Sheffield Porter.

Porter attended Hopkins Grammar School in New Haven and then the Russell Military Academy also of New Haven. He graduated from Yale College with a Bachelor's degree in 1878 and a Master's degree in 1881.

In 1880, Porter joined the staff of the *Hartford Observer* and was a reporter for a brief time on the *New Haven Daily Palladium* and the *Hartford Courant*. In 1882, he became the literary editor of the *New*

*York Observer*. Then moved to Washington DC to continue his newspaper work.

In 1884, Porter served as secretary to William Walter Phelps, a member of the House of Representatives, and as a clerk on the select Senate committee on Indian affairs.

In 1886, Porter moved to Pomfret Connecticut. He purchased a one third interest in the *Hartford Evening Post*.

In 1887, Porter fell ill and spent the winter in the south. When he returned to Connecticut, he purchased an estate in Pomfret, where he lived until his death.

In 1891, Porter served as a representative from Pomfret in the Connecticut Legislature. In 1892, he became a delegate to the Republican national convention in Minneapolis. In 1894, 1896, and 1898 Porter was a Republican nominee for governor of Connecticut. He influenced the Connecticut delegate to cast their votes for William McKinley at the St. Louis convention.

In 1893, he organized the McKinley Club of Hartford and became president of that club.

McKinley appointed Porter to the position of Secretary



to the President of the United States in February of 1897, however, illness in the spring of 1899 interfered with his duties and he had to resign his position in May of 1900.

Porter passed at the age of 44 and is resting here at Evergreen.