



# THE BOUGH

NEWS OF EVERGREEN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION



Volume 15, Issue 4

October/November 2021

## A Walk Through Evergreen Cemetery



**Dale J. Fiore, CCE,  
General Manager**

It is hard to believe that we are once again heading into Autumn. The sunny long days are behind us and leaf drop is our current malady here at Evergreen. You can imagine how many leaves fall on 85 acres of park-like grounds. However, the trees add to our health and bring us beauty from spring to fall so there are no complaints about clean-up on our end.

The Dedication plans for the Crematory are well underway. The addition is almost complete and melds beautifully with the original design of the Crematory that was constructed in 1956.

For those of you who have been ordering flowers, monuments, and markers, on our website, you know that the Evergreen Shop is nearly finalized. We are working on the design of the

Midnight Mary T-shirts. However, so far, we have not liked the samples that have been emailed to us. We want the shirts to depict the true essence of the Midnight Mary monument along with the sentiment that Mary's sister had inscribed. We are continuing to review designs and will choose the best option for our website shop.

We have added the cleansing of monuments, markers, and footstones to the shop and we are currently completing the option for Niche purchases in the Columbarium, Memorial Benches, and Burial of cremated remains with a beveled marker within The Most Beautiful Cremation Garden.

The options for the Columbarium are corner unit (doubles only), the Octagonal Black Columbarium (singles or doubles), or the interior or exterior Columbarium options (single). See the website for more information.

Another choice is applying for the Veterans plaque if you have honorably served in the armed forces. This has



Beauty is all around us. Let's rejoice in the plethora of color.

to be applied for from the Veterans Administration and set upon the granite cover. The office can help with the Veteran plaque details.

There is always a question about when pillows, wreaths, and holiday boxes can be placed for the winter holidays. Placement usually begins around December 1. If you cannot get to Evergreen, or you want for us to make the selection for you, then visit us on the website and schedule your holiday placement.

Our notable in this issue is Colonel Dexter Russell Wright. It's always interesting to read the names of famous people throughout history. We rarely name a baby Dexter any more, but it is quite apparent that it was a name of distinction in the past. Why do names go out of fashion? Something to ponder.



### 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.



Evergreen Cemetery  
Association of  
New Haven & Crematory  
Tel: 203-624-5505  
Fax: 203-624-1223  
[www.evergreencem.org](http://www.evergreencem.org)

For More Information & Memorial Pages,  
or to Search for a Loved One, Visit our Website.  
[www.evergreencem.org](http://www.evergreencem.org)



Evergreen Cemetery Association  
of New Haven & Crematory  
769 Ella T. Grasso Blvd.  
New Haven CT 06519



The beauty of family care.

---

## Holidays - so many Holidays and Memories

As the holiday season is upon us we begin to think seriously about those who are here to celebrate with us and those who are not. So many family traditions bring back memories of loved ones who have passed before us. We recount their lives to the generations that will follow us in the future. We, each one of us, have the power to keep people alive even when they are resting here at Evergreen. We know their story and we can pass it on to others at the table. We may even laugh at something now, that didn't seem funny at the time it was uttered. We can smile and remember. We can memorialize our loved ones by inscribing their name in stone.



---

## Dexter Russell Wright - (1821 - 1886) - Assistant U.S. District Attorney

Dexter Russell Wright was born in Windsor Vermont in 1821. When still a boy, his family moved to New York state. His father Alpheus Wright was engaged in the lumber and milling business.

Dexter Wright attended Wesleyan University in Middletown Connecticut, from which he graduated in 1845. He taught school for a short time in Meriden as principal of the Meriden Academy.

He then entered Yale Law School in New Haven graduating in 1848. However, even while in law school, he served as a clerk in the office of

E. K. Foster, Esquire, in New Haven.

In the fall of 1848, Wright was admitted to the bar and opened his own law office in Meriden and in 1849, he began his political career by being elected to the CT State Senate at an early age.

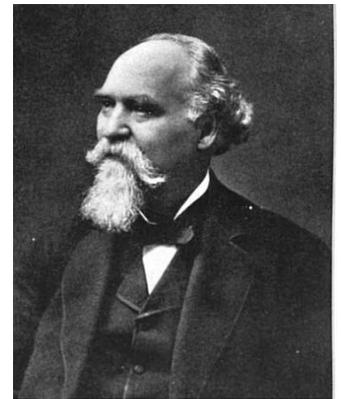
After serving in the Senate for one term, he traveled to California where he practiced law and became involved in land speculation.

Upon his return to CT, Wright returned to Meriden and the practice of law until 1862 when he enlisted in the Union Army. He served as Colonel in the 15th Regiment

State Volunteers until 1863, when his health failed and he was honorably discharged.

Wright became a member of the Lower House in the CT Legislature, then between 1863 and 1865, he served as commissioner for the 2nd Congressional District on the Board of Enrollment.

In 1864, Wright returned to practice law, opening an office in New Haven. Between 1865 and 1869, he served as Assistant U.S. District Attorney and then moved into various positions of import within the city government. In 1879, Wright was sent as a Representative



to the General Assembly and was chosen as Speaker of the House.

After a severe fall in 1886, on the steps of his residence, Wright only partially recovered and died in July of that year at the age of 65.

Dexter Russell Wright is resting at Evergreen.

---