

# WEST GLOVER CEMETERY



***“Here rest the pioneers ...  
O silent colony of the kindred dead...”***  
- from *“Elegy Written in the Oldest Cemetery  
in Glover”* by Henry Alonzo Phillips, 1930

Facing the old Hinman Road and near the site of the **Parker Settlement**, this cemetery is Glover’s oldest and most remote. The first burial here was in 1808, even before there was an established church in Glover.

Fieldstones, along with slate, marble and granite headstones and monuments, mark the 300+ people buried here, with a few footstones still in place. Unmarked graves are believed to fill most of the open spaces. There are symbols, carvings, names, inscriptions and epitaphs to explore and life stories to imagine. In the spring, note the myrtle and lilies of the valley growing around the perimeter, vestiges of the historic ground cover.

Hannah Hoyt Parker’s grave is here; her eulogy was Orleans County’s first printed sermon. She and her husband Ralph Parker were among the first settlers of Glover. She kept the tavern at the settlement and was known to travel miles to minister to the sick with her knowledge of herbs and folk medicine. Though there are no longer any lots for sale here, there is still an occasional burial in a family plot.



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