

OPENING & CLOSING CEREMONIES

Representatives of the Wake Forest-Rolesville Junior ROTC, under the direction of Colonel Dmitri Belmont, will appear as color guard in the opening ceremony. Town Commissioner Anne Hines will give the opening introduction. Emily and John Sprague, a Scottish bagpiper and drummer, will play the bagpipe with the color guard during the closing ceremony.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY

A special tour-day activity is available at the information table. The activity helps educate young guests about the historical significance of the cemetery as they locate specific places and interesting architectural details on headstones.



THANK YOU

Mike Barton, Betty Pearce and the Public Works Department

Frank Powell and the Sons of Confederate Veterans

Col. Dmitri Belmont and the Wake Forest-Rolesville High Army JROTC

Ed Morris and the Wake Forest Historical Museum

United Daughters of the Confederacy

Greg Stafford and Boy Scout Troop 500

John and Emily Sprague, Scottish Bagpiper and Drummer

Wake Forest Camera Club

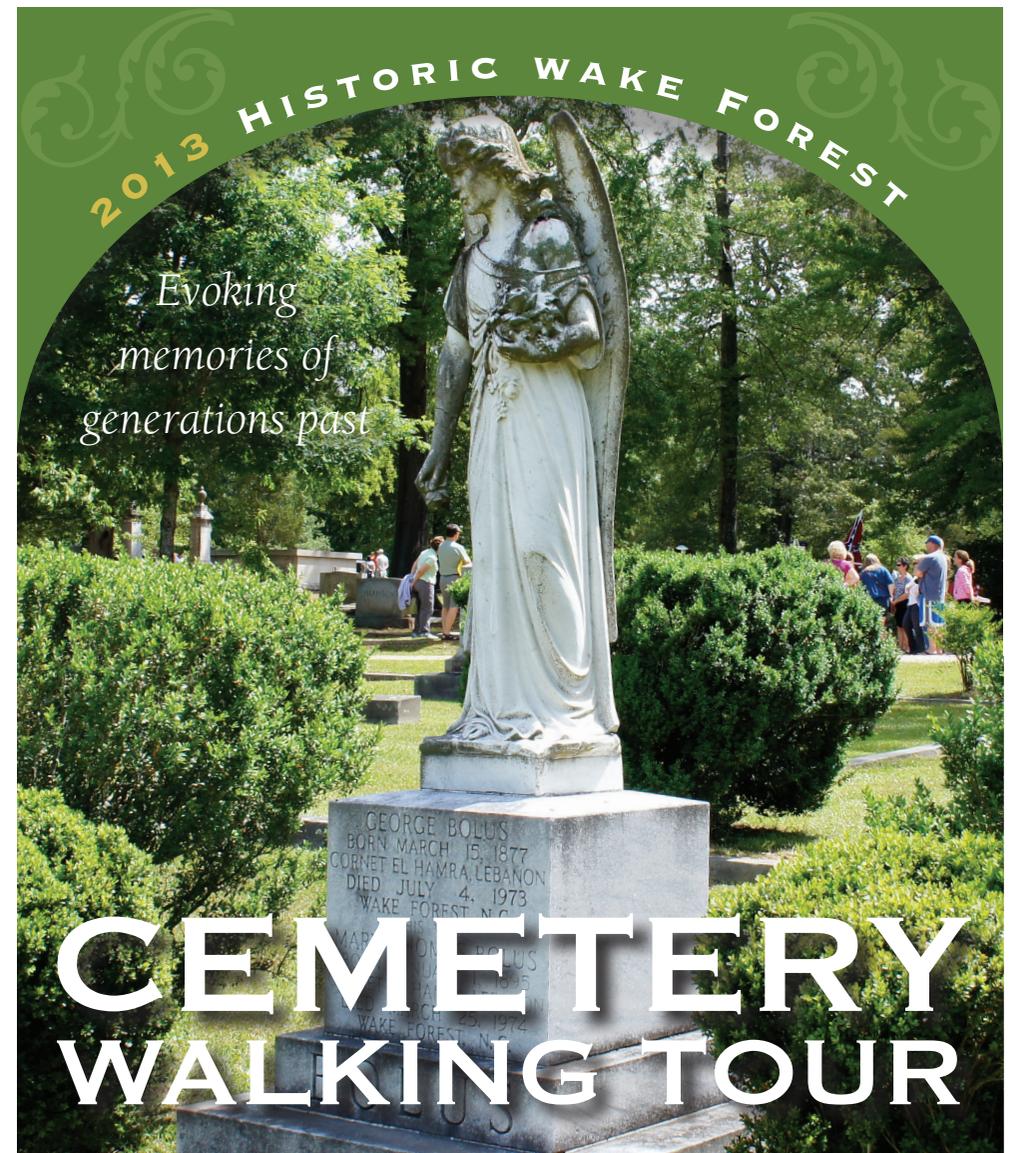
Facilities Department at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary

*Special thanks to the docents who,
year after year, continue to bring our history to life.*



TOWN of
WAKE FOREST

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WAKE FOREST CEMETERY | 400 N. WHITE STREET | RAIN DATE: MAY 18

SAT. MAY 11 ~ 9:30 AM-12:30 PM

Sponsored by The Town of Wake Forest and the Cemetery Advisory Board

All that we know about those we have loved and lost is that they would wish us to remember them with a more intensified realization of their reality.

What is essential does not die but clarifies. The highest tribute to the dead is not grief but gratitude. —THORNTON WILDER

As you walk around the grounds, you will learn about Wake Forest and her people. Veterans of our nation's wars from the War Between the States until today, professors and college presidents, the wealthy and the poor, teachers and preachers, merchants and professional athletes, writers and poets, young and old, all from the families who established our town and determined its culture and destiny.

WAKE FOREST CEMETERY, CIRCA 1837

The cemetery was originally established by Wake Forest College. In 1836, Daniel Lindsay Russell was the first death in this new community. His is the first known burial although no record of its site is known. One year later, Charles R. Merriam, the brother of Mrs. Samuel Wait, was the second to die. His is the **earliest marked gravesite** in the cemetery ♦. The next oldest sites are those of James Edward Laughinghouse (1842), Rev. John Purefoy (1855) and Rev. Benson Field Cole (1856).

Two early literary societies on campus, the Euzelian and Philomathesian Societies, developed formal plans for the cemetery. A stone representing each society stands in the northeast corner of the cemetery. Surrounding each stone are several smaller grave-stones marking the burial sites of several members of their respective societies.

Today, the Town of Wake Forest owns and maintains the Wake Forest Cemetery. It continues as an example of a rural cemetery with winding drives, stately old trees, flowering plants and large shrubs. Within the cemetery are buried four Wake Forest College presidents (including **Samuel Wait** ✱, the first president), thirty-five professors, numerous administrators and staff, their spouses and countless citizens who mutually interacted with the college and the town.

MANGUM CEMETERY

Among the many distinguished African-Americans buried in Mangum Cemetery is the famous "**Dr. Tom**" **Jeffries**, pictured below. He built the rock wall surrounding the college campus and planted many of the landmark trees in the cemetery.

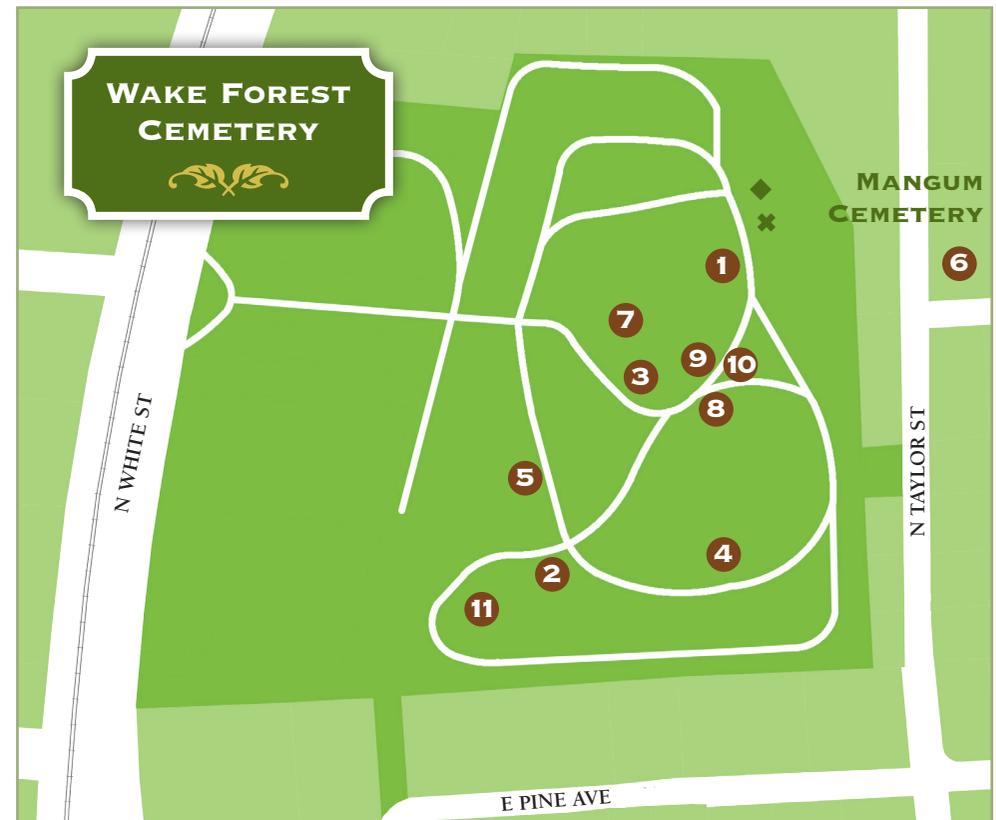
FOR HISTORICAL INFORMATION

To read about the people who rest at Wake Forest Cemetery, pick up a copy of *The Wake Forest Cemetery Historical Listings* at the information table during the tour or download a copy at www.wakeforestnc.gov/cemeterytour.aspx.

To help you find family members interred at these cemeteries, use the free online burial search at www.wakeforestnc.gov/residents-publicworks_cemetery.aspx.



WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY



Self-Guided Historical Tour

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| 1 | ARRINGTON & WAIT FAMILIES
DOCENT: Hallie Arrington Hearn | 5 | JOYNER FAMILY
DOCENT: Myra Parker |
| 2 | PUREFOY FAMILY
DOCENTS: Carol Pelosi and Sons of Confederate Veterans | 6 | MANGUM CEMETERY
DOCENT: Evelyn Jones |
| 3 | PATTERSON FAMILY
DOCENTS: Cristie Dowda, Sarah Barge and Shep Barge | 7 8 | HOLDING FAMILY
DOCENT: Felicia Kisselburg |
| 4 | MILLS FAMILY
DOCENTS: John & Joanna Mills and Sons of Confederate Veterans | 9 10 | SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS
William Bailey Royall and William Royall |
| | | 11 | PASCHAL FAMILY
DOCENT: Richard Paschal |