# Mt. Pleasant Cemetery

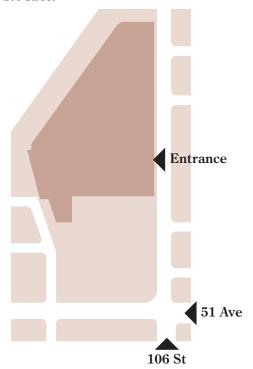
Originally an advantageous look-out for native people, this hill-top graveyard commands a view of both the southside and downtown. The town of Strathcona was a creation of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway Company and remained separate from Edmonton until the High Level Bridge was built in 1913. Many prominent members of the community are interred here and their markers help tell the story of this turn of the century boom town. There is no military field of honour in the Mount Pleasant Cemetery, however, individual stones from the War Graves Commission are found throughout the cemetery.

# **Locating a grave**

If you are looking for a grave at Mount Pleasant Cemetery contact the staff, weekdays, at the administration office during posted hours or call the Beechmount office. For those interred prior to the last twenty-five years, burial information can be found on the cemeteries' database. To access the database, go online to www.edmonton.ca and type "cemeteries" into the site search engine.

# **Mt. Pleasant Cemetery**

5420-106 Street



#### **Interment Services**

City of Edmonton Cemeteries offer a full array of casket and cremation burial options including headstones, markers, urns and memorial benches. Call for a free information package, or contact our office to book an appointment. Our friendly, no-pressure sales staff will help you make the best choice for your needs. Inquire about the no interest payment plan for pre-need arrangements.

# **Edmonton Cemeteries Main Office**

Beechmount Cemetery 12420 - 104 Street Phone 496-6983 Fax 496-6985 Open Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm



Mt.Pleasant Cemetery Self-guided Walking Total











# Commanding a view of both the southside and downtown, this historic cemetery reflects its Strathcona roots.

#### 1. James Inkster

Served as a scout during the Riel Rebellion, an HBC trapper and freighter and a NWMP guide and hunter.

#### 2. Robert Ritchie

Ritchie's mill, the first to provide much needed grains and seeds for the community, is now an Old Strathcona landmark.

#### 3. John Gainer

Gainer's meat packing plant (est. 1891) remained a family operation over three generations.

# 4. James Bell (with George and Anne)

Oversaw thousands of aircraft ferried through Edmonton during WWII as municipal air hangar superintendent. Earned an American Medal of Freedom for this work.

# 5. William Henry Sheppard

Manager of the Strathcona Hotel in 1896. Successfully invested in local buildings, breweries and mines.

# 6. Ella Mae (Jacoby) Walker

Trained in music and art, wrote and illustrated "Fortress North", a fictional history of Fort Edmonton.

#### 7. John Gaddes Tipton

A man with a myriad of careers, served two terms as Alderman for Strathcona. Well respected – earning the nickname, "Judge".

#### 8. Hugh Alfred Calder

Made his fortune as a real estate and insurance agent. Served as Alderman for the amalgamated city.

#### 9. Alexander Cameron Rutherford

Served as Alberta's first Premier in 1905. Established the University of Alberta. His home is a provincial historic site on the university campus.

### 10. David and Mary Martin

This cemetery is built on the highest point of their farm, originally annexed by Strathcona from the Papaschase reserve.

## 11. Dr. Wilburt McIntyre

A much beloved physician in Strathcona. Community erected a fountain on Whyte Avenue in his honour. Recreated in Gazebo park in the 1980s.

#### 12. John and Annie Walter

River valley industry pioneers – ran ferries, riverboats, mines and lumber mills. Their homes are restored as the John Walter Museum in Kinsmen Park.

# 13. William and Ada Magrath

Real estate developer, established Highlands neighbourhood. Landmark mansion found on Ada Boulevard, which is named after his widow.

# 14. James McCrie Douglas and Robert Blyth Douglas

Brothers operated a clothing and general store on Whyte Avenue 1894 to 1914. Robert later headed the Alberta Liquor Control Board. James; alderman (several times), Mayor for Strathcona, Member of Parliament (1909-1921).

# 15. Bidwell Holgate

Business partner with William Magrath. Established Highlands neighbourhood. Continued investment and insurance business after World War I.

# 16. Daniel Fulton and Eliza Omand (Leask) Fulton

Original settlers and homesteaders in the Clover Bar region north east of Strathcona.

#### 17. Joseph Clarke

Served as Alderman for four terms and as Mayor for five. He is best known in Edmonton for obtaining the old penitentiary land east of downtown for an athletic field, later renamed Clarke Stadium, in his honour.

#### 18. Hillside Gardens

This row of columbaria is called Hillside Gardens. Individual units are named after historic people buried in the cemetery from Rutherford to Ziegler.

# 19. William Bramley-Moore

Doctor, university lecturer and Registrar of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta, Bramley-Moore had a stellar medical career.

#### 20. Arthur Davies

Known as "The Father of Greater Edmonton," Davies served as the last Mayor of Strathcona before amalgamation.

