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CEMETERY PUBLISHES STEUBENVILLE HISTORY

- Calls the Community to Submit Information about the Lives Lived in Steubenville -

Steubenville, OH–The history of the greater Steubenville community has in many ways buried in the past at Union Cemetery. To help bring this history to life, the cemetery has recently launched new interactive memorial pages on its website to capture the histories of the individuals resting in its grounds.

You can now visit unioncemeterysteubenville.com to search the burial records of the cemetery. Each person has their own memorial page where visitors can share memories, stories, photos and videos that will automatically build an interactive timeline of their loved one's life, showing from birth to death all of the major memories and events that tell their story. To see an example of a completed memorial page, visit www.webCemeteries.com/memorial

This initiative involved the cemetery entering thousands of burial records from paper into the computer to make this history accessible. The cemetery believes that every life has a story to be told. "Now, we are asking local community members to contribute to this history project. We are welcoming anyone in the community to submit information or pictures of someone buried in our cemetery," said Joe Benline Superintendent of Union Cemetery. "Together, we can collect and preserve the history of our community. Every life story should be remembered."

"As visitors search our records on our website, they share memories, stories and timeless photos on the memorial pages of their loved ones. Their submissions are reviewed and published so that these memories are saved and passed on to future generations," said Mr. Benline. "These new memorial pages are enabling families to connect with our cemetery in new ways, and they are bringing our history to life. We have seen individual families and the community as a whole benefit from this project, and can't wait to see it grow."

The cemetery's project to computerize their records and document the legacies of local community members is powered by webCemeteries.com, a cemetery technology company in Pennsylvania working with hundreds of cemeteries across the United States.

To share a memory about a loved one at the cemetery, visit unioncemeterysteubenville.com.

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