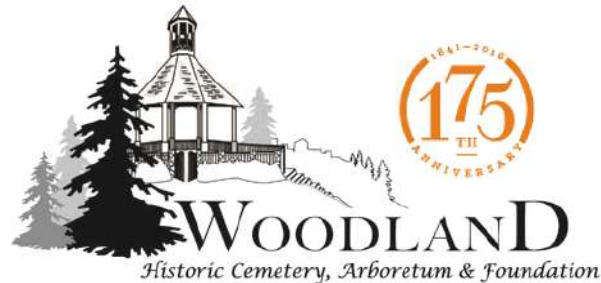


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Woodland Events



Tours and Special Events

Military Men and Women Tour

Jun 14 and Sep 11 at 6:00 p.m.
Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum
Meet at Front Entrance
RSVP to 937-228-3221

Bird Walks at Woodland

Jul 6 and Sep 21 at 9:00 a.m.
Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum
Meet at Front Entrance
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Headstone Cleaning & Restoration

Jun 8, Aug 24, Sept 21 — 10a to 3p
Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum
\$30 per person includes hands on,
one-on-one and group instruction.
For more information and to
register, go to:
<http://bit.ly/HeadstoneRestoration>

15th Annual Woof Walk

Saturday, August 3
Tours depart at 9 and 10 am
Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum
Meet at Front Entrance
RSVP to 937-228-3221

Reservations are required for all
events. Please call 937-228-3221.
For more information about tours
and programs at Woodland and in
the community, visit our website at
www.woodlandcemetery.org and
click on the Tours and Events tab.

To schedule a tour or guest speaker,
please call Debra Mescher at
937-228-3221.

Resident Spotlight: Congressman and lawyer Harry P. Jeffrey



Harry P. Jeffrey graduated from Steele High School and worked for a year at NCR to earn enough money to go to Ohio State. He graduated from the Ohio State University, College of Law and was admitted to the bar in 1926. After completing his studies, he served three years, 1927 to 1930, in the military as a 2nd Lieutenant with the United States Army Reserve. He practiced law in Columbus and Dayton, Ohio and he was the special assistant attorney general of Ohio from 1933 to 1936.

In 1942, Harry was elected as Dayton's congressman to represent Ohio's 3rd District in the U. S. House of Representatives serving from 1943 to 1945. As a member of the House Veterans Committee, Harry Jeffrey was one of several authors

of the G. I. Bill of Rights, which provided benefits to veterans returning from World War II, including loans that enabled military veterans to get a college education. He was unsuccessful in his bid for re-election in 1944.

After his congressional service, Harry resumed the practice of law in Dayton until his retirement in the 1980s. He once argued a case before the United States Supreme Court and served as president of the Dayton Bar Association from 1954 to 1955.

Mr. Jeffrey served on the Advisory Committee as Wright State University was being established in 1965 and then served on its Board of Trustees from 1967 to 1977. Additionally, he served as chairman of the County-City Tax Advisory Committee, was involved with the Salvation Army, the Montgomery County Polio Foundation, the United Way and the American Red Cross. He was also a founding member of Fairmont Presbyterian Church in Kettering, Ohio.

Harry P. Jeffrey was born in Dayton on December 26, 1901 and died in Dayton on January 4, 1997 at the age of 95. He is located in Section 121 Lot 7.



The men of the Idding's family began a law firm in the 1870s known as Iddings & Iddings. Mr. Jeffrey joined them in 1927 forming the new firm of Iddings & Jeffrey. When Mr. Jeffrey retired in the 1980s, the firm became known as Rogers & Greenberg and it continues to practice over 150 years after its founding.

Military Hero: Lt. Stephen W. Thompson



Lt. Stephen Thompson

Stephen Thompson was born in West Plains, Missouri on March 20, 1894. When the U. S. entered World War I in April 1917, he was a senior in electrical engineering at the University of Missouri. The school announced that seniors who joined the military before graduation would receive their diplomas in June. He enlisted in the Army and, after basic training at Fort Riley, Kansas, he was sent to Fort Monroe, Virginia for training in the Coast Artillery Corps. On the train coming into Norfolk he saw an airplane in the sky — the first he had ever seen.

When he got the opportunity, he went to the flying field, the Curtis School at Newport News, and asked if he could take a ride. Thomas Scott Baldwin, who had been a famous performer in his own balloons and dirigibles, was in charge and said yes. The plane was a Curtiss JN-4 Jenny and the pilot was Eddie Stinson, a prominent flyer at the time who later founded the Stinson Aircraft Company. Stinson did a number of aerobatic maneuvers, including looping the loop five times in a row. Thompson said that the only thing that kept him from falling out of the plane at the top of the last loop was the lap belt. By the time he landed, he had decided to apply for duty in the Air Service.

Stephen arrived in France in September and was assigned to the United States 1st Aero Squadron for training as an observer. The commander was Major Ralph Royce, who became a general in the Army Air Forces during World War II. The training took place from a field in Amanty, located in northeastern France. The French day Bombardment Squadron Br.123, which flew the Breguet 14 B2, was nearby at Neufchâteau aerodrome, and Royce was occasionally able to send one of his men along with the French on a raid.

On February 5, 1918, the 1st Aero Squadron had not yet begun combat operations, and Thompson visited a French unit with a fellow member of the 1st Aero Squadron. Both were invited to fly as gunner-bombardiers with the French on a bombing raid over Saarbrücken, Germany. After they had dropped their bombs, the squadron was attacked by Albatros D.III fighters. Thompson shot down one of them. This was the first aerial victory by any member of the U.S. military. He was awarded the Croix de Guerre with Palm for the action.



WWI Croix De Guerre with Palm

In May, he was assigned to the new 12th Aero Squadron at Ourches airdrome, commanded by Capt. Lewis H. Brereton. On July 28, now flying from a farm field near La Ferté-sous-Jouarre, he was in another memorable battle. While doing artillery spotting during a battle near Château-Thierry, his Salmson 2 A2 was attacked by four Fokker D.VIIs from what had been Richthofen's Flying Circus but was then under the command of Hermann Göring. Thompson shot down the first two planes that attacked him, but a bullet from the third hit his machine gun and disabled it. He was then hit in the leg, and his pilot was hit in the stomach by an exploding bullet. The pilot managed to crash land the plane before he died of his wounds. Thompson dug the bullet out of his leg with a pocket knife. The pilot who shot them down was the famous German ace Erich Löwenhardt, who at the time was second only to Richthofen in victories.

The uniform that Thompson was wearing when he shot down the Albatros D.III and the bullet he dug from his leg are on display at the National Museum of the United States Air Force.



After the war Thompson worked for several years as an engineer at McCook Field, the predecessor of today's Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. He then became a high school mathematics teacher. During World War II he taught preflight and meteorology. He maintained an interest in aviation and in 1940 he received U.S. Patent No. 2,210,642 for a tailless flying wing.

Lt. Stephen W. Thompson died on October 9, 1977 at the age of 83. He is located in Section 65 Lot 1122.

Construction, Restoration and Preservation Update

Construction of the new addition to the Administration Building began in May 2018. Today, the new Family Services Center is a modern office environment that provides a welcoming office space for guests and visitors and a comfortable meeting space for families. Also inside you will find a door, once hidden by a false wall, that was the original back door to the Admin Building. Time and weather changed the color of the bronze door but with a little elbow grease, the door was brought back to life. The new courtyard provides a serene setting with a new waterfall fountain and pond. Additionally, we have returned the original Karl Bitter sculpture back to its original place near the front entrance.



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Arboretum Spotlight: The Chinese or Kousa Dogwood

This dogwood tree produces white flowers in May and June and a raspberry-like fruit in August.

The skin of the fruit is a bit tough but inside it is fleshy like a ripened peach but birds and other wildlife do not appear to eat the fruit. Perhaps it is because it is a non-native tree, although they can adapt their diet to such things.

Native to Japan, Korea and China, the first scientific observations of the kousa dogwood in the United States were recorded in 1875.

If you're interested in the meaning behind common tree names, this one may underwhelm. "Kousa" is apparently the Japanese word for dogwood. This species does, however, go by other names including Chinese dogwood, Japanese dogwood, Japanese flowering dogwood and Japanese strawberry tree.



(L) The dogwood blooming in May and (R) yielding fruit in September at Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum. This dogwood tree can be found near the entrance to the Administration Building.

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