

# AUTUMN ADVENTURES

## Welcome to Self-Guided Andersonville Cemetery Historical Tour

Andersonville Cemetery is the oldest cemetery in the township. It is located at the corners of Big Lake and Ridgewood roads. The cemetery contains about 1 and ½ acres of land, the original lot was taken from the farm of Isaac Anderson. Anderson came to this area in 1836 and bought land from John Husted who was an original settler. The first burial in March of 1835 was that of Nancy Husted, a young daughter (4 years old) of John and Eliza Husted. Seven little girls were buried in this cemetery before an adult was interred. Nearly all the little girls died from whooping cough.

Isaac Anderson and his wife Catherine are buried in this cemetery. He died in 1860 and she died in 1862.

In 2010 the Sashabaw Plains Chapter of the DAR placed a ceremonial grave marker in honor of Caleb Pratt, a Private in the Revolutionary War. Caleb was born in Massachusetts in 1760 and fought with the Vermont Militia at age 16. He fought in the victorious battles of Bennington and Hubbardton. He died in 1843 in Springfield Township at the home of his son John Pratt. He had no formal burial site but his son owned property near the cemetery.

# ANDERSONVILLE CEMETERY

Springfield Township Clerk's Office | 248-846-6510

SECTION 1  
Not Plotted

SECTION C2

			67	68	69
			66	65	64
			61	62	63
			60	59	58
			55	56	57
			54	53	52
			49	50	51
			48	47	46

SECTION A


BIG LAKE ROAD

SECTION 2  
Not Plotted

71	72	73	74	75
70	69	68	67	66
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60	59	58	57	56
51	52	53	54	55
50	49	48	47	46
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31	32	33	34	35
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106	91	76	61	4
107	92	77	62	5
108	93	78	63	6
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112	97	82	67	10
113	98	83	68	11
114	99	84	69	12
115	100	85	70	13
116	101	86	71	14
117	102	87	72	15
118	103	88	73	16
119	104	89	74	17
120	105	90	75	18

BIG LAKE ROAD

RIDGEVIEW DRIVE

Andersonville Cemetery Sign



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## Trim Family

Hiram Trim was born in New York in 1802. His father John Trim fought in the Revolutionary War and then came to Hillsdale County, Michigan and spent the remainder of his life there. He is buried in Ionia County. John's father according to family history was taken captive by Native Americans. His family members were burned to death but he was forced to run a gauntlet and survived. He also suffered having half of his hair pulled out and his head was painted red.

Hiram came to Springfield Township in 1835 as one of the first landowners. He was a farmer and blacksmith. He and his wife Patience Verr who was born in Scotland had 10 children: Perry, Jerome, Pembroke, Homer, Mortimer, Ira, Delia, Aurellia, Nora and Sarah.

\*Jerome Trim was born March 18, 1828 in Oswego County, New York. He served in the Mexican War as a wagoner in 1847. He then enlisted in the Fifth Michigan Infantry in 1861. He fought at the battles of Bull Run, Fredericksburg and The Wilderness. At the Battle of Five Forks his horse was shot and fell on him. He became an invalid from his injuries. He was so hard of hearing that he had to use an ear trumpet. He received a war pension of \$24.00 a month.

Jerome had married \*Elizabeth Husted in 1849. They had at least two children, Charles and Erwin. Elizabeth died in 1898 and Jerome remarried in 1899 to Evangeline Parish. He died in March 6, 1911.

*\*Buried in Andersonville Cemetery*



Page No. 1  
 Supervisor's District No. 2  
 Enumeration District No. 116

Eleventh Census of the United States.

## SPECIAL SCHEDULE.

## SURVIVING SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AND MARINES, AND WIDOWS, ETC.

Persons who served in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps of the United States during the war of the rebellion (who are survivors), and widows of such persons, in Springfield, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, enumerated in June, 1890. Lucy R. Maltby Enumerator.

House No.	Family No.	NAME OF SURVIVING SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AND MARINES, AND WIDOWS.	Rank.	Company.	Name of Regiment or Vessel.	Date of Enlistment.	Date of Discharge.	Length of Service.		
								Yrs.	Mos.	Days.
1	49	John Connors	P	H	8 Mich Inf	Apr 1861	Mar 1865	4	11	10
2	39	Leath Jack	P	H	1 Mich Cav	31 Aug 1862	Mar 1865	3	1	10
3	36	Borgin East	P	L	8 Mich Cav	1 Apr 1863	25 May 1865	2	1	24
4	35	Leveeff Thomas	Lieut	G	3 Mich Inf	20 Aug 1864	25 May 1866	1	9	5
5	91	Nathaniel Thomas	Pvt	-	17 US Inf	5 Aug 1861	5 Aug 1864	3	8	0
6	116	Jefferson H Findall	Pvt	L	8 Mich Cav	17 Mar 1863	20 July 1865	2	4	3
7	161	James Lowry	Private	I	14 Mich Inf	8 Dec 1861	22 Dec 1862	1	0	14
8	161	Do	Do	L	10 Mich Cav	25 Jul 1863	27 Nov 1865	2	9	2
9	165	Henry Brown	Private	D	24 Mich Inf	4 Mar 1863	3 July 1865	2	4	0
10	175	Emeline L Roberts	Private	I	11 Mich Cav	13 Dec 1861	21 Sep 1864	2	11	8
11	190	George A. Grimes	Private	H	5 Mich Inf	11 Oct 1861	11 Nov 1862	1	1	0
12	191	Do	Private	E	6 Mich Cav	11 Nov 1861	25 July 1863	1	8	25
POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.			DISABILITY INCURRED.			REMARKS.				
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1		Danishburg Oakland Mich	gunshot wound in right arm			Service suffered from Paralysis				
2		"	rupture			Pronounced Disabled				
3		Danishburg Oakland Mich	rupture			Pronounced Disabled				
4		Danishburg "	rupture of lungs			Pronounced Disabled				
5		"	rupture			Pronounced Disabled				
6		"	Chronic diarrhoea, Piles			Promoted to Sergeant				
7		Clarkston Oakland Mich	Chronic Diarrhoea, Piles			Resisted Pension				
8		"	Chronic Diarrhoea, Piles			Resisted Pension				
9		Clarkston Oakland Mich	Chronic Diarrhoea, Piles			Resisted Pension				
10		Danishburg Oakland Mich	injured by fall from horse			Resisted Pension				
11		do	Double Hernia Piles, injury			unable to work at all				
12		"	left knee deaf in right ear, and slight in left							



To the Honorable Secretary of State of Michigan:  
Return of Marriages in the County of Washtenaw

for the Quarter Ending June A. D. 1892

No. of License	Name of Bride	Name of Groom	Age of Bride	Age of Groom	Place of Birth	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage	Name of Minister	Name of Officiating Minister	Name of Witnesses	Name of Witnesses
76	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
77	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
78	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
79	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
80	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
81	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
82	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
83	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
84	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
85	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
86	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
87	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
88	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
89	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown
90	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown	24	24	Washtenaw Co.	Washtenaw Co.	April 1, 1892	Reverend J. H. Brown	Reverend J. H. Brown	John T. Brown	Edith A. Brown

These Returns are to be bound by this middle part, and should be made up in Book Form, as stitched, Three Sheets in a "Section." Leave the first (outside) half of the double page blank.

I hereby certify that the above Return of Marriages is a correct  
Wm. H. H. H. H. H.  
 County Clerk



NAME OF  
SOLDIER:

Timmy, Jerome

NAME OF  
DEPENDENT:

Widow, Timmy, Eva C  
Minor,

SERVICE:

No 5 Mich Inf; E 6 Mich Cav.

DATE OF FILING:

CLASS:

APPLICATION NO.

CERTIFICATE NO.

STATE FROM  
WHICH FILED

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Invalid,

Widow,

962431

Minor,

Mich

ATTORNEY:

REMARKS:

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## Caleb Pratt

Caleb Pratt was born in Hampshire County Massachusetts in November of 1760. His parents were Timothy and Ruth Pratt. He enlisted to fight in the Revolutionary War when he was just 16. He served as a Private with the Vermont militia. He fought in victorious battles at Bennington and Hubbardton.

After the war he settled in New York where he married his wife Sarah and they had 3 children. He was granted a pension of \$43.55 annually when he was 72. He purchased land in Michigan as one of the first landowners and moved here in 1837. He died in 1843 at the age of 83 at the Springfield Township home of his son, Captain John W. Pratt and his wife Charlotte Merrell Pratt.

No formal burial site has been found. Since his son owned property in the northeast corner of the township near the location of the cemetery the D.A.R. decided to place a marker to honor him in the Andersonville cemetery in 2010. This is the first Revolutionary War patriot marker in this cemetery.

*"In the course of a long and active life he was frequently called by his fellow citizens to fill offices both civil and military and he discharged the duties thereof with honor to himself and satisfaction to the public."*

Pontiac Jacksonian  
June 13, 1843



# The United States of America,

37

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

**Whereas** Caleb Pratt of Oakland County Michigan

deposited in the General Land Office of the United States a certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Detroit

it appears that full payment has been made by the said Caleb Pratt

up to the provisions of the act of Congress of the 28th of April, 1830, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for

fourth quarter of the South East quarter of Section One Township Six North

Range Eight East in the District of Land subject to sale at Detroit Michigan

containing forty acres

up to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General, which said tract has been purchased by the said Caleb Pratt

by the said Caleb Pratt

**WE KNOW YE,** That the **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,** in consideration of the premises and in conformity with the

acts of Congress in such case made and provided, have given and granted, and by these presents do give and grant, unto the said Caleb Pratt

and to his heirs the said tract above described.

to and to hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances of whatsoever nature, heretofore belonging unto the said

Caleb Pratt and to his heirs and assigns forever.

**In testimony whereof, I, Matthew Van Buren**

President of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these Letters to be made patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the twelfth day of April in the year of our

Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirtyseven and of the Independence of the United States

the twelfth

By the President of the United States Matthew Van Buren

John H. Young Acting Recorder by John H. Young

Recorder of the General Land Office. At witness

Matthew Van Buren

Matthew Van Buren

Matthew Van Buren





IN HONOR OF  
REVOLUTIONARY WAR SOLDIER  
**CALEB PRATT**

PRIVATE - VT  
BORN NOV. 1760 IN SUNDERLAND,  
HAMPSHIRE COUNTY, MA  
DIED 4 MAY 1843 SPRINGFIELD TWP,  
OAKLAND COUNTY, MI  
MARKER PLACED BY  
SASHEBANW PLAINS CHAPTER, NSDAR  
SEPT. 11, 2010



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## Alvin D. Hubbard

Alvin D. Hubbard was born to his parents Lyman and Betsy Anderson Hubbard on June 30, 1845. His wife Orra Elizabeth Simpson was born on September 10, 1851 in New York. Her parents were Sophia Hollister and William Simpson.

Alvin enlisted as a Civil War soldier on March 20, 1865. He was a Private in the 8th Michigan Cavalry. He mustered out on September 22, 1865.

He was a harness maker and a sewing agent. He and Orra had four children: Lettie, Lester, William and Carra. Alvin died on January 4, 1920 at the age of 75. His wife died in 1940 at the age of 89.



(1220.) **Sophia<sup>7</sup> Hollister (Simpson).**

(Joseph<sup>6</sup> Isaac<sup>5</sup> Timothy<sup>4</sup> Joseph<sup>3</sup> John<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>).

Sophia<sup>7</sup> daughter of Joseph<sup>6</sup> Hollister and Elizabeth Merrihew, was born in Olive, Ulster Co., N.Y., Jan. 7, 1823; married William Simpson March 7, 1847. He is a farmer, shoemaker, basket-maker, builder, etc., and resides in Davisburgh, Mich., on the old homestead of Joseph Hollister. Children:

2647. **Orra Elizabeth Simpson**, b. Sept. 10, 1851.

2648. Mary Elmina Simpson, b. Dec. 23, 1860.

(1221.) **Dr. David<sup>7</sup> Hollister.**

(Joseph<sup>6</sup> Isaac<sup>5</sup> Timothy<sup>4</sup> Joseph<sup>3</sup> John<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>).

David<sup>7</sup> son of Joseph<sup>6</sup> Hollister and Elizabeth Merrihew, was born March 1, 1829; married Mary Jane Swayze April 8, 1852. She was born in Hope, N.J., and is a daughter of Anthony J. Swayze and Hannah Wamsley.

David Hollister graduated at the medical department of the University of Michigan in March, 1864; resides at Palo, Ionia Co., Mich.; has held the offices of highway commissioner, justice-of-the-peace, postmaster, and health-officer; is a member of the Good Templar's lodge and of the Masonic fraternity. Children:

+2649. Emma Jane<sup>8</sup> b. Oct. 22, 1853; m. 1st, Arthur H. Moss, M.D.; 2d, ——— Gover, March 18, 1883.

2650. Mary G.<sup>8</sup> b. June 27, 1855; d. Jan. 7, 1856.

2651. Kittie S.<sup>8</sup> b. Jan. 1, 1865.

2652. Anthony B.<sup>8</sup> b. Aug. 1, 1871.

(1222.) **Almina<sup>7</sup> Hollister (Merrihew).**

(Joseph<sup>6</sup> Isaac<sup>5</sup> Timothy<sup>4</sup> Joseph<sup>3</sup> John<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>).

Almina<sup>7</sup> daughter of Joseph<sup>6</sup> Hollister and Elizabeth Merrihew, was born in Olive, N.Y., May 10, 1833. She married Jourdan Merrihew. Children:



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## William Burt

William H. Burt was born in New York on July 12, 1836 to his parents Belding and Rebecca Fuller Burt. He married Elizabeth Griswold in 1862. He was a local farmer. He enlisted to fight in the Civil War on August 21, 1862. He was in the 50th Michigan Engineers. He mustered out of the Army on June 13, 1865. He received a pension for a disability he suffered in the war. (bronchial and kidney disease). He and his wife had six children—George, Hattie, Clinton, Lena, Howell and Zella. William died on December 20, 1913 at age 77.



## Special Schedule:—Surviving Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines, and Widows, etc.

S. D.: 2 ; E. D.: 116 ; Minor Civil Division: Springfield, Mich.

From Schedule No. 1.		NAME OF SURVIVING SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AND MARINES, AND WIDOWS.	Rank.	Company.	Name of Regiment or Vessel.	Date of Enlistment.	Date of Discharge.	Length of Service.									
Name No.	Family No.							Yrs.	Mon.	Days.							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9									
13	212	213	<del>Charles Woodworth</del> Charles Woodworth ✓	Private	F	8	Mich Cav	4	Nov	1882	21	Sep	1883	2	10	17	13
14	213	214	John C. Thompson ✓	Private	R	5	Mich Cav	26	Jan	1884	27	June	1885	1	6	0	14
15	216	217	George W. Babcock ✓	Private	L	16	Mich Cav	7	Sep	1883	21	Nov	1885	2	2	13	15
16	220	223	William H. Best ✓	Private	C	50	87 <sup>th</sup> Cong	21	Aug	1882	=	June	1883	2	10	=	16
17	11	11	Bushorn, Charles ✓	Private	=	12	8 <sup>th</sup> Bat	7	Oct	1881	18	Dec	1884	3	2	11	17
18	141	141	Widow of Hager ✓	Private	=	=	=	=	=	188	=	=	188	=	=	=	18
19	227	230	Charles Dolly ✓	Private	D	8	Mich Cav	1	Apr	1885	31	Aug	1885	1	5	0	19
20	230	233	Phillips, Isaac C. ✓	Private	B	5	Mich Cav	11	Aug	1882	24	June	1885	2	10	10	20
21	233	237	James C. Hiebert ✓	Private	B	5	Mich Cav	14	Aug	1882	14	June	1885	2	10	4	21
22	238	238	Wm. J. Waters ✓	Private	F	1	Mich Cav	22	Dec	1883	6	July	1885	1	6	14	22
23	236	239	Albert Gregory ✓	Private	B	180	Ohio Inf	=	Aug	1884	27	Aug	1885	1	9	=	23
24	236	237	John Rock ✓	Private	A	3	Penn Inf	7	Aug	1881	17	June	1884	3	1	10	24
25	do	do	do	Private	D	213	Penn Inf	=	=	1884	=	=	1885	=	=	=	25
26										188			188				26

## POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.

## DEBILITY INCURRED.

## REMARKS.

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13	Danishburg, Oakland Co. Mich	Chronic diarrhoea, wound	13
14	Davidburg, " " "	Lung disease	14
15	Danishburg, " " "	Prognosis faint	15
16	" " " "	Chronic diarrhoea and kidney disease	16
17	" " " "	Chronic diarrhoea, Piles	17
18	" " " "	Asthma	18
19	" " " "	Chronic diarrhoea. X	19
20	" " " "		20
21	" " " "	wounded, Chronic diarrhoea	21
22	" " " "	Chronic diarrhoea, resultant Piles	22
23	" " " "	Chronic diarrhoea	23
24	" " " "	Chronic diarrhoea, resultant Piles	24
25	" " " "	Chronic diarrhoea, resultant Piles	25
26	" " " "	Chronic diarrhoea, resultant Piles	26





Hattie Burt Morris & Daughters

(Ethel, Nina, Lenora, Georgianna, Edna & Lena)

\*Hattie is the daughter of William & Elizabeth Burt



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## Anderson Family

\*Isaac Anderson (son of Ezekiel Anderson, Revolutionary War Soldier) was born in 1787. He was twice drafted for the War of 1812 but furnished a substitute each time. He bought 120 acres and moved to Michigan. His wife \*Catherine VanHorn was born in Greene County, New York. They had eight children of which six survived: Betsey, Hannah, Martha, Clarissa, Sylvester and John W. He was an extensive farmer and Highway Commissioner. Isaac died after a tree fell on him on January 17, 1860. Catherine died in 1862.

\*John W. was born in 1814 and married \*Anna Moore in 1841. She was born in New Jersey in 1820. They had six children: Julius, Sarah, Alice, \*George, Elizabeth and Howard. John was Superintendent of Sunday School. He cast his first presidential ballot for William Henry Harrison. He held the offices of Highway Commissioner and Justice of the Peace. He owned 256 acres.

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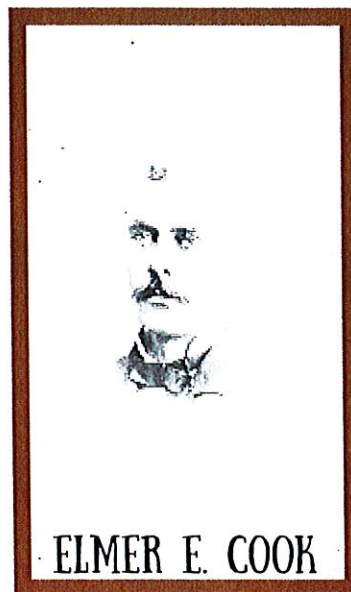
## Cook Family

\*Peter E. Cook was born in 1814 in New Jersey. He married \*Cyrus Ann Ellsberry Cook in September of 1858. They had two children: Elmer E. Cook and \*Minnie M. Cook. Their daughter Minnie died at the age of 13. Peter died in 1876 and his wife Cyrus Ann in 1898. She was later married to H.D. Swayze.

Their son \*Elmer E. Cook was born March 14, 1863. He married \*Ettie A. Husted Cook in 1887. Ettie Husted was born in 1864. They had two children: \*Minnie May Cook (Adams) she was apparently named for her father's young sister, and \*Albert Lee Cook.

Elmer and Ettie's farm was located on Andersonville Road. The house still stands. It was the location of the Andersonville Post Office around 1900. Postal customers could drive up to the east window of the house to receive their mail. Elmer also owned a small store on Andersonville Road that stood until the 1950's.

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### Husted Family

John Husted settled in Springfield in 1834 and the area where he settled was first called the Husted Settlement. It later became known as the Andersonville Settlement after John sold his land to Isaac Anderson.

The first burial in this cemetery was John's young daughter \*Nancy who died in 1835 at the age of 4. The cemetery is the oldest in the township and came from the land of Isaac Anderson.

John's brothers Harry and Charles also settled here. Harry was a carpenter who came here from Batavia, New York. His wife \* Nancy Colvin Husted was born in Vermont in 1801 and she died in 1852 at the age of 51 survived by six children. Harry had 120 acres and erected a log cabin and cleared land for a farm. He had a land patent signed by General Jackson. When he settled here there were not many other settlers and the nearest trading town and post office was in Pontiac.

Harry and Nancy's son \*Albert was born in 1834. He was also a carpenter and he married \*Matilda Shuman Husted who was born in 1835. They had five children: Cora, Etta (Mrs. Cook), Nettie, Ida and Mary. Albert built many buildings in the area. He built his frame house and farm in 1881. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church for many years. Albert died in 1917 and his wife in 1918.

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1899

ANDERSONVILLE, MICH, DEC., 31.  
The First Presbyterian Church of Springfield,  
REV. EDMUND O. SUTHERLAND, Pastor.

#### SABBATH SCHOOL

##### OFFICERS:

Superintendent—R. Whitley Anderson.  
Assistant Supt—Gilman A. Green.  
Sec. and Treas—Miss Belle Scott.  
Organist —Miss Lorabelle Chesnut.  
Chorister —Mrs. H. C. Anderson.

##### TEACHERS:

Mrs. Elmer E. Cook, Miss Cora J. Husted,  
Mrs. H. C. Anderson, Mrs. S. LaVerne Crosby,  
Mrs. W. James Chesnut, Mrs. Julius S. Anderson.



United States } Entry  
John Husted } Consideration, \$ 1.00  
Dated July 15 1834, Recorded May 1 1835  
in Liber. 1 on Page 1; Conveys  
Original Entry from Government  
of S E 1/4 of Sec 22. 160 acres

No. 2 } Warranty Deed Consideration, \$ 1.00  
John Husted }  
Wife } Dated May 24 1836, Recorded May 25 1836  
TO }  
Isaac Anderson } in Liber. 11 on Page 487; Conveys  
S E 1/4 of Sec 22. 40 acres

No. 3 } Warranty Deed Consideration, \$ 1.00  
Isaac Anderson }  
TO } Dated Nov 16 1842, Recorded May 28 1847  
Lyvester E. Anderson } in Liber. 33 on Page 93; Conveys  
Commencing at S E corner of  
Sec. 22. thence west 60 rods  
thence North 80 rods thence west 20 rods thence North  
80 rods thence East 80 rods thence South 160 rods to  
beginning 70 acres

No. 4 } Warranty Deed Consideration, \$ 1.00  
Isaac Anderson }  
TO } Dated Nov 16 1842, Recorded May 18 1844  
Lyvester E. Anderson } in Liber. 51 on Page 341; Conveys



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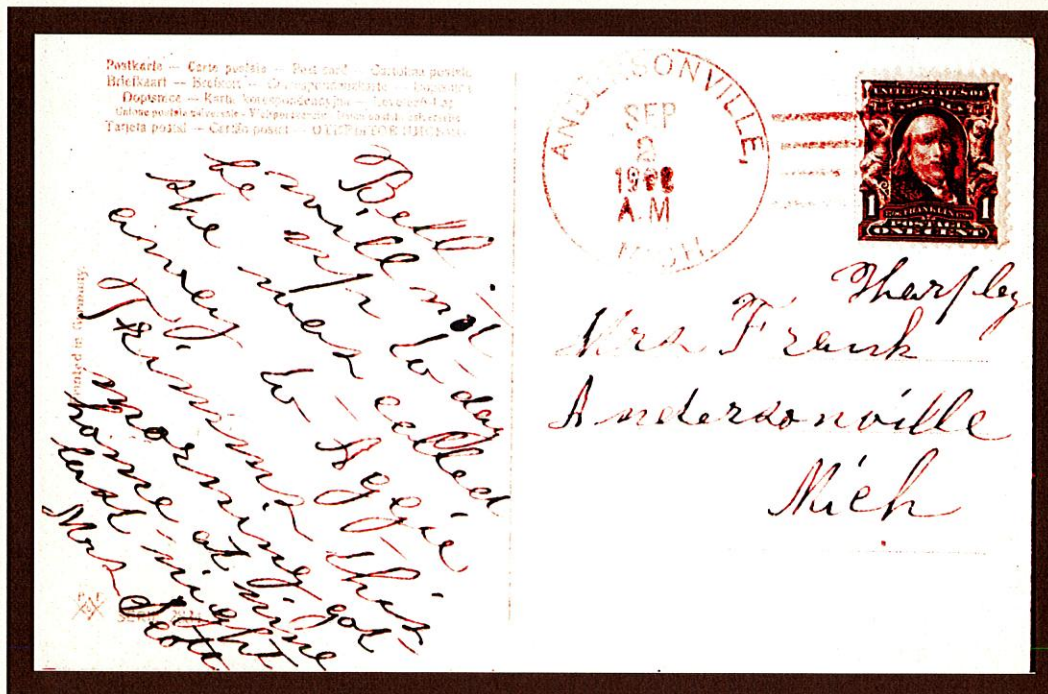
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### Harpley Family

\*Francis B. Harpley was born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1855. He married \*Cornelia Phillips Harpley in 1880. She was born in Ontario, Canada in 1858. They had a farm in the Andersonville Settlement. Their only daughter Luella was born in 1890. Luella attended school in the Andersonville schoolhouse.

Cornelia is the Mrs. Frank Harpley on the postcard in the photo.

Francis died in 1930 and Cornelia in 1944.



\*Buried in Andersonville Cemetery



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## Sommers Family

\*Luella Harpley married \*George M. Sommers in 1910. They had four children: Eleanor, Clara, Francis and Mary Lou. George was a carpenter and mechanic. George's grandparents were William and Sophia Simpson who are also related to Alvin and Orra Hubbard (Orra's parents).

George died in 1941 at the age of 51. Luella died in 1987 at the age of 97.

\*Clara Sommers Day the granddaughter of Francis and daughter of Luella is also pictured with her mother in the newspaper article about the former Andersonville schoolhouse becoming a Library. She was a great "friend" to the Library for many years.

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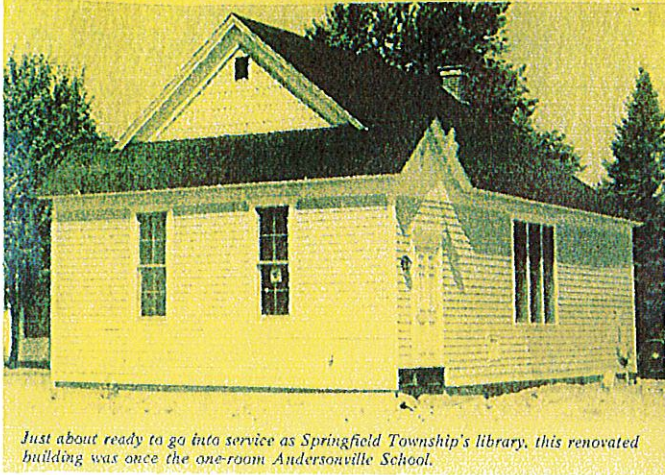


Andersonville School, 1900-01.

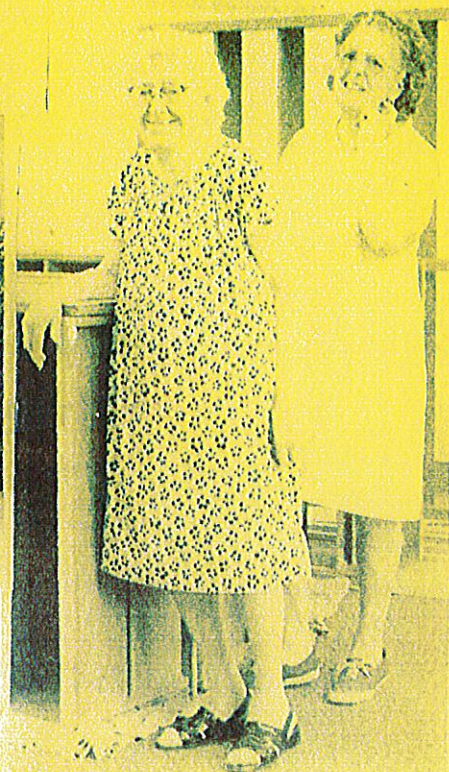
Back row: Tracy Neal, Effa Neal (teacher), Lee Cook, George Anderson, George Sommers. Middle row: Nina Green, Luella Harpley, Sylvia Clark, Clare Swayze, William Sommers. Front row: Bertie Green, Leon Clark, Eddie Dye, Manley Chesnut, Beulah Hoxie, Minnie Mae Cook, Lottie Dye.



# New library her old alma mater



Just about ready to go into service as Springfield Township's library, this renovated building was once the one-room Andersonville School.



Luella Sommers (left) and her daughter Clara Day visit the building where each went to school for eight years. The former Andersonville School will soon open as Springfield Township's library.

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Luella Sommers remembers the new Springfield Township Library back when children going there had to take their own books—and slate boards.

Mrs. Sommers, 87, received eight years of education in the one-room Andersonville School around the turn of the century.

The building, moved a mile up Andersonville Road and renovated, is almost ready to be opened as Springfield Township Library.

Mrs. Sommers visited it the other evening, marveled at its "newness" and reminisced about her school days.

Among the architectural features which have remained intact are the separate entrances for boys and girls. The girls' entrance is on the right as you face the school from the road. The boys' entrance is clear around on the other side.

There were separate cloak rooms inside the building and, later on, rooms were created off each for chemical toilets. Now much of that area is taken up by a staircase going into the newly-provided basement.

Restrooms and a storage room have been built at the other end of the building, up where the teacher used to sit.

When Mrs. Sommers went to school there, the toilet facilities were outside.

And the children went across the road to fill a pail with drinking water. The pail was

kept at the back of the room by the wood-burning stove.

"It was a great honor to pass out the water," Mrs. Sommers recalls. "Everyone drank out of the same dipper, passing it along the rows. When it was empty, the child who had been selected went back to the pail for more."

There were usually about a dozen pupils at the school.

"I think once there were 15," Mrs. Sommers said. "That was a big school, a huge school."

Mrs. Sommers doesn't remember the Andersonville teachers ever having any extra-

reading books. They stuck pretty much to the basics—reading, writing, arithmetic, physiology and orthography (language study through spelling and the sounds of letter combinations).

"I had my first-grade reader before I went to school," Mrs. Sommers recalled. "My father read it to me. I could read the whole thing all the way through by the time I went to school—but when my teacher covered the pictures with her hand, I couldn't read a thing."

Mrs. Sommers' father, Frank Harpley, had attended the original Andersonville School, which burned down in 1890 or 1891 when Mrs. Sommers was a baby.

Children started at the school when they were 7 and attended through the eighth grade.

"I don't think too many went on to high school," Mrs. Sommers recalled.

Her four children—Clara, Eleanor, Francis and Mary Lou—also attended Andersonville School, and a granddaughter, Patricia Ferree, was a

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## Recalling one-room school

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member of the last class in the old building before the modern school was opened in the early 50s.

Mrs. Sommers, who has lived in Onaway for six years, went home last weekend after visiting here for the summer. She had stayed with a daughter's family, the Alvin Days, in their home just west of the new location of the schoolhouse-turned-library.

Clara Day, who entered Andersonville School in 1920, has watched with interest the renovation of the old building.

It now stands ready to receive furniture and books, its interior well-lighted and carpeted and its exterior freshly-painted gray with white trim.

"It never was a red school-