

Background of Charlottesville's Historic Cemeteries

The Virginia Landmarks Register and National Register of Historic Places include not only buildings or groups of buildings, but also archeological sites, structures (such as bridges), objects (such as highway signs), and landscapes (including cemeteries). The city's Maplewood Cemetery is listed on the State and National Historic Registers as part of the Martha Jefferson Historic District. Daughters of Zion Cemetery adjoins Oakwood Cemetery on First Street north of Oak Street, and is individually listed on the Virginia and National Registers. Oakwood Cemetery, located on Elliott Avenue at First Street is not yet listed on either register, but research has been gathered.

Documentation of Maplewood Cemetery burials compiled by a number of dedicated volunteers led by Sue Weber is now available online, through the Historic Cemeteries Archive folder.