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##### Cemetery Grounds Access

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9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Mondays - Fridays

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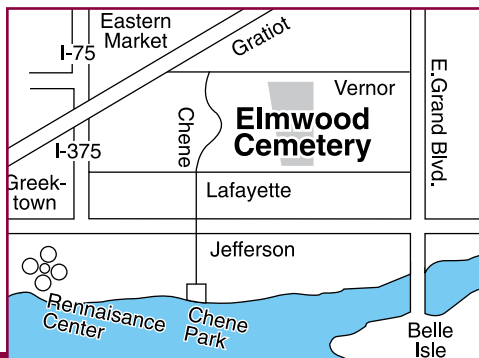
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**T**housands visit Elmwood each year. We hope you will be one of them this year. Perhaps you would like to participate in an event, sit by our restored pond area, run or bicycle on our roads, watch for the migration of birds, walk along our grounds appreciating our outdoor sculpture garden, perennials and majestic trees, or simply relax in this

quiet setting just minutes from the hustle and bustle of downtown Detroit. We hope you and your friends will come and experience Elmwood!

All events are free of charge, including our guided tours, but they do require advance reservations by emailing [jcapuano@elmcem.org](mailto:jcapuano@elmcem.org) or by calling Joan at **313-801-1971**.

## *Beautiful* LOTS AVAILABLE

Elmwood Cemetery has prime lots available for individuals and families. In addition, the Cemetery working with the Historic Elmwood Foundation has designated nine large family lots available for purchase. The lots are located throughout the property and range in size from 20' x 20' to 20' x 30'. They are the perfect size for your family mausoleum or large memorial. These special lots are only available through the Foundation and include a donation to the Foundation. Please contact the office staff if you are interested in any lot at Elmwood.





# COME *Experience* ELMWOOD



## JOIN US FOR ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION

Please join us this May 25th at noon. We will gather pond-side for a brief ceremony to honor our veterans and those who have passed away. Light refreshments will be available. In the event of rain, please meet in the cemetery chapel.



We are delighted to welcome Susan Hendrie Rohde to the Historic Elmwood Foundation Board of Directors. She hails from Hendrie Detroit transportation, the first rail system in Detroit in the mid 1850s. The Hendrie descendants are buried in Section 1. Ms. Rohde is a practicing clinical therapist. The Rohdes are very involved with the Riverwalk and philanthropy around Rivertown.

## OTHER EVENTS

### BIRDING

### ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

### TREE TOURS

### TOMBSTONE TALES HISTORY TOURS

*All events require advance registration. Please email [jcapuano@elmcem.org](mailto:jcapuano@elmcem.org) to make your reservation today.*

*Check our website, [www.elmwoodhistoriccemetery.org](http://www.elmwoodhistoriccemetery.org) for more information, and for newly added events.*



## 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT ELMWOOD CEMETERY

<b>JANUARY 4</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 9 a.m.
<b>JANUARY 20</b>	African American History Tour, 1 p.m.
<b>FEBRUARY 9</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 9 a.m.
<b>FEBRUARY 23</b>	African American Heritage Tour, 1 p.m.
<b>MARCH 14</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 9 a.m.
<b>APRIL 1</b>	Summer Begonia Floral Bed Sales Begin
<b>APRIL 10</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 9 a.m.
<b>APRIL 17</b>	Arbor Day Celebration, 9:30 a.m.
<b>MAY 1</b>	Spring/Summer Grounds Access Hours 7 a.m.–7 p.m. Daily
<b>MAY 3</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 9 a.m.
<b>MAY 9</b>	Spring Tree & History Tour, noon
<b>MAY 25</b>	Memorial Day Celebration, noon
<b>JUNE 10</b>	Tree Identification Class, 5:30 p.m.
<b>JUNE 17</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 5:30 p.m.
<b>JUNE 20</b>	Tombstone Tales Tour, 8:30 a.m.
<b>JULY 11</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 9 a.m.
<b>JULY 11</b>	Tombstone Tales Tours, noon
<b>AUGUST 1</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 9 a.m.
<b>SEPTEMBER 5</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 9 a.m.
<b>SEPTEMBER 11</b>	Patriots Day
<b>SEPTEMBER 15</b>	Fall/Winter Grounds Access Hours Begin 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m. Daily
<b>SEPTEMBER 27</b>	Tombstone Tales tours, noon
<b>OCTOBER 1</b>	Sale of Winter Evergreen Wreaths Begins
<b>OCTOBER 18</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 9 a.m.
<b>OCTOBER 24</b>	Fall Tree Tour, 1:00 p.m.
<b>OCTOBER 25</b>	Tombstone Tales Tour, 10 a.m.
<b>NOVEMBER 1</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 9 a.m.
<b>NOVEMBER 2</b>	Tombstone Tales “Around the Pond” Tour, 9 a.m.
<b>NOVEMBER 2</b>	All Souls Requiem Mass, 10 a.m., Chapel
<b>NOVEMBER 11</b>	Veterans Day Commemoration—35 <sup>th</sup> Annual, 10 a.m., Civil War Section
<b>DECEMBER 7</b>	Birding with Detroit Audubon Society, 9 a.m.

Keep an eye on our website or send a message to [jcapuano@elmcem.org](mailto:jcapuano@elmcem.org) and you will be added to Elmwood's email list.

## REMEMBER OUR EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS – FREE OF CHARGE!

The Historic Elmwood Foundation has prepared various pieces to aid our visitors when at Elmwood Cemetery. Please check our website and the office for the free material:

### SELF-GUIDED MAPS AND AUDIO TOURS

- **African American Heritage** – From the 1800s through present day, Elmwood is proud to honor many key African American leaders.
- **Business Visionaries** – Many Detroit business leaders were visionary, smart, persistent, influential and passionate. They, along with many others, took advantage of the ability to establish and grow businesses here.
- **Leadership Legacies** – Elmwood is the final resting place of 7 governors, 11 US senators, and 30 Detroit mayors.
- **Underground Railroad Network to Freedom** – This map identifies the grave sites of UGRR operatives and supporters who are buried at Elmwood.

**ELMWOOD BIOGRAPHIES** – Elmwood has significantly expanded its information on people in the cemetery and we include photos where possible.

**ARBORETUM TOURS** – Elmwood developed self-guided tree tours, dividing the 86-acres into three maps highlighting deciduous, flowering and evergreen trees throughout the property. The actual trees have a tree identification marker with the scientific and common name as well as a QR code if you have a smart device, you can use this code to learn more about the species.

**BIRDING SPECIES LIST** – Our birding list continues to grow. Please let us know if you see or hear additional species during your walks on our grounds.

### UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

We would like to make sure we have the most recent contact information for you. We know you would like to be kept informed of rule changes or issues that affect your lot, as well as cemetery activities. Please update your telephone number, address, and email through our website [www.elmwoodhistoriccemetery.org](http://www.elmwoodhistoriccemetery.org), Contact us by calling the office on 313-567-3453, or by email at [jcapuano@elmcem.org](mailto:jcapuano@elmcem.org).



# ELMWOOD CEMETERY'S UNDERGROUND RAILROAD NETWORK TO FREEDOM OPERATIVES AND SUPPORTERS NEW SELF-GUIDED TOUR IS NOW AVAILABLE

This year we are proud to launch Elmwood Cemetery's Underground Railroad Network to Freedom Tour Map. The map highlights forty-one individuals who were freedom seekers, abolitionists, UGRR operatives, and significant supporters. This follows the 2016 United States Department of the Interior's National Park Service ("NPS") recognition of Elmwood Cemetery as a Significant Site for the Underground Railroad Network to Freedom because of those who participated in Detroit's network and are buried here at Elmwood. We have just completed our production of the map that was made possible through a grant from the Association of the Study of African American Life and History, funded by the National Park's Service Department

of the Interior, and is based upon research completed by Dr. Carol Mull, Gabrielle Lucci and Joan Capuano. NPS indicated our *"project to be very exciting and feel that it will advance the goals of preserving the history of the Underground Railroad and informing the public. We commend your creativity in developing the proposal and your dedication to this important part of our heritage."*

**This tour compliments our other educational tours: Business Visionaries, Leadership Legacies, and African American Heritage, as well as our tree tour maps. Elmwood offers these educational materials through the office for free and has downloadable versions on the website.**

## ELMWOOD'S OUTDOOR SCULPTURE GARDEN

Elmwood Cemetery's unique display of memorial art creates a lasting legacy, from towering obelisks to flat markers. The decorative symbolism of memorials has much to do with the period of time and indicates something of importance to the honored individual.

Shown here are some of the beautiful and different crosses found on Elmwood's grounds.



**Follow us on Instagram!**  
**Elmwood Cemetery Detroit**

## MESSAGE FROM TERRY BOOK

*President, Historic Elmwood Foundation*



Historic Elmwood Foundation Board of Directors pictured front row, Mimi Crawford and Terry Book; back row John Snyder and Jim Deutchman.

Not pictured Reverend Steven J. Kelly and Susan Rohde.

***Your Support Matters! Please help us ensure Elmwood Cemetery and Arboretum remains a sanctuary for all by donating today.***

2020 will be a year of outstanding programming and continued restoration at Elmwood. Your donations make our work possible and permit us to better serve our Elmwood community. I hope you will join us in one of our upcoming events. On behalf of the cemetery trustees and foundation's directors, I thank you for your past support and I hope you will consider donating this year to the Historic Elmwood Foundation. The Foundation is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit and all donations are fully tax deductible as permitted by law.

Please use the enclosed envelope to mail your donation today! Thank you again for your continuing support of our educational programming, community events and restoration needs

Warmest regards.



## BEQUESTS

Over the years we have been blessed to receive donations from people who have chosen to remember Elmwood in their will. We are quite grateful for this legacy. If you would like to include the Historic Elmwood Foundation, language for a gift to be made following your death is simple and can be incorporated into a new will or added by an amendment to your existing will. Please contact Joan Capuano, Executive Director of the Historic Elmwood Foundation, for assistance.

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## Our Mission:

*To preserve the history and educational significance of Elmwood Cemetery; and to develop social, cultural, and educational programs to benefit the community.*

### DISCOVER MORE ABOUT ELMWOOD

Visit [www.elmwoodhistoriccemetery.org](http://www.elmwoodhistoriccemetery.org)

### SPRING AND SUMMER CEMETERY HOURS

**Grounds Access:** May to September 15<sup>th</sup> 7 a.m.–7 p.m. **Daily**

**Office Hours:** 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Monday–Friday  
9 a.m.–noon Saturday  
The office is closed on Sundays.



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