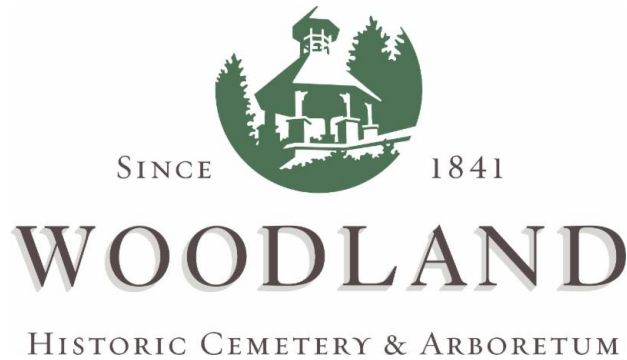


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## Beautiful. Timeless. Still Available...



### Black History Month

#### A brief history of it's origin and celebrations

Dr. Carter Goodwin Woodson was a distinguished Black author, editor, publisher and historian. Woodson believed that Blacks should know their past in order to participate intelligently in the affairs in our country. He strongly believed that Black history is a firm foundation for young Black Americans to build on in order to become productive citizens of our society.

"Those who have no record of what their forebears have accomplished lose the inspiration which comes from the teaching of biography and history," he said. His message was that Blacks should be proud of their heritage and that other Americans should also understand it.



Carter G. Woodson  
1875 - 1950

Black History Month was first proposed by black educators and the Black United Students at Kent State University in February 1969. The first celebration of Black History Month took place at Kent State one year later, from January 2 to February 28, 1970.

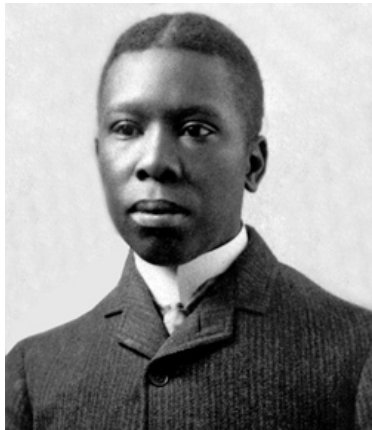
Six years later, Black History Month was being celebrated all across the country in educational institutions, centers of Black culture and community centers, both great and small, when President Gerald Ford recognized Black History Month, during the celebration of the United States Bicentennial. He urged Americans to "seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history".

Source: NAACP and Wikipedia

## Celebrate the Notable African Americans at Woodland Cemetery

Woodland is the final resting place of many of the sons and daughters of Dayton's history. Each and every person within our gates has a story. In February, when the world celebrates Black History Month, Woodland also celebrates by honoring Paul Laurence Dunbar on the anniversary of his death, February 9th. We celebrate all African Americans at Woodland including these notables for their accomplishments both in and out of the city of Dayton.

Let us honor and remember the athletes, politicians, dancers, musicians, poets, writers, doctors, inventors, scientists, teachers, community leaders and members of the military who make Woodland their final resting place.



Paul Laurence Dunbar  
Writer, Author, Poet



Jeraldyn Blunden  
Dancer



Mitchell "Booty" Woods  
Musician



Charity Adams Early  
U.S. Army



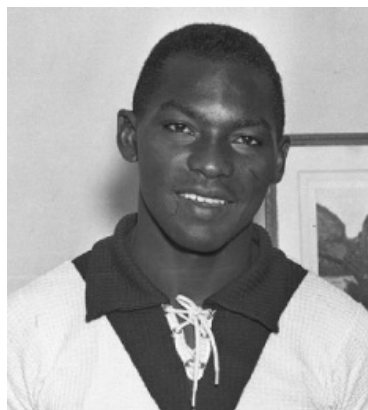
Buddie V. Branch  
U.S. Army



George C. Cooper  
U.S. Navy



George Jackson  
Athlete



David Albritton  
Athlete



Albert Tucker, Jr.  
Athlete



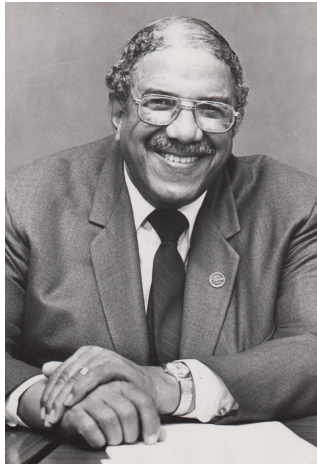
James A. Parsons, Jr.  
Engineer and Inventor



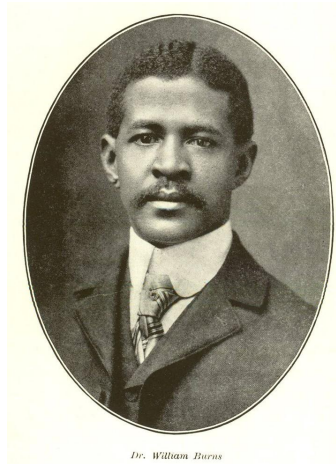
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Policeman and Policewoman



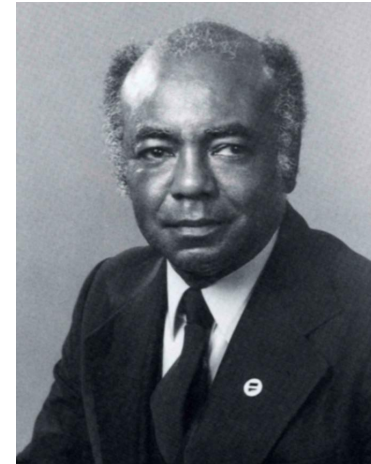
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Educator



James H. McGee  
Politician



*Dr. William Burns*  
Dr. William "Bud" Burns  
Physician

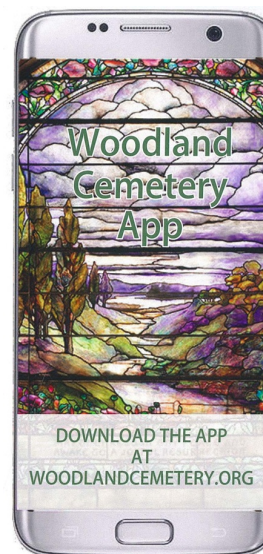


C.J. McLin, Jr.  
Politician

## Take the Notable African Americans Tour at Woodland Cemetery

You can take your own walking tour at the cemetery or a virtual tour from the comfort of your couch by visiting our website at: [woodlandcemetery.org/tours](http://woodlandcemetery.org/tours).

From your phone you will be prompted to download our app. Take one of 12 walking tours we have available for your enjoyment at the cemetery. If you are on your desktop, laptop or tablet, you can take the tour right from the tour page. We will be adding more tours so come back often to learn about the men and women who made it Great in Dayton.



Memories of a loved one should last for generations.

Using our app, you can:

- Navigate to your relative or friend's grave using our GPS-based system
- Share stories about your family
- Upload photos and video
- Share memories with your family on Facebook

Your loved one's memorial page is automatically created when you make cemetery arrangements with our office. You may also share and upload information by using our burial database via our website ([woodlandcemetery.org](http://woodlandcemetery.org)). (please contact our office if you need assistance)





# Woodland Celebrates its 180th Anniversary



We are excited to announce that Woodland will celebrate its 180th year of incorporation on February 18, 2021. While we are still observing the social distancing protocols issued by Governor DeWine, we hope to invite you all to a more formal celebration this fall.

We thank you for letting us take care of you and your family at one of the darkest moments in life but hope that you find light in our tranquil and beautiful landscape where you can commemorate your loved ones and the sons and daughters of Dayton.



To help us celebrate, make a donation of \$180 or more to the Arboretum Foundation now through December 31, 2021 and you will receive a set of Woodland ceramic coasters. Limit one set per household.

## **DONATE NOW!**

[Click here.](#)

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## Thank you for your support of the Woodland Arboretum Foundation

You can donate, any time of year, to our Horticulture Fund, Arboretum Fund or Chapel Restoration Fund.

The **Horticulture Fund** assists in the creation of scenic, reflective and beautiful gardens and grounds to honor those that have gone before us. This includes the distinctive floral displays in the chapel area in our Mausoleum. A unique theme and design is chosen during the Easter, Memorial Day and Christmas holidays.

Our **Arboretum Foundation** continues to focus on the restoration, preservation, horticultural and educational projects needed to keep Woodland a cultural resource for Dayton and Ohio.

The **Chapel Restoration Fund** is designated for the restoration and preservation of the historic chapel, gates and administration office built in 1887. The Chapel houses 17 Tiffany windows, a hand-cut Tiffany tiled floor and hand painted Tiffany frescoes. All three structures are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Your gift makes an immediate impact on the horticulture, arboriculture, and restoration efforts urgently needed to maintain one of Dayton's most historic and beautiful outdoor museums.

All 110,000 souls, entrusted to our care, thank you for your generous donation to one or all of our



The hand that holds the heart gives of himself.

funds.

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## Support Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum!

Are you a ClubDLM or Kroger Plus Card holder? Would you like to support the Woodland Cemetery Foundation by doing your normal grocery shopping? You can when you register your shopping card to our organization! **Remember, you must sign up for this opportunity each year but you can sign up during anytime of the year.**



→ Go to [Kroger Community Rewards](#) and link your Kroger Plus Card to Woodland Cemetery and Arboretum #JJ851. Please note that our organization was updated with a new account number from Kroger.



→ Go to [Dorothy Lane Market Good Neighbor Program](#) and link your ClubDLM number to Woodland Cemetery & Arboretum #821.

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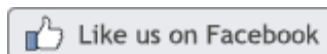
**Woodland Cemetery is proud to partner with the following organizations:**  
**National Aviation Heritage Area, Aviation Trail, Inc., Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historic Park, Ohio Cemetery Association, ArbNet, American Alliance of Museums and Ohio Museums Association.**

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