

### Lamp

Represents the light of Christ, or knowledge and learning.

[Terpening/MacMichael, RH Lutheran]

### Star

Stands for many things, including eternity or immortality and divine guidance, hope, dreams and life everlasting.

[Nathan Beckwith, St. John's Upper Red Hook]



### Willow

A weeping willow symbolizes mourning, grief and earthly sorrow.

[Jacob B. VanSteenburg, St. John's Upper RH]

Historic Red Hook's Cemetery Crawl is both a seasonal Scavenger Hunt and a year-round self-guided tour of six Red Hook cemeteries that offers highlights of the lives of interesting individuals and their memorials. All you need is your smartphone and some good weather and you've got a lovely way to spend some time enjoying the history of our area. The Scavenger Hunt kicks off on Hardscrabble Day, September 17th and runs through the award ceremony on October 30th at the Elmendorf at 1 PM. Bookmark the Cemetery Crawl page at [historicredhook.org](http://historicredhook.org) and you're off! No need to wander aimlessly—by clicking on the Map section, you can use a custom Google map to find the approximate location of each memorial we've presented for the Cemetery Crawl. If you click on a pin, you can both read *and* hear a recording of the story associated with that memorial. If you're looking for even more self-guided history fun, we also have a "Then & Now" map with details of local homes and businesses for which we have historical information.

Visit the Cemetery Crawl page to download a worksheet to take with you to the cemetery. Seek out the answers, and, when you are ready, submit them online via our handy form!

# HISTORIC RED HOOK

## GUIDE TO MEMORIAL SYMBOLS

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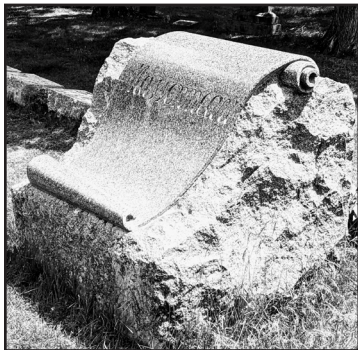
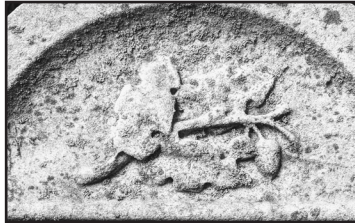
### Clasped Hands

Parting or farewell, or unity in life and death. Partnership or a bond. [Jacob W. Martin, RH Methodist]

### Oak leaves

Strength, honor, steadfastness and immortality. The acorn is a symbol of life, fertility and immortality.

[Joseph R. Spurr, RH Methodist]



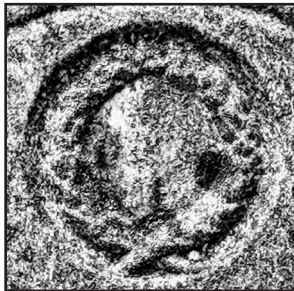
### Scroll

Alludes to parts of life lived and parts that were yet to come on either side of the rolled document. [Massonneau, RH Lutheran]

### Wreath

Stands for memory and victory over death.

[Margaret R. Cole, RH Methodist]



### Draped Urn

The funerary urn is found on many 19th century monuments when Classical symbols were popular, the drape is a cover or veil between life and death.

[Richard Nicks, RH Methodist]

### Rose

Symbolizes immortal love or a union that will never fade. A broken rose symbolizes life cut short.

[George W. Fraleigh, RH Methodist]



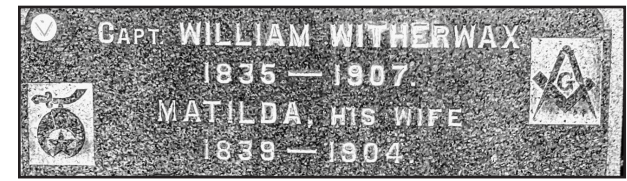
### Lily of the Valley

A return of happiness, or humility, chastity, sweetness and purity.

[Claude Hoffman, Old Red Church, Tivoli]

### Masonic Symbols

Shriners (left): The scimitar stands for its members, the points of the crescent represent the fraternity and its philanthropy. The sphinx's head represents the head of the organization. The five-pointed star represents



the children that the Shriners' efforts help. Masons (right): The square (bottom V shape) symbolizes morality, honesty and fairness. The compass (top V shape) Moderation, integrity, and wisdom. The "G" may stand for Geometry, or for "Great Architect" [William Witherwax, Old Red Church, Tivoli]

### Independent Order of Odd Fellows

The symbol of this fraternal organization is three chain links which symbolize Friendship, Love and Truth.

[John H. Shafer, RH Lutheran]



### Ivy/Vines

Friendship and immortality, eternity, fidelity, and strong affectionate attachment.

[Minne & Ralph Traver, RH Lutheran]