



The Quaker Hill Cemetery is set on a wooded hillside with a view through the trees to open fields to the south. To the east are the open lawns of Christ Church on Quaker Hill and a view of the church. The cemetery owns over 20 acres surrounding the gravesites, so the serenity of your loved one's final resting place is assured.

The cemetery is maintained by our resident caretaker who takes pride in keeping the grounds well-tended, assuring that the stones and markers are cared for so that each person who comes to the cemetery feels welcome .

The cemetery is managed by volunteer trustees dedicated to the serenity, beauty and most importantly, the permanence of the cemetery. The trustees value those who came before and look ahead to providing a place of quiet repose and beauty for loved ones for generations to come.

History

There are several small family cemeteries on Quaker Hill dating back to the 18th century. The Society of Friends, known as Quakers, first buried their members across the road from the historic Quaker Meeting House marked only with fieldstones. In the 19th century they began burying their dead in a one acre parcel on what is now Old Quaker Hill Road and marking the graves with names and dates carved into stone monuments.

As the Society of Friends dwindled in numbers, responsibility for the care and maintenance of the "Quaker Cemetery" fell to the Town of Pawling and then to the Quaker Hill Burial Ground Association, Inc. established for this purpose. This group also became responsible for three other smaller cemeteries.

During the 1940's through the 1970's, it became clear that a new cemetery was needed to fulfill the requests for plots. In 1989, the Trustees of the Quaker Hill Burial Ground Association, Inc acquired property on Church Road to become the Quaker Hill Cemetery with a large number of plots. It is the Trustees' mission to make these plots available to all families for a serene final resting place for their loved ones.

