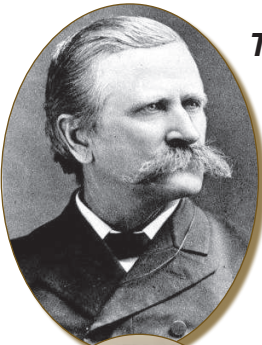




**TOUR STOP #7
THE MAHAFFIE FAMILY**

James Beatty and Lucinda Mahaffie moved to Olathe in 1857 from Indiana. Purchasing land outside of Olathe in 1858, the Mahaffie's built a home there in 1863

and later he and his family operated a stagecoach stop at that location. It was the first stop for stagecoaches traveling from Westport, Missouri on the Santa Fe Trail.

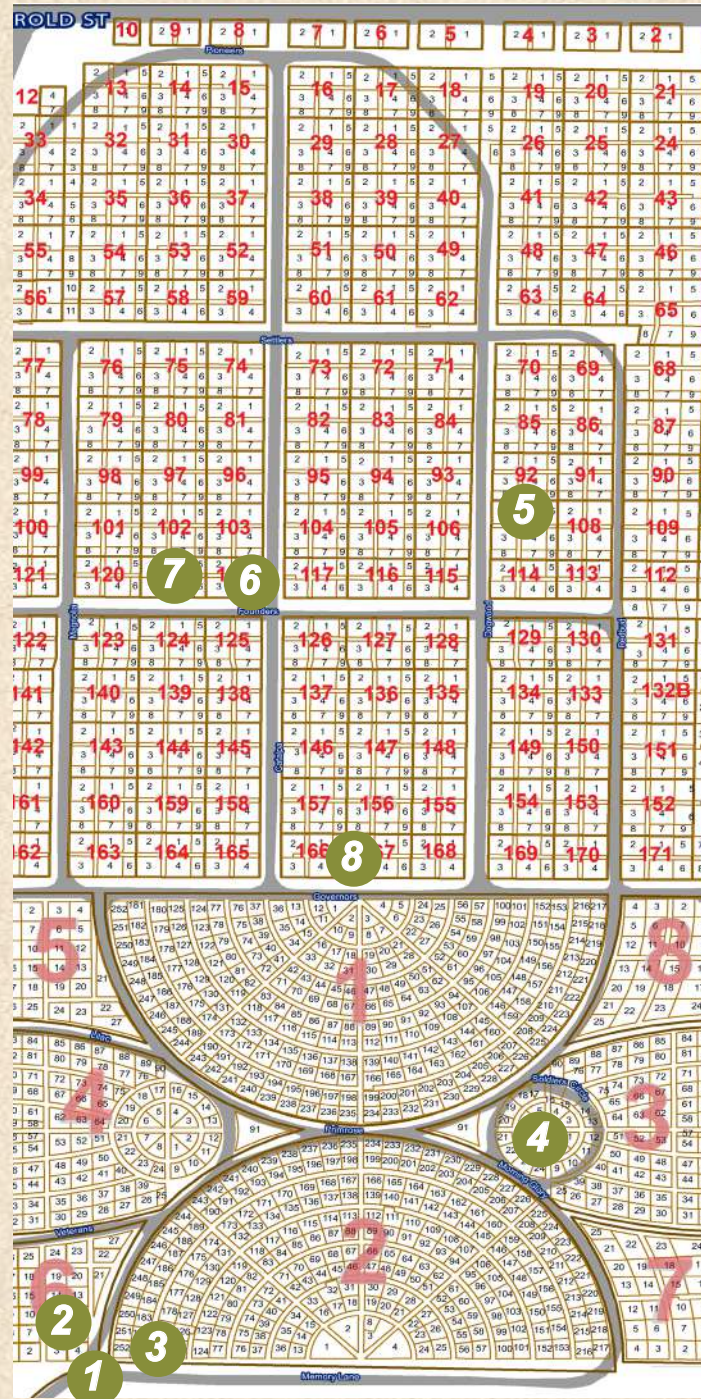


**TOUR STOP #8
GOVERNOR'S ROW**

Governor John Pierce St. John served as the eighth governor of Kansas from 1878 to 1883.



Governor George F. Hodges served as the fourteenth governor of Kansas from 1912 to 1914. Hodges was only the second Democratic governor elected in Kansas at the time.



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Cemetery History Walk



with interpretive kiosks of local and national importance.

Olathe Memorial Cemetery
738 N. Chestnut
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**TOUR STOP #1
SHELTER HOUSE/CHAPEL**

The Cemetery Shelter House was originally built under the direction of Walt Huggins, Cemetery Superintendent. It was built of native limestone from a nearby quarry in 1937 as a WPA project during the Great Depression. Fifty years later in 1984, it was restored by the Lions Club.



**TOUR STOP #3
D.A.R. MEMORIAL LANE**

The DAR landscaped bed and Memory Lane were dedicated on May 30, 1934 by the Daughters of the American Revolution. Forty-eight maple trees to represent each of the 48 states, a granite boulder, and lilac bushes were placed on the site originally.



**TOUR STOP #5
HYER BOOT COMPANY**

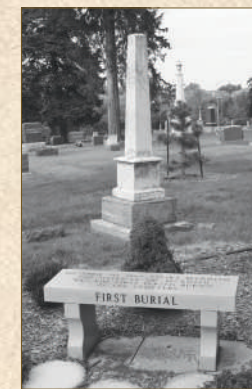
Charles Henry Hyer and his sons A.E. and William built the C.H. Hyer and Sons Shoe Factory in 1875, which became home to the cowboy boot. Military boots were supplied for many years with shipments also going to West Point.

A monument stone and flower bed marks the names of several individuals who worked for the factory.



**TOUR STOP #6
OLATHE MEMORIAL CEMETERY
FOUNDING AND FIRST BURIAL**

Watts Beckwith saw the need for a permanent cemetery site and set aside 10 acres of his own land for the City of Olathe. Elvira Beckwith, his sister, was the first burial in the cemetery in 1865. In 1879, Olathe purchased the tract and later



added acreage. Several headstones bear dates earlier than 1865 because they were relocated from "Church Square" burial site downtown.



**TOUR STOP #2
WORLD WAR MEMORIAL**

The World War Memorial is the resting place for soldiers who fought for our country. The parents of Earl Collier donated money for the upkeep of the area in memory of their son who died in WWI. The memorial and lots were donated by the City of Olathe to the American Legion in 1926.



**TOUR STOP #4
CIVIL WAR CIRCLE**

Located in the Civil War Circle are soldiers who fought in the War Between the States. The statue, a gift to Olathe from the Grand Army of the Republic, was dedicated in 1893. It is one of the first memorials erected to Civil War veterans in Kansas. There are more than 300 Civil War veterans buried throughout the cemetery.