Behold my friend as you pass by
As you are now, so once was I
As I am now, you soon must be
Prepare for death and follow me.

- Common gravestone inscription circa 1800-

A Graveyard Guide
Private Burial Grounds in the Town of Coeymans

1. Mull  
   Fox Street
2. Ten Eyck  
   Old Ravenna Road
3. Titus (Slave)  
   Old Ravenna Road
4. Van Dalsen  
   East side of Saint Patrick's Cemetery
5. Ten Eyck  
   McCullock Ave. Village of Ravena
6. Terry  
   Corner of Route 143 and Stott Rd.
7. Davis  
   Whitbeck Road off Route 143
8. Blodgett  
   Route 143 opposite Methodist Church
9. Parish  
   Uthe Ave.
10. Cary  
    Alcove Road (on left)
11. Slack  
    Mud Hill
12. Waldron  
    Behind R.C.S. High School between 9W & Rt. 101
13. Old Church  
    Corner of Copeland Hill and Appleby Road
14. Stanton  
    Tracy Road

Visitation of Sites:
The small cemeteries are on private property. The Ravena Coeymans Historical Society may be able to provide information on how to contact the property owner but the public is reminded that visitation of the sites is only at the discretion of the property owner.

Below is a listing of recorded cemeteries that the exact locations have not been identified. Refer to individual listing for location.

• Colvin Family  • Cooley Farm  • Dean Farm  • Copeland Family  • Green-Sarles Families  
• Crum Family  • Keefer Family  • Lawson Family  • Mosher Family  • Mossy Hill Cemetery  
• New Bridge Cemetery  • Niles Family  • Row Family
Cemeteries
Town of Coeymans

Colvin Family Burying Ground - A
Copied June 20, 1934
Location: From South Bethlehem village, on the Ravenna Road proceed for 2 1/2 miles, observe burying ground on your left in the field.
1. Sally wife of Jacob Randal and dau of John and Sarah Colvin died Nov 17 1821 aged 33 yrs 4 mos 27 days
2. Jane Charters wife of Andrew Colvin dau of John and Margaret Charters aged 27 yrs. She was drowned 25th of Aug 1814
Also a few unmarked graves with field stones.

Cooley Farm Burying Ground - B
Copied Oct 20, 1935
1. Leonard Coonley died Aug 5 1855 aged 62 yrs
2. Elizabeth dau of Leonard and Mary A Coonley died May 2 1849 19 yrs 2 mos
3. George Coonley died Oct 31 1831 aged 24 yrs 6 mos 3 days
4. Sarah Coonley died April 24 1852 in the 87th yr of her age

Burying Ground Above Dean Farm - C
Copied May 21, 1935
1. Josephine dau of George P and Eleanor Coonley died Oct 15 1851—5 days

Copeland Family Burying Ground - D
Copied May 21, 1935
Location: Feura Bush-Indian Fields Road (Rte 32) turn left at Keefer's Corners toward Copeland Hill, proceed 1 3/4 miles, burying ground on your left in field.
1. Margaret Strevil wife of George Copeland died Aug 16 1817 32 yrs 5 mos
2. George Soule died May 17 1847 aged 47 yrs
3. Baltis Keefer died March 5 1833 aged 79 yrs 9 mos 1 day
4. Wife Elizabeth died June 21 1842 in the 82nd yr of her age
5. Catharine Copeland wife of Edy Hyatt died Oct 17 1831 in the 20th yr.
6. Robert G son of Aner and George Copeland died July 27 1824—14 mos 1 day
Also several unmarked graves with field stones.

Davis Family Burying Ground - E
Copied May 30, 1935
Location: Alcove-Indian Fields Road (Rte 142) top of hill turn at first turn to right, proceed .2 miles to bar way, cross into fields on your left Burying ground on top of hill, stone wall around it.
1. Samuel Davis born March 25 1830 died Feb 28 1855
2. Ambrose Davis born Sept 20 1833 died July 25 1855
3. Mary Hannah Davis born June 24 1842 died May 31 1849
4. Jeremiah Davis born Dec 15 1788 died March 14 1868
5. Mary Titus wife of Jerry Davis died March 18 1890 aged 90 yrs
6. Elizabeth wife of Joshua Davis died Feb 16 1827 in the 32nd yr of her age
7. Jedediah son of J and E Dav is died Jan 22 1833 in the 16th yr of his age
8. Jedediah Davis died Dec 23 1837 in the 68th yr or his age
9. Wife Sarah died Oct 20 1828 in the 62nd yr of her age
10. Isaac son of J and S Davis died May 9 1825 in the 26th yr of his age
11. Isaac T Davis died Sept 26 1882 aged 55 yrs 11 mos
12. Wife Susan M. Carpenter died May 28 1919 aged 79 yrs 6 mos
13. Jeremiah Davis 1856-1933
15. Mary J dau of I.T. and S.M. Davis 1852-1933
Green-Sarles Family Burying Ground - F
Copied May 30, 1935
Location: Through village of Alcove on road to Greenville, pass Albany Water Supply Dam, turn on first road to your left. 1.2 miles, turn left into stone house, burying ground in field behind barn.
1. I.G. born 1758 died 1829
2. Jeremiah Green 1758-1829
3. H. Green died 1849
4. Jeremiah Green died Sept 15 1849 aged 49 yrs 4 mos 15 days
5. James G Green died Jan 20 1855 aged 62 yrs
6. J.P. died Aug 31 1837
7. H.P. died May 1 1837 aged 3 yrs 1 mo 1 day
8. John Green died April 28 1835 aged 72 yrs
9. Wife Mary died March 20, 1823 aged 58 yrs
10. M.P. died 1819
11. I.G. died 1809
12. M.G. died 1808
13. R.G. died 1824
14. M.G. died 1829
15. S.F. died 1824
16. H.D. died 1818
17. S.S. died 1815
18. Elizabeth Smith died Feb 7 1855 aged 78 yrs
19. Solomon Sarles died July 1814
20. Hannah wife of James G Green died Sept 21 1848 aged 46 yrs 1 mo
21. Sussanna E Sarles died April 19 1880 aged 66 yrs 9 mos 19 days
22. Deborah Sarles died April 30 1879 aged 72 yrs 7 mos 4 days
23. Samuel H Sarles died Aug 25 1860 aged 56 yrs
24. Robert Sarles died Sept 25 1879 aged 70 yrs 9 mos 20 days
Also several unmarked graves with plain field stones

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Crum Family Burying Ground - G
Copied June 22, 1934
Location: From Albany via Southern Boulevard through Bethlehem Center on State Route 144 and US Route 9 W cross railroad on overbed bridge turn left and proceed 1.2 miles, burying ground on right, enclosed in a fence below the house.
1. Elizabeth Cronk died Jan 23 1870 aged 81 yrs 3 mos 3 days
2. Deborah Holmes wife of Tobias Crumb died Sept 14 1876 in her 57th yr
3. Peter Crum Co E 113th N.Y. Vols died Feb 18 1893 aged 67 yrs (CIVIL WAR)
4. Peter T.E. Crum died Feb 18, 1862 aged 19 yrs 11 mos 23 days
5. Judith Ten Eyck wife of James Jack died May 30 1876 aged 77 yrs 10 mos
6. Jacob Van Buren died Feb 16 1858 aged 43 yrs
7. Harriet Van Buren died Oct 12 1855 aged 64 yrs 10 mos 8 days
8. Martin C Van Buren died Feb 16 1840 aged 87 yrs
9. Libbie dau of Tobias And Deborah Crumb died July 15 1862 aged 8 yrs 8 mos 29 days
10. Hugh Crumb died Feb 1 1869 aged 87 yrs 3 mos 12 days
11. Wife Garrettic died April 2 1860 aged 74 yrs
12. Moica Ten Eyck died Feb 26 1887 aged 94 yrs
13. Maria Ten Eyck died Feb. 28 1851 aged 63 yrs 1 mo 10 days
14. John Ten Eyck died Sept 28 1834 aged 73 yrs
15. Wife Catharine Whitbeck died Feb 17 1856 aged 75 yrs
16. Tobias Ten Eyck died May 25 1850 aged 60 yrs 1 mo 6 days
17. Andrew J Ten Eyck born May 6 1801 died Dec 18 1851
Alcove Cemetery Incorporated — Continued
369. Caroline Caswell wife of George Hecock died Aug 7 1895 aged 50 yrs
370. Mary E Caswell wife of John Regan died May 29 1879 aged 39 yrs 4 mos 3 days
371. Willie N son of Eugene and Minnie Falkner born July 20 1884 died Sept 7 1886
372. Jacob Sickler 1854-1895
373. Wife Anna K 1856-1912
374. Renne 1875-1880
375. John J. 1878-
376. Rena M. 1887-1895
377. William J Cole 1860-
378. Wife Carrie Hotaling 1866-
379. Harvey J Cole 1892-1918
380. William Van Alslyne 1880-
381. Wife Alice Cole 1888-
382. Charles Hotaling 1853-1921
383. Wife Emme B Engle 1855-
384. Maude E dau of Charles and Emma B Hotaling died April 29 1885 Aged 3 yrs 8 mos 12 days

* Bloydet Burying Ground - H
Copied May 30, 1935
Location: Village of Coeynam Hollow, opposite ME church in second field.
1. Samuel Bloydet died July 3 1856 aged 70 yrs 8 mos 2 days
2. Wife Jane died Nov 1 1847 aged 59 yrs 11 mos
3. Dau Mary Ann died Aug 12 1842 aged 15 yrs 4 mos 23 days
4. Lucretia wife of Walter Whitbeck died Sept 19 1841
5. Harriet Bloydet died Sept 5 1857 aged 34 yrs 10 mos 18 days
6. John Colvin son of John Colvin died Feb 26 1813 aged 13 yrs 8 mos 26 days
7. Cary Verplank wife of James Colvin died July 22 1822 age 44 yrs 22 days
8. Benjamin C Matthias son of Rev John B and Sarah Matthias died June 5 1823 aged 17 yrs 7 mos 14 days
9. Martin S son of Benjamin and Hannah Whitbeck died June 10 1831 aged 7 yrs and 2 mos
10. Lois wife of William H Hinman died April 29 1833 aged 56 yrs
11. William H Hinman died Sept 13 1845 aged 77 yrs
12. Leonard Huick died Dec 8 1823 in the 30th yr of his age
13. Helen Martin dau of Edward and Cornelia Bontecou died June 3 1850 aged 4 yrs 7 mos 16 days
15. John son of Henry and Joanna Van Zandt died Dec 16 1844 age 4 yrs 10 mos 26 days
16. Angeline dau of Garret and Marie Whitbeck died June 1821 age 3 mos 3 days
17. John Bloydet died April 19 1840 aged 86 yrs 1 mo 20 days
18. Wife Elizabeth died Feb 19 1815 aged 55 yrs
19. Hannah dau of Israel Shears died July 9 1807 age 6 yrs 4 mos 12 days
20. Frederick S son of Harvey and Nancy Conklin died Aug 28 1818 aged 9 yrs 1 mo 23 days-
21. William Green died March 4 1813 in the 57th yr of his age
22. Wife Mary died Jan 29 1847 in the 88th yr of her age
23. Catherine dau of John P and Emily Sickler died Oct 10 1834 aged 2 yrs 11 mos 10 days
24. Infant of Emily and John P Sickler died July 23 1827
25. Ruth wife of Joseph Cary died Nov 12 1840 aged 52 yrs 7 mos 8 days
26. Andrew II. son of Henry J. and ElseySpeenburgh died April 9, 1843

* Cary Family Burying Ground - I
Copied May 30, 1933
Location: Village of Alceove, turn left at old mill, proceed 1.1 miles past stone school house. Burying ground on your left.
1. Elizabeth Cary wife of Joseph Cary died Feb 28 1856 aged 81 yrs 9 mos 8 days
2. S Vincent (no dates)
Keefer Family Burying Ground - J
Copied May 15, 1935
Location: Feura Bush-Indian Fields Highway (Rte 32) turn right at Camp Story proceed 1 mile, turn left into driveway. Burying ground on your right in field in back of barn.
1. Jane Keefer wife of John Cookeham died June 9 1853 aged 26 yrs 6 mos
2. Margaret Ann Keefer wife of Elias Parmier died May 11 1852 Aged 20 yrs 1 mo 11 days
3. Elizabeth Callanan wife of John Keefer died Dec 14 1876 Aged 82 yrs 4 mos 18 days
4. John Keefer died Feb 16 1842 aged 50 yrs 21 days
5. Baltis Keefer died Dec 10 1857 aged 24 yrs 9 mos 24 days
6. Baltis son of Hiram and Belinda Keefer died April 2 1841 1 yr 2 mos
7. Halsey M son of D and H Green died Dec 17 1843 aged 2 yrs 5 mos 28 days
8. John H son of Ransom and Hannah Keefer died May 26 1847 aged 3 yrs 8 mos 25 days
9. Ransom Keefer died March 10 1845 aged 20 yrs 10 mos 19 days
10. Hannah wife of David Green died May 6 1856 aged 33 yrs 7 mos 9 days
11. Delia A dau of D and H Green died March 15 1869 aged 25 yr 6 mo 8 days
12. Hiram Keefer died April 21 1877 aged 59 yrs
13. Wife Belinda Green died Nov 18 1883 aged 67 yrs
14. Elizabeth E Keefer wife of Samuel H Haslett died Jan 14 1867 aged 24 yrs 9 mos 8 days

Lawson Family Burying Ground - K
Copied May 5, 1935
Location: Feura Bush-Indian Fields Highway (Rte 32) turn right for Camp Story proceed 1.6 miles, burying ground on your left at camp entrance.
1. Elizabeth Lawson wife of John P Hallenbeck died April 23 1868 aged 35 yrs 2 mos 11 days
2. Christopher Lawson died July 10 1858 aged 41 yrs 11 mos 22 days

Mosher Family Burying Ground - L
Copied April 6, 1935
Location: Feura Bush-Indian Fields road (Rte 32) turn left at Keefer's Corners, proceed 1.1 miles, observe burying ground on your right.
1. George Mosher died Sept 5 1832 aged 43 yrs
2. Wilhelmus died Sept 6 1832 aged 49 yrs 11 mos 5 days

Mossy Hill Cemetery - M
Alcove Stone Quarry
1. Olive Vincent died Jan 26 1871 aged 50 yrs 8 mos
2. Elsammer Vincent wife of Levi Vincent died Oct 31 1865 age 73 yr 1 mo 3 days
3. Levi Vincent born June 28 1771 died July 9 1853 aged 82 yrs 11 days

Mull Family Burying Ground - N
Copied June 12, 1935
Location: On farm of Milton Slingerland, turn left from Albany-Coeymans highway by school .4 mile burying ground on your left.
1. Lovina dau of John J and Catherine Mull died July 30 1848 aged 5 yrs 5 mos 6 days
2. Mary L dau of John J. and Catherine Mull died Jan 17 1852 aged 2 yrs 3 mos 3 days
3. Jacobus Mull died June 28 1843 aged 97 years 5 mos 12 days
4. Wife Henrietta died Sept 30 1846 aged 92 yrs 7 mos 12 days
5. John J Mull died Oct 19 1818 aged 25 yrs 8 mos 19 days
6. John Mull died April 5 1843 in the 66th yr of his age
7. Wife Elizabeth died Feb 4 1851 aged 70 yrs 10 mos 12 days
8. Dau Mary Magdalene died March 28 1834 aged 21 yrs 11 mos 6 days
9. Capt James J. Mull died Nov 26 1826 aged 28 yrs 2 mos 5 days
Children of James J and Catharine Mull:
10. James V died March 30 1827 aged 19 days
11. Amanda died Sept 21 1840 aged 5 mos 18 days

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12. John DeWitt Jr died June 9 1842 aged 5 yrs 11 days  
Children of Abram and Elizabeth Gordenier:
13. George Allen died Nov 8 1853 aged 2 yrs 6 mos  
14. Mary Matilda died Sept 11 1855 aged 1 yr 14 days  
15. Infant son died Sept 10 1836  
Children of John and Sophia Van Derpool:
16. Adelia died Oct 30 1848 aged 15 yrs 6 mos  
17. Cynthia died Feb 9 1848 aged 9 yrs 5 mos 2 days  
End of above  
18. Rebecca wife of James Selkirk Jr died Feb 21 1828 aged 39 yrs 28 days  
19. Jane M Selkirk died April 11 1840 aged 22 yrs 2 mos 7 day  
20. Elizabeth dau of Cornelius and Harriet Vrooman died May 17 1836 aged 2 mos 12 days  
21. Andrew J son of John T and Phoebe Woolf died Feb 21 1835 aged 5 yrs 4 mos 3 days  

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New Bridge Cemetery - O  
1. John H Houghtaling died Aug 16 1858 aged 25 yrs  
2. Platta Hotaling died Jan 8 1855 aged 28 yrs  
3. John H. Hotaling died June 24 1856 aged 52 yrs  
4. John H. Hotaling died April 18 1837 aged 67 yrs  
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Niles Family Burying Ground - P  
Copied May 30, 1935  
Location: From village of Alcove on road to Indian Fields (Rte 143) take second turn to right, proceed 2 miles, foot of hill,  
burying ground on your left on elevation.  
1. Hannah Niles died Jan 2 1827 aged 61 yrs 5 mos 29 days  
2. Henry Niles died Dec 18 1812 aged 51 yrs 8 mos 1 day  
3. Eve Thayer born Sept 8 1799 died 18??  
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Old Church Burying Ground (Copeland Hill) (not listed)  
Location: Proceed along same road .2 mile turn left and burying ground is in grove on your right.  
Several graves all marked with field stones, no inscriptions.  
The ME Church at Keefer's Corners was formerly located here, and this was its burying ground.  
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Parish Family Burying Ground - R  
Location: In the village of Coeymans  
1. Mary dau of Jacob and Freeclofe Parish died Sept 25 1808 aged 19 yrs 3 mos 8 days  
2. Elizabeth dau of Jacob and Freeclofe Parish died Dec 2 1809 aged 15 yrs  
3. Thomas Parish born April 1 1799 died July 20 1840  
4. Jacob Parish born May 15 1762 died Nov 19 1841 in his 80th yr  
5. Wife Freeclofe died July 6 1817 aged 55 yrs  
6. Charles son of Marton And Catharine Bogard died Jan 1 1812 AE 9 mo 10 days  
7. Christopher Babcock died June 7 1839 aged 79 yrs (REVOLUTION)  
8. Wife Mary died Sept 2 1828 aged 68 yrs  
9. Sarah J dau of William H and Sally Ann Ingram died June 31 1842—6 mos  
10. Charles Augustus son of William and Eliza Ann Weed born Jan 9 1836 died Feb 12 1843 aged 7 yrs 25 days  
11. Mary dau of Christopher and Mary Babcock died May 24 1830 aged 14 yrs  
12. Hannah dau of John II and Elizabeth Bentheussen died July 5 1840 aged 1 yr 6 mos 6 days  
Also a field stone with letters O.H.  
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Row Family Burying Ground - S  
Copied April 6, 1935  
Location: From South Bethlehem along So. Bethlehem-Kabayla Stone Road 1 mile from the Catharin quarry Railroad crossing,  
on your left, in a field in a clump of bushes.  
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1. Daniel Carhart died April 20 1827 aged 81 yrs
2. Wife Elizabeth died Aug 24 1829 aged 71 yrs
3. Peter Row died Jan 13 1813 in the 57th yr of his age
4. Elizabeth Row died Feb 6 1813 in the 57th yr of her age
5. Coonrod P Row died Feb 14 1822 aged 27 yrs 6 mos 15 days
6. Samuel Row son of Stephen Row died Aug 4 1821 aged 1 yr 6 mos 4 days
7. Stephen Row son of Peter Row died Aug 14 1821 in the 29th yr of his age
8. Clarry dau of Nathan and Susannah Miller died July 18 1835 aged 35 yrs 3 mos 22 days
   Also several unmarked graves with field stones.

* Slack Family - S

Location: Coeymans Hollow on the Carman Whitbeck farm, up Mud Hill, only access with a guide.
1. Frederick Slack died June 30, 1833 in the 79th yr of his age
This cemetery should be revisited as comments are that one large stone is buried along with several unmarked stones.

* Ten Eyck Family Burying Ground (Farm) - T
Copied June 22, 1934

Location: From Albany via Southern Boulevard, through Betlehem Center on State Route 144 and U.S. Route 9 W, cross railroad on overhead bridge, turn left and proceed 1.7 miles, burying ground on your left in clump of bushes. Iron fence.
In the SE corner of this field is a slave burying ground, no inscriptions.
1. Tobias C Ten Eyck died Nov 28 1791 aged 68 yrs 6 mos 10 days
2. Wife Judith Van Beuren died Dec 4 1823 aged 88 yrs 8 mos 5 days
3. Catherine Ten Eyck born April 12 1832 died April 14 1919

* Stanton Family Burying Ground - U
Copied May 24, 1935

Location: From Cedar Grove School proceed on road to Coeymans Hollow, cross four corners and proceed 3 mile, first house on your left, burying ground in rear of house near road.
1. Margaret Mosher wife of Moses Stanton Died Sept 22 1866 aged 80 yrs 13 days
2. Richard infant son of Richard and Elizabeth Mead aged 20 days
3. Catharine wife of John Palmatier died Dec 1 1833 aged 93 yrs
4. Mary Stanton wife of Jared Huyck died April 27 1852 aged 51 yrs 10 mos 3 days
5. Son Andrew died Feb 12 1838 aged 1 yr 3 mos 20 days
6. John P Stanton died Nov 27 1828 aged 26 yrs
7. Moses Stanton died April 15 1858 aged 83 yrs 4 mos 27 days
8. Wife Mariah died July 18 1833 aged 53 yrs
9. Elizabeth W wife of Moses Stanton died March 21 1839 aged 37 yrs
10. Mary Stanton wife of Gilbert Merit died Aug 1 1824 aged 28 yrs 7 mos
11. Mary wife of Ebenezer Stanton died March 20 1818 age 66 yr (22 days)
12. Ebenezer Stanton died March 27 1819 aged 73 yrs
13. Stephen Clark died Feb 19 1812 aged 48 yrs 5 mos 15 days
14. Urany Clark dau of Stephen and Lucrecia Clark died Dec 17 1796 Aged 2 yrs 10 mos 13 days
15. Samuel Cary died March 2 1818 aged 53 yrs 11 mos 18 days
16. Susannah Cary born April 5 1772 died Aug 31 1877
17. Hugh son of Christopher T and Elizabeth Wickham died April 30 1858 Aged 14 yrs 7 mos
18. John Y. Stanton 1811-1901
19. Wife Mary A Sickles 1817-1901
20. Ebenezer Stanton died April 14 1861 Aged 48 yrs 5 mos 3 days
21. Rufus Stanton died July 26 1860 aged 79 yrs 4 mos
22. Joseph Cary born Oct 16 1797 died Feb 3 1878
23. Wife Lydia born April 14 1806 died Feb 28 1872
24. son James died Aug 11 1850 aged 22 yrs 7 mos
25. dau Maria died Nov 13 1870 aged 36 yrs 10 days

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26. Son John died Jan 27 1853 aged 17 yrs 3 mos  
27. Joseph Stanton born Feb 14 1799 died Oct 1 1798  
28. Abigail Stanton born Feb 14 1798 died Feb 20 1806  
29. Hannah Clark died May 14 1875 aged 76 yrs  
30. William S. Clark died March 24 1878 in her 79th yr  
Marker with initials M.W. also several plain field stones  

Van Dalsen Family Burying Ground - V  
Copied June 12 1935  
Location: Henry Niles Farm, on left side of Coeymans-New Baltimore highway opposite Niles Stone house.  
1. John Van Dalsen died June 11 1823 in the 66th yr of his age (REVOLUTION & 1812)  
2. Wife Charlotte Bronk died Jan 22 1818 in the 50th yr of her age  
3. Dau Sarah died Sept 19 1835 in the 27th yr of her age  
4. Elizabeth Holland wife of James Walden died April 1 1815 aged 74 yr 11 mo (Elizabeth Holland was the mother of John Van Dalsen, by her first husband Teunis Van Dalsen)  
5. Abraham Hazard died Dec 10 1845 in the 47th yr of his age  
6. Wife Ann Eliza died Dec 11 1844 in the 59th yr of her age  
7. Henry Niles died Feb 20 1847 in the 60th yr of his age  

Ten Eyck Family Burying Ground (Ravena) - W  
Copied August 13 1934  
Location: In the village of Ravena, the northern end of McCullock Ave, next to a stone wall fence.  
1. Coonrad: A Ten Eyck died Dec 14 1823 aged 79 yrs 6 mos 29 days  
2. Wife Rachel died April 19 1838 aged 86 yrs 9 days  
3. Dau Magdalen died Aug 9 1810 aged 17 yrs 12 days  

Terry Family Burying Ground - X  
Copied June 8 1934  
Location: From Albany by US Route 9W through Ravena, turn right for Coeymans Hollow, through Aquetuck and proceed 1.7 miles, burying ground on your left.  
Stone inscribed "Here sleep five generations"  
1. George Terry 1716-1796  
2. Alfred Carhart Terry 1855-1856  
3. Mary Ann Terry 1818-1819  
4. Maria Elizabeth Terry 1820-1838  
5. Philip Terry 1755-1819  
6. Elizabeth Mason Terry 1756-1836  
7. Vashti White Conklin 1771-1841  
8. Sarah Clink Terry 1787-1809  
9. Esther Stewart wife of Benjamin Stewart died Nov 8 1829 aged 63 yrs 4 mos 25 days  
10. Charles Shear died 1828
11. Hannah Prindle wife of John Prindle died May 1 1819 aged 36 yrs  
12. Joseph Thurston died Aug 16 1797 aged 22 yrs 10 mos 20 days. Born at Poughkeepsie son of Capt. John M. Thurston of Clintontown, his mother is a dau of Gilbert Ackerman  
13. Casparus Ackerman died July 20 1815 in the 65th yr of his age (REVOLUTION)  
Also many unmarked stones  

Waldron Family Burying Ground - Y  
Copied June 20 1934  
Location: From South Bethlehem village, on the Ravena Road, proceed 3.3 miles, observe burying ground on your left, across the railroad tracks surrounded by iron fence.  
1. James J. Waldron died March 26 1815 aged 21 yrs 5 mos 20 days  
2. Edith Ten Eyck wife of James Waldron died March 30 1815 A.E. 54 yr 4 mos  

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3. James Waldron died March 25 1813 aged 45 yrs 25 days
4. Elizabeth Waldron died Aug 19 1865 aged 76 yrs 8 mos 22 days
5. Barent Waldron died Jan 2 1880 aged 81 yrs 15 days
6. Elsie Waldron born Nov 18 1790 died Oct 12 1882 aged 91 yrs 10 mos 24 days
7. Tobias T.E. Waldron died Oct 2 1875 aged 82 yrs 10 mos 4 days
8. Wife Magdalene Slingerland died April 5 1849 aged 47 yrs 7 mos 21 days
9. Wife Cornelia Van Derzee died May 19 1822 aged 24 yrs 1 mo 7 days
10. Ann Waldron born Dec 6 1801 Died July 6 1885 aged 83 yrs 7 mos
11. Affy Waldron died Jan 1 1826 aged 49 yrs 6 mos 5 days

*Unknown Named Cemetery*

Copied May 24, 1935
Located from Cedar Grove School proceed on road to Coeymans Hollow, turn right at first four corners, proceed 1 mile turn right into lane, burying ground directly ahead on knoll, old dead tree stands out.
About 25 field stones with no inscriptions.

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**Dutch Heritage:**

The tremendous potential and beauty of the Hudson River brought many people to the area. First, it was the Native Indians, then explorers followed and finally settlers came. In 1673 Barent Pieter Coeymans and his family were the first Dutch to settle on the banks of the Hudson River in what we know as Coeymans.

Customs at the time of death for these early Dutch settlers varied. The poor, who barely had the necessities for existence, suffered equally in death. For the wealthy Dutch settlers, certain funeral customs were followed. Friends met at a neighboring house, or on a nearby stoop, until the coffin was brought out. Ten or twelve men were appointed to carry the bier together and were not to be relieved. The clerk then signaled the gentlemen to fall into procession. All ladies, except for relatives, never walked to the grave site or attended the funeral. The gentlemen walked to the grave and returned to the house of mourning in the same order. The best room of the house was appropriated as the "dead room." A cask of wine would be procured and preserved for this occasion. Tables were lavishly set with cold and spiced wine, tobacco, pipes, and candles. Soon the house of mourning became the house of celebration. It was not uncommon for the pallbearers to spend the night, smoking, drinking and feasting.

Stretching back to these early Dutch families we find many names are familiar today; family names of our neighbors, names found on street signs, or the name across the front of a school.

The following is a compilation of some of the Dutch families.

**Ten Eyck** • **Bronck** • **Van Schenck** • **Van Buren** • **Ver Planck** • **Van Derzee** • **Van Slyke** • **Van Hoesen**
**Van Wie** • **Van Alstyne** • **Van Valkenburgh** • **Van Dalsen** • **Van Etten** • **Van Der Veer**
**Staats** • **Drawyer** • **Huyck** • **Houghtaling** • **Hoag** • **Cuyler** • **Vrooman** • **Wynkoop** • **Van Bergen**
**Schoonmaker** • **Schermmerhorn** • **Coeymans** • **Van Der Heyden**

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**Brief History:**

Much can be learned about our forbears in the small burying grounds found in the Town of Coeymans. The evolution of these small cemeteries reflect the evolution of the town. The early gravestones are archaeological artifacts and, unlike so many artifacts, they are available and in the same location as they were

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originally placed.
As settlers arrived they buried their dead in private, church, or neighborhood graveyards. Rural families often had family plots on their property.

On these early gravestones personal information is revealed with intimate details about lives not found anywhere else. The number of deaths from childbirth or disease, one's profession, or number of marriages are etched in stone for generations later to discover.

With the country becoming urbanized and populations growing, the small cemetery was deemed inadequate and unhygienic. New larger cemeteries were developed with planned plantings to cheer the eye, trees to attract the birds to soothe the soul, and sites chosen with picturesque vistas. These cemeteries, because of the bucolic scenery, became parks for the common man.

Past and present residents maintain an expectation for a proper burial spot. These burying grounds are to be treasured as a celebration of the lives of past residents and the gravestones as irreplaceable documents.

Gravestone Designs and Motifs:

Early motifs and border carvings on gravestones change regionally and reflect the development of the country. We see changing attitudes toward death and gain insight about our forebears.

The quality of craftsmanship available to the early settlers is evident. In early graveyards we see “folk art” side by side with accomplished stone sculptures.

Early graveyards are filled with carvings of skeletons, skulls and crossbones, and hourglasses running out of time. Later, motifs became winged skulls and heads symbolizing the soul's journey. By the 1800s imagery changed to classical themes of urns, cherubs and weeping willows. All the design changes reflect the progress of our culture.

Little Known Facts About Our Small Cemeteries:

* There are ten Revolutionary War soldiers buried in the Town of Coeymans.

* There is one, and possibly two, slave cemeteries found in the area. The first cemetery has never been named; there are plans to name it “Titus Cemetery” in memory of one of the house slaves buried there.

* In the Van Dalsen Family Cemetery, John Van Dalsen traces his family back to the first white male child born in Nieu Amsterdam (N.Y.C).

* The burial place of Barent Pieter Coeymans and his immediate family is thought to be north of the Arriantje Coeymans home.

Cemetery Categories in New York State:

Potter's fields cemeteries, crematoriums, family cemeteries, slave cemeteries, incorporated for-profit cemeteries, incorporated not-for-profit cemeteries, pet cemeteries (may contain people), prison cemeteries.
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