

Langley Family Burial Ground- 591 Weirs Blvd

From The Citizen for Saturday, June 29, 1935:

"Care for Grave of Winthrop Langley

"Laconia Post, 1670, V.F.W., has just completed the installing of a fence around the cemetery at Langley Cove where the bodies of Winthrop Langley, veteran of the Revolutionary war and his family are buried.

"Winthrop Langley was born in 1750 and died in 1834 and was buried on the shores of the lake where he settled after serving in Capt. Butler's company, Great Island 1775; and West Point, 1780.

"The Veterans of Foreign Wars take a great interest in remembering the graves of departed comrades of all wars and feel it is a disgrace to see a cemetery all covered with brush and stones where our soldier dead are buried.

"Laconia post a short time ago cleaned up in the Laconia district alone, six of these private cemeteries.

"The committee in charge besides the commander Guy Colby included W.D. Kempton, Winfield Pearson, Bill Reister and Custer Sanborn."

History of Winthrop Langley Family- (sent to us by a researcher of the cemetery)

A descendent Winthrop Langley, 1758-1839, early settled in Guilford, on the Daniel Webster Highway, just across Long Bay, at a point called Langley's Cove. He came from Newmarket in 1775. He married Achsah QUIMBY, daughter of John QUIMBY of Guilford in 1813. John Quimby was a captain in N. H. Infantry in 1785. Mr. LIBBEY, an old neighbor, remembered attending her funeral when a small boy. She was buried beside the highway on a small elevation, where we found twelve graves, under some pretty pine trees with field stones for head and foot of graves (the cuttings nearly worn off by the elements), which is the last resting place of the Langley family, just across from Quimby Island, in Langley Cove that formerly was main land, but the water has worn a passage and made it an island.

Winthrop Langley owned four pieces of land in 1789; one he bought of Peter FOLSOM.

James QUIMBY lived in a log house on what was originally the Abram CLARK land; he had eight in his family. The Quimby family were respected citizens.

One of the descendants, John had a wife, Sarah. They lived on the White Oaks Road and had sons, James and Charles, who never married. It was said that they let their hair and whiskers grow to a luxuriant length and only barbered each other one a year. [**see below-Dee]

A characteristic of the family was that they were wide between the eyes, which signified much intelligence.

Stephen Langley settled on land near Benjamin LIBBY's on the White Oaks Road. He married Mary COLANY in Guilford in 1813. He was drafted into the 1812 War, to help protect the Canadian border.

Rowel Langley, son of Jonathan and wife Abigail (LEATHERS) Langley, born in 1777, came from Nottingham and married in Gilmanton, Hannah MARTIN in 1798. They were married by Elder Richard MARTIN, and had ten children. Elder Richard Martin was a pioneer who supplied the pulpit at Gunstock Meetinghouse. He was a good man. He and his family rest in McCoy Yard in Guilford. It was said that his wife had good business ability, as she traded much in land, which helped the family financially, while the

Elder ministered to the spiritual needs of the people.

Children:

Noah Webster, b. 1799.
Richard Martin, b. 1801.
John Osborne, b. 1804.
Thomas Jefferson, b. 1805.
Hannah Martin, b. 1808.
Jesse, b. 1809.
Levina Goldsmith, b. 1811.
Christopher W., b. 1814.
Adeline Demounty, b. 1818.
Louis Folsom, b. 1822.

Moses Langley lived and owned five tracts of land, about 1812, in Guilford (then Gilmantown). Lancaster writes of the town, that 'in 1727, the town ran from the head of Barnstead to Winipissokee Pond,' and was 'a liberal slice of earth'. Moses Langley married Hanah -----of Durham.

Children:

Phillip Rowell.

Olive Jane, m. George H. ROBIE. Their son George H. ROBIE of Lakeport, has a daughter, Mrs. Webster.

George H. ROBIE's great grandfather was Winthrop LANGLEY who married Achsah QUIMBY. Their daughter, Louise, married Philip ROWELL. Their daughters: Olive Jane; Sally M., married ----- THOMPSON. They are buried in McCoy Yard, Guilford, N. H.

Samuel Langley married Hanah PREADLY in 1803 at Portsmouth.

Stephen Langley married Mary COLANY in 1813.

Winthrop Langley married Carrie QUIMBY in 1813 at Guilford.

James Langley married Mary GARLAND in 1812 at Durham.

Rufus Langley married Almira LEAVIT in 1834 at Guilford.

Langleys in the Revolution: Benjamin, Elihu, Elisha, Winthrop, David, Joseph, Jonathan.

An old landmark on the Langley land, in view from the Boulevard, is a large boulder with a bunch of pretty white birches grown up on one side. On this boulder is a marking that looks like the letter 'W'. Was this cut on the stone, or was it worn by the elements of many decades gone by? From this boulder is a pretty view of Langley Cove and Island, across the bay. It is near the site of the old cellar, where was a Langley home. Bunches of roses are scattered here, planted by loving hands long gone to rest on the hillside, not far from others of the family, with no stones to mark their graves."