

Saint-Malo, Saint-Venant, East Hereford and St- Herménégilde



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Seven cemeteries to discover!

This tour will take you to the highest elevations in the region, with cemeteries that practically touch the sky! On your tour, you can hike the poetic trail of St-Venant-de-Paquette, a walking path surrounded by perennials and with a beautiful gazebo where you can stop and rest for a moment.

Two prominent Pioneer Trail characters, Hermine Malouin (1841-1941) and Georgianna Ouellet (1874-1950), are buried in the cemeteries of St-Venant-de-Paquette and St-Malo.

The remarkable craftsmanship on this route includes the finely worked metal calvary cross together with a metal leaf in St. Henri Cemetery in East Hereford.

The historically deep-rooted funerary practices here are a testament to the proximity of Canada and the United States here and how it has marked the lives of people on both sides of the border. Two cemeteries of East Hereford, Old Hall Stream Cemetery and Herbert Lawton Memorial Advent Cemetery, continue to be visited and used by a few neighbours from Vermont.

The last, but not least, cemetery on this circuit is All Saints Anglican Cemetery. It is the only example of a visibly integrated cemetery in the MRC of Coaticook—its grave markers completely surround the church.