

WELCOME to the West Point Cemetery, America's oldest military post cemetery and a national historic landmark.

Located at the United States Military Academy, the cemetery provides a serene locale for the thousands of visitors who walk the grounds each year.

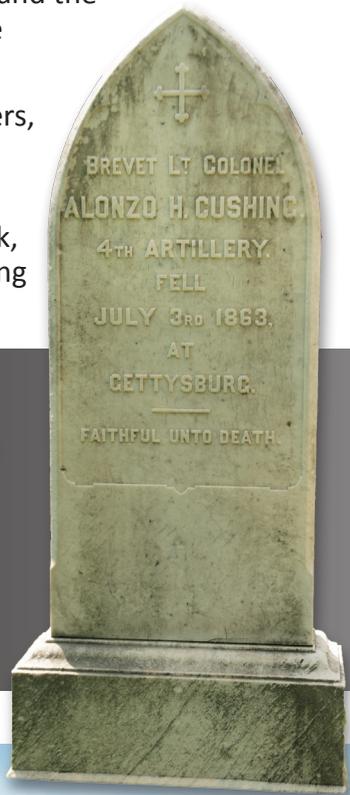
Prior to its designation as a military cemetery in 1817, the grounds were used by local residents for burials, and the graves of Soldiers from as far back as the Revolutionary War can be found here.

The interred include distinguished Soldiers, Medal of Honor recipients, astronauts, athletes, and family members.

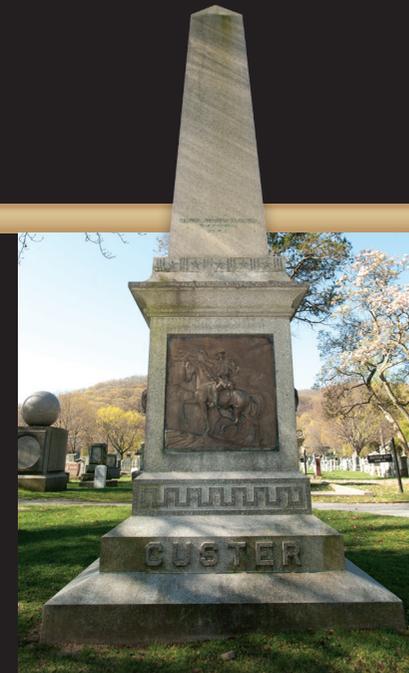
VISITORS are welcome seven days a week, year-round, from sunrise to sunset. Parking is available at the cemetery.

At the Battle of Gettysburg, despite having received multiple mortal wounds, Alonzo Cushing continued to command the men in his artillery battery until he was shot dead by an enemy sniper.

On August 26, 2014, 151 years after his courageous actions, he was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor by the President of the United States.



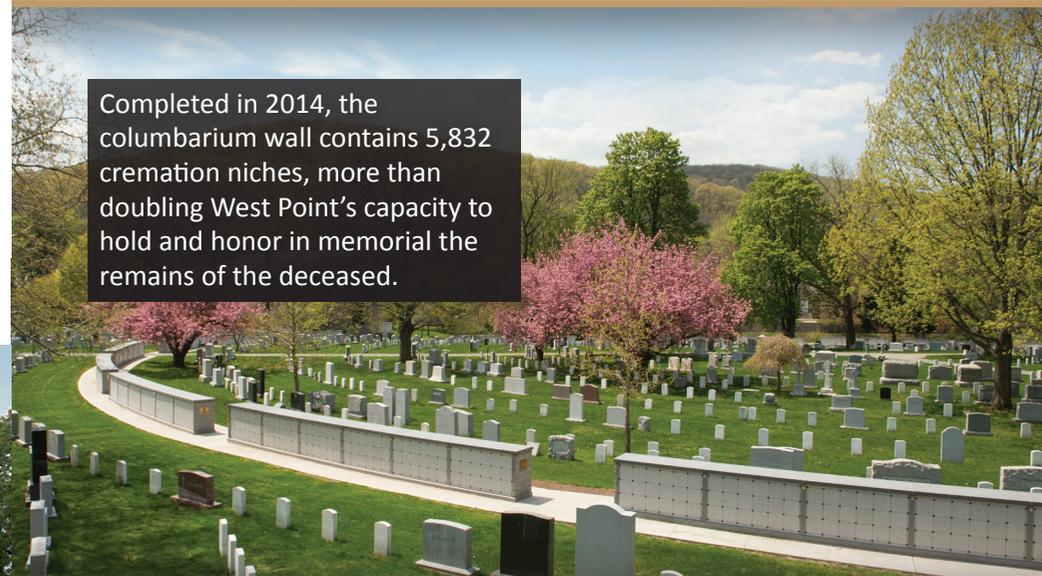
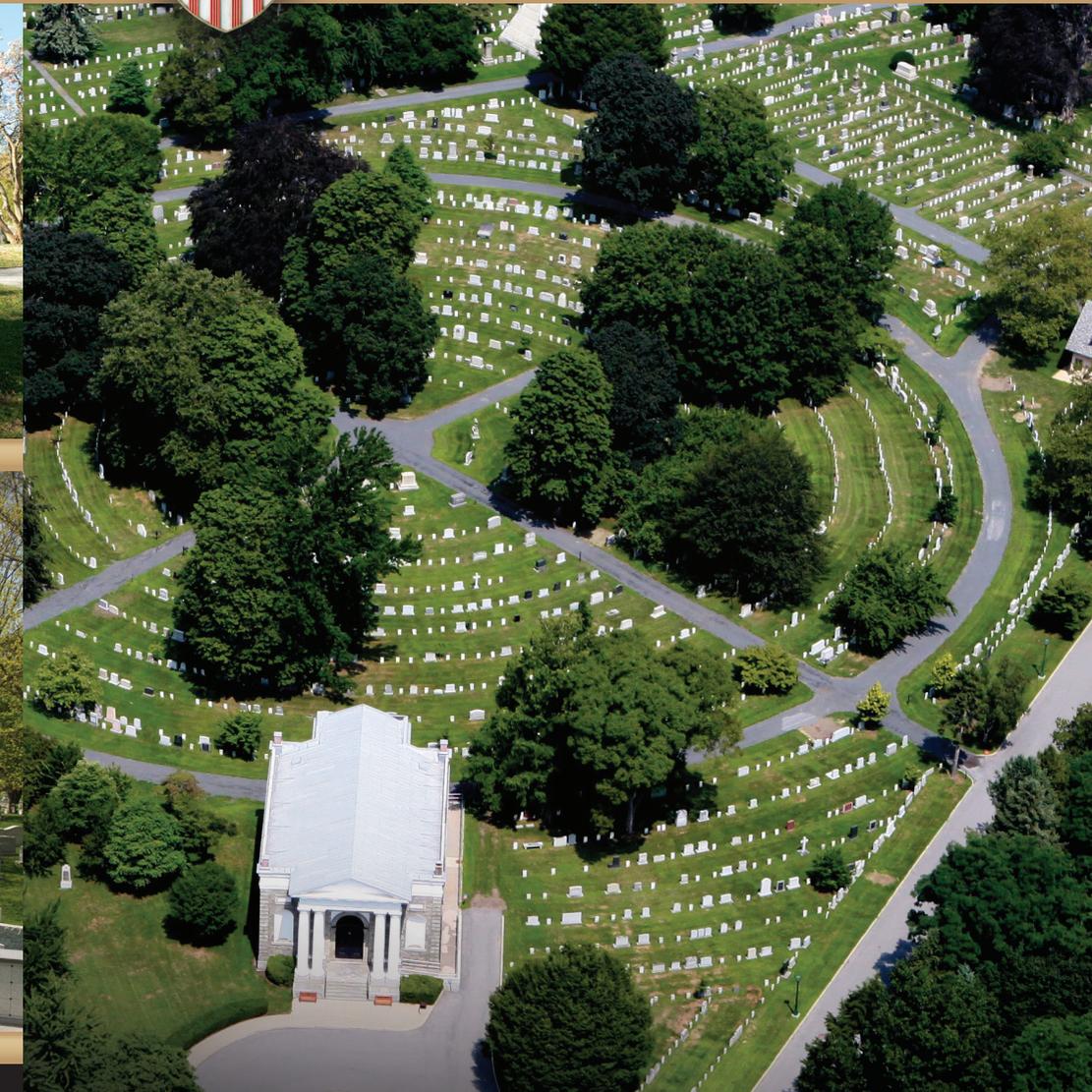
The Old Cadet Chapel stood across from the clock tower at Bartlett Hall until 1910, when instead of demolition, it was moved to the cemetery at the request of the cadets who wished to save it for posterity.



The West Point Cemetery holds within its gates memorials to some of America's most storied military leaders and historic figures including General Norman Schwarzkopf, Major General Daniel Butterfield, Lieutenant Colonel George Custer, and Margaret Corbin along with other notable heroes, astronauts, and 18 Medal of Honor recipients.



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Completed in 2014, the columbarium wall contains 5,832 cremation niches, more than doubling West Point's capacity to hold and honor in memorial the remains of the deceased.



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WEST POINT CEMETERY

AMERICAN HEROES • MILITARY LEADERS • ARMY LEGENDS

- 1 **GEN Lucius D. Clay (USMA 1918):** WWII Allied Commander in Europe. Architect of the Berlin Airlift, which is still hailed as an amazing feat of logistics. **XVIII-G-079**
- 2 **GEN Alexander "Sandy" Patch (USMA 1913):** Commanded the invasion forces at Guadalcanal and the Seventh Army in Europe for the invasion of France. **I-C-058**
- 3 **GEN William Westmoreland (USMA 1936):** Commander of U.S. military forces in Vietnam and later 25th Chief of Staff, U.S. Army. **XVIII-F-066**
- 4 **GEN Bernard Rogers (USMA 1943):** A Rhodes scholar, the 28th Chief of Staff, U.S. Army, and later the 8th Supreme Allied Commander of NATO. **XVIII-D-038**
- 5 **GEN Norman Schwarzkopf, Jr. (USMA 1956):** Served as Commander-in-Chief, United States Central Command, led coalition forces in the Persian Gulf War. **X-L-244**
- 6 **LTG Winfield Scott:** USMA cadet gray uniforms come from his Battle of Chippewa victory. **XXVII-A-016**
- 7 **LTG James Gavin (USMA 1929):** "Jumpin' Jim" was the youngest Division Commander in Europe during WWII. Served as ambassador to France under President Kennedy. **X-L-235**
- 8 **LTG Ying-Hsing Wen (USMA 1909):** Admitted to USMA by a special act of Congress as first Chinese cadet. First Asian USMA graduate. **XXXIV-F-218**
- 9 **MG John Buford (USMA 1848):** Distinguished and meritorious service at the Battle of Gettysburg. **XXVI-A-006**
- 10 **MG Robert Anderson (USMA 1825):** Commander of Fort Sumter at the start of the Civil War. The fountain by the cemetery caretaker's cottage is a memorial to him. **XXVII-A-004**
- 11 **MG George Goethals (USMA 1880):** Oversaw the construction and the opening of the Panama Canal. **XVIII-G-082**
- 12 **MG Ethan Allen Hitchcock (USMA 1817):** "Pen of the Army." A recognized philosopher and published scholar. **XXVII-A-007**
- 13 **MG George Sykes (USMA 1842):** Division Commander during the Second Battle of Bull Run; thwarted enemy attempts to take Little Round Top during the Battle of Gettysburg. **XXVI-A-001**
- 14 **MG Wesley Merritt (USMA 1860):** Distinguished officer during the Civil War and the Spanish-American War. **XXII-A-009**
- 15 **MG Daniel Butterfield:** Medal of Honor recipient and composer of the bugle call "Taps." His monument is the most ornate in the cemetery and it documents 38 battles and engagements of his career. **XV-D-050**

- 16 **BG Sylvanus Thayer (USMA 1808):** Fifth West Point Superintendent and known as the "Father of West Point." **XXV-A-022**
- 17 **BG John Thompson (USMA 1882):** Distinguished service in the Spanish-American War and World War I. Inventor of the Thompson Submachine "Tommy" Gun. **XIII-A-038**
- 18 **BG Egbert Viele (USMA 1847):** The Chief Engineer who oversaw the development of New York's Central Park. **XXXIV-F-259**
- 19 **COL David "Mickey" Marcus (USMA 1924):** Served with distinction during the 1948 Arab-Israeli War, then was recruited to become Israel's first modern general and was the Commander of Jerusalem. **VI-B-125**
- 20 **LTC George Armstrong Custer (USMA 1861):** Served as a Brevet Major General during the Civil War; was a distinguished cavalryman up until his "Last Stand" at the Battle of Little Big Horn. **XXVII-A-001**
- 21 **LTC Edward White II (USMA 1952):** First American to walk in space; died in the tragic capsule fire of Apollo I, after which he was awarded the Congressional Space Medal of Honor in 1997. **XVIII-G-080**
- 22 **1LT Alonzo Cushing (USMA 1891):** Died at the Battle of Gettysburg defending against Pickett's Charge. For his gallantry and bravery he was given a brevet promotion to Lieutenant Colonel, and in 2014 he was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor. **XXVI-A-007**
- 23 **1LT Laura Walker (USMA 2003):** First female graduate killed in action. Fell in Afghanistan in 2005. **XXXVI-B-064C**
- 24 **ENS Dominick Trant:** Buried in 1782, his headstone is the oldest grave marker in the cemetery. **XXX-H-317**
- 25 **MSGT Martin Maher:** Rose from the ranks of a civilian dishwasher, enlisted and completed a 50-year career at West Point. His story is told in the book "Bringing Up The Brass" and in the movie "The Long Gray Line" (1955). **XIII-E-174**
- 26 **Earl "Red" Blaik (USMA 1920):** Served as USMA Head Football Coach with a 166-48-14 record. Led the 1944 and 1945 National Championship teams and coached three Heisman Trophy winners. **X-G-131**
- 27 **Susan & Anna Warner:** Sisters resided on Constitution Island prior to willing the land to the Academy; Susan wrote the well-known children's song "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know." **XXX-Q-586,587**
- 28 **Margaret Corbin:** Heroine of the American Revolution. When her husband fell in battle, she took his position at the cannon during the defense of Fort Mifflin. **XI-A-001**

