

OVERVIEW

Lake View is more than a working cemetery.

It's Cleveland's historical, horticultural, architectural and geological gem that 400,000 people visit every year. Cleveland, Cleveland Heights and East Cleveland have grown up around the 285-acre tract that was established in open countryside. But the rural atmosphere that existed when Lake View was founded in 1869 has been preserved and cultivated. Lake View is a memorial to those who built our community from titans of industry and civic leaders to immigrant laborers and descendants of slaves.



FAMOUS MONUMENTS

The James A. Garfield Monument is the final resting place of the 20th President of the United States and his family. Lake View's most famous memorial was paid for by contributions from the citizens of the United States and dedicated in 1890. It rests on the highest point in the Cemetery. From the second floor balcony visitors can view downtown Cleveland and Lake Erie.



The Jephtha Wade Memorial Chapel is the greatest architectural treasure at Lake View. The spartan elegance of the facade belies the glittering grandeur of the interior, which was designed by Louis Comfort Tiffany and dedicated in 1901. Inside the four ton bronze doors is a spectacular stained-glass window depicting the Resurrection flanked by scenes from the Old and New Testament created in shimmering gold and glass mosaic. It's one of the few interiors in the world designed entirely by Tiffany.



FAMOUS PEOPLE

In addition to a President of the United States, Lake View is the final resting place of John D. Rockefeller, Eliot Ness, Carl B. Stokes, members of President Lincoln's cabinet, Civil War generals and Revolutionary War soldiers, not to mention 22 Cleveland mayors, Names like Winton, Sherwin, Morgan, Grasselli, Hughes, Mather, Severance, Bolton, Cushing, Carabelli, Hanna, Crile, Glidden, Blossom and Brush that are synonymous with Cleveland and residents of Lake View.



HORTICULTURE

One of the most impressive and beautiful public gardens found anywhere is Lake View's 285 acres. These gardens contain hundreds of varieties of trees and shrubs, some of which were standing when Moses Cleaveland landed on the banks of the Cuyahoga River over 200 years ago! Many specimens are found nowhere else in Cleveland. Each spring, a hillside with more than 100,000 daffodils bursts into bloom. Tours of the breathtaking flower displays provide a sight for all seasons.



ARCHITECTURE

Lake View abounds in some of the best architecture in Cleveland. Every style is well-represented, including a spectacular contemporary mausoleum. This architectural award-winning structure is like no other mausoleum. Its magnificent glass roofed chapel and canopied entrance are something to behold.

