

Historical Marker - L2078 - Brighton Village Cemetery / Brighton Village Cemetery (Marker ID#:L2078)



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Brighton Village Cemetery

The Brighton Village Cemetery began as a burial ground for the family of William A. Clark, D.D., an Episcopal minister from New York City, who settled with his family in Brighton Township in 1837. Clark acquired many acres of land, which he farmed. He owned and operated several sawmills. In his will, he donated approximately four acres of land to the village for a cemetery and set aside one acre for a church, on which St. Paul's Episcopal Church was built.

Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 2000 ***Erected Date:*** 2000

Marker Location

Address: West St. Paul Street at West Street

City: Brighton

State: MI ***ZipCode:***

County: Livingston

Township: Brighton

Lat: 42.53135500 / ***Long:*** -83.78273400

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The earliest burial in the Brighton Village Cemetery was that of Truman Worden, who died in 1837. Among the prominent citizens buried here are Michigan Governor Kinsley Bingham. In addition merchants, physicians, attorneys, carpenters, educators, and 30 Civil War veterans are interred in the cemetery. Of the 571 graves, representing 154 families, 99 are for children under the age of ten, a reminder of the hardships faced by early Michigianians.