

Historical Marker - L1039C - Michigan's First Jewish Cemetery Site (Marker ID#:L1039C)



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At this site the first Jewish cemetery in Michigan was established in 1848-49. The Jews Society of Ann Arbor acquired burial rights to this land adjacent to what was then the public cemetery. Several years earlier, immigrants from Germany and Austria had organized the first Jewish community in the state. Their first religious services were held in the homes of the five Weil brothers in the vicinity of the family tannery, J. Weil and Brothers. Members of the Jewish community participated in all aspects of the city's life. Jacob Weil served Ann Arbor as alderman from 1859 to 1861. By the 1880's this original Jewish community no longer existed. In 1900 the remains of those buried here were reinterred in Ann Arbor's Forest Hill Cemetery.

Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1982 **Erected Date:** 1983

Marker Location

Address: 120 Fletcher Street

City: Ann Arbor

State: MI **ZipCode:** 48109

County: Washtenaw

Township: Ann Arbor

Lat: 42.28116100 / **Long:** -83.73735700

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