ELLIPSE

The Ellipse is located immediately inside the main gate and in front of the chapel. In early times it was populated with as many as 38 large trees, which by the 1930's had been removed.

West Side

In memory of / BARRY J. PAPIER / 1962-1993. [bronze; dedication plaque on rock]

In Memory of JOE POZELL / Superintendent, Oak Hill Cemetery / Georgetown Community Activist / Washington, D.C. Reserve Police Officer / Presented by Grateful Residents / and Businesses of Georgetown / and / Georgetown University / May 10, 2006. [bronze; dedication plaque on rock]

[statue of William Pinkney] / [mitre, banner "in truce salis" / sceptor / PINKNEY. // Sacred to the memory of / The Right Reverend / WILLIAM PINKNEY / D.D., L.L.D. / born April 17, 1810 / died July 4, 1883. / A guileless and fearless man of God; / brilliant in intellect, steadfast in trial, tender / and true in friendship; he so adorned his life with / manly virtues and Christian graces; / that his earthly career remains an imperishable / memento of that apostolic spirit of which he was / both the eloquent advocate and beautiful example. / Placuit deo, it translatus est in paradisum. // [cross thru crown] // In memory of / ELIZABETH LLOYD PINKNEY / wife of / The Right Reverend / William Pinkney / Who Fell Asleep / April 28, 1879. / Natural refinement, high intelligence / and cultivated taste, were / seen in her dignified womanhood, / as she drew the serenity and beauty of her soul / from the tranquil depths of / a holy and consistent Christian life.

[3 cast iron benches.]

[1 cast iron bench; with dedication: In Memory Of / WILEY T. BUCHANAN, JR. (bronze)]

South Side

1987. / These boxwoods are part of a / gift of 40 boxwoods / donated by / Mrs. Bessie Kilpatrick / in memory of her "darling" husband / Howard Cecil Kilpatrick. [bronze plate on rock]

This is the original bell of Oak Hill Cemetery which was replaced /on August 19, 1993, through donations in the memory of: Frank E. / Basil, Wiley T. Buchanan, Jr. / The Joseph Gawler Family, Philip / Leslie Graham, Alexander Burton Hagner, / Randall H. Hagner, Jr. / The William P. Johnston Family, / Senator Francis G. Newlands, / Katherine P. and Henry B. Spencer, Virginia and Percy Thompson, / Cuthbert R. Train, The Robert D. Weaver and Margaret Weaver / Family; and by the contributions of: Amy and Charles Gardner, / Mr. and Mrs. Middleton Train, Mr. and Mrs. Russell E. Train, Mr. / and Mrs. James W. Shields, Al and Naoma S. Wheeler. [bronze plate on masonry rock square, capped by slate and topped by the original bell]

In Honor Of / LESLEY BURCHELL / McFARLAND / Founder of / Friends of / Oak Hill Cemetery / 1998. [bronze; dedication plate on rock]

[2 cast iron benches.] [concrete bench.]

Center

[cast iron fountain with heron.]

1985 / Fountain donated by / Mr. & Mrs. Harry J. Smith, Jr. / Installation donated by / Catherine C. Teague.

[2 cast iron benches without back.]

OAK HILL CEMETERY, Georgetown, D.C. (Ellipse)

East Side

[bust] / In / Memory of / JOHN HOWARD PAYNE* / Author / of / "Home, Sweet Home." / Born June 9, 1791 / Died April 9, 1852. / Erected A.D. 1883. // [relief of lyre] // Sure, when thy gentle spirit fled / to realms beyond the azure dome / with arms out stretched God's a angels said / welcome to Heaven's Home Sweet Home. // [relief of stack of books].

*His remains were moved here in 1883 from Tunis where Payne had gone to serve as a diplomat. Note the differences in information on the two monuments. Also, family records show Payne was a native of New York, and was raised in Boston.

[Tablet; broken and worn]

[Great Seal of the U.S.] In memory of JOHN HOWARD PAYNE Twice Consul of The United States of America for The City and Kingdom of Tunis. This stone is here placed by a grateful Country. He Died at the American Consultate in this [Tunis] City, after a tedious illness April 9th 1852. He was born at the City of Boston State of Massachusetts on June 9th 1792. His fame as a Poet and Dramatist is well known wherever the English language is spoken through his celebrated ballad of Home Sweet Home and his popular tragedy of Brutus and other similar productions.

[2 cast iron benches.] [2 potted concrete urns.] [7 cast iron benches.]

