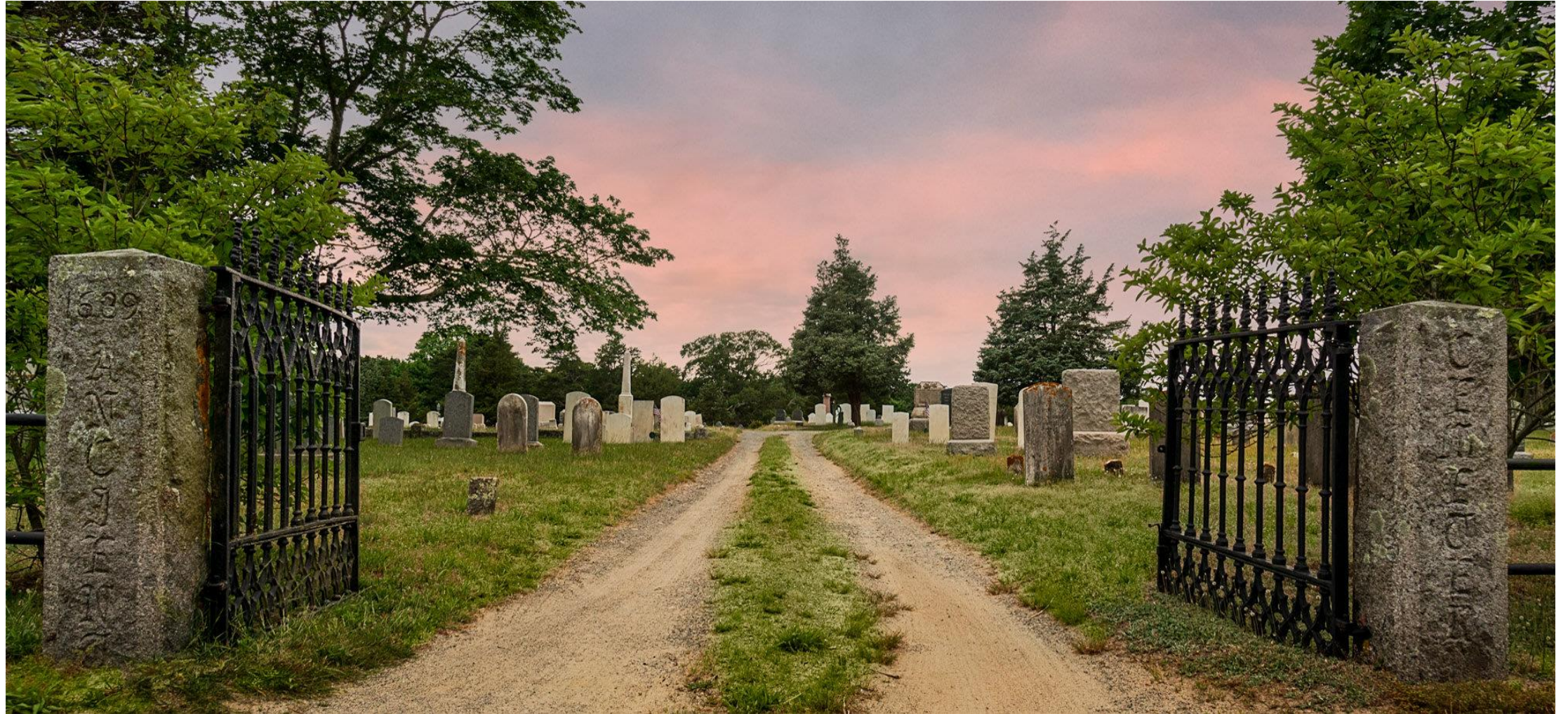


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Under the auspices of Historical Society of Old Yarmouth and through the good efforts of **Laurel Gable** and Commissioner **Melanie Barron**, the Yarmouth Historical Commission supports the work of The Friends of the Ancient Cemetery, a volunteer organization dedicated to ***preserving, protecting, and promoting*** the historical and cultural significance of the Town's oldest burying ground.

- 2021 is the fourth year of this unique volunteer effort to:
  - clean
  - photograph
  - and record and preserve the gravestones in the older section of the Ancient Cemetery
- The activities of this on-going project have already contributed to:
  - maintaining the integrity of over 750 gravestones
  - collecting data on all most 875 interred individual
  - identifying safety concerns caused by unstable or cracked stones
- Working with certified professional conservators, the Friends group has developed a committed corps of volunteers through training, informational materials, and education seminars
- The Friends have an active community education and outreach program, which includes a website:

[www.friendsofancientcemetery.org](http://www.friendsofancientcemetery.org)