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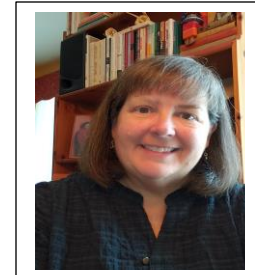
Presents

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CEMETERY SYMBOLISM

Stories Behind the Stones



Genealogy and cemeteries go hand in hand and provide important clues about the lives of our ancestors. There is a special language carved in stone found in cemeteries and decoding those symbols can be the first step towards discovering other details. In this presentation, we'll cover the history of cemeteries in the United States, the types of headstones commonly found, and look at some of the symbolism you may encounter when you visit the final resting places of your forebears. If you have an interesting headstone in your family tree we can share our own discoveries as well.

Inspired by the Bicentennial, Lisa began researching her family history at the age of 12. She's especially enamored with her Luxembourg ancestors. Lisa received her Master of Librarianship degree from the University of Washington (UW), where she is the Associate Director and the History of Science and Medicine Curator for Special Collections in the UW Libraries. Lisa has taught online courses aimed at library staff serving genealogists thru the University of Wisconsin's School of Library and Information Studies and the University of Washington's Information School. She previously served on the advisory board for the UW's Genealogy and Family History Certificate program, a certificate she received in 1996. Lisa gives genealogy-related webinars and regularly lectures at the UW, Seattle Genealogical Society and around the Puget Sound region. Lisa chronicles her genealogy adventures on her blog, [GeneaGator \(geneagator.blogspot.com\)](http://geneagator.blogspot.com).

All are invited to join us for this free educational program.

Date: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 Time: 1:00 pm - sign on 10 mins. early

Meeting will be via ZOOM. You will receive an email invitation. If you would like to invite a friend to attend, contact Nedra Weber (tuzigoot999@gmail.com) with their name and e-mail address by Nov 14th. They must receive an e-mail invitation in order to attend.

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