

**Table B11: Cemeteries in Pelham Township**

Cemetery Name	Address	Lot/Concession	Date Range	Religious Affiliation	Number of Burials	Remarks
<b>Beckett Plot (OGS 6257)</b>	West side of Centre Street south of Kilman Road	Part Lot 10 Concession 5	1860; Stephen Beckett, drowned at St. Catharines Sept. 12, 1860 aged 63	n/a	1	Single burial site?
<b>Brown Burial Plot (Old Brown Farm Plot) OGS 6259</b>	West side of South Pelham Road, north of River Road	Part Lot 1 Concession 14	Ca. 1800-1852; Lieut. John Brown (ca. 1739-18??); Celesta McCormick (1819-Dec. 1852); John McCormick (1850-1852)	n/a	Possibly 10-11; Reive recorded five remaining tombstone inscriptions in 1928	Located beside Crane's Creek; three stones visible with no writing; plot believed to contain the burials of Abraham and Lydia Lee (fugitive slaves?) and two of their children; other names McCormick, Wilford; visited by Dr. Reive in June 1928, who noted there was one standing stone in this wooded location, several broken pieces and some "in the creek"
<b>Crow Plot (Named as "Farm Near Pelham" by Reive) OGS 6256</b>	East side of Centre Street south of Kilman Road	Part Lot 9 Concession 5	1816-? John Crow, died Jan. 11, 1816	n/a	1 known burial; indeterminate number of unmarked graves	Single burial site? Site visited by Dr. Reive in May 1931, he recorded the burial as Feb. 11, 1816; he noted that there were probably many unmarked burials including members of the Beckett and Cross families
<b>Fonthill Municipal Cemetery (Brown's Burying Ground) OGS 4631</b>	Highland Avenue, Fonthill; alternate entrance on Brock Street	Part Lots 1 and 2 Concession 8; original part of the cemetery deeded to the trustees by John Brown in December 1873 (Pelham deed #969); Registered Plans 7, 13 and 14 (now known as Plans 697, 700, 701) show that the cemetery was enlarged in 1898, 1913 and 1921; the "old cemetery" measured 112 x 144 feet in size (34.13 x 43.89 m); some family plots identified by name on RP697: Griffith, Clark, Damude, Marr, Thomson, Silverthorn; also a large plot owned by the Vanalsten family	Ca. 1800-present; oldest marked burial George Misener, died Aug. 17, 1802 aged 18 months (burial moved here); oldest graves in Brown's North section: Wilson Johnston (1818-Aug. 21, 1819); Margaret Southworth (1787-Mar. 6, 1820); Peter Young (1788-1824); Cyrenus Misener (1823-1824); Job Strowbridge (1770-1836)	Non-denominational	6,270+ burials? Records have only been automated at the cemetery "for about 10 years" therefore staff were unable (and unwilling) to provide an estimated number of interments	Cemetery divided into sections: Brown's North, Brown's South, Brown's South Extension, Old Hansler, Armitage, and Dickson; some early family burial plots moved here (eg. Misener); Fonthill took over management in 1923; Mausoleum added 1924; affidavit of Andrew Cohoe, a Quaker, dated Oct. 16, 1839, stated that he lived on Lot 1 between 1794 and 1804 and helped clear the north part of the lot, part fenced in, and the boundary lines established "when I left the place [in 1804] the graves were all west of said line." Visited by Dr. Reive who copied names from the Secord tombstones

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		(21 x 72.5 feet in size (6.4 x 22.09 m))				
<b>Hansler Cemetery (OGS 4653)</b>	North side of Highway 20; "Metler Road below Lookout Point Golf Course"	Part Lot 4 Concession 5	Ca. 1813-present; John Hansler (1813-1815); infant child of Robert Kellman (d. 1816)	Non-denominational	140 tombstones transcribed in 1981-82; Reive recorded the names of 156 burials in 1927	Site visited by Dr. Reive in 1926-7, his transcriptions provide an important corrective to the 1980s OGS transcript (eg. OGS recorded Peter W. Guinter, died 1800 aged 7, Reive recorded the same burial as 1880 aged 7); he noted that the older part of the cemetery was "overgrown with rank grass and shrubs gone wild," and the older stones were weathered and "almost worn smooth"
<b>Hillside Cemetery (Dawdy Burial Ground, Dawdy's Burying Ground, Dawdy Hillside Cemetery, Beckett's Graveyard) OGS 4654</b>	Canboro' Road, Ridgeville	Part Lot 8 Concession 8; surrounding land sold to William and Hannah Beckett in August 1835 "less the burying ground;" Pelham deeds #3795 and 4314; Registered Plan 15 (now known as Plan 702) show that the cemetery was enlarged in May 1922	Ca. 1816-present; cemetery noted in property deed to Isaac Nunn who purchased two acres "due south of the burying ground" in 1816; first recorded burial that of Jeremiah Dawdy in 1829	Non-denominational	Dr. Reive recorded the names of more than 970 individuals in 1929; indeterminate number of unmarked graves	Site visited by Dr. Reive in 1928-29; he noted that three small family farm burial plots were moved here that were in the way of the 4 <sup>th</sup> Welland Canal construction; Reive described Jeremiah Dawdy tombstone as "very old" but did not record or could not read the date; grave and tombstone for Cynthia Armstrong (1775-1859) and for as many as 27 others (Bradt, Burgar, Durham, Shotwell, Shrigley, Sweet, and Southworth) were "removed from old Burgar plot near Welland;" the cemetery was enlarged in 1891, 1895, 1921; named "Hillside" in 1934
<b>Misener Family Plot</b>	Unknown	Unknown	Ca. 1802-?; George Misener (ca. 1801-1802)	n/a	1+; indeterminate number of burials	Burial moved to Fonthill Municipal Cemetery; other burials may remain in situ?
<b>Solomon Moore Family Burial Plot</b>	Unknown	Exact location unknown; Moore owned various farm properties in Pelham, possibly around Lots 7 and 8 in Concessions 7 and 8	Ca. 1820s-1883?; Martha Moore (1809-1850); Solomon Moore Jr. (1804-1883); earlier burials may have been made in this family plot (Solomon Moore Sr., and his wife Eleanor Stephenson Moore, UEL, formerly of Louth)	n/a	Indeterminate number of unmarked graves, possibly 7 burials in total	Members of this Quaker family were interred on the family farm "near Ridgeville" in unmarked graves; part of the land was later purchased by the TH&B for use as a gravel pit and ran a siding to it. "When their employees got into action with a steam shovel, and raised several caskets, a halt was called...the family moved the remains to the Quaker Cemetery." Were all remains moved?
<b>North Pelham First Presbyterian Church Cemetery (North Pelham Burying Ground) OGS 4655</b>	South-east corner of Metler Road and Cream Street	Part Lot 11 Concession 6; surrounding land sold in September 1829 to Oliver Hodgins "except the burial ground" which was not to be cultivated;	Ca. 1813-present; earliest marked burials as noted by Reive: E.M. Waite (1812-1813); Whitson M. Disher (1756-1823); early Killman family burials date from 1832-1847; oldest burial thought to date from 1800,	Presbyterian	631 marked burials	Daniel Ward Eastman first preached in Pelham in 1823; congregation organized 1828, church built 1832. Visited by Reive in July 1926, who noted "many bodies and memorials have been removed from burial places on the farms to this place"

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		cemetery was 1 acre (0.404 ha) in size. Part of the lot was used for burials at an early date and deeded to trustees by Christian Brown in Jan. 1845, site enlarged in Oct. 1905 and Mar. 1970	possibly moved from an earlier family plot; Christian Brown plot contained 7 burials, now part of the North Pelham Cemetery?			
<b>Pelham Evangelical Friends Church Cemetery (Pelham Quaker Cemetery, Quaker Brick Church Cemetery, Friends Brick Church Grounds, ) OGS 4656</b>	940 Haist Road South (west side, south of Quaker Road), Pelham Corners (Fonthill)	Part Lot 4 Concession 10	Ca. 1824-present; oldest marked burial Charles H. Russell (1823-Jan. 3, 1824); Eliza Carl (1770-1826); Martha Giles (1794-1828); John Carl (1755-1836)	Quaker	102+ marked burials, indeterminate number of unmarked graves; Reive recorded the names of 287 individuals buried at this site; total number of known burials appears to be 348	Visited by Dr. Reive in July 1926; he noted it was "kept like a garden in even rows" with small, plain stones; several burials were moved here from the Solomon Moore farm near Ridgeville; cemetery name clearly identified by a sign; UEL Association marker notes that it is a Loyalist burial site; brick church still stands on the grounds
<b>Pelham Hicksite Quaker Cemetery (Friends Frame Church Cemetery, Friends Cemetery) OGS 5896</b>	East side of Effingham Street south side of Welland Road	Part Lot 5 Concession 10	Ca. 1836-present; oldest marked grave Phebe Willson (1804-Apr. 9, 1836); stone marked "S.B., Apr. 7, 1779-June 18, 1844;" Thomas Page (1784-1849); Reive did not record any of these earliest burials, the earliest graves that he noted were those of Thomas Priestman (1840-1862), Jeremiah Cohoe (1845-1863), and Hannah C. Willson (1844-1864)	Quaker; monthly meetings held between the Pelham and Black Creek Quakers as early as October 1799	176 marked burials; Reive recorded the names of 104 individuals interred here prior to 1926	Meeting House constructed during the 1790s, plaque notes that this was the site of the first Monthly Meeting of the Society of Friends in Canada in 1799; by 1800 the Meeting House was "small and crowded." New frame meeting house was built in 1807, at 591 Canboro' Road; meeting house later moved to Fenwick, used by the "Railroading hobbyists" in 1986; visited by Dr. Reive in July 1926, he noted that the grounds "had the appearance of having had several bodies removed" while sunken graves made the ground "very irregular." Reive noted that "little or no care" was provided at the site
<b>Schram Family Cemetery (OGS 5751)</b>	South-west corner of Centre Street and Sawmill Road	Part Lot 9 Concession 2	Ca. 1834-1851; William Schram (ca. 1789-1834); John Schram Sr. (ca. 1755-1851)	n/a	2+	
<b>Swayze Family Cemetery (OGS 5752)</b>	South side of Effingham Street (Regional Road 28)	North-east corner part Lot 4 Concession 2 at "Hangman's Corners"	Ca. 1798?-1863; oldest burial marked by broken stone, death date Apr. 4, 1798; Freeman Swayze (d. Oct. 7, 1818); Mary Johnson Swayze (1788-1863)	n/a	10 tombstones, 2 footstones	Some stones broken and difficult to decipher