

THORNTON CEMETERY

Matthew Thornton's resting place

Restoring dignity to the Matthew Thornton Cemetery and Historic Marker Site

During the summer of 2002, the Merrimack Heritage Commission and a cadre of volunteers restored dignity to the Thornton Cemetery at the corner of Daniel Webster Highway and Greeley Street. Signs that obstructed the view of the cemetery from the street were removed. The corner of the cemetery facing DW Highway and Greeley Street was landscaped with arborvitae, lilacs, hydrangeas, and flowers. The flowers are daylilies and black-eyed susans. Look for them to bloom in July and August. When the lilacs are established, look for them to bloom in late May and early June.

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