

## Kalissa Cox (1863 – 1930)

Born Kalissa Waterbury, in Price County, WI, she was the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Waterbury. The family moved to Augusta when she was young and remained here the rest of her life. She was a member of the first graduating class of the Augusta School.

On September 12, 1885, she married Charles A. Cox. Unfortunately, nothing else is said of her life in her obituary. She died September 15, 1930.



Thank you for taking our tour! We hope you enjoyed it and learned something new about the fine women of Augusta.

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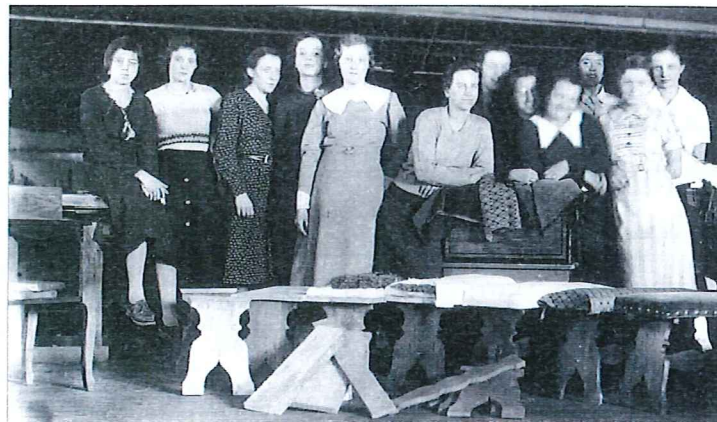


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## East Lawn Cemetery Walking Tour



*Augusta Women: Remembered*

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## Mattie Justesen (1880 – 1960)

Mattie Katherine Justesen was born in Kirkham Valley, near Augusta, May 30, 1880. She grew to womanhood in that area, attending the Kirkham Valley school.

She became a milliner (a hat maker), finding employ first in Pipestone and Lanesboro, MN, then later returning to Wisconsin to work in Durand and Barron.

In 1911, she and her sister Mary purchased the Milliner and Dress shop in Augusta. Around 1950, her niece, Rachel Rugotzke took over management due to Mattie's ill health.

She fractured her hip and while in the hospital, suffered a heart attack on February 19th, 1960. She died at the age of 79 years, 8 months, 19 days. She was survived by a brother, four sisters, and many nieces and nephews.

## Emma Harden (1884 – 1961)

Emma Herzke was born in Augusta on September 4, 1884. She married Claude Harden on November 15, 1910 and they had seven children together; all of whom survived her.

Emma's days with the Park House Hotel began with her employ in 1900. In their early married life, she and her husband lived in a farm south of Augusta, they purchased the Park House on May 12, 1912. She would continue to run the hotel until 1947, nearly 10 years after Mr. Harden's death. At that time, her daughter Josephine returned home and took over management. In 1957, after 57 years in the hotel, the Park House was sold and Emma retired, moving to a home on Lincoln St.

At the time of her passing, she had been in poor health for several years and confined to home for six months. She died at Luther Hospital, February 6, 1960; 76 years, 5 months, and 2 days of age.



### Suggested Route:

Name	Block	Lot	Grave
Helen Tebo	B	23	5
Roxcy Woodbury	B	50	2
Anna Bartig	B	67	4
Cynthia Bradford	C	56	2
Ida Mae Miller	C	85	3
Maude LeRoy	3	60	1
Mary McClatchie	3	54	2
Thora Rose	3	40	5
Mattie Justesen	1	82	3
Emma Harden	2	55	5
Kalissa Cox	2	61	2

### Remember:

**Walking in the grassy areas of the cemetery can be very uneven.**

**Please wear good shoes and use a walking stick or cane if you need extra support!**



## Mary McClatchie

Born Mary Seffens, in La Porte, IN on June 5, 1847. The family moved to Columbus, WI and she grew up there before receiving academic and professional education at Ripon College. She taught at the Columbus School and in Milwaukee.

She moved with the Seffen's family to Augusta, where she met and married Samuel McClatchie, August 1, 1876. They had three sons and 1 daughter together. They lived in Augusta until after the birth of their son, Gilva, when they moved to a farm south of town.

She was a member of the Women's Relief Corp, and later member and first president of the Chatauqua Club. This club would later become the Tuesday Club, then the Women's Club. She continued membership for over 50 years; the last four of which she was an honorary member. She also belonged to the Augusta chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Chicago chapter of the Daughters of Union Veterans. She was very active in all her social groups, taking part in deliberations and helping in activities until the very end of her life.

She died in Chicago, IL at the age of 93 years, 8 months, 22 days.



## Thora Rose (1918 – 2007)

Thora Ethel Rose was born November 17, 1918 in Augusta. She graduated from Augusta High School in 1936. Notably, she participated in the first Women's Industrial Arts class, pictured on the front of this booklet.

When the family moved to Upland, IN she attended Taylor University. She held degrees in nursing and education. She made her home in Los Altos, CA in 1962. She was a member of the D.A.R. Because she felt her deepest roots were in Augusta, she chose to be buried here after her passing on July 23, 2007.



## Helen Tebo (1832 – 1901)

Born Helen L. Hutchinson, she lived in Jefferson County, NY until her marriage to John Tebo in March 1849. To them were born 7 children, four surviving her.

The Tebo family moved to Wisconsin in 1864, coming to Augusta in 1874. They made their home here for nearly 30 years. Helen is noted as being a "great worker" and helpful to others; sometimes beyond the call of normal kindness. Her husband was known to praise her for her help in "accumulating property".

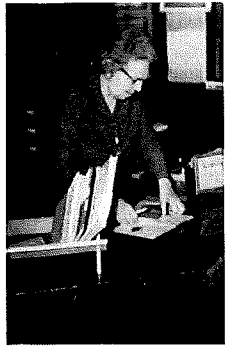
In her own notability, Helen was the first president of the Women's Relief Corp; an organization dedicated for women's aid to veterans.

## Roxcy Woodbury (1833 – 1918)

"Grandma Woodbury" was born in Homer, NY on April 1, 1833. At the age of 7, she came with her parents, Ara and Electa Hardy, to settle in Whitewater, WI. At 19, she married a fellow New York-born and Whitewater citizen, James Myron Woodbury. In 1857, they moved to Bridge Creek, where James's brother-in-law had come to settle; making them one of our earliest settlers. It is said that the Woodbury's door was never closed to anyone including Native Americans who sought shelter during a blizzard.



After the death of her husband in 1911, she continued to live on their farm. She seldom ventured out and her health began to deteriorate. At her passing, she left behind a brother, Zerah Hardy, and daughters Mrs. Philip Gebman and Ethel Campbell, and son Clarence A., who continued to keep the family farm with his own wife. She was 85 years, 6 months, 25 days old at her passing.



## Anna Bartig (1890 – 1982)

Anna Bartig was born and raised in Augusta. She worked as a school teacher in New Glarus, WI, Iron River, MN, and then Bear's Grass and Augusta High School. For 30 years, she acted as the City Librarian and is still fondly remembered by older generations of Augusta natives.

She retired from her position in September of 1977 due to health concerns. She would later move into the Augusta Nursing home. It was there that she passed away in March, 1982. She is buried beside her parents.

## Cynthia Bradford (1847 – 1890)

Born Cynthia Goodwin, she was a Reverend's daughter in Dartmouth, MA. She was the 2nd born of 6 children. She was married to Reverend Elbridge Bradford, Jr. at Washington, N.H. in December 1869. The family came to Wisconsin in 1881, settling in Black River Falls. They had 4 children together, a son and 3 daughters.

Her obituary states that she was an unassuming woman, but made friends wherever she found herself. She was a dutiful wife, good mother, and genuine Christian.

She died, March 31st, 1890 of the grippe. She had managed to avoid the illness when it ran through her family previously. It wasn't until the 2nd week of her illness that a doctor was called. Before her passing, the doctor administered some water, and she remarked "That's good!". When attempting the same, just a bit later, he found her condition had dramatically worsened. Cause of death was ruled "paralysis of the heart".



## Ida Mae Miller (1892 – 1986)

Ida Mae was born March 6th, 1892. No information was found about her early life, but in a piece called "Ida Mae Miller Remembered", written by Doris Klatt, there was some insight into the woman. Ida Mae is most remembered as

writing the "This Week Around Town" section of the Augusta Area Times. If something happened: Ida Mae knew about it. Some older residents may recall her calling their homes for the week's goings-on.

Aside from her writing, Ida Mae was also known for her large flock of chickens. Doris Klatt's writing says she had around 25 and they were more like pets.

Ida Mae passed away in 1986 while in the Osseo Nursing Home.

## Maude LeRoy (1888 – 1942)

Miss Maude LeRoy was born near Wisconsin Dells on May 27th, 1888. She came with her parents when just a few months old to Augusta, where she would attend school and grow to womanhood. After graduating, she attended school in Appleton and Milwaukee at the University of Wisconsin. After college, she worked in Washington D.C. for 3 years, Chicago for 2, and then returned to Wisconsin where she was a librarian in Ripon, WI.

It was on a visit home that she attended a Tuesday Club meeting, where her mother was a member, that she urged the club to use the money they had been collecting to create a library in 1911. Luckily, they listened to her, and the Augusta Public Library was formed shortly after. She was not our first librarian, but did eventually make her way into the job after returning home.

It was due to poor health that she retired from her library work, and made her home with her Uncle Ed. She died, December 14th, 1942 at the age of 54 years, 6 months, and 17 days.