Kenilworth Pioneer Roman Catholic Cemetery

GPS: 43° 55.060 -80° 39.512

Location:
9330 Hwy 6
Wellington North, ON

Historical Township:
Con. WOSR, Lot 15
Arthur Township
Wellington County

Alternate Names:
Sacred Heart Pioneer Cemetery

Established: 1840
OGS Cemetery ID 6284
ON Cemetery Registration No. 4636

Status: Closed
Inscriptions last recorded: 2006

Tombstone Transcriptions:


Copies of the above publication can be purchased from the following sources:
•Wellington County Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society. http://www.ogs.on.ca/wellington/
•Ontario Genealogical Society e-Store. http://www.ogs.on.ca/ogsnewcart/

Transcriptions are also available through Pay-Per-View via the Ontario Genealogical Society Ontario Name Index (TONI) website. http://www.ogs.on.ca/home/TONI.php

Tombstone Images:

Digital photographs of each tombstone have been recorded and the originals are held by the Wellington County Museum & Archives. http://www.wellington.ca/en/museum.asp

History:
In the early 1800's a man by the name of Brian O'Donnell owned 50 acres of land where the Old Pioneer Catholic Cemetery, north of Kenilworth, is now located. He donated a portion of his acreage upon which a log church was erected in 1851. It is probable that the cemetery was in use long before the erection of the log church. On the surviving tombstones, the earliest year of death inscribed is 1840. The last known burial was Elizabeth Finucan, on March 3, 1960. In 1970, near the centre of the cemetery, a place was levelled, a concrete foundation laid, and the tombstones were then relocated on the foundation. At that time, many of the flat tombstones that were badly broken, disintegrated and illegible were buried in the back part of the cemetery.

References: