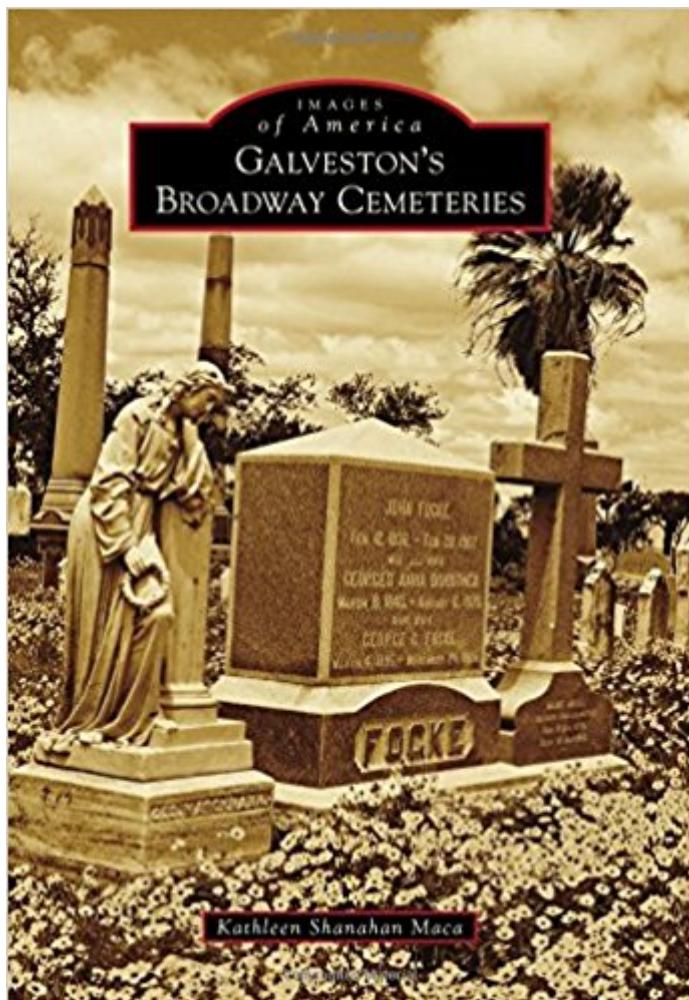


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# Galveston's Broadway Cemeteries (Images Of America)



## **Synopsis**

Beginning in 1839 with the donation of four square blocks of land, the grouping of cemeteries on the central boulevard of Galveston has grown to include seven separate cemeteries within their gates. Listed in the National Register of Historic Places, it is the resting place of famous and infamous citizens from Galveston's colorful past, including veterans from every war between 1812 and the present, heroes, scoundrels, philanthropists, murderers, pioneers of the Republic of Texas, groundbreaking scientists, and working-class citizens from around the world. Due to several grade raisings, there are up to three layers of burials within the cemetery, with some of the markers being lost forever. The stories of some of the residents are gathered here for you to enjoy.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Grave Markers & Tomb Stones are like book covers. There's a title & a little bit of information, but that's all. Kathleen Maca, cemetery by cemetery, stone by stone brought the people who have been names on marble or stone to life. Once living breathing people of Galveston, they were part of the fabric of the times. As years passed, they became memories to some. When those people passed & no one was left to visit the graves, they became names & dates & a quiet testimony to the past. Through hard found research, Maca brought them back to life for us. We were able to meet Soldiers from the War of 1812 to WWI, Prominent Politicians, Wealthy Merchants, Women of Status (as allowed by the era), Members of the DAR, Young lives lost to disease & so many, right down to

Organ Blower/Gravedigger, "Uncle" Newton Taylor who wore a tall silk hat & carried a plate of fried chicken for lunch every day. If a cemetery could talk, this book makes it happen. History so close, you could visit it's very bones.

This is a very well researched and very well written book about Galveston's Broadway Cemeteries. I love the way Maca includes such interesting pictures of people buried there. Galveston history comes alive when you look at these pictures. A must- have for anyone who loves Galveston Texas history!

We have at least nine of the "Images of America" series in our library. By far, Kathleen Maca's look at Galveston's cemeteries is the best. She has done an outstanding amount of research, and her writing is excellent. Each photo caption is a story in itself. As a whole, Galveston's Broadway Cemeteries paints a lively portrait of the city, one resident at a time.

A great book for anyone involved in the preservation of a cemetery in their locale, or someone who simply loves history. Kathleen's book is well-researched, and well done. I thoroughly enjoyed this book!

I had no idea that there was so much fascinating history associated with the cemeteries of the Galveston area! I loved it - a delightful read!!

Bought for mother-in-law as a Christmas gift. I think she likes it.

Interesting reading, especially if you live in the area.

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