

**Chapter 1 : Friar's Bush - Belfast City Council**

*The result was Gravestone Inscriptions: Belfast, Volume 2: Friar's Bush and Milltown Graveyards, published in December with an historical introduction by Eamon Phoenix and Tony Merrick.*

The cemetery takes its evocative name from the fact that during the Penal Era of the eighteenth century, the scattered Roman Catholic community of Belfast and its hinterland used to gather under the shelter of an old thorn bush in the centre of the graveyard for the celebration of Mass. The earliest connection with a friar or friary appears in a map of Belfast. The existence of a mediaeval church or monastery on the site is strongly suggested by the placename evidence. A plaque recording this fact in both Irish and English has just been erected on the famine mound. It quickly became overcrowded in the post-Famine years and was finally closed in 1847, being replaced by Milltown Cemetery on the Falls Road. Bernard Hughes of Belfast – Master baker, liberal and reformer. By the late 18th century the graveyard, while owned by the Roman Catholic diocese of Down and Connor, had long ceased to be used for burials. The gates were permanently locked, the early 19th century gate-lodge lay empty and dilapidated and the cemetery itself had reverted to nature. Though up to volunteers worked manfully over a series of week-ends, it soon became clear that any viable project would require major funding on an ongoing basis. Initially, Drs Trainor and Phoenix felt that such a team might need to spend some six weeks in clearing the graveyard and transcribing the more significant monuments before moving on to Milltown Cemetery and Hannahstown graveyard. Mr Duncan outlined the new youth training scheme which targeted projects of social, cultural and historical value and was supported by a 50 per cent grant from the European Social Fund. It was decided that the initial scheme would involve around ten year old trainees under the direction of two supervisors. Events now moved rapidly. Reg Maxwell estimated correctly that it would take 24 months for a team of trainees to restore the graveyard to an acceptable condition. As the minutes record: Particular problems identified by the horticulturalists included eradicating a serious infestation of an oriental plant named polynogum; the removal of iron railings; the safeguarding of dangerous tombstones and repairing the original mortar boundary wall. At this time the Troubles were at their height but, despite communal divisions and ongoing violence, we managed to attract an enthusiastic bunch of young people, drawn from both sections of the community. Over the next two years, until November 1970, these young men, working in all weathers, managed to transform an overgrown, derelict graveyard into an attractive public and cultural amenity. In the process, they literally unearthed some fifty gravestones and assiduously recorded the inscriptions on every memorial in the graveyard. The young men were co-ordinated by four supervisors: The reclamation project was now complete and the cemetery was returned to its Trustees in a pristine condition. However, Dr Trainor and the Foundation were determined to publish the fruits of the painstaking transcription and research undertaken by the trainees. The result was the publication of a school text book, aimed at Key Stages 3 and 4 of the Northern Ireland Curriculum. Two Acres of Irish History: The book quickly sold out and a new edition was issued in 1971. In 1972, the twin gate-lodges were restored by Belfast Improved Housing.

**Chapter 2 : Friar's bush cemetery - Review of Friar's Bush, Belfast, Northern Ireland - TripAdvisor**

*Situated on Stranmillis Road, Friar's Bush cemetery is Belfast's oldest Christian burial site. Hidden from view behind a huge wall and the Ulster Museum, it is quite a small graveyard - roughly two acres - but is the final resting place of a deceptively large number of people.*

Four illustrations and map. Pictorial glazed card covers, in near-mint condition. In World War 1 there were not enough doctors for every ship in the Royal Navy so medical students were recruited, trained up and sent on duty. The appendix lists them with the ship on which they served. Gold-blocked blue boards, in a good dustwrapper. Cupples, Upham and Company, Contains as an insert a handwritten four page letter dated re the book and issues relating to research on the family. Hardback, dark blue boards, spine professionally restored, internally tight, clean, barring a very few light pencil annotations. A very good copy of an extremely scarce book. Armagh Diocesan Historical Society: Armagh Diocesan Historical Society, Edited by Reamonn O Muiri. Pictorial glazed card covers. Some minor wear, otherwise good. This remains one of the most important local history journals, with articles of the highest standard. Armagh Diocesan Historical Society In good condition, in slightly worn card covers. In very good condition. In very good condition, in slightly worn card covers. Down Then and Now. Illustrated with drawings and maps. Really useful biographies of local artists. Pictorial glazed card covers. County Down Years Ago a guide and directory The Friars Bush Press, A reprint of the first edition of A book for manufacturers, merchants, traders, land-owners, farmers, tourists, anglers, and sportsmen generally. The original copy is very scarce, and even these reprints are now increasingly hard to find. Picton Press April Family papers from a family in Belfast Maine. Limited to copies of which this is no. Bound in reddish brown textured boards with a decorative front cover and fold over edges, some plates have left a matching sized, light discoloration on the facing page, but overall condition is very good, near fine. This is a invaluable resource for the cultural life of Belfast in the nineteenth century. It contains a history of the Society along with biographical notices, a list of members with papers read by them, a list of officers and other details of the Society. Having been limited to copies these original copies rarely turn up on the market. A Tale That is Told. Ulster Society Publications, Glazed pictorial card covers, in very good condition. Chapters on human migration, how surnames originated, heraldry, genealogy, and a list of addresses for Shaws world wide. Chapters on human migration, how surnames originated, heraldry, genealogy, a list of addresses for Shaws world wide, and an Index to Morrison Wills. Enclosed loose at the end are the correspondence about this book, and a Shaw Coat of Arms. The Romance of the Aristocracy: Hurst and Blackett, New and Revised Edition. Volumes 1 and 3 only, of 3. Original elaborate blind-stamped red boards, with professional replaced endpapers and gold-blocked spines. Great read, in very good condition. Pictorial boards, in very good condition, in a matching very-good dustwrapper. Fivemiletown Community War Memorial Project, c. Lawrence, in the Poultry; and four others By or before the Act for Uniformity. Volume II of two vols. We assume this to be Stewartstown Co. Edmund Calamy, was grandson of the famous Edmund Calamy the Elder. His fame rests not on his sermons but on his Nonconformist biographies. This was published in Vol II is an expansion of chapter ix of the edition of these Ministers. It is a monumental work, giving biographies and the literary works of these men. It is arranged by London and then each English county. It can stand alone from Vol I. The binding shows wear but has been professionally restored and is a sound tight copy and is internally clean and unmarked. Coleraine Old Boys Association Coleraine Old Boys Association, Pictorial card covers, in very good condition. In very good condition, near fine. Traces the history of the Congregational Churches in South Australia from the arrival of the first pioneer Minister, Rev. Stow to , the advent of Church Union. Extensive lists of ministers, churches and office bearers, including material not previously published. The Campbell College Register Everything you need to know about staff and pupils of this famous Belfast School. Covers a bit stained. Illustrated, green boards, gold crest on front cover. In very good fresh condition. Previous editions in , , , and The Irish Connection Tipperary to Echuca. Number , of a limited edition of The story of a family that in emigrated from Tipperary to Australia. An interesting, well-illustrated, family history. Embossed, colour-printed, matt card covers. The covers are quite worn and rubbed. The photographs and notes

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of past pupils section has some seven pages where a photo or biography has been cut out, and a few other pages have some ink annotation on photographs, identifying individuals. Despite the imperfect state of some pages this is a splendid record of half a century of the Order in Belfast. Fascinating too to see two pages of photographs of past pupils on active service. More details on request. A Simple Guide to Irish Genealogy. Printed for the author by the Goldsmith Press Ulster Historical Foundation, Gravestone Inscriptions County Down Volume Gravestone Inscriptions Belfast, Volume 3. Pictorial semi-matt card covers. Overall in very good condition. Showing a little shelfwear and a small corner crease to the bottom of the front cover, otherwise in good condition. The Ulster-Scot Historical Foundation, Gravestone Inscriptions County Down Volume 1. The Ulster-Scot Historical Society, Index to Graveyards in Volumes 16 - Index to names in Volumes 16 - Kawartha Heritage Proceedings of the Kawartha Conference Useful material on Irish settlers.

### Chapter 3 : ANTRIM CHURCH RECORDS & GRAVEYARDS (Antrim Resources & Offers) Page 2 [www.nxgvision.com](http://www.nxgvision.com)

*In the Earl of Donegall gave an extra acre of land to Friars Bush graveyard and enclosed it with a wall. At the entrance he added an attractive double sided gatehouse. It was now the main burial ground for the Catholic population; up to the opening of Milltown Cemetery in*

### Chapter 4 : Albertina Beringer (Unknown) - Find A Grave Memorial

*[Gravestone Inscription Belfast Volume 2, Friars Bush & Milltown Graveyards Book Published by the Ulster Historical Foundation 66 Balmoral Avenue, Belfast BT9 6NY.] researched by David James Smith 11th November @ Belfast Central Library, Royal Avenue, Belfast, BT1 1EA, Northern Ireland.*

### Chapter 5 : Antiques Ireland - Online Book Lists - Genealogy

*A rare collection of five volumes of Graveyard Inscriptions Belfast Volume 1 Shankill Graveyard, Volume 2 Friars Bush and Milltown Graveyards, Volume 3 Balmoral Cemetery, Friends Burial Ground and Malone Presbyterian [www.nxgvision.com](http://www.nxgvision.com) 19 is County Down Donaghcloney, Dromara, Dromore, Garvaghy and Magheralin and finally Old Belfast Families and The New Burying Ground from Gravestone Inscriptions.*

### Chapter 6 : Saving Friar's Bush Graveyard - Ulster Historical Foundation

*Gravestone Inscription Belfast Volume 2, Friars Bush & Milltown Graveyards Book Published by the Ulster Historical Foundation 66 Balmoral Avenue, Belfast BT9 6NY.] Information from headstone in Milltown Cemetery Falls Road, Belfast, Northern Ireland.*

### Chapter 7 : Friar's Bush Cemetery

*Buy Gravestone Inscriptions Belfast Volume 2 Friar's Bush And Milltown Graveyards by Merrick Tony (ISBN:) from Amazon's Book Store. Everyday low prices and free delivery on eligible orders.*

### Chapter 8 : Ann Stewart (Unknown) - Find A Grave Memorial

*Legend has it that St Patrick built a church and blessed a well on the site of Friar's Bush Graveyard, while an order of friars is also said to have been established there. Two important stones found within the cemetery grounds also seem to support this theory.*

### Chapter 9 : Halloween tour - Review of Friar's Bush, Belfast, Northern Ireland - TripAdvisor

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