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Inventory No: SWN.800

Historic Name: South Gardner Cemetery

**Common Name:** 

Address: Old Gardners Neck Rd

City/Town: Swansea

Village/Neighborhood: Ocean Grove; Gardner's Neck;

**Local No:** 

Year Constructed: C 1696

Use(s): Burial Ground;

Significance: Religion;

Area(s):

Designation(s):

**Building Materials:** 

Demolished No.



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Location Old Gardner's	Neck Road
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## 2. HISTORY OF BURIAL GROUND

The South Gardner Cemetery is across the street from the site of the hom; of the first Samuel Gardner who settled on Gardner's Neck in 1693. He established the cemetery and his is the earliest death date there-1696. When his son, Samuel, divided Gardner's Neck between his two sons, Samuel and Peleg, provision was made that Peleg and his family who inherited the lower half of the Neck should have the privilege of being buried in this cemetery although it was on his brother Samuel's property. The original stones marking the graves of Peleg and his wife Hannah have been replaced. Plain stones in the southwest corner are said to mark the graves of slaves of the Gardner family. The stones for Samuel of the first generation and his wife, Elizabeth, have been replaced. Stones for Gardners of the second generation are either missing or undecipherable.

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## 5. INDIVIDUAL STONES

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5. INDIVIDUAL STONES - continued

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Peleg Gardner-1814. May 1978.



Peleg Gardner -1821. May 1978.

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Community: Swampscott

## MHC OPINION: ELIGIBILITY FOR NATIONAL REGISTER

Date Received: 12 Aug 09	Date Due:	Date Review	wed: 26 Aug 09, 2 Sep 09	
Type: <u>x</u> Indiv	idualDi	strict (Attach map inc	dicating boundaries)	
Name: Swampsc	ott Cemetery/Andrews	Chapel Inventory I	Form: SWA 800, 17	
Address: Essex Street				
Requested by: Louis Gal	lo for LHC			
Action:Other:	_HonorITC	Grant	R & C	
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LEVEL:	x_Local	State	National	
STATEMENT OF SIGN	IFICANCE by Phil Be	ergen		
55-acre town cemetery allege 1923 Gothic Andrews Memo				
Questions: are there any actu- cemetery or scattered? Interior	or photos of chapel? Were	there land additions to	cemetery, or was this intact	
More information needed.				

9.2.09 MSt site visit... Cemetery is eligible, only on the older (western) side. Questions remain about landscape architect, development of land and road pattern, addition of land (if possible), carvers, alleged 18<sup>th</sup> century stones, and location of earlier Swampscott burials