

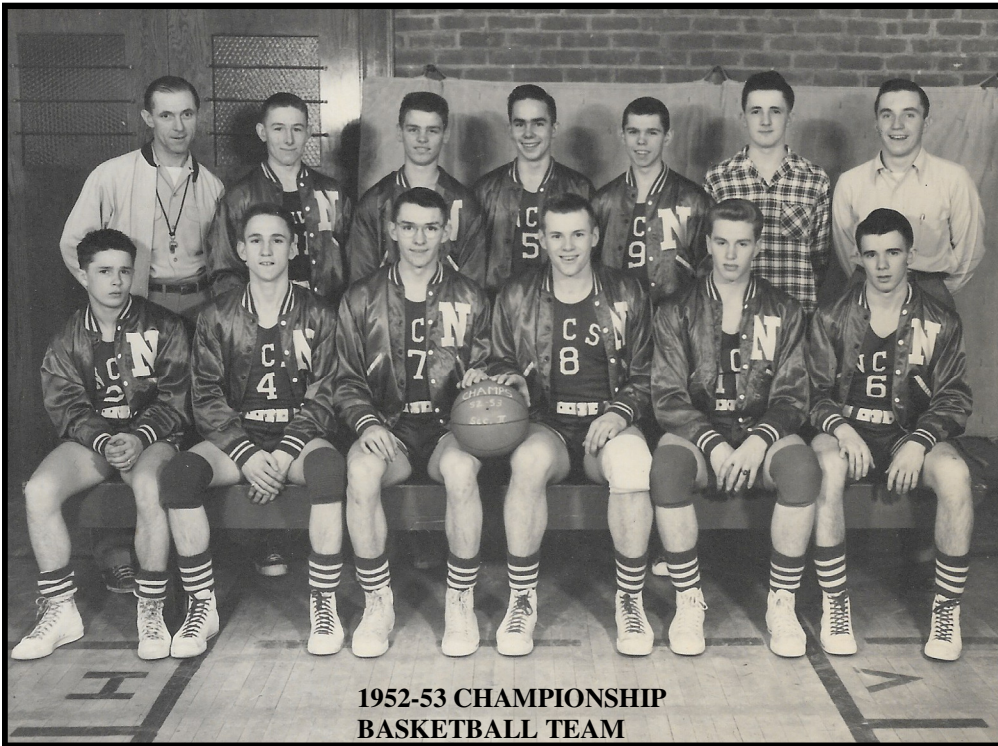
NNHS NEWS LETTER

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OLD HISTORY BECOMES NEW HISTORY



1952-53 CHAMPIONSHIP
BASKETBALL TEAM

MUSEUM NEWS

Our Addition to the museum has arrived and we are currently adding and revising some of our displays.

We are excited about it and hopefully will have an open house later on in the Summer or early Fall.

We were open during the Rotary's Woodsman and Art Show. We had over 200 go through the museum during the show.

First row: Clark Mead, Dick Rockafellow, Larry Serfis, Lewis Decker, Buzzie Heath, Don Gardner. 2nd row: Coach Larry Mead, Harold Cramer, Bill Walker, Bill Darling, John Flood, Fred Gardner, Jim Aston

Larry Serfis

Grand Marshal of the 4th of July parade 2019

NCS Graduate of the Class of 1953

Outstanding player of the Saratoga Convention Hall 1952-53 Basket Ball Sectionals . In the 50s there weren't any Regionals or State Basketball Competitions.

Coach Larry Meade said that Serfis was voted the most outstanding player in Section 2 which included A. B. C. D. E. schools.

Larry was an outstanding athlete also in soccer and baseball for all 4 years of high school. He was named All American Soccer player while attending Hartwick College 1958- 59. Larry also has 3 sons who were also outstanding athletes while attending NCS.

Larry was Mayor of Northville 1969 -71. Currently Larry is serving in his 57th year as a Volunteer Fireman for the town of Northampton and the Village of Northville.



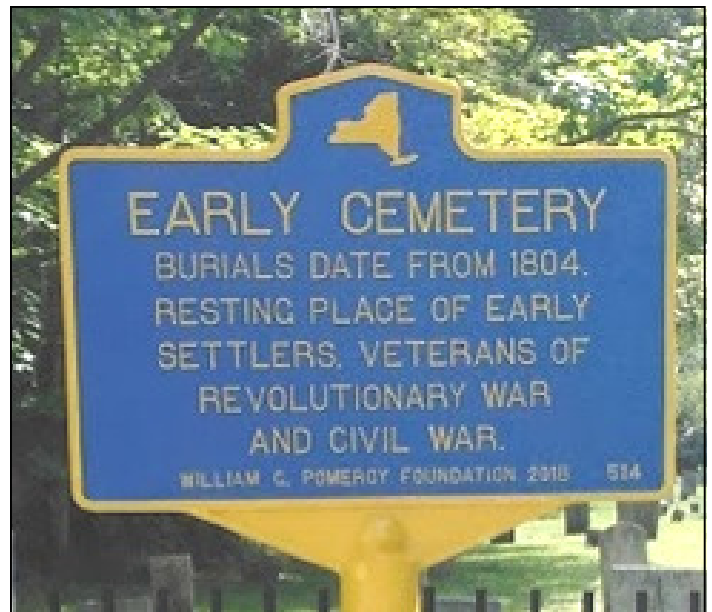
South Main Street Historical Cemetery

Located across from the United Methodist Church.
The oldest cemetery in the village of Northville.
John Dennison born 1737 was the first burial there
in 1804. Some of our first settlers are buried there
in this cemetery, as well as our first settler, Samuel
Olmstead. There are many Revolutionary and
Civil War Soldiers buried there.



Well known old names

Brownell
Corey
Duncan
Gifford
Griffis
Groff
Harris
Johnson
Kested
Lawton
Lobdell
Lyon
Olmstead
Slocum
Palmer
Smith
Resseguie
Van Arnam
Van Ness

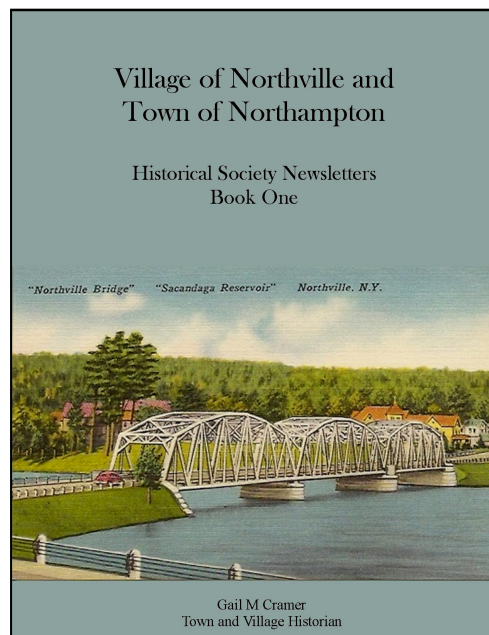


This historical marker was obtained by the
historian, from the Pomeroy Foundation.



A Memorial Stone in this cemetery

There are many stones that need to be
cleaned and repaired. There are some
local people that are interested in clean-
ing up the old stones and having the
broken ones repaired. Many of the
stones are so corroded they are almost
unreadable. There is a solution that
can be sprayed on that will clean them.
If you are interested in donating either a
gallon of the solution (D2) or money
toward buying some, contact the
historian or Sue Sedon.



First 4 years
of the
NNHS Newsletter

FOR SALE

The Red Barn

ADK Country Store

Town Clerk's
Office

NNHS Museum



MINOR'S PAT. IMPROVED ADJUSTABLE EXCELSIOR CUTTING MACHINE.

The only adjustable self oiling
Machine on the market,

Acknowledged by Manufacturers to
be the best Machine of its class
ever introduced.

Stands at the head of the whole of Excelsior cutting machines, doing more and better work with less power and friction. Saving wood and labor. The frictional parts being made of steel and box metal, the bearings being adjustable toward the wood, leaving less waste, and adjustable toward the plate, enables the operator to keep the plate close and making uniform stock. The oil cups in top of rods, being a great improvement on all lubricating devices and will be appreciated by all manufacturers of Excelsior,

CLAIMS FOR THIS MACHINE.

That it takes less power, does more work and does not wear out like the old style Excelsior Machines. The plate is adjustable to the cutting surface of the wood and the rods to the plate. The boxes when worn out can be replaced by new, saving the plate. The rods can be turned when worn, and can be very easily adjusted and all parts of the machine being made of the best material and workmanship, it is superior to all others and is the only adjustable machine ever put on the market.

INSTRUCTIONS.

- First. See that the Machine when in position, does not stand winding.
- Second. After running a short time, see that the plate pressure is the same on each rod.
- Third. In adjusting the rods to the plate, see that the pitman hangs plumb from the Wrist-pin. The rods are parallel with each other and the same distance apart top and bottom but not close enough to bind on the plate.
- Fourth. See that the center bolt does not bear too hard against the rods.

W. S. MINOR,
SOLE MANUFACTURER & PATENTEE.
NORTHVILLE, N. Y.

Definition of Excelsior
From Webster's dictionary.

*Fine curled wood shavings
used especially for packing
fragile items*



William S. Minor, farmer, joiner, carpenter and inventor of excelsior machine. He operated a factory, which had a output of tons of excelsior per day. William also operated a water-powered saw mill on Hunter Creek

In 1892, the business was bought by Willard and Partridge. They installed 6 machines.

William was married to Emily C. They had two daughters; Almah and Leila. Married second to Emily A. (sic)

1920 census shows him widowed at age 78 and living in Northampton on Carpenter Road. (Probably Carpenters Corners)

NNHS MUSEUM'S

(new addition in progress)
An open house to be in the near future



Larry Cramer, Camron Morehouse & Terry Warner



John Ferguson, Larry Cramer & Terry Warner

