



Waldheim Jewish Cemetery



*Guided Tour of  
Historic Waldheim Jewish Cemetery  
and Forest Home Cemetery*  
**SUNDAY, JULY 31**

Before the advent of the automobile, Chicago cemeteries were located along railroad tracks so that special funeral trains could approach. Waldheim, in Forest Park, with nearby elevated trains and later, streetcar lines, was the most accessible cemetery for Chicago's West Side immigrant Jewish population. Since 1873, over 200 organizations established their cemeteries within Waldheim's approximately

140 acres—congregations, landsmanshaften, and others. There were hundreds of managers since the founding. The immigrant organizations began to be dismantled. In the 1940s care declined and stopped. Waldheim deteriorated. Today, astute financial management and experienced maintenance personnel have revitalized this important historical and religious landmark for Chicago's Jewish community.

Nearby Forest Home Cemetery was founded in 1873 as a non-religious-specific cemetery. Because it was unassociated with any religious institution, it was chosen as the burial place of the Haymarket martyrs, and the cemetery became a place of pilgrimage for anarchists, leftists, and union members. Many other anarchists and socialists are buried at Forest Home, including Emma Goldman.

A deluxe coach will convey the tour group to and from the cemeteries, where you will walk among the fascinating monuments and markers, expertly guided by a cemetery professional. CJHS Tour Chairman Leah Axelrod and Board Member Jacob Kaplan will supervise the tour. Take along a snack. Water will be provided.

*Pick up — Drop off*

**Bernard Horwich JCC, 3003 West Touhy Ave.**

**11:30 am — 5:00 pm**

**Marriott Hotel, 540 North Michigan Ave. (Rush St. Entrance)**

**12 Noon — 4:15 pm**

***\$40 CJHS Member / \$45 Non-Member***



Haymarket Martyrs Memorial

**RESERVATIONS 2016 Chicago Jewish Historical Society Tour**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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**NUMBER OF PERSONS** \_\_\_\_\_

**Make check payable to: Chicago Jewish Historical Society.**

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