

**MARKER No. 03: ELIZABETH S. BUTLER (d. 1855) wife of Benjamin Butler**

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**EXISTING CONDITIONS**

- The marble headstone is in good condition, however, it is experiencing slight staining and biological growth.
- The headstone is not attached to a base and is leaning on a small marble footstone. Source of marble footstone not known.
- No visible evidence of an original sandstone base.



*Before (July 2009)*



*After (September 2009)*

**TREATMENT SUMMARY**

A. Excavation/Fragment Recovery

1. Carefully excavate marble headstone and footstone.
2. Search for sandstone base.
  - ▶ located fragment.
3. Search for source and original location of marble footstone.
  - ▶ marble footstone foreign to this location.

B. Cleaning

1. For removal of biological growth and general soiling, the marble headstone and footstone are to be cleaned with D/2 Architectural Antimicrobial.
  - a. Clean water at low pressure (max 400 psi) and hand-pump sprayer.
  - b. Natural or nylon bristle brushes.
  - c. Avoid dissolution or erosion of the stone.

C. Re-attachment and Repair

D. Reset and Level

1. Reset headstone at the proper level in the ground in a mix of fine gravel, sand, cement, and hydrated lime.
  - ▶ sandstone base fragment placed on grade at front side of marker.
2. ~~If its location is determined, reset marble footstone as described in D-1.~~
  - a. ~~Place brick or stone pieces in hole for additional support.~~

E. Site Preparation and Repair

1. Place pea gravel at base of marker.