



Welland Canal  
Fallen Workers Memorial

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**Welland Canal Fallen Workers Memorial Task Force  
hosting cemetery tours on civic holiday weekend**

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July 24, 2017 – The Welland Canal Fallen Workers Memorial Task Force is hosting guided cemetery tours on the civic holiday long weekend to share stories of the fallen workers who died during construction of the Welland Ship Canal.

The tours are free, however participants are encouraged to make a donation towards the Welland Canal Fallen Workers Memorial which will be unveiled later this year beside the Welland Canal at Lock 3. Donations can be made online at [www.stcatharines.ca/donate](http://www.stcatharines.ca/donate) or at the start of the tours.

Holiday weekend cemetery tours are available at the following locations and times:

Saturday, Aug. 5, 2017 - Victoria Lawn Cemetery, St. Catharines

- 480 Queenston St.
- 10 a.m., old cemetery (south side)
- 2 p.m., new cemetery (north side)

Monday, Aug. 7, 2017 - Thorold and Welland cemeteries

- 10 a.m., Old Lakeview Cemetery, 3651 Thorold Town Line Rd. W., Thorold
- 2 p.m. (a) Woodlawn Cemetery, 708 Niagara Street, Welland
- 2:45 p.m. (b) Holy Cross Cemetery, 50 Woodlawn Road, Welland

The free tours are 90 minutes long and take place rain or shine. Participants should meet at the cemetery entrance wearing comfortable footwear, sun protection and may bring a portable stool if needed. For further information contact the St. Catharines Museum and Welland Canals Centre at 905.984.8880.

With support from the Department of Canadian Heritage, Niagara Region, the marine industry, local businesses and the labour community, the Task Force will unveil the Welland Canal Fallen Workers Memorial later this year.





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## About the Task Force

The [Welland Canal Fallen Workers Memorial Task Force](http://www.stcatharines.ca/canalworkersmemorial) is a volunteer group established to finance, design, build and install a memorial to recognize workers who died while building the Welland Ship Canal between 1914 and 1932. Members of the Task Force include representatives from all Welland Canal communities, Niagara Regional Council, the federal government, the marine industry, local historians, the labour community, and community partners from the Canadian Canal Society and the Welland Canals Foundation. Administrative and project support is provided by the City of St. Catharines. The memorial will be installed beside Lock 3 in St. Catharines in fall 2017. For more information about the memorial please visit [www.stcatharines.ca/canalworkersmemorial](http://www.stcatharines.ca/canalworkersmemorial).

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