

# The George Bunker Cemetery, Great Cranberry Island, Maine



As seen from the main road

As seen approaching the cemetery

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The George Bunker Cemetery is a small private family plot situated in the field in front of artist George Bunker's house (currently occupied by artist Edna Andrade), about 50 feet west of the main road. Although in plain sight, it's easily overlooked as there are only three stones, all flat to the ground. Only the "fence" -- a stout chain held up by ten short stone posts -- is visible from the road.

To find the George Bunker Cemetery, starting from the Town Dock go about 0.1 miles down the main road to where it makes a sharp turn to the left. Then go another fifty paces or so past the white houses on the right, until you're in front of a large field that offers a grand view of the Western Way. You'll see a dirt driveway that leads down to George Bunker's gray modern style house, near the shore at the far side of the meadow. The cemetery is about halfway between the main road and the house, on the left of the driveway.

**Grave Site Photo**



The George Bunker Cemetery is roughly rectangular in shape, about 15 feet long and 8 feet wide. It is surrounded by a chain fence, held up by 10 stone posts.

## Inscriptions

The following list gives our best rendering of all the inscriptions. All stones are flat into the ground, and in good condition; the inscriptions are still easily readable without resorting to rubbings.

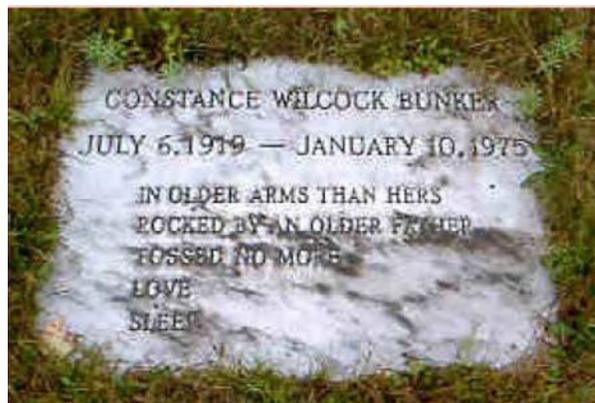
All stones face north.

GEORGE R. BUNKER  
1923 1991



CONSTANCE WILCOCK BUNKER  
JULY 6, 1919 JANUARY 10, 1975

*IN OLDER ARMS THAN HERS  
ROCKED BY AN OLDER FATHER  
TOSSED NO MORE  
LOVE  
SLEEP*



KATHERINE B. OLSON  
OCT. 23, 1951 AUG. 9, 1998

*WHEN A WOMAN'S COFFIN  
IS THE SEA*

*THE WHOLE OF CREATION  
SHALL COME TO HER FUNERAL*



+ end of inscriptions +

## Table of Names in Alphabetical Order

This table duplicates all the names mentioned in the inscriptions, but here they're in alphabetical order by family name so you can find a particular name easily by eye. Click the grave coordinate -- immediately to the left of the given name -- to see the inscription.

Please be aware that a person may be mentioned on more than one inscription. They may have their own stone, as well as being mentioned on another stone as "son of ..." or "father of ..." for example. However, the table has only one link to an inscription. **It may not be the only reference.** So study the inscriptions carefully for multiple references.

Stones with "dau. of ..." are especially useful as they reveal a woman's maiden name. Where possible, I've listed women under both their maiden and married names.

Family members were often buried close to each other. Note but **don't** click on the grave coordinate immediately to the left of the given name. Then click on the cemetery name just to the left of that, to go to the grave site layout, and click on nearby stones to see their inscriptions.

[CEM LOC]	GIVEN	FAMILY	BORN	DIED	AGE	NOTES
		*	0	0	-1	George Bunker Cemetery database last updated 2 Feb 2000
<a href="#">Geo. Bunker 2</a>	Constance Wilcock	Bunker	6 July 1919	10 Jan 1975	55	wife of George R. Bunker
<a href="#">Geo. Bunker 1</a>	George R.	Bunker	1923	1991	68	husb. of Constance Wilcock Bunker
<a href="#">Geo. Bunker 3</a>	Katherine B.	Olson	23 Oct 1951	9 Aug 1998	46	dau. of Geo. R. & Constance W. Bunker

## **Variations of Names Mentioned on the Stones**

George R. Bunker, George Bunker, G.R. Bunker, G. R. Bunker, G. Bunker, Geo. R. Bunker, Geo. Bunker

Constance Wilcock Bunker, Constance W. Bunker, Constance Bunker, C.W. Bunker, C. W. Bunker, C. Bunker

Katherine B. Olson, Katherine Olson, K.B. Olsen, K. B. Olsen, K. Olsen, Katherine B. Bunker, Katherine Bunker, K.B. Bunker, K. B. Bunker, K. Bunker