

WITNESS STONES OLD LYME

Honoring the Lives of Enslaved Persons

Between 1670 and 1820 more than 200 enslaved and indentured African Americans and Native Americans labored in the historic town of Lyme, which then included Lyme, Old Lyme, and parts of East Lyme and Salem. Today, Witness Stones mark former sites of enslavement in Old Lyme and serve as memorials to those once held here in bondage.

An interpretive sign on the lawn of the Old Lyme Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library, located at 2 Library Lane, marks the Witness Stones trail. Start your exploration using the map on the reverse side to find the small brass plaques, which are installed flush with the ground. They have been placed primarily on the west side of Lyme Street for pedestrian safety.

ACROSS LYME STREET

ARABELLA

ALSO CALLED BELLA
ENSLAVED BEFORE 1719
BY REV. MOSES NOYES

WILLED TO
SARAH NOYES MATHER 1729
BAPTIZED 1734

ON THE

LEFT