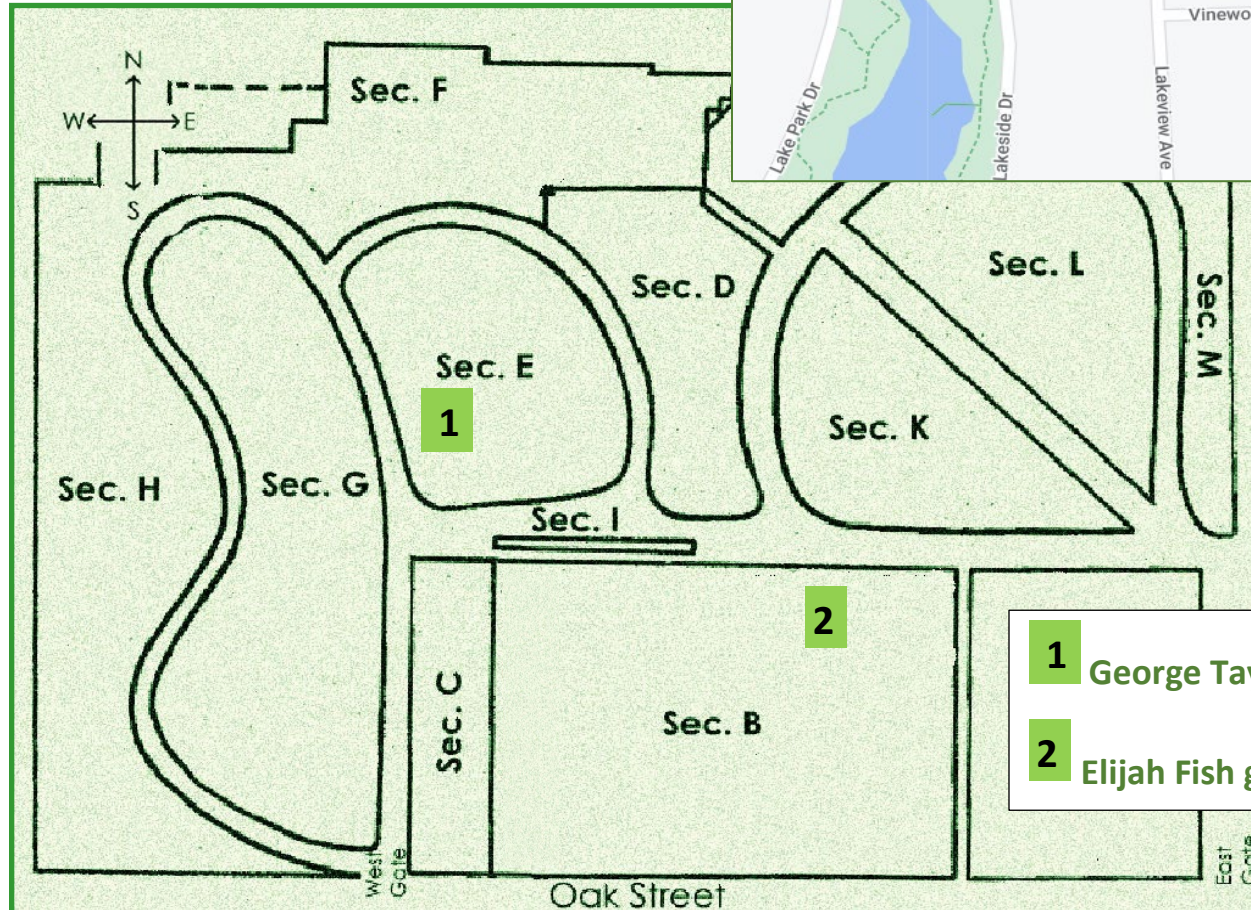
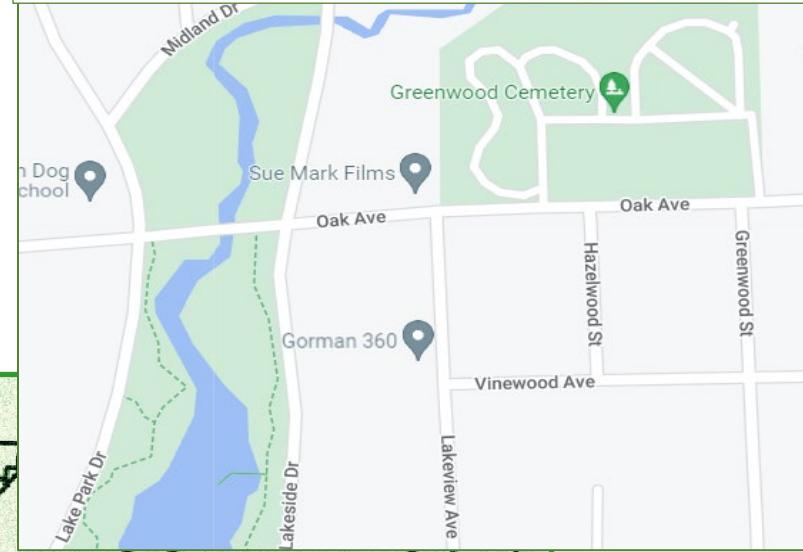


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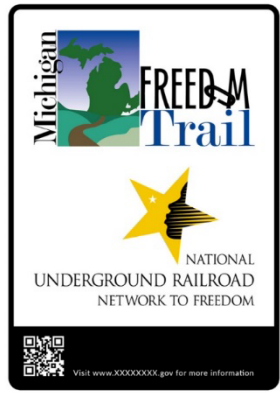
Burial Sites of abolitionist Elijah Staunton Fish (1791-1861) (marker restoration in process) and freedom seeker George Basil Taylor (c1823-1901) (no existing marker; new installation in fall 2023)

The roles played by Birmingham residents Elijah Fish and George Taylor in the Underground Railroad was established through hard work and research by Birmingham Museum staff and volunteers. Research verified that the two men had direct connections to local anti-slavery activities before the Civil War. Pioneer settler Fish was an active abolitionist, and Taylor himself escaped enslavement and followed the Underground Railroad through Michigan to freedom, becoming the first African American to own property in Birmingham.

Historic Greenwood Cemetery, Oak Avenue, Birmingham, MI



- 1 George Taylor gravesite
- 2 Elijah Fish gravesite



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