What Can We Learn From a Gravestone?

Name

Date of Birth - Date of Death*

Name of Husband or Wife

Date of Birth - Date of Death*

Date of Marriage (maybe)

Names of Children (larger stones)

Birthplace or Death place of Husband and/or Wife (rare)

Symbols or images representing:

Religious Affiliation

Nationality or Ethnic Background

Fraternal Organizations

Military Service

Jobs

Hobbies or Talents

*Sometimes only date of death and age are listed.

→ Members of the same family are often buried closely together in family plots.
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