This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. For aid in completing this nomination form, see applicable instructions in "Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms" (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking an "x" in the appropriate space or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable". For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. Please use the official continuation sheets if additional space is needed. This form must be type written and have a 4" x 6" black and white photo of the property nominated attached above. DO NOT ENTER INFORMATION IN SHADED AREAS.

Name of Property (Common) Bothell Cemetery, (Historic) Bothell Pioneer Cemetery
Street Address Northeast and Southeast corners of 108th Avenue NE and NE 180th Street
Parcel No. 082605-9133 Plat Name Bothell Cemetery Block Lot
Present Owner Name and Mailing Address City of Bothell 18305 101st Avenue NE, Bothell, WA
Signature: ________________________________
Original Owner  George Rutter Wilson  Original Use  Cemetery (1889)
Architect  N/A  Builder  N/A
Present Use  Bothell Pioneer Cemetery

1. **Classification of Property**

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Number of contributing resources previously listed on the:

- Local Register
- State Register
- Federal Register

Name of related multiple property listing: **Historic Resources of Bothell, Washington**
(Example: Historic Resources of Bothell, Washington)

2. **Function or Use** (enter categories using federal guideline instructions)

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3. **Description**

Architectural Classification (enter categories from federal guideline instructions):

N/A
3. **Description (continued)**

Materials used in (enter categories from federal guideline instructions):

Foundation  N/A

Walls  N/A

Roof  N/A

Other  N/A

Describe present and historic physical appearance:

The Bothell Cemetery is a rectangular piece of land approximately five and one-half acres in size located inside the limits of the City of Bothell at the northeast and southeast corners of the intersection of 108th Avenue NE and NE 180th Street. The parcel is in the southwest corner of the northwest corner of Section 8 of Township 26, Range 5 east. The cemetery is bordered by quiet residential areas on the east, south and north sides. It is set on top of a hill and is bisected by NE 180th, the old road to Redmond and Stringtown, areas which lie to the east. The western entrance is marked by a road cut for an unpaved road which enters the cemetery off 108th Avenue NE. The road then runs east, makes a ninety-degree turn and joins NE 180th Street. The cemetery is an operating cemetery containing over 1,400 grave sites dating from 1889 to the present (either occupied or as a pre-need sale). Graves of historically significant persons and others are dispersed throughout the cemetery. There remains 54 individual plots within the originally platted blocks. Currently, from 10 to 15 burials occur each year. A large row of fir trees lines the north side of NE 180th Street and groupings of fir trees and shrubbery buffer the north and east boundaries of the site.

The City of Bothell presently maintains the site using an approach which seeks to imitate to the extent possible the practices of 100 years ago. Minimal mowing and weeding occurs and no fertilizers are used. Headstones remain from the earliest years, several representing unique designs reflective of the timbering industries responsible for Bothell’s beginning. Many of the founding residents of Bothell are buried in the cemetery, representing the only remaining physical connection to their existence.

An earlier practice of burying people within the pathways of the originally platted blocks has been discontinued. The amount of this type of intrusion into areas outside the originally platted blocks (243 graves) is judged to not have a significant impact on the site’s historic integrity. (see attached map)
4. **Statement of Significance**

The City of Bothell Landmark Preservation Board has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties: __ Nationally  __ Statewide  x Locally

Please check which of the following statements apply:

x  1. It is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of national, state or local history.

  2. It embodies the distinctive architectural characteristics of a type, period, style or method of construction, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction.

  3. It is an outstanding work of a designer, builder or architect who has made a substantial contribution to the art.

  4. It exemplifies or reflects special elements of the City's cultural, social, economic, political, aesthetic, engineering or architectural history. (check and circle which one or ones apply)

x  5. It is associated with the lives of persons significant in national, state or local history. (check and circle which one or ones)

  6. It has yielded or is likely to yield important archaeological information.

  7. It is a building or structure removed from its original location, but which is significant primarily for architectural value, or which is the only surviving structure significantly associated with an historic person or event.

x  8. It is a birthplace or grave of a historical person(s) of outstanding importance and is the only surviving structure or site associated with that person(s).

x  9. It is a cemetery which derives its primary significance from age, from distinctive design features, or from association with historic events, persons or cultural patterns.

  10. It is a reconstructed building that has been executed in a historically accurate manner on the original site.

  11. It is a creative and unique example of folk architecture and design created by persons not formally trained in the architectural or design professions, and which does not fit into formal architectural or historical categories.

**Applicable National Register Criteria:**  x A  x B  _ C  _ D
**Criteria Considerations (exceptions):**  _ A  _ B  x C  x D  _ E  _ F  _ G
4. **Statement of Significance (continued)**

List areas of significance from federal guidelines:
- Community Planning and Development
- Exploration/Settlement
- Social History
- Religion

Period of Significance:
- 1870 - 1889
- 1889 - 1910

Significant Dates:
- 1889 - began operations
- 1902 - platted/recorded

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Architect/Builder: N/A

Person(s) of Significance in Local, State or National history:
- George R. Wilson, Bothell Family, Gerhard Ericksen, John Keener, Dr. Chase

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above:

The significance of the Bothell Pioneer Cemetery lies in its association with the lives of persons significant in Bothell's past (National Register Criterion B and Special Considerations C and D) and as an example of late 19th-century cemetery design and location (National Register Criterion A) which is tied to early town settlement and community planning based on the settlers' social history and customs and their religious beliefs in an afterlife. The Cemetery also meets designation criteria (14.16.010.B., C., D., G., I., J., M.) of Chapter 14.16 of Title 14, Landmark Preservation, of the Bothell Municipal Code (BMC).

The cemetery serves as an important reminder of a number of pioneers who began the logging and timber industries which first caused the establishment of Bothell (1870 - 1889). Please see the attached list of settlers buried in the cemetery. No other reminders, either through buildings or other contributions to local history, of these first settlers remain. George R. Wilson, whose grave is one of the most notable in the cemetery being marked by a large stone obelisk, first came to the area in 1870. He donated the south portion of the cemetery in 1889 for the burial of two children, Maybelle and Freddie Lufkin. Mr. Wilson was buried in the cemetery in 1916. Gerhard Ericksen, who arrived in 1885 and served on the school board, in the state legislature and as postmaster, was responsible for the naming of the town after the Bothell family. He was buried in the cemetery in 1920. The original members of the Bothell family to reside in the area, David C. and Mary Ann, arrived in 1884, platted the town in 1889, and were buried in the cemetery in 1905 and 1908, respectively.

See continuation sheet
5. **Major Bibliographical References**


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**Previous documentation on file (NPS):**

- Preliminary determination of individual listing has been requested (36 CFR 67)

- Previously listed in the Bothell Register

- Previously determined eligible for the Bothell Register

- Recorded in Bothell Inventory of Historic Resources (Site No. 3-408E)

- Previously designated a National or State Historic Landmark (check and circle) (Pending)

**Primary location of additional data:**

- State Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

- Other State Agency (Name:______________________)

- Federal Agency (Name:______________________)

- Local Government Agency (Name:______________________)

- University (Name:______________________)

- Other (Name:______________________)
6. **Geographical Data**

   Acreage  5.5  

   UTM References:

   A  10  560400  5289600
   zone Easting Northing

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**Verbal Boundary Description**

The boundary of the Bothell Pioneer Cemetery is shown on the accompanying vicinity map and the attached copy of the original plat map showing the burial blocks within the cemetery. The cemetery is traversed by NE 180th St., creating two triangular pieces of property at the northeast and southeast corners of the intersection of NE 180th Street and 108th Avenue NE. The northeast corner is comprised of approximately five acres and the southeast corner approximately one-half acre. The west boundary line extends north of 180th by 174 feet and south by 143 feet where both turn at right angles to the east. The road right-of-way is approximately 63 feet wide. The eastern boundary is 660 feet from the intersection of NE 180th and 108th NE.

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**Boundary Justification**

Boundaries used are those of the original plat of the cemetery, filed in 1902 by the International Order of Oddfellows. The entire cemetery is included in the area of significance since grave sites of locally significant historical personages are dispersed throughout.

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Form prepared and submitted by:  
Date Completed  10/21/92

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**Organization:** City of Bothell, Department of Community Development

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Their son, George (a civil war veteran like his father), became the first mayor of Bothell and also served in the first and second legislative sessions of 1889 and 1891 when Washington became a state. He was buried in the cemetery in 1922. John Keener married Rachel Bothell, daughter of David C. and Mary Ann, and helped found the town. He and Rachel were buried in the cemetery in 1919 and 1921, respectively. Many other members of the Bothell family are buried in four other blocks and current residents of the Bothell family have their spaces reserved.

Other pioneers who have other historical properties associated with them remaining today include William Hannan, a prominent businessman and whose house serves today as the Bothell Historical Museum, arrived in 1889 and was buried in the cemetery in 1930. Dr. Reuben Chase also arrived in 1889 and was the area’s first doctor. He was buried in the cemetery in 1908. His house is currently on the National Register of Historic Places.

By 1900 five more acres were added to that originally donated by Mr. Wilson and the Bothell Cemetery Association had been formed. In August of 1900, the trustees of the association, George R. Wilson, William Johnston, George Bothell and John Felmley, transferred title to the International Order of Odd Fellows Lodge and the Knights of Maccabees for a fee of $1. Two years later the organization filed a plat with King County. The plat contained a grid of 43 blocks generally with four lots in each block except where the blocks intersected the county road which bisected the area. The dirt roadway existed prior to the establishment of the cemetery and was used as a route to Stringtown and Redmond to the east. The roadway remained in private ownership until 1920 when it was formally turned over to the County. From 1889 to around 1910, the timber industries flourished and are reflected in the design of some of the headstones in the cemetery.

As with other 19th century rural cemeteries, the Bothell Pioneer Cemetery was placed on the top of a hill away from the primary settlement area and outside the town’s original plat. This was done primarily for health and sanitation reasons (a reaction to the poor conditions of inner-city graveyards in the older cities of the east) and was a common 19th century preference. Such cemeteries also reflected the respect the people of the time felt for the remains, their religious beliefs in an afterlife, and their desire to soften the blow of death with a beautiful resting place reflective of the beautiful place where they believed their souls would reside after death. A line of fine evergreen trees was planted along the south side of the northern portion of the cemetery very soon after the platting of the cemetery, probably to increase the beauty of the setting. This familiar element of the rural late 19th century cemeteries would have also identified the property from a distance and made it a community landmark. The cemetery must have commanded a spectacular view of the Sammamish River Valley below it when first established.

_x_ See continuation sheet
Today the trees have grown and help to preserve the cemetery's serenity, still marking the cemetery as a community landmark and remaining an important element in the site's historic significance. Other characteristics of 19th century rural cemeteries found in the Bothell cemetery include individual lots circumscribed by stone or concrete copings and large monuments rising from the center of several of the lots, towering over head and foot stones of the individual graves.
EARLY SETTLEERS BURIED IN THE BOTHELL PIONEER CEMETERY

First Settlers:

George R. Wilson, 1841-1916 (photo #1)
arrived in 1870 with Columbus Greenleaf
donated south portion of cemetery in 1889 (first half acre)

Mattias Bargquist, 1848-1908 (photo #2)
arrived in 1870s, seventh settler to homestead along the Sammamish River
wife Annie Johnson, 1858-1937, lived on original homestead until death
daughter Matilda, 1897-1971, married Joseph Blyth, ?-1967

August Bartelson, no dates on stone
arrived in 1884, first Danish settler
began the Bartelson School on his homestead and in 1897 was taken into the Bothell School District

John Blyth, 1840-1901, Blyth Park named for him (photo #3)
arrived in 1872, purchased the area now known as the Wayne Golf Course from William Kinney
farm was the location of the first railroad station in Bothell (a boxcar)
mother of Mattias Bargquist, Christina, 1851-1933
son, Joseph, 1894-1967, married Matilda Bargquist, 1897-1971 (photo #4)

Other Early Settlers:

Arthur R. Bailey, 1878-1953, mill worker
arrival in Bothell unknown
wife Nellie, ?-1969
children: Arthur, 1903-1944, member of city council
John, ?-1933
(3 other children not here)

Charles V. Beardslee, no dates on stone
as secretary of the Oddfellows platted cemetery in 1902
taught in the North Creek School (still existing)
began the Bothell Cornet Band, incorporated in 1902
founded (with others) Bothell State Bank in 1908
wife Mollie Keener, 1875-1942 (photo #5)
children: Fred, ?-1965 (ashes) and Floyd, 1894-1925
(5 other children not here)

Olaf Beckstrom, 1812-1895 (photo #6), father of Andrew Beckstrom
Andrew Beckstrom married Augusta Nelson,
their child John was the first birth recorded in Bothell
Oliver Bosley, 1841-1913
arrived in 1888, early logger
wife Rosanna Mason, 1838-1923
three children, not here
grandson Edward, 1895-1897

Albert Bothell, son of David C. and Mary Ann, logger and mill worker
arrived in 1889
wife Arabella, 1872-1945, (photo #7) knew the Chinook language and communicated with
Indians when few others could
four children not here plus Ruth, ?-1924; Clyde, 2 yrs old, no dates; Ora May, 3 mos old, no
dates

David C. Bothell, 1820-1905, Civil War Veteran (photo #9)
arrived with wife, Mary Ann (1823-1908), photo #10, in 1885
platted town in 1888, named after family by Gerhard Ericksen
children: David, 1852-1929 (photo #11)
Rachel, 1858-1921, married John Keener
Mary Ann, 1850-1931, married Robert Campbell
Albert, 1869-1908, married Arabella
seven children not here and Ruth, ?-1924
George, 1847-1922, town’s 1st Mayor, married Alice
five children not here
John, 1845-1900
Clarissa, not here

George Bothell, 1847-1922, (photo #12) son of David C. and Mary Ann, Civil War Veteran
arrived in 1888
wife Alice, 1853-1926, and five children not buried here
town’s first mayor, very active with wife in community affairs

John Bothell, 1845-1900, son of David C. and Mary Ann, logger (photo #13)
arrived with Bothell family in 1885
wife, Ruth Campbell, 1846-1924 (photo #14)

Charles C. Burrows, 1854-1906 (photo #15)
arrived in 1902
with son Augustus P. (not here) purchased first Bothell newspaper, Independent

Robert Campbell, 1839-191, Civil War Veteran
arrived in 1888, blacksmith to loggers
married Mary Ann Bothell, 1850-1931, daughter of David C.
five children not here, plus:
Mary Jane (Jennie?), 1866-1957, married Albert Oliver
Mima, 1873-1949, married William Hannon
Oliver, 1875-1925
William R. Campbell, 1861-1941
    arrived 1900
    wife and four children not here

Dr. Reuben Chase, 1842-1908 (photo #16)
    arrived in 1889, town's first doctor
    1st wife, Lydia Fuller, not here
    two children not here and third, William F., 1878-1933 (photo #17)
    2nd wife, Alice M. Ervay, not here
    two children not here and third, Lewis, ?-1932

Rev. Alfred Crumley, 1844-1909, Civil War Veteran
    arrived in 1892 as Methodist Church first resident pastor
    wife, Margaret J., 1857-1933
    child: Eunice, not here

George Dawson, ?-1937
    arrived in 1888
    1st wife, Lizzie Carmichael, not here
    child: Earl, dates on stone unreadable, arrived in 1904 from Flint, Michigan
    2nd wife, Annie Kilmer, not here

Walter Donahue, 1857-1912 (photo #18)
    arrived in 1889
    wife, Minnie J., 1858-1933

Eugene L. Dutton, 1853-1936 (photo #19)
    wife, Margaret Frost, 1850-1933 (photo #20)
    children: Christine, 1899-1965
              Daniel, ?-1920
              Grace, 1888-1898
              Lora, ?-1926
              Lyman, ?-1893
              Claude, 1894-1988

Daniel J. Dygert, ?-1925
    arrived in 1898, early lumber family
    wife, Mary Nancy Boyer, 1858-1910

Marinus Ellefson, 1863-1953, logger, mill worker, shoemaker
    arrived in late 1880s, bought part of Charles Erickson homestead
    wife, Hannah, 1867-1952

Norman W. Ellis, ?-1926, last surviving member of Grand Army of the Republic, Bothell chapter
    Civil War Veteran
    arrived late 1890s-early 1900s
Gerhard Ericksen, 1860-1920 (photo #21)
   arrived in 1883
   as postmaster named the town after the Bothell family
wife, Dorothea K. Love, 1861-1935 (photo #22)
children: George, 1889-1940
Martina, 1893-1904 (photo #23)
eight others not here, of 10 children only five reached adulthood

Manuel M. Ervay, 1842-1923
   arrived with railroad in 1889
wife, Harriet Ann, 1849-1925
son, Charles M., 1889-1930

John D. Flemley, no dates on grave (photo #24)
   arrived in 1885, brother of Mary Ann Bothell (Mrs. David C.)

Waite G. Graham, 1856-1935
   arrived in 1892, on town council, early logger
wife, Abbie Brown, 1863-1942
children: I.B. Graham, logger and Bothell Mayor, not here

Charlie E. Green, 1861-1941 (photo #25)
   founded Green Ford Company in 1919
wife, Fannie, 1862-1944

William A. Hannon, 1853-1930 (photo #26)
   arrived in 1889, logger/carpenter, Bothell Mayor
wife, Mima Campbell, 1873-1949, daughter of Robert Campbell and Mary Ann Bothell
   two children, not here

Bertil Hansen, 1863-1945 (photo #27)
   arrived in 1907, farmer
wife, Lena, 1866-1948, relative of August Bartelson
   four children not here, plus:
      Hans, 1893-1917
      Alma A., ?, 1985
      Lloyd, ?, 1973

S.E. Hitsman, first Marshall in Bothell, 1862-1948 (photo #28)
wife, Bertha W., 1871-1947
son, Willie D., 1889-1907

John Keener, 1847-1919, Civil War Veteran (photo #29)
   arrived in 1885
wife, Rachel Bothell, 1858-1921 (daughter of David C. and Mary Ann)
two children not here, plus: Mollie (Beardslee), 1875-1942
Frederick Krasse, 1839-1911 (photo #30)  
arrived in 1902  
wife, Ida, 1844-1939 (photo #31)  
son, William F., 1872-1941 (photo #32)

George Linz, 1864-1951 (see photo #49)  
bavarian shoemaker  
wife, Annie Hansen, 1876-1953  
children: Thelma, born/died September 1, 1905  
Lester, 1908-1909  
Orrin, 1894-1912  
two others not here

May Belle Lufkin, 1883-1889 (photos #33 and #34)  
Freddie Lufkin, 1880-1889 (photos #33 and #34)  
first burials in Cemetery in first 1/2 acre donated by George Wilson

Charles A. Lunn, logger, mill worker, railroad worker, road supervisor  
arrived in 1892  
wife, Ida Carlson  
five children not here, plus: Carl August, 1908-1974 (wife, Mary, 1902-1978)

J. Lin Maybee, 1877-1899, arrived with railroad in 1889  
son, George P. Maybee, 1898-1979

Albert G. Ness, 1867-1953, fisherman, mill worker and owner, brickyard worker  
wife, Augusta Peterson, 1866-1959  
children: Elsworth, 7-1969  
Pearl, 1903-1978

Floyd Olin, 1860-1910  
carpenter and builder

Albert Oliver, 1860-1929 (photo #35)  
arrived in 1898, mill worker and railroad worker  
wife, Jennie (Mary Jane), 1866-1957, daughter of Robert Campbells (photo #36)  
six children, not here

Ole G. Ormbrek, 1833-1909 (photo #37)  
wife, Anne, 1846-1913  
children: George, 1881-1895  
Rena, 1883-1898

Peter Person, 1843-1921, family later changed name to Pearson  
arrived in 1883 with Beckstrom, Quartman and Gust Johnson  
wife and children not here
Robert Renchy, 1841-1926 (photo #38)
railroad worker, late 1880s
wife, Elizabeth, 1847-1943

John C. Rhea, 1836-1913, arrived in Bothell mid-1890s
wife, Elizabeth J., 1837-1908
children: daughter (first name unknown) Rhea Reder, married Sam Reder
Lawrence L., 1864-1919

Alvin Rodgers, 1865-1917
arrived 1888, railroad worker

Elmer J. Ross, 1861-1926 (photo #39)
arrived in 1883, has 1st car to cross Snoqualmie Pass under own power
established stage service from Bothell to Seattle
1st wife, May Weedon, ?-1885
2nd wife, Della, 1860-1925, several children not here

Alice Seaton, 1889-1980
hauled mail 1914-1918 for sick husband (George), only woman to do so
daughter of H.A. Simonds, Simonds Road in Moorlands area, Bothell’s first high school
teacher, ashes may be in cemetery next to wife, Elizabeth G. Simonds, 1861-1915 (ashes)

Ebin Severance, 1858-19? (photo #40)
arrived in 1900, teamster
wife, Bessie, 1863-1938
five children not here, plus: Roy, 1884-1954 and Orinda Severance Smith, 1890-1926

James H. Snudten, 1873-1941
arrived in late 1880s with railroad
wife, Marrietta, 1873-1946
daughter, Etta P., 1901-1909

William Preston Stickney, 1866-1953, mill owner (photo #42)
wife, Amelia M. Otto, 1869-1947
three children not here, plus:
Allan Ethan, Rev., 1894-1939
Guy Charles, 1897-1980
Amy Eunice, 1901-1983 (ashes)
Donald Benjamin, no dates
Clarence Otto, 1911-1983 (ashes)

William N. Wilson, 1854-1919 (photo #43)
arrived in 1889
wife, Hannah Owens, 1853-1918
children: Charles O., Mayor of Bothell, not here, plus six others not here
Andrew Wissinger, 1842-1907 (photo #45) 
arrived in 1885, farmer 
wife, Laura Ellen Dixon, 1851-1914 (photo #46) 
child: Lida, 1st married William Misner 
children: George, 1894-1920 
Alta, 1903-1920 
Roy, not here 

2nd married James Douglas Jones, 1864-1916 (photo #44) 
children: Lloyd, 1913-1914, five others not here 

Odie Woodring, 1885-1918 (photo #47) 
arrived in 1915, storekeeper 
wife, Ardelia, 1882-1954 

? Young, arrived with son Reuben in early 1880s 
Reuben, 1880-1945, operated Bothell's first light plant in 1912 (photo #48) 
wife of Reuben, Della Bothell, daughter of John, granddaughter of David C. and Mary Ann 
three children not here 

Charles Zilske, no dates on grave, mill worker/strawberry gardener 
arried in 1889