

# Hidden Cemeteries

Officials in growing cities in the 18th and 19th centuries had to move the dead to make way for the living. In Chicago, Philadelphia, San Francisco, and Milwaukee, work crews were ordered to excavate, move, and rebury cemetery plots. But not all of the workers were honest. Some claimed to move plots they left behind. Others weren't careful and didn't locate all the graves. In recent decades, scientists have been able to study these graves and learn more about the lives of people who lived before us. Dr. Emilie Le Beau Lucchesi introduces these lost graves, how they were discovered, and what they have taught social scientists and anthropologists.



About the speaker: Dr. Emilie Le Beau Lucchesi holds a PhD in communication and is the author of several non-fiction books. Her work has appeared in The New York Times, Discover Magazine, The Atlantic, and the nation's largest newspapers.