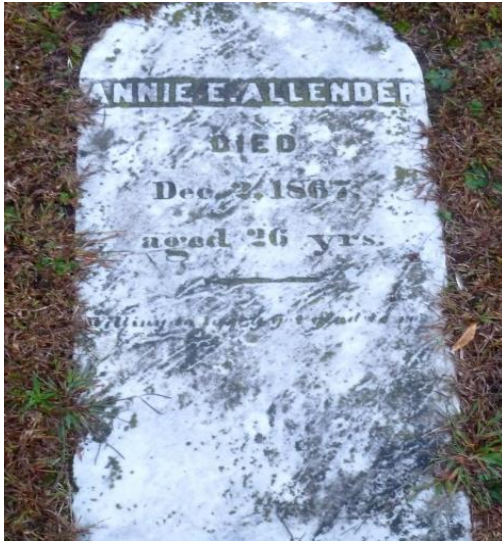


# ANNIE ALLENDER



**Abt. 1841 - 1867**

Born: Abt. 1841 in CT

Died: Dec. 2, 1867 in New London, CT

Parents: Rev. John Allender (1812-1863)  
Elizabeth S. James (1814-1889)

Appointment(s):

American Missionary Association (AMA)  
Seabrook Plantation, Hilton Head, SC  
Oct. 1864 – Jun. 1866

Augusta, GA

Dec. 1866 – Jun. 1867

Annie Allender was born about 1841 in Connecticut, one of four children born to Rev. John Allender (1812-1863) and Elizabeth S. James (1814-1889). Her parents were married at the Arston Church in Birmingham, Worcestershire, England (Barbour VR). Miss Allender attended Mount Holyoke College as a member of the class of 1857 but is listed as a 'non-graduate' in their catalogue<sup>1</sup>.

Annie Allender applied to the American Missionary Association in October 1864 to become a teacher to the freedmen<sup>2</sup>. She was assigned to serve on Hilton Head Island and arrived at Seabrook Plantation in November 1864, staying until the summer of 1865 when she returned north for a summer break<sup>3</sup>. She came back to Hilton Head in December 1865 and stayed again until June 1866. This time, after her summer break in Connecticut, she returned south in December 1866 to a new assignment in Augusta, Georgia where she remained until June 1867.<sup>4</sup> While teaching in Augusta, she fainted and suffered greatly from the climate. On May 28, 1867, Annie wrote to William E.

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<sup>1</sup> Mt Holyoke College, "General Catalogue of Officers and Students of Mount Holyoke Seminary Class of 1858, list of non-graduates", South Hadley, Massachusetts p 73. [Quinquennial Catalogue of Mt Holyoke College 1837-1895](https://books.google.com/books?id-QhxHAQAAMAAJ). <https://books.google.com/books?id-QhxHAQAAMAAJ>, accessed Jan 13, 2019.

<sup>2</sup> Smith, Janel Janiczek, [From A Northern Home to a Southern School: Cultural Imperialists of Just Stubborn Yankees](#). Georgia Southern University, Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies, electronic theses and dissertations 2013. <https://digitalcommons.georgiasouthern.edu/etd/58>, pp 17, 378 accessed Sep 12, 2018.

<sup>3</sup> Ibid. p 337.

<sup>4</sup> Ibid, p 178.

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Whiting from Augusta about her struggle to stay in the south during the summer due to the climate.<sup>5</sup> Annie also had not received her subsistence allowance and had no other source of money, so she returned to New London, Connecticut in June where she died December 2, 1867 - just a few months after her return home. Her obituary in the *American Missionary* states: "Allender's death took place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December [1867]. She left Georgia in June last, being then in such a state of weakness, [it] seemed doubtful if she could bear the long journey home. It was distressing to those around her to see her wasting strength and increased suffering but yet her bright and buoyant spirit held out to the very last."<sup>6</sup> Miss Allender was buried in Cedar Grove Cemetery, Section 2 in New London, Connecticut<sup>7</sup>.

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<sup>5</sup> Allender, Annie. American Missionary Association Archives. New Orleans, LA: Tulane University, Amistad Research Center. Item # H20723: [Letter May 28, 1867 to Wm. E. Whiting from Augusta, GA]

<sup>6</sup> American Missionary Association. *American Missionary*, "Obituary", Vol XII, No 3, March 1868, p 63 - Mount Holyoke.. Quinquennial Catalogue of Mt Holyoke College 1837-1895.  
<https://books.google.com/books?id=QhxHAAMAAJ>.

<sup>7</sup> Findagrave.com Memorial ID # 124610810, created 4 Feb 2014 by Irma.