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### Abstract

The Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church Cemetery Burial or Removal Permits collection consists of 0.5 linear feet and spans the years 1933-1942.

### Creator

Commonwealth of Virginia - State Department of Health

### Extent

0.5 linear feet

### Repository

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## Administrative Information

### Access Restrictions

None

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## **Separated Material**

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# **Historical and Biographical Information**

Andrew Chapel is located on Trap Road at its intersection with Leesburg Pike in Vienna, Fairfax County, Virginia. The church dates to 1854 and has an active congregation today. The church was founded in 1844 after the Methodist Episcopal Church split into two churches (Methodist Episcopal Church and Methodist Episcopal Church, South) due to tensions over the issue of slavery. Andrew Chapel was founded by a portion of the congregation of a chapel on Towlston Road that left to join the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The chapel was named for Bishop James Andrew (1794-1871), who in 1844, was asked by the church at the ninth General Conference of the Church in to resign his office of bishop because he owned slaves, thereby escalating tensions within the church and prompting the founding of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The Andrew Chapel cemetery has more than 250 burials from the mid-nineteenth century to present day, including many Civil War soldiers and members of the founding families of the church. The cemetery bounds the chapel on two sides and is maintained by a non-profit association.

Established by Virginia Code during the years represented in this collection, burial or removal permits were issued by the local registrar based on a certificate of death filed by the undertaker. Burial or removal permits were then delivered by the undertaker to the sexton or other person in charge of the cemetery or burial ground before interring the remains.

## **Scope and Content**

The Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church Cemetery Burial or Removal Permits collection consists of 0.5 linear feet and spans the years 1933-1942. The collection includes 115 permits, issued either by the Commonwealth of Virginia, State Department of Health for burial in or removal to the Andrew Chapel cemetery or by the District of Columbia for removal of remains to Andrew Chapel cemetery for interment. Subjects covered are burial records and the Andrew Chapel cemetery.

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