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Abstract

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Collector

Adam Anderson

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26 pages

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None

Historical Information

Waterford, Virginia was founded by Quakers who moved from Pennsylvania. Although Quakers did not believe in slavery, the Union Cemetery in Waterford laid out in the early nineteenth century was strictly segregated.

The "black section," located at the rear of the cemetery has some fine marble headstones, but many graves are marked with field stones. The wooden markers sometimes used have rotted away, leaving gaps in the rows of graves. Much of the cemetery has fallen into disrepair and many of the headstones (or footstones) have become almost unreadable. The graves of seven individuals not previously documented were found in section 1.

Scope and Content

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Graves showed births from 1776 and deaths until 1941

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Scope and Content

- 5 pages describing the scope of the project
- 4 pages of pictures of the "black section" of the cemetery
- 3 pages documenting approval of the project, materials used, and names of persons who helped with the project
- 6 pages of pictures as the work was being performed
- 1 page showing approval of the completed project
- 1 page of graves located in Section 1 of the cemetery. The seven names and inscriptions had not been previously recorded in records of the cemetery.
- 1 page of inscriptions on graves in Section 2.
- 1 page of inscriptions on graves in Section 3
- 3 pages of inscriptions on graves in Section 4.
- 1 page showing grid of the graves in the "black section" of the cemetery.

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