



MONTGOMERY COUNTY CEMETERY INVENTORY REVISITED

BURIAL SITE INFORMATION

Name: Query Family Cemetery	Inventory ID: 018
Alternate name:	
Address: 13501 Esworthy Road, Darnestown	
Website:	
GPS coordinates: Latitude: 39.077174	Longitude: -77.289290
FindaGrave: https://www.findagrave.com/cemetery/2647944	

BURIAL SITE TYPE

Category: Religious Community Family African American Other:

BURIAL SITE EVALUATION

Setting/location description: <input type="checkbox"/> Rural <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suburban <input type="checkbox"/> Wooded <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
General condition (See conditions sheet): <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Poor <input type="checkbox"/> None		
Is there a formal entrance? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Accessibility: <input type="checkbox"/> Inaccessible <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> By foot <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> By car	
Is cemetery active (recent burials)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Is there a cemetery sign: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Is cemetery being maintained? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Minimal <input type="checkbox"/> No (If yes, note caretaker's name below)		
Are there visible markers? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Approximate number of burials/visible markers: 1+	Date ranges: 1788

Description: (markers, materials, arrangement, landscaping/vegetation, fence, paths and roads, etc.)

There is one identifiable headstone, that of John Nicholas Query, nestled amongst a trio of trees in a mulched bed in the front yard of the private residence of Peter & Heather Cooke. The writing on the headstone reads, "1788 DIED, THE 24 OF NOV, JOHN NICOLUS QUERY, WAS BORN, THE 17 OF DEC 1714"

Between the headstone and a footstone is an elongated stone which is worn but appears to have been fluted or shaped. There are also some smaller marble stones nearby in the mulched area which are unmarked. It was clear that the area was actively maintained by the homeowners.

BURIAL SITE CONTACT

Name: Peter & Heather Cooke (peter@psc-evg.com, heathercooke@comcast.net)		
Relationship to burial site: Property Owners		Advocacy contact:
Address: 13501 Esworthy Road		Phone: 801-557-8899 or 801-652-4700
City: Darnestown	State: MD	ZIP Code: 20874

BURIAL SITE SURVEYOR

Name: Ingrid Fraley	Survey Date: mm/dd/yyyy 4/13/2018
Address: 15220 Berryville Road	Phone: 703-927-8700
Email: ifraley@aol.com	
Photographer: Ryan Pike (ryanjpike@gmail.com)	

COMMENTS

Suggestions for follow-up:

Safety issues, invasive vegetation removal, fence removal/restoration, signage, trash, erosion, vandalism:

No concerns. Access to the cemetery was enthusiastically permitted by the homeowners who "like to think that we are the respectful and trusted caretakers of this important historical treasure"

Anything of significance about this cemetery?

While only one headstone is identified it is believed that other Query family are also buried on the property. The property, in Nicholas Query's day was part of a large 200+ acre farm with a grist and saw mill. The property, later known as "Haywire Farm" was sold in the 1960's for subdivision for luxury homes.

SOURCES

Cite sources used and resources available:
Find-a-grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/182061374/john-nicholas-query
"Darnestown Plans Luxury Home Site", The News (Frederick, MD), 23 Nov 1964, Page 20



Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory Photograph Log

- Before you begin, create a folder in your photo app on your mobile device. Name the folder to match the ID number of that cemetery, i.e., 059 or 254. Each cemetery you are assigned should have its own folder. All photos should be stored in this folder.
- Please take a variety of photos that capture the proximity from the main road, size, and vicinity of the burial site. Move in a clockwise direction through the cemetery to capture your movement chronologically.
- If your mobile device has a panoramic function, take two panoramic photos from the **center** of the cemetery. Establish where true North is and take one panoramic from West-North-East and the second from East-South-West.
- List the time and date of each photograph and include the direction you are facing.
- Photo files (*and a photo of this completed form*) may be emailed to mococems@gmail.com or uploaded to <https://tinyurl.com/mococems>

Cemetery Name: Query Family Cemetery		Inventory ID: 018
Photographer:		
Time & Date	Photo No.	Description and direction you are facing (Ex: detail of wall around Carr plot facing North)
		See Seperate Document

CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED IMAGES

- Photo 1 taken from the roadside approach to the cemetery—the view the public would see while driving by. If the cemetery is not visible from the road, please take a series of photos as you approach the cemetery—from the road to the parking area, through a field, woods, etc.
- Photo 2 taken toward the center of the cemetery from the cemetery main entrance, gate, or first boundary you come to.
- Photo 3 panoramic taken from the center of the cemetery, starting from West to North to East.
- Photo 4 panoramic taken from the center of the cemetery, starting from East to South to East.

If you have any extra time and would like to photograph some or all of the gravestones, please do so. Remember not to physically touch, move, or clean the stones.