

39
HERSHEY FAMILY CEMETERY
16500 COMUS ROAD
COMUS

at Comus Road ✓

Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory

ID: 39

Name: Hershey Family Cemetery

Alternate name:

Address: 16500 Comus Rd.

Town: Comus

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Type

Religious
 Family Hershey
 Private
 Other

Association

Free black
 Enslaved
 Ethnic
 Prehistoric

Setting Rural Urban Suburban Forested Other

Condition Excellent Good Fair Poor

Negative Impacts (vandalism, dumping, neglect, encroachment, etc)
overgrown, not tended.

Approximate no. of burials 10-15 Date range of burials 1850-1901

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

Located about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile east of farmhouse on hilltop. Access was via dirt road along eastern fence ^{hedgerow} of property. Surrounded by barbed wire fence with wood gate. Pieces of old wrought iron fence are inside new fence. Fenced area has more room than stones - possibly more unmarked graves or missing markers. Cem. is not kept. Overgrown with weeds. No trees.

Surveyor(s) Anne / Pete Thompson Survey date 10/17/04
Photographer _____ Date _____ Photo no. _____

Current owner _____
Address/Phone No. _____

Historic Status Locational Atlas ID _____ National Register
 Master Plan ID _____ Other _____

UTM _____

Additional sources of information: _____

HERSHEY FAMILY BURYING GROUND AT COMUS
Directions: Route 109 South, Old Hundred Road, to Comus. [A.D.C. Map:
Montgomery, page 3, grid coordinates K-10.] Condition of cemetery:
Unknown. Inactive cemetery. Earliest known death: 1837. Most recent
death: 1901. Date transcribed: 1960. Location of transcribed records:
Montgomery County Historical Society Library, 42 West Middle Lane,
Rockville, Maryland 20850. Comments: At least 9 marked graves.

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Hershey Family Cemetery Montgomery County, Maryland

16500 Comus Road
Comus, Maryland

Lat: 39° 14' 38"N, Lat: 77° 21' 12"W

Contributed by Anne Braun, Mar 19, 2004 [annieb1961.comcast.net]. Total records = 9.

In Barnesville, from the intersection of Barnesville Road and Highway 109, go north on Highway 109 for 2 miles until you reach Comus Road, turn on Comus Road and go east until you see the first driveway going south turn there and go south until you reach the house. The cemetery is east of the house about .25 miles. The cemetery has a barb wire fence around it.

A small family cemetery dating back to the 1830's. The property once belong to David Hershey and the cemetery was located on the family farm. The last burial took place in 1901. The cemetery is neglected. They took down the old iron fence and replaced with a barb wire fence. There is overgrowth and holes where ground hogs and moles live. It is a sad site.

I visited and walked this cemetery Mar 18, 2004.

- Anne Braun

5 on same marker

- Emmert, Susan^{D.}, d. Jan 31, 1901, age 89yr 11mn 25da
- Hershey, Christina A., d. Apr 6, 1898, In her 78th year
- Hershey, Christina, d. Aug 28, 1857, In her 69th year
- Hershey, David, b. 1796, d. Mar 11, 1860
- Hershey, Doctor Benjamin^{J.}, b. Mar 12, 1830, d. Jun 18, 1872
- Hershey, John^{H.}, d. Mar 25, 1837, In his 25th year
- Hershey, Lydia A., d. Oct 26, 1895, In her 87th year, d/o David and Christiana
- Hershey, Sarah Anderson, b. Jan 30, 1850, d. Nov 12, 1850, d/o Reverend Andrew and Elizabeth
- Willson, John, d. Oct 14, 1851, age 88yr 1mn 7da

Footstones
DH
CAH
- H
Illegible
JH

- did not see stone
looking in p 2

David Hershey husband of Christiana Roher