

FOREST OAK CEMETERY AT GAITHERSBURG (FOREST CHAPEL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH)

Directions: Route 355 North, Frederick Road, to Gaithersburg, cemetery on left. [A.D.C. Map: Montgomery, page 23, grid coordinates B-2.] Condition of cemetery: Well kept. Active cemetery. Earliest known death: 1869. Most recent death: Present. Veterans interred: Civil War, WWI Vet, WWII Vet, and other wars vets. Some records exist. Date transcribed: 1974. Location of transcribed records: Montgomery County Historical Society Library, 42 West Middle Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Author: J. Thomas Scharf, A.M. Title: *History of Western Maryland*, page 786, Vol. I. Publisher: Regional Publishing Company [reprinted 1968], Baltimore, MD [originally printed in Philadelphia, 1882]. Comments: Over 1800 marked graves, more that 150 unmarked graves, Forest Oak Cemetery established in 1879.

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ID: 83

Name: Forest Oak Cemetery

Alternate name: ¹⁾ Forest ^{CAK} Chapel Meth. Ep. Church & ²⁾ Gaithersburg Cem

Address: 300 block of N. Frederick Ave.

Town: Gaithersburg

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Type

Religious Methodist
 Family _____
 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) _____

Some stones toppled, fences removed from family plots

Approximate no. of burials 2,700* Date range of burials 1869 - present

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

Totally fenced. Mowed. Still active, but all plots sold.
A few evergreens - cedars, boxwoods, yucca
Asphalt drive thru cem. - horseshoe shape.
Fences & around family plots have been removed.
Started as Meth. church cem. next to church - moved to Grace ME. Church
to south on pike.

Surveyor(s) JANET^{ET} MANUEL

Survey date 5/30/04

Photographer ANNE BROCKETT

Date _____

Photo no. _____

Current owner Forest Oak Cem. Assoc. - Ralph Affett -

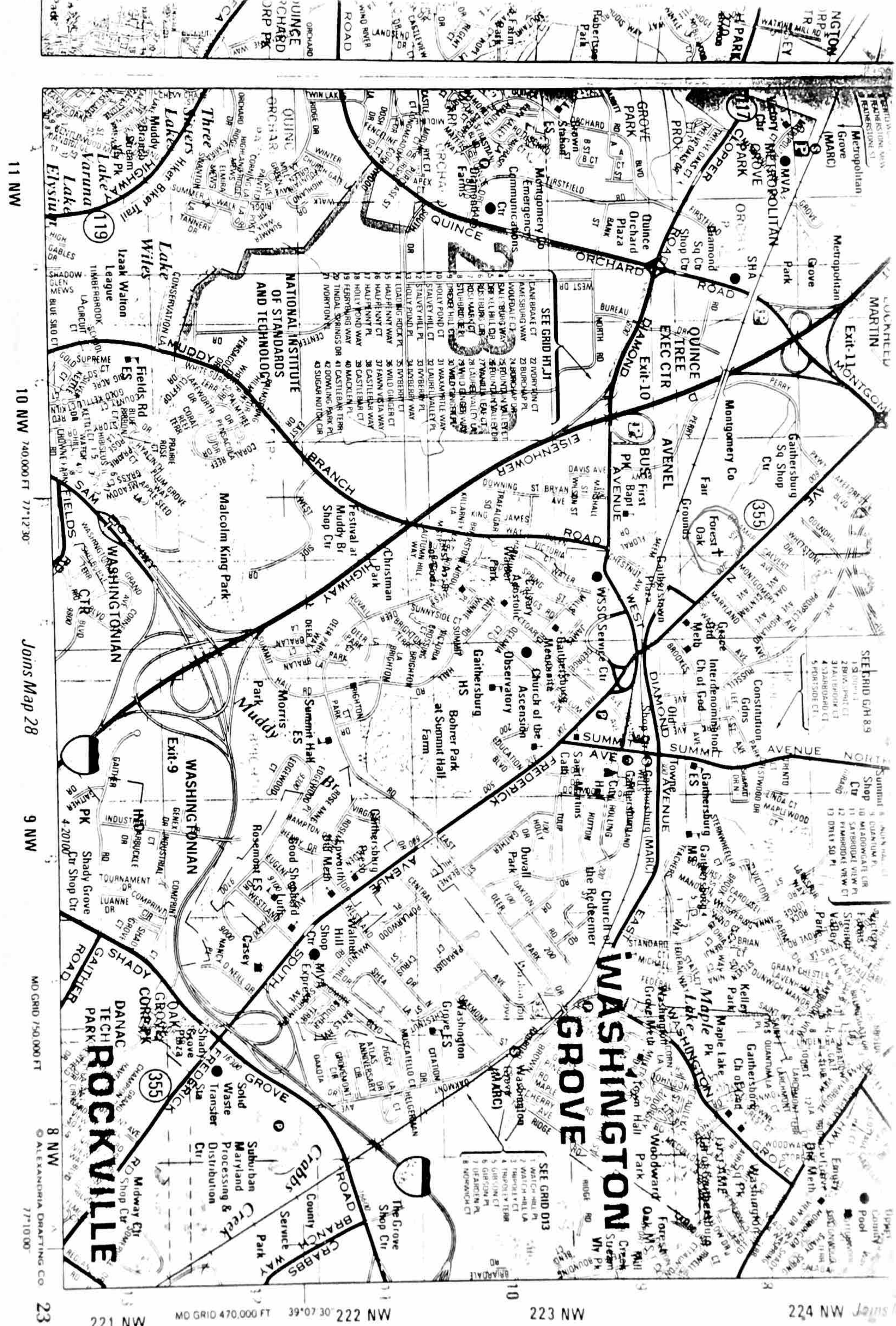
Address/Phone No. _____ 301-840-0315

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

UTM _____

Additional sources of information: _____

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FOREST OAK CEMETERY
300 BLOCK N. FREDERICK AVE.
GAITHERSBURG



11 NW

10 NW 740,000 FT 77°12'30"

Joins Map 28

9 NW

MD GRID 750,000 FT

8 NW

ALEXANDRIA DRAFTING CO 77°10'00"

23

221 NW

MD GRID 470,000 FT 39°07'30"

223 NW

224 NW

49 19

FOREST OAK CENTER BLVD
300 BLOCK N. PEPPERIDGE AVE
GAITHERSBURG

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MARYLAND CEMETERY DIRECTORY HEADINGS

County: *Montgomery*

Type of Cemetery: ~~Forest Oak~~ *Private*

Name of Cemetery: *Forest Oak*

Location of Cemetery: *300 block of N. Frederick Ave. (355)
Gaithersburg, Md.*

Contact:

Condition/Description of Cemetery: *Well Cared for*

Number of Graves: *Marked - approx 1,760
Unmarked - Dec 1938-Oct 1944 - 29; May 1956-Jul 1958 - 42;
Mar 1959 - Dec 1966 - 84*

Oldest Grave Marker:

89
42
94
155

Span of Usage:

Inscriptions Transcribed: *yes*

Date Transcribed: *Nov 1974*

Transcribed Records Located: *Mont. Co. Hist. Soc., Rockville, Md.
Janet Manuel, Gaithersburg, Md.*

Transcribed Records Published:

Comments: *No records prior to 9 Dec 1938; no records from
11 Oct 1944 to 30 May 1956; no records Jul 1958 to Mar
1959; Complete records from Mar 1959 to present,
but have not been checked after 30 Dec 1966 for
unmarked graves.*