



MONTGOMERY COUNTY CEMETERY INVENTORY REVISITED

BURIAL SITE INFORMATION

Name: Germantown Baptist Church Cemetery	Inventory ID: 087
Alternate name: Union Chapel Cemetery	
Address: 17640 Riffle Ford Road, Germantown	
Website: http://www.gbcmd.com/	
GPS coordinates: Latitude: 39.145389	Longitude: -77.289892
FindaGrave: https://www.findagrave.com/cemetery/1997725	

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 type="checkbox"/> By foot <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> By car
Is cemetery active (recent burials)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input 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: 191 Date ranges: 1860–2018
Description: (markers, materials, arrangement, landscaping/vegetation, fence, paths and roads, etc.)	
• 2-acre cemetery located next to church built in 1953. (Original church built in 1864)	
• Graves laid out in rows. One crypt located near road.	
• No pathways or fencing.	
• Few trees and bushes surrounding the perimeter.	

BURIAL SITE CONTACT

Name: Germantown Baptist Church	
Relationship to burial site: Owner	Advocacy contact: deacon@gbcmd.com
Address: 17640 Riffle Ford Road	Phone: 301-428-3622
City: Germantown State: MD	ZIP Code: 20874

BURIAL SITE SURVEYOR

Name: Susan Soderberg	Survey Date: 3/29/2018	Time spent: 20 min
Address:		Phone:
Email:		
Photographer: Cay Savel		

COMMENTS

Suggestions for follow-up:
N/A

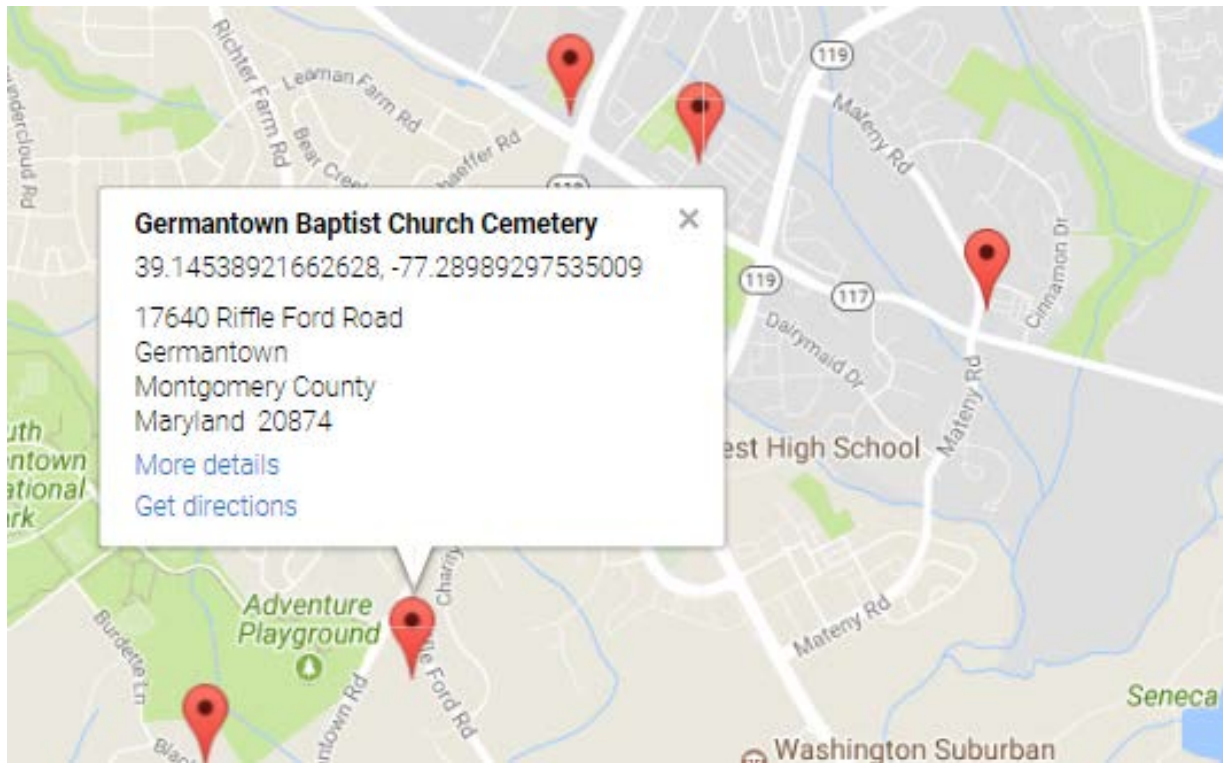
Safety issues, invasive vegetation removal, fence removal/restoration, signage, trash, erosion, vandalism:
N/A

Anything of significance about this cemetery?
N/A

SOURCES

Cite sources used and resources available:

- **History of Baptist Churches in Maryland, J.F. Weischampel, Jr., Baltimore, 1885.**
- **A History of Germantown, MD, Susan Soderberg, 1988.**
- **Mutual Fire Insurance Co., Policy #7274, 1873.**



Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory Photograph Log

Cemetery Name: Germantown Baptist Church Cemetery		Inventory ID: 087
Photographer: Cay Savel		Date: 3/29/2018
Time	Photo No.	Description and direction you are facing (Ex: detail of wall around Carr plot facing North)
~	1	Approach to church from Riffle Ford Road, facing west (GoogleMap)
4:20 pm	2	View to cemetery from church entrance, facing south
	3	Panoramic from west to north to east
	4	Panoramic from east to south to west
4:35 pm	5	Mausoleum, facing north



1. Approach to church from Riffle Ford Road, facing west (GoogleMap)



2. View to cemetery from church entrance, facing south



3. Panoramic from west to north to east



4. Panoramic from east to south to west



5. Mausoleum, facing north