

Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory

ID: 103

Name: Monocacy Cemetery Company

Alternate name:

Address: Darnestown Rd. & ^{West} Hunter Rd.

Town: Beallsville

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Type

Religious
 Family
 Private
 Other GENERAL (OPEN TO ALL)

Association

Free black
 Enslaved
 Ethnic
 Prehistoric

Setting Rural Urban Suburban Forested Other

Condition Excellent Good Fair Poor

Negative Impacts (vandalism, dumping, neglect, encroachment, etc) NONE APPARENT EXCEPT
SOME BROKEN STONE (OLDER STONE)

Approximate no. of burials 5000 Date range of burials 1748 TO PRESENT

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

(over)

Surveyor(s) EARL M. + ROSE DUNN

Photographer EARL M. DUNN

Survey date 5/16/2004

Date 5/16/2004

Photo no. 100-0148-0164

Current owner Monocacy Cemetery Co.

Address/Phone No.

Historic Status

Locational Atlas ID

Master Plan ID

National Register

Other

UTM 301-349-5176

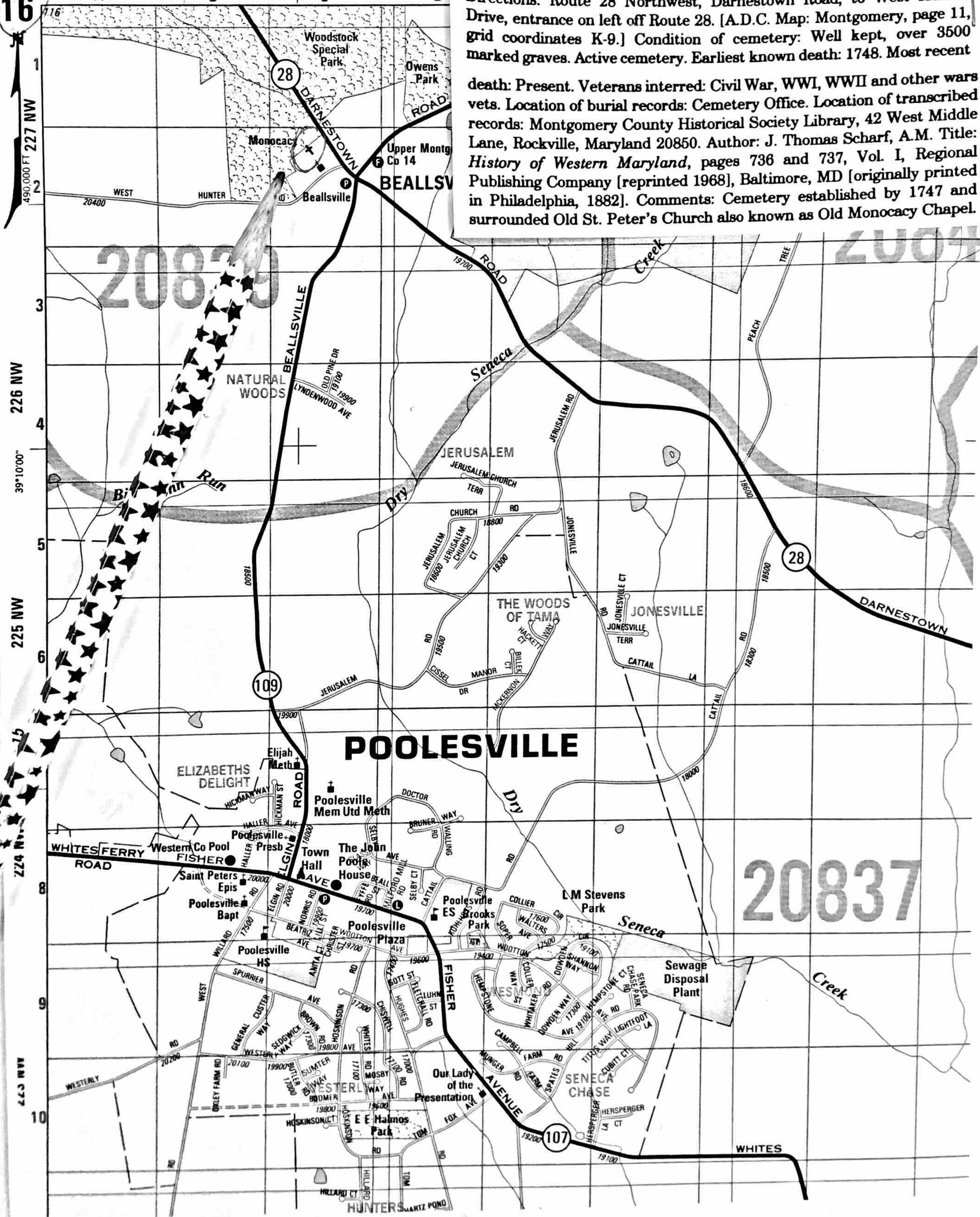
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MONOCACY CEMETERY
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BEALLSVILLE

MAP 16

ADC 2004
680,000 FT 20 NW 77°25'00"



MONOCACY CEMETERY COMPANY AT BEALLSVILLE (MONOCACY CEMETERY SOCIETY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY)

Directions: Route 28 Northwest, Darnestown Road, to West Hunter Drive, entrance on left off Route 28. [A.D.C. Map: Montgomery, page 11, grid coordinates K-9.] Condition of cemetery: Well kept, over 3500 marked graves. Active cemetery. Earliest known death: 1748. Most recent

death: Present. Veterans interred: Civil War, WWI, WWII and other wars vets. Location of burial records: Cemetery Office. 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*, pages 736 and 737, Vol. I, Regional Publishing Company [reprinted 1968], Baltimore, MD [originally printed in Philadelphia, 1882]. Comments: Cemetery established by 1747 and surrounded Old St. Peter's Church also known as Old Monocacy Chapel.

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ACHS SUMMARY FORM

1. Name: Monocacy Cemetery
 2. Planning Area/Site Number: 17/1 3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 5
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 4. Address: Maryland Route 28 and Hunter Road, Beallsville

5. Classification Summary

Category building Previous Survey Recording M-NCPPC
 Ownership private Title and Date: 1976 Inventory of
 Public Acquisition N/A Historical Sites
 Status occupied
 Accessible yes: unrestricted Federal State x County x Local
 Present use burials; memorial services

6. Date: Cemetery - from the 1730's 7. Original Owner: Prince George's Parish
 Chapel - 1921

8. Apparent Condition

a. excellent b. altered c. original site

9. Description: The old Chapel, said to have been of brick, was replaced in 1912 by a chapel about 30' x 40', built of stone blocks. This one bay by three bay, one-and-a-half story rectangular chapel is located on a hill, surrounded on three sides by a graveyard, and faces northeast.

Built on poured concrete foundations, the chapel is constructed of rusticated coursed ashlar blocks with quoins.

The graveyard is about 13 acres in size. The main cemetery gate, of iron, faces the junction of Hunter Road and Route 28. The Cemetery is on elevated ground rising abruptly at the entrance, leveling off and then gradually sloping to the northwestern extremity. There are various kinds of trees and shrubs, principally maples, cedars and hollies, well placed and well pruned. The grounds are maintained in good condition. There are about 3,000 graves.

10. Significance: Monocacy Cemetery is significant not only for its graves of some of the earliest colonizers of this part of Maryland, but also because the chapel built here in pre-Revolutionary times was one of two Anglican places of worship between Rock Creek Parish and Frederick until about 1800. The original chapel, around which the cemetery grew, was built during the period of colonization and was used as a house of worship until its virtual destruction during the Civil War. It was one of the early Anglican "chapel-of-ease" erected in frontier districts where full religious services were not possible. In 1734 Anglicans from "the middle part of Prince George's Parish" petitioned the Maryland Assembly for a chapel, indicating that a church may have been built here at that time. Records show that it was at least partially built by 1747, and rebuilt around 1760. During the Civil War Federal troops destroyed the chapel and burned the pews. In 1921, however, the Col. Elijah Veirs White Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy built the present chapel on the site of the old one, in memory of the many Confederate soldiers buried in the cemetery.

11. Researcher and date researched: Geraldine Berkman-7/79

12. Compiler: Margaret Coleman 13. Date Compiled: 10/79

14. Designation Approval

15. Acreage: 12.99 acres

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