

Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory

ID: 177

Name: ~~Dorsey-Clagett~~-Owen Cemetery

Alternate name: Dorsey-Claggett - Owen Cemetery

Address: Across from 3901 Gregg Rd.

Town: vic. BROOKEVILLE

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Type

Religious _____
 Family Owen
 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) Tree fell on fence. Overgrown.

Approximate no. of burials 8 Date range of burials 1838-1911

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

Old wrought iron fence - rusted, partially collapsed (tree fell on it). Stones tilted, ~~2~~² overturned. One for Col. Dorsey is propped against tree. 6 trees - all same kind - inside fence. Very close to road. Associated w/ house at 3901 (Owen residence) but now owned by 3800 Gregg Rd. Cemetery is across the street from the Owen House.

Surveyor(s) Janet/Anne Survey date 6.27.04

Photographer _____ Date _____ Photo no. _____

Current owner 3800 Gregg Rd.

Address/Phone No. _____

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

UTM _____

Additional sources of information:

Veronica (owner) said Col. Dorsey fought w/ JEB Stuart & got him off battlefield when he was wounded. Dorsey married Elizabeth Owen, whose family owned large farm.

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OWEN CEMETERY
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William Nelson Young died May 6, 1904; son of David Young
Phebe R. Young died September 1, 1888; age 92; wife of David Young
Samuel Young, born May 17, 1799; died June 22, 1856
Drusilla B. T. Young, born October 3, 1802; died November 4, 1833;
age 31

____ Young died in 1825 (Could this be Catherine, wife of
Lodwick?)

Kilmain I is on a tract of land granted to Daniel Carroll in 1735. In 1772, Carroll's daughters sold it to Richard Bennett Hall. The next owners were the Youngs who came to Montgomery County from Hagerstown between 1812-1814. The family emigrated from Rotterdam in 1753 and the original name was Jong. Lodwick Young, Jr., the first to come to Montgomery County, was born in 1765. He married Catherine Shafer. He died in 1820 and his wife died in 1825. According to OLD HOMES AND HISTORY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY by Roger Brooke Farquhar, they were buried in the family cemetery.

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Lodwick built Kilmain II about 1812. This home is further up Edward's Ferry road toward Beallsville. Lodwick and Catherine had six sons and two daughters, and on Lodwick's death each son received a farm. David, the third son, inherited Kilmain I. He married Matilda Chilton in 1820 and they had a son, William Nelson Young. After the death of Matilda he married Phoebe Donohue in 1836. She remained at the farm after David's death in 1879.

Issac Young, another son of David and Matilda Young, was the next owner of Kilmain I. In May 1856, he married his cousin, Margaret Young. Their daughter, Verlinda Lucretia, married Frederick Claggett, and she was the last of the Youngs to live in the house.

Henry Young, third child of David and Matilda Young, was left the East Oaks farm across the road. It was then known as Little Oaks Manor. In 1823 he married Margaret Hiswell and built the present house on East Oaks farm. He was a member of the Levy Court 1839-41.

Elizabeth, the eighth child of David Young, married Sebastian Remsburg. They were the ancestors of a large and prominent family.

Samuel Young, also buried at Kilmain I, had a daughter, Alethea, who married George Brewer, Sr. in March 1849. Their son, George W. Brewer, II, purchased East Oaks in 1900. He married Betty Williams in 1907 and they lived at East Oaks until 1916 at which time they returned to the Brewer home, Aix La Chapelle.

20/2 removed

DORSEY (also CLAGETT and OWEN) CEMETERY

This small graveyard is on Gregg Road. It is enclosed with a fence, is well kept and can easily be seen from the road.

Inscriptions on the stones:

- G. W.
Col. ~~Gustavus Warfield~~ Dorsey died Sept. 6, 1911; age 73
- Margaret Owen, wife of Col. G. W. Dorsey, died Oct. 30, 1909; age in her 68th yr. (m.o.d.)
- Elizabeth Owen, wife of Edward W. Owen, died August 19, 1887; age in her 79th yr. A

Margaret A. Clagett died June 5, 1890; age 102
 Nathaniel Clagett died April 17, 1838; age 55
 Edward W. Owen died March 21, 1895; age 87
 Laura Clagett, daughter of E. W. and E. A. Owen
 Mary V. Owen, daughter of Edward and E. A. Owen

*is her 102nd?
 in his 55th?
 in his 87th yr.*

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Colonel Gustavus W. Dorsey was in command of the last cavalry attack made by the southern forces in the Civil War. He was the son of Samuel Owings Dorsey and his wife, Mary Riggs Griffith. Samuel was the son of Dennis and Maria Owings Dorsey and Mary Riggs Griffith was the daughter of Philemon Griffith and his wife, Sarah Hammond Riggs.

Colonel Gustavus Dorsey married Margaret Owen, probably the daughter of Edward W. and Elizabeth Owen. Edward W. Owen married Elizabeth Clagett in 1830. She was the daughter of Nathaniel and Margaret A. Clagett buried in the cemetery.

OWEN FAMILY

The Owen cemetery is located in an overgrown area near the tennis courts on the Norbeck Country Club property. According to the 1865 map, there was a home in this area owned by W. W. Owen.

Inscriptions on the tombstones:

- L. Robinson died June 17, 1840; age 16 years
- Mary S. Owen, wife of W. W. Owen, died Dec. 7, 1894; age 87
- W. W. Owen, born November 30, 1813; died April 11, 1891
- Angeline Owen, wife of W. W. Owen, died February 19, 1852; age 37
- Angela C. Owen, wife of Col. W. Owen, died June 18, 1876, age 67
- R. Owen (could this be Robert, the brother of Washington W. Owen?)

The Reverend Robert Owen was sent to Maryland from Scotland to report to his parishioners the "condition of the colony". He returned to Maryland in 1695 and acquired a large tract of land on which he built a log house he called Contentment. His son Edward was the next owner and in 1730 this property was owned by Major Robert Owen, Jr.

Robert Owen in his will of 1779 left his home to his son, Washington Winder Owen. ~~Adjoining lands were left to his sons Robert and Edward.~~

Washington Winder Owen was a county school trustee in 1881-1882 and for a time served as a director of the Sandy Spring Savings Institution. From the names carved on the stones in the cemetery it seems that Washington Winder Owen was married three times.

Catherine Goldsborough Owen, the daughter of W. W. Owen, was next in line to inherit the home place. She married Thomas John Beall, the son of Eden and Priscilla Beall, who lived at Flint Hill on the road from Norbeck to Norwood. Catherine and Thomas John Beall changed the name of the property from Contentment to Locust Hill. In 1900 the land was sold and went out of the hands of the Owen family.

(To be continued in a future issue)