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NATHAN MUSGROVE GRAVESITE
1 BLOCK NE OF 97/650 INTERSECTION
BROOKEVILLE

MONTGOMERY COUNTY CEMETERY INVENTORY

Survey ID 1193 ✓

Cemetery name MAJOR NATHAN MUSGROVE CEMETERY

Alternate name(s) GROOMES FARM

Address (or direction from nearest intersection) 1 BLOCK NORTH EAST OF R. 97 & R. 650

ADC Map Page 12 Grid G-7 Town SUNSHINE/BROOKEVILLE MD.
20833

Type	Association
<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	<input type="checkbox"/> Free black
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Family	<input type="checkbox"/> Enslaved
<input type="checkbox"/> Private	<input type="checkbox"/> Ethnic
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric

Setting Rural Urban Suburban Forested Other

Condition Excellent Good Fair Poor

Negative Impacts (vandalism, dumping, neglect, encroachment, etc.)
TOMB STONE REMOVED BY FARMER IN 1950'S

Approximate no. of burials 1 Date range of burials _____

Description (markers, materials, arrangement, landscaping, fence, paths and roads, etc.) GRAVESTONE MISSING.
PICTURE OF TOMBSTONE PROVIDED BY MRS. MARGARET HOBBS
MAJOR NATHAN MUSGROVE - REVOLUTIONARY WAR -
KILLED ON HOME FARM BY NEPHEW, ^{ALEXANDER DUVAL} WHO FLED TO OHIO, WHERE
HE WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE DROWNED CROSSING RIVER.
PAPERS FILED APR. 21, 1826 BY HEIRS OF NATHAN MUSGROVE

Surveyor(s) Corri Hancock Survey date 3/28/04
Photographer Corri Date 3/28/04 Photo no. 1 photo

Current owner _____
Address/Phone No. _____

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

UTM GPS Site = Cemetery / Musgrove

Additional sources of information: _____

Photo exists: fence around it gone.
No tree exists; Possibly disturbed grave
due to housing development & drainage
(concrete culvert at stream edge)

Musgrove

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February 7, 2002

Ms. Kristin Preston
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P. O. Box 1533
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Re: Cemetery Kit

Dear Ms. Preston,

Please let me know the cost for a copy of the above book or booklet, or please mail same and send an invoice.

Dottie Brault of the Montgomery County Coalition gave me I your name and address. Also, through my experiences briefly outlined below, I have become acquainted with Leonard Becraft who is a member of the Montgomery County Coalition.

In the latter half of 2000 I personally (and finally) learned the location of the (Sunshine) Montgomery County property where my GGG-Grandfather Nathan Musgrove was buried. The property was divided and sold out of the family in 1954. Unfortunately, Nathan's Revolutionary War tombstone (a photo of which I have now acquired) and a DAR marker were long ago removed by one of custom farmers working for one of the succession of subsequent owners/developers of the surrounding field.

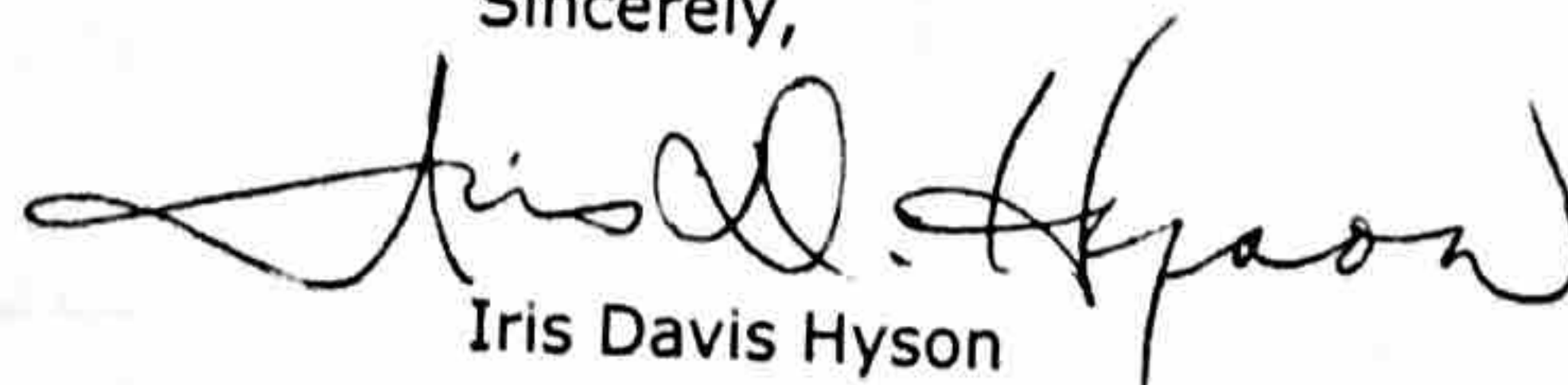
Last fall when I drove up to the Musgrove house (believed to have been started by my GGGG-Grandfather who died in 1785) and introduced myself to the owners of 20 years, I told them of the gravesite nearby. I learned from them that the current developer of the site is before the Park and Planning Commission, seeking to build six (6) houses thereon.

Shortly thereafter, the owner of the house attended a hearing and provided information about the burial site being in the middle of the developer's field. On December 1, 2001, the developer came to the site when several of us (including Leonard Becraft) attempted to "find" the precise location of Nathan's grave. Because that part of the field has been farmed for decades, no obvious hints remain, and it would take extensive/expensive efforts to find the exact location.

The developer has offered (verbally) to establish an area where a new stone can be placed, and how this will progress is, of course, unknown.

The Kit, I am sure, will be helpful, but any advice you could offer would certainly be appreciated.

Sincerely,


Iris Davis Hyson

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Phone Conversation Log

Date 2/27/02

Spoke with: Iris D. Hyson

Of: _____

Phone # (301) 587-6668

Who initiated contact? Hyson via letter 2/7

Discussion topic(s)
Musgrave grave in Sunshine, Mont Co. - Rev War vet

Notes:

see letter.
Advised re: law about burden of proof (on developer) given knowledge of grave
wants to get kit
Need to call KD Tyree about arch. help

Initial KZK

[Photocopy as many as needed]