



MONTGOMERY COUNTY CEMETERY INVENTORY REVISITED

BURIAL SITE INFORMATION

Name: Soper Family Cemetery	Inventory ID: 198
Alternate name:	
Address: Northeast corner of the second intersection of Wexhall Drive along Greencastle Road, Burtonsville	
Website:	
GPS coordinates: Latitude: 39.093471	Longitude: -76.931757
FindaGrave: https://www.findagrave.com/cemetery/2661664/soper-family-cemetery	

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wooded <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
General condition (See conditions sheet): <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	Is there a cemetery sign: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
Is cemetery being maintained? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Minimal <input checked="" 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: 5	Date ranges: 1867-1899

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

- **Located in wooded corner lot with heavy traffic, townhouses on adjoining property, and in close proximity to a school**
- **Historic granite marker in center of burial area**
- **2 wooden crosses have been added since last inventory in 2004. Deterioration has started.**

BURIAL SITE CONTACT

Name: Silverwood Homeowners Association, Inc.		
Relationship to burial site: Owner on deed	Advocacy contact:	
Address: 14990 London Lane	Phone: 410-848-4753	
City: Bowie	State: MD	ZIP Code: 20715

BURIAL SITE SURVEYOR

Name: Tina Simmons and Dennis Green	Survey Date: 2/20-2/26/2018	Time spent:
Address:		Phone:
Email:		
Photographer: Tina Simmons		

COMMENTS

Suggestions for follow-up:

- **Periodic monitoring to watch for vandalism**

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

- **Trash and sanitation issues in and near the site**
- **Greenbrier is present**

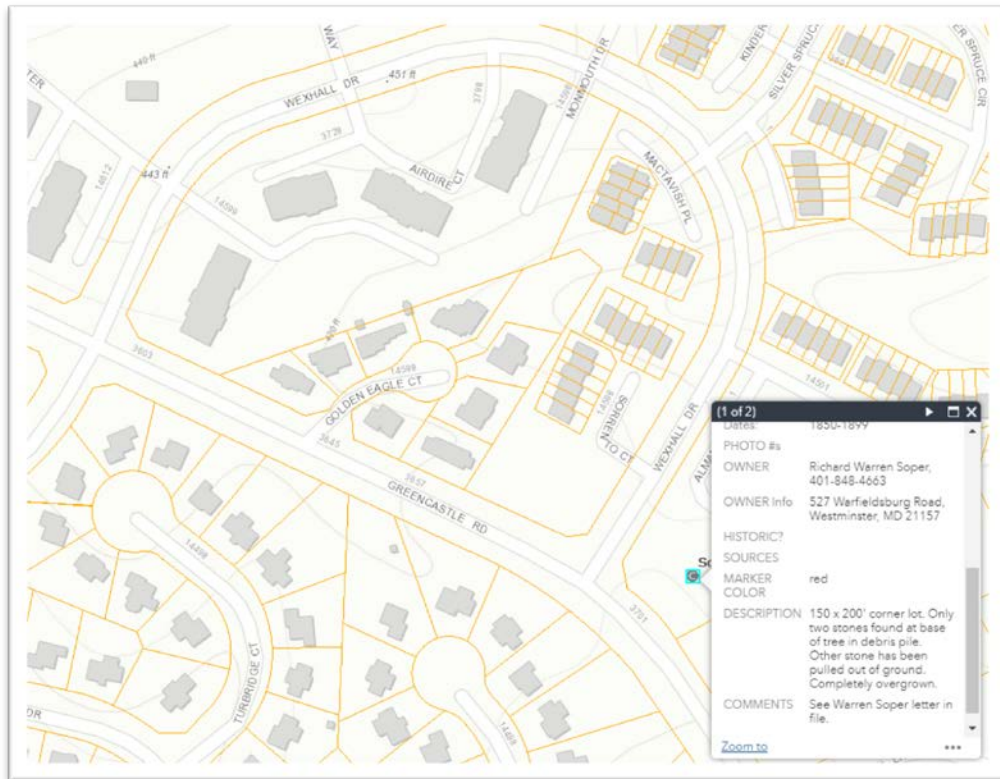
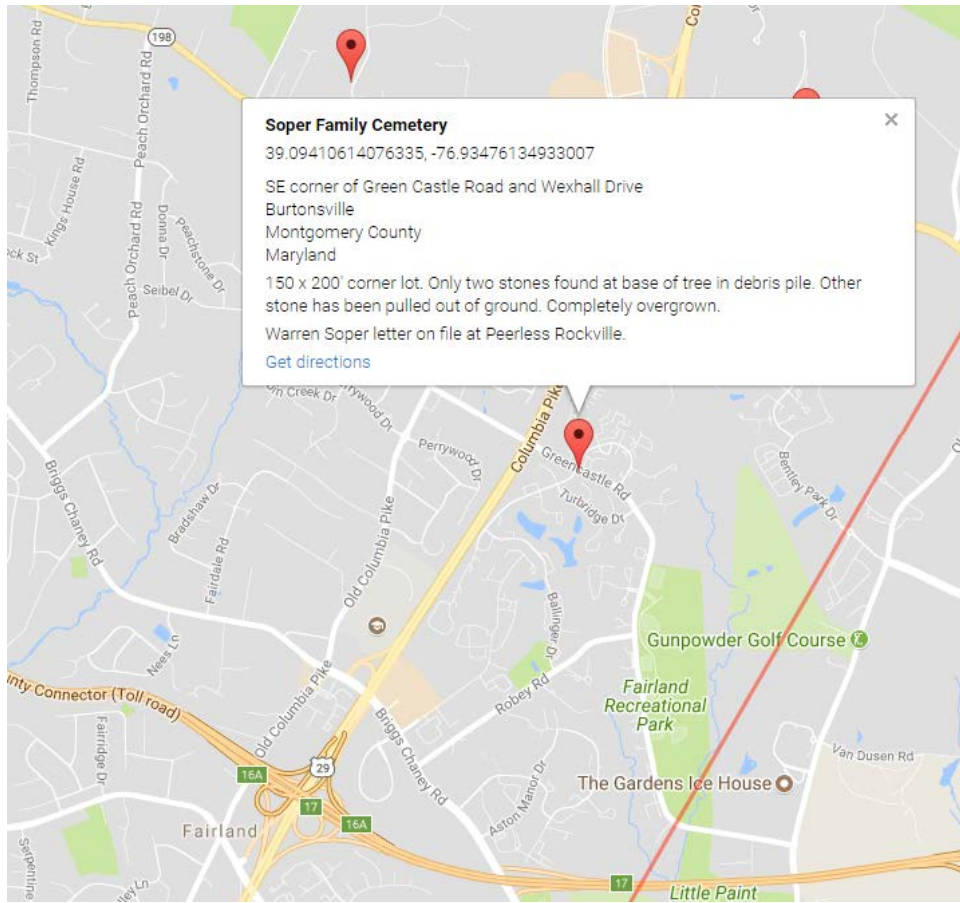
Anything of significance about this cemetery?

- **Henry Soper (1847-1867) served in the Union Army in the Civil War**

SOURCES

Cite sources used and resources available:

- **Wooden sign nailed to tree: "For info. on cemetery contact Richard Soper 410-848-4757". Richard Soper died in 2004.**
- **US Census (1860, 1870, 1880) list James P. and Amelia A. living in the 5th District of Berrys, Montgomery Co., MD**





Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory Photograph Log

Cemetery Name: Soper Family Cemetery		Inventory ID: 198
Photographer: Tina Simmons		Date: 2/20/2018
Time	Photo No.	Description and direction you are facing (Ex: detail of wall around Carr plot facing North)
3:26 pm	1	View of cemetery from Greencastle Rd, facing north-east
3:20 pm	2	Entrance to cemetery from corner of Greencastle and Wexhall, facing north
3:25 pm	3	Center of cemetery, facing southwest
3:22 pm	4	Center of cemetery, facing south toward Greencastle Rd
3:22 pm	5	Center of cemetery, facing south toward Greencastle Rd
11:49 am	6	Historic Soper Cemetery marker in middle of cemetery
11:53 am	7	Wooden marker for "Henry" 1847-1867 "Civil War"
	8	Wooden sign mounted on tree
	9	Historic marker and 2 concrete markers with initials and dates
	10	Wooden marker for James P and Annie



1. View of cemetery from Greencastle Rd, facing north



2. Entrance to cemetery from corner of Greencastle and Wexhall, facing north



3. Center of cemetery, facing southwest



4. Center of cemetery, facing south toward Greencastle Rd



5. Center of cemetery, facing south toward Greencastle Rd



6. Historic Soper Cemetery marker in middle of cemetery



7. Wooden marker for "Henry" 1947-1967 "Civil"?



8. Wooden sign mounted on tree



9. Historic marker and 2 concrete markers with initials and dates



10. Wooden marker for James P and Annie