



MONTGOMERY COUNTY CEMETERY INVENTORY REVISITED

BURIAL SITE INFORMATION

Name: Dorsey Family Burying Ground	Inventory ID: 209
Alternate name: "Pleasant's Retreat"	
Address: 5701 Damascus Road, Laytonsville, MD 20882	
Website:	
GPS coordinates: Latitude: 39.245637	Longitude: -77.113719
FindaGrave: https://www.findagrave.com/cemetery/2291154	

BURIAL SITE TYPE

Category: Religious Community **Family** African American Other:

BURIAL SITE EVALUATION

Setting/location description: **Rural** Urban Suburban Wooded Other:

General condition (See conditions sheet): Excellent **Good** Fair Poor None

Is there a formal entrance? **Yes** No Accessibility: Inaccessible **By foot** By car

Is cemetery active (recent burials)? Yes **No** Is there a cemetery sign: Yes **No**

Is cemetery being maintained? Yes **Minimal** No (If yes, note caretaker's name below)

Are there visible markers? **Yes** No Approximate number of burials/visible markers: **6** Date ranges: **1862-1993**

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

- **25'x25' cemetery surrounded by a traditional gated iron fence, 125' to east side of driveway**
- **Marble grave markers on bases are leaning**
- **Entire area has been sprayed with weed killer**

BURIAL SITE CONTACT

Name: **Jeanne E. Lowry Trust**

Relationship to burial site: **Owner** Advocacy contact: **Suzanne A. Lowry**

Address: Phone:

City: State: ZIP Code:

BURIAL SITE SURVEYOR

Name: **Evan Mosko** Survey Date: **5/19/2018** Time spent: **15 min.**

Address: Phone:

Email:

Photographer: **Glenn Wallace** mococems@gmail.com

COMMENTS

Suggestions for follow-up:

- **Professional restoration of grave markers.**

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

- **Groundhog holes everywhere**

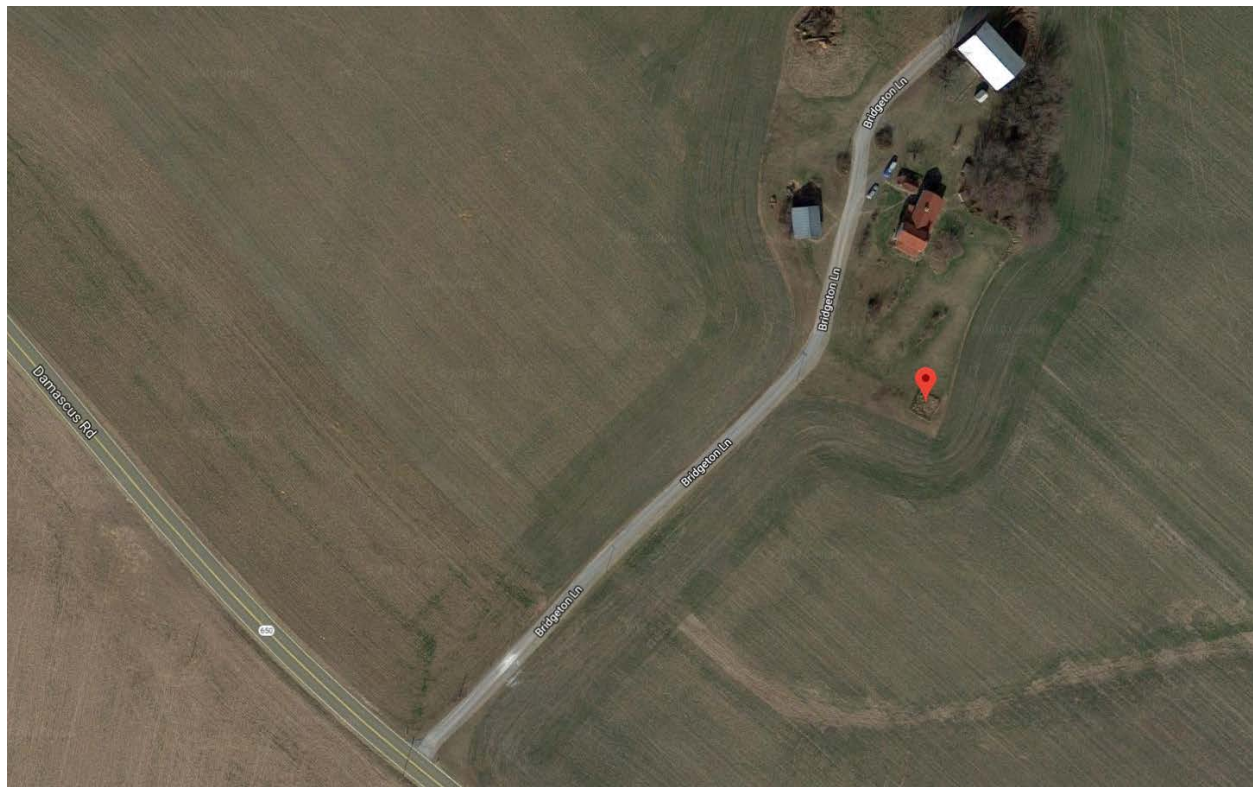
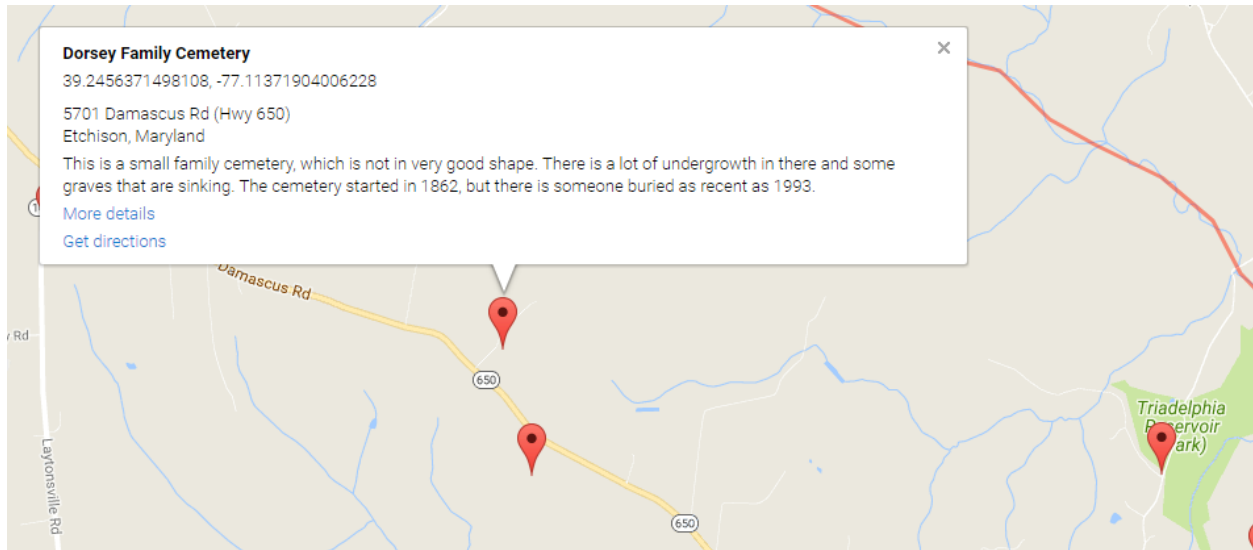
Anything of significance about this cemetery?

- **Dorsey house was condemned in 2018. Who will maintain the cemetery is property is abandoned?**

SOURCES

Cite sources used and resources available:

- <https://mht.maryland.gov/secure/medusa/PDF/Montgomery/M:%2023-6.pdf>





Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory Photograph Log

Cemetery Name: Dorsey Family Burying Ground		Inventory ID: 209
Photographer: Glenn Wallace		Date: 10/6/2018
Time	Photo No.	Description and direction you are facing
11:25 am	1	Driveway to house, cemetery to the right after corn field, facing northeast
	2	Initial view of cemetery, facing east
	3	Approach to cemetery gate, facing east
11:30 am	4	Cemetery from the east side, facing west



1. Driveway to house, cemetery to the right after corn field, facing northeast



2. Initial view of cemetery, facing east



3. Approach to cemetery gate, facing east



4. Cemetery from the east side, facing west