



MONTGOMERY COUNTY CEMETERY INVENTORY REVISITED

BURIAL SITE INFORMATION

Name: Bowman-Merrick Family Cemetery [LOST]	Inventory ID: 238
Alternate name:	
Address: Vicinity of 5515 Riggs Road, Laytonsville, MD	
Website:	
GPS coordinates: Latitude: 39.205948	Longitude: -77.113470 (vicinity)
FindaGrave: https://www.findagrave.com/cemetery/2646483	

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:
Date ranges:	
Description: (markers, materials, arrangement, landscaping/vegetation, fence, paths and roads, etc.)	
• Location somewhere on this 13-acre private property	
• Owner has no recollection of the original cemetery, yet buried his parents' ashes under a willow tree by fence line.	

BURIAL SITE CONTACT

Name: Stephen C. Glassman	
Relationship to burial site: Owner	Advocacy contact:
Address:	
City:	State:
ZIP Code:	

BURIAL SITE SURVEYOR

Name: Jeff Miller	Survey Date: 4/22/2018	Time spent: 5 min.
Address:		Phone:
Email:		
Photographer: Jeff Miller		

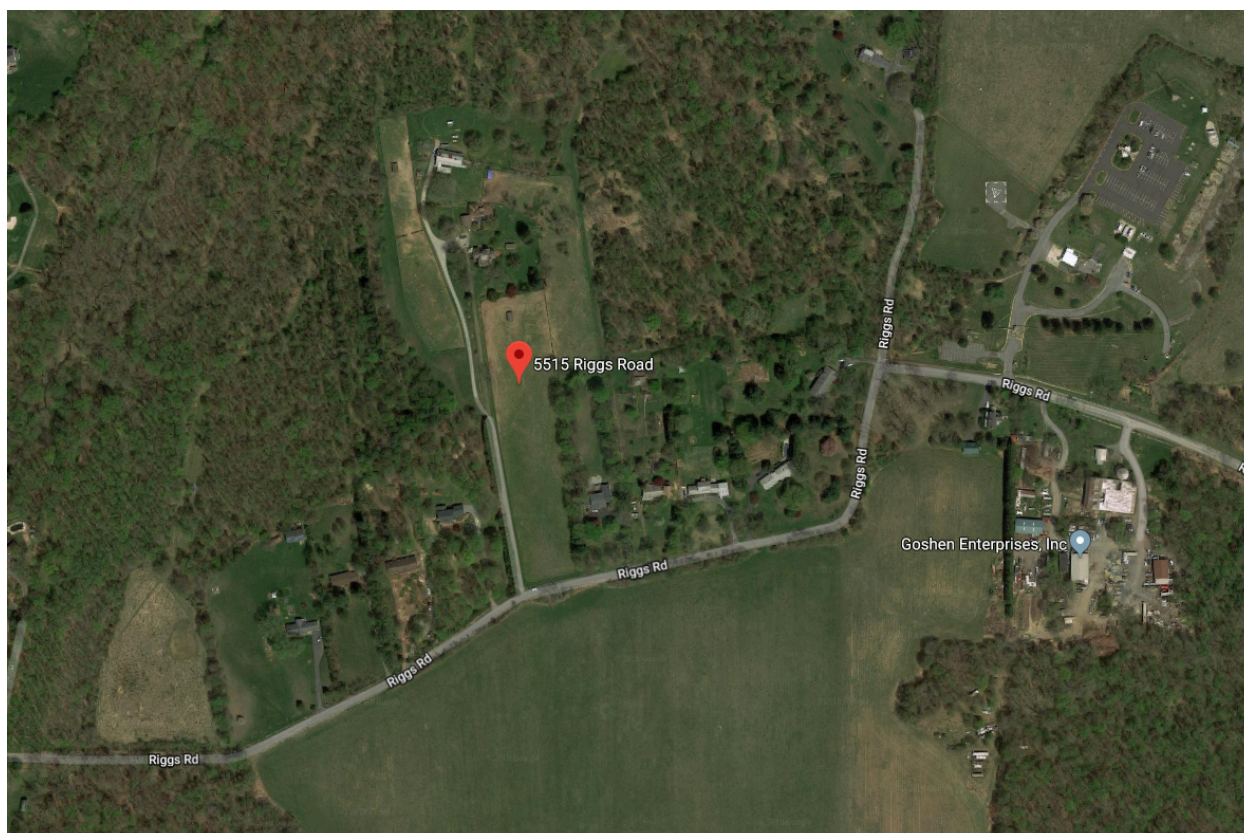
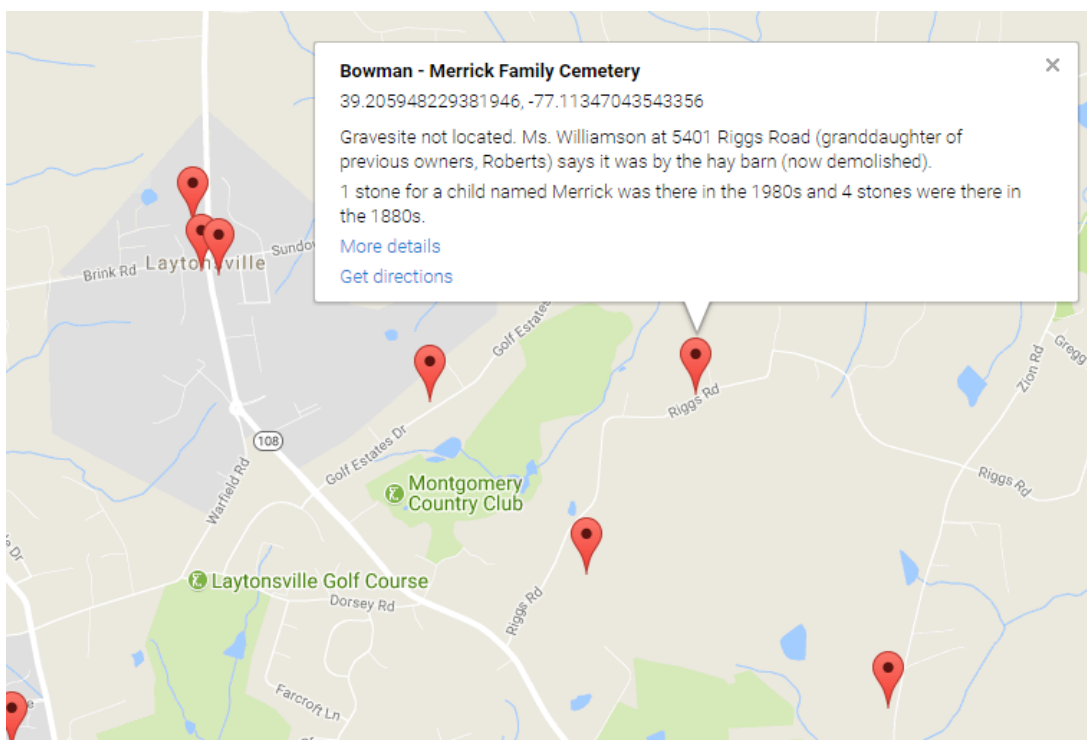
COMMENTS

Suggestions for follow-up:
• Look for willow tree to photograph burial location for the Glassmans
Safety issues, invasive vegetation removal, fence removal/restoration, signage, trash, erosion, vandalism:
N/A
Anything of significance about this cemetery?
N/A

SOURCES

Cite sources used and resources available:
• https://www.genealogy.com/forum/surnames/topics/bowman/4969/

This is a suggested location, but no trace of the cemetery exists.



History

The only mention found regarding "Bowman" and "Merrick" in Montgomery County is a reference to Verlinda Bowman, daughter of Jacob Bowman (1743-1821), married to Michael Merrick on May 21, 1800 in Charles Co., MD. According to her father's last will, she was living at this location in 1819.

(Source: <https://www.genealogy.com/forum/surnames/topics/bowman/4969/>)

Last Will of Jacob Bowman, updated 1819, proven 1821.

BOWMAN, JACOB	L M f 397	18 Jan 1815
	L 3 p 131	9 Mar 1821

Son: Richard P. Bowman - 175 a. on s. side of rd. from mouth of Monocacy to Green's Bridge

Son: Frederick Bowman - 85 a. on n. side of rd. above with storehouse and lot

Dau: Amelia Alnut, wife of Aden Alnut - 50 a. land

Dau: Elizabeth Case, wife of James Case - 50 a. land

Granddau: Matilda Bowman, dau. of son George - 50 a. land

Grandson: Jacob Merrick, son of dau. Verlinde Merrick and Michael Merrick - 10 a. to include lot and house occupied by Michael Merrick

Sons: George Bowman, Shadrach Bowman

Daus: Rachel Leach, wife of John Leach; Verlinde Merrick

Granddau: Rachel Merrick, dau of Verlinde

Other children of Verlinde Merrick

Exs: Sons Richard and Frederick

Wit: Henry Griffith, Edward House. John Allnutt, Ephraim Gaither of William

Codicil dated 10 Apr 1819

Land given to granddau. Matilda to go to son George for his lifetime

Wit: Ephraim Gaither, Samuel Darby, Jesse Allnutt

Jacob B. Merrick, son of Michael, inherited the property from his grandfather, Jacob Bowman, in 1821.

Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory **Photograph Log**

Cemetery Name: Bowman-Merrick Family Cemetery [LOST]		Inventory ID: 238
Photographer: Jeff Miller		Date: 4/22/2018
Time	Photo No.	Description and direction you are facing
3:15 pm	1	Driveway approach to property, facing north
 	2	View of paddock, facing northwest
 	3	Panoramic from north to east to south
3:20 pm	4	Panoramic from south to west to north



1. Driveway approach to property, facing north



2. View of paddock, facing northwest



3. Panoramic from north to east to south



4. Panoramic from south to west to north