

CONFIRMATION OF LOCATION OF THE DUVALL FAMILY GRAVE YARD

In 1975 Rev. Robert Duvall Smith, son of Glenna Duvall Smith, interviewed Bertie Washington Duvall (b.2-7-1894, d. 10-12-1987), daughter of William Franklin Duvall (b.4-29-1894, d. 12-30-1933) her father, a son of Grafton Duvall. Aunt Bert married Floyd Samuel Grimes. The interview was voice taped. In that interview, she stated that her grandparents, Grafton Duvall (b.3-17-1813, d.12-10-1890) and wife Harriet Scheckles (b.9-4-1818, d. 4-17-1891) were buried on the Joseph Montgomery Duvall farm on Woodfield School road. We still have that recording. Sherwood Duvall (b.11-21-1880, d. 6-8-1933) was the son of William F. Duvall. Sherwood's wife, Verdie Roller (Fulk) Duvall (b.2-3-1882, d.10-23-1969) had her first born child on 1-25-1907, a girl named Garnet Assymnetta Duvall that did not live. The Duvall family has always known that that baby was buried on the Joseph Montgomery "Mont" Duvall farm in the Duvall grave yard. Garner W. Duvall, Sr. (b.11-4-1910, d.8-27-2002), son of Verdie and Sherwood Duvall, always said that 3 stones marked the graves in a fence line.

In 2018 in a conversation with Henry King of Mount Airy, Maryland, Henry told me that he knew where the graves were located on the Mont Duvall farm. He grew up on a farm across the road from Mont's farm. Henry is 82 years old. He told me that from age 7 on until he went into the service around age 20, he helped and worked with Mont Duvall. He said that Mont Duvall on many occasions showed Henry the location of the stones that were the Duvall Graveyard. Henry thought a stone with writings on it were in his memory.

Joseph Montgomery Duvall, in a deed dated November 23, 1910, bought the land from a court sale (must have been a family dispute) where the deed is contained in book #216 on pages 270 and 271. After describing the meets and bounds of the property it lists an exception as follows: "Also reserving: the family grave yard, now located upon said property, as at present located with the right of ingress and egress to and from the same." Garner W. Duvall, Jr. found this language in the deed when he was trying to find out who owned the property in 2018. A meeting has been arranged for November 3, 2018 at 10:00 AM where several people were going to meet near the mailbox at 24724 Woodfield Road to establish the exact location of the Duvall Graveyard. The purpose is to witness the location where Henry King points out as being the location that Joseph Montgomery Duvall told

him is the location of the graves. Also, to discuss the deed, and determine what is needed to get these three graves recognized as being an official burial site in Montgomery County Maryland. A copy of the deed is attached. Then take a latitude and longitude reading to establish the exact location of the stones and site and sign this document to document the fact that a group of persons witnessed the readings of latitude and longitude.

LATITUDE _____

LONGITUDE _____

Above reading witnessed by the following signatures:

Garner William Duvall, Jr. _____ date _____

Glenn Wallace _____ date _____

Garner William Duvall, III _____ date _____

William Harrison Duvall _____ date _____

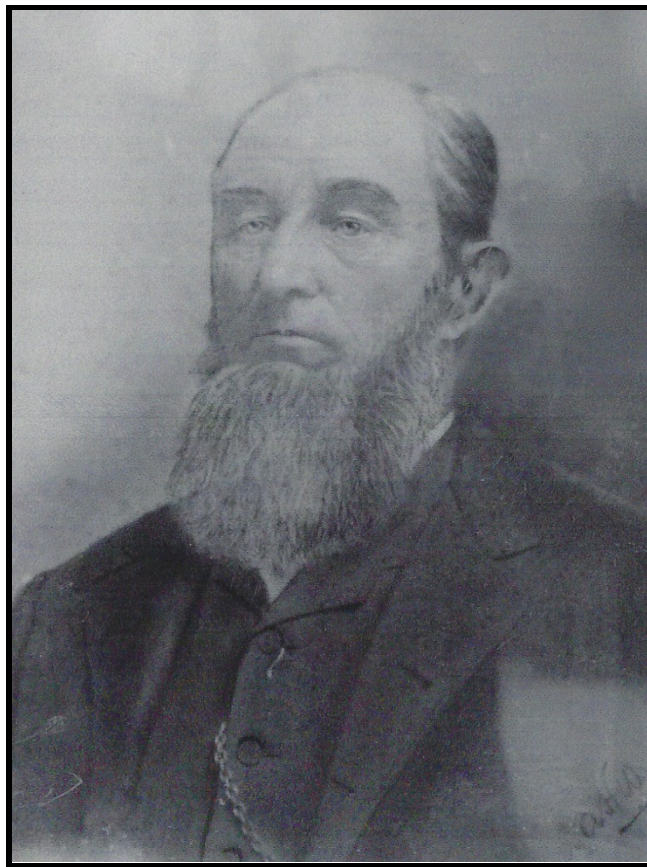
Henry King _____ date _____

On November 3, 2018 the following persons met on Woodfield School Road to witness the location of the Graveyard located on the Joseph Montgomery Duvall farm: Garner William Duvall, Jr., Garner W. Duvall, III, Glenn Wallace, William Harrison Duvall, Henry King, Sherry Duvall Lloyd, Charles M. Lloyd, and owner of adjacent property, Thomas Phillips. See on the next page their eight signatures which confirm their attendance, their witness to the latitude and longitude of the grave site, their witness of Henry King pointing out the grave location as described to him by his relationship with Joseph Montgomery Duvall while working with Mont from age 7 to 20, and their witness to Thomas Phillips, the adjoining property owner, explaining that during his purchase of the property at 24724 Woodfield School Road, the owner, Anna Mary Picket (b.1924 d.2008 bur. DMC Cemetery) informed him of a graveyard near his property. She was the daughter of Joseph Montgomery Duvall. Thomas Phillips said that the county now owns the land adjacent to him. The group cleared some of the fallen tree limbs from over the large stones and searched for other clues. Glenn Wallace, an authority on Graves in Montgomery County, pointed "periwinkle" plants near the stones area

and stated they are often found near graves. He also found signs of groundhog holes which are often also found near graves. No writing was found.

Glenn Wallace stated that he is going to record on an official map the location of these graves and says nothing else has to be done to authenticate this as a grave site. Thomas Phillips said he is going to clear the site of fallen tree limbs. Garner Duvall, Jr. and others will return at another date to investigate further the actual locations near the stones. Glenn Wallace stated after 128 years of burial, without the coffin having a lead cover, ground-radiology will not locate remains.

See below a picture of Grafton Duvall. See family tree after deeds.



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LATITUDE 39° 15' 45 N Elevation 620 Ft.

LONGITUDE 77° 10' 58" W

Above reading witnessed by the following signatures:

Garner William Duvall, Jr. Garner W. Duvall Jr. date 11/3/18
Glen Wallace Glen Wallace date 11/3/18
Garner William Duvall, III Garner W. Duvall III date 11/3/18
William Harrison Duvall William Harrison Duvall date 11/3/18
Henry King Henry F. King date 11/3/18
Thomas Phillips Thomas Phillips date 11-3-18

Sherrice Duvall Lloyd Sherry D. Lloyd date Nov. 3, 2018
Charles Lloyd Charles M. Lloyd date 11/3/18



The above picture is the site of the stones taken on November 3, 2018 with the following persons L-R: Garner W. Duvall, III., Garner W. Duvall, Jr., William Harrison Duvall, Henry King, Charles Lloyd, Sherry Duvall Lloyd, Glenn Wallace. In the below picture is Garner W. Duvall, Jr., William Harrison Duvall, Henry King, Charles Lloyd, Sherry Duvall Lloyd, Thomas Phillips, and Glenn Wallace.



or less; thence to include said conveyance according to the description thereof and in the presence of a said Elisha R. Griffith still the same course South sixty nine degrees West, forty five one hundredths perches to the middle of a fence, then with it South one degree East, thirty four and nine tenths perches to a stone planted on the given line of said Frederick Bowman's land; then with it North sixty one degrees East, twenty seven and seven tenths perches to the place of beginning, Containing sixteen and one half (16 1/2) acres of land, more or less; it being the same land that was conveyed by Elisha R. Griffith and wife to John A. Sellman by deed bearing date the twenty eighth day of April, in the year eighteen hundred and sixty three and duly recorded among the said Land Records in Liber E. B. P. No. 11, folios 48 etc.

TOGETHER with the buildings and improvements thereon and the rights and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining.

WITNES our hands and seals.

Test: *v 271* Randolph Luhn (SEAL)
Joseph Reading *v 48* Mary V. Brandenburg (SEAL)
Executors of the last Will and Testament of John A. Sellman, deceased.

State of Maryland, Montgomery County, to wit:-

I, hereby certify that on this twenty second day of November, in the year nineteen hundred and ten, before me, the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace, of the State of Maryland, in and for Montgomery County, personally appeared Randolph Luhn and Mary V. Brandenburg, Executors of the last will and testament of John A. Sellman, deceased, and did each acknowledge the foregoing deed to be their respective act and deed.

Joseph Reading
Justice of the Peace.

EXAMINED

Mailed to Grantie Fairbanking and Dec 29/1910

At the request of Joseph M. Duvall, the following Deed was recorded November 23rd A. D. 1910 at 10.36 o'clock A. M. to wit:-

THIS DEED, Made this 18th day of October in the year nineteen hundred and ten, by Charles W. Prettyman of Montgomery County in the State of Maryland, Trustee.

WITNESSETH, Whereas, by a decree of the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, sitting as a court of Equity, passed in a cause in said Court depending wherein Ernest D. Duvall and others are Complainants and Carl D. Duvall is Defendant, the said Charles W. Prettyman was appointed Trustee to sell the lands and premises in said Cause Mentioned and described.

And, whereas, on the third day of September in the year nineteen hundred and ten, he sold the said property to a certain Joseph M. Duvall of said County, at and for the sum of Five Thousand Two Hundred and Five (\$5205.00) Dollars, which said sale was duly reported to the said Court, and by an order thereof passed on the third day of October in the year nineteen hundred and ten, was finally ratified and confirmed, all of which will appear by the proceedings in No. 2629 Equity in said Court, and the said purchaser

has fully paid said purchase money.

Now, Therefore, in consideration of the premises and the further consideration of the sum of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars, I, the said Charles W. Prettyman, trustee as aforesaid, do grant unto the said Joseph N. Duvall all the right, title, interest and estate both at law and in Equity of all the parties to the aforesaid cause of, in and to all that tract, part of a tract piece or parcel of land, or all those tracts, parts of tracts, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in Montgomery County in the State of Maryland, being part of a tract of land called "Hickory Ridge", part of a tract of land called "Rouge's Harbor" and part of a tract of land called "Richardson's Range" or by whatever name or names the same may be known or called, and contained within the metes and bounds courses and distances following to wit:-

Beginning at the end of sixteen and a half perches on the eighteenth line of the whole tract, and running thence with said line South thirteen and half degrees West, one hundred and twelve and a half perches to a bounded Chestnut tree; still with the line of said tract South forty five degrees West, thirty seven perches; South thirty seven degrees East, thirty eight and half perches; South sixty five degrees West, six perches to a stone; North thirty five degrees West, ninety four and half perches; North sixty eight degrees West, twenty seven perches to a stake and pile of stones; then running across said land North fourteen and a half degrees East, seventy eight and seventeen twenty fifths perches to a stone; North forty four and a half degrees West, sixty three perches to the end of twenty-six perches on the third line of the whole tract; thence with said line North thirty one degrees East, twenty eight and half perches to the beginning of Celius Duvall's part; then with the given line of said part South sixty five and a quarter degrees East, one hundred and forty two and a half perches to the place of beginning. Containing ninety acres, two rods and twenty two and six sevenths square perches of land, more or less.

Excepting however, the portion of the above described land containing two and one eighth acres of land, more or less, which was conveyed by Joseph J. Duvall and wife, to William F. Duvall, by deed dated the 22nd day of August A. D. 1899 and recorded among the Land Records of said Montgomery County, in Liber T. D. No. 12 folios 304 &c.

Also excepting that other portion of said land, containing sixty eight square perches of land, more or less, which was conveyed by the said Joseph J. Duvall to a certain D. M. Robertson, by deed dated the 15th day of July A. D. 1909 and duly recorded among said Land Records in Liber No. 210 folio 465.

Also reserving the Family grave yard, now located upon said property, as at present located with the right of ingress and egress to and from the same.

Together with all and singular the buildings and improvements thereon erected, made or being and all and every the rights, roads, ways, waters, privileges, appurtenances and advantages to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining.

Witness my hand and seal.

Test:
Joseph Reading.

Charles W. Prettyman (SEAL)
Trustee.

State of Maryland, Montgomery County, to wit:-

See below Grafton Duvall as a sixth generation descendent of Maren Duvall

THE DUVALL FAMILY OF MARYLAND

The first Duvall to come to Maryland was Maren Duvall, who came in 1650 at the age of 25. He left the Port of Nantes in France because the Catholics were cutting off the heads of the French Huguenots. He got his first land grant 6 miles west of Annapolis, Maryland in 1662 of 100 acres. He named his land grant "Laval" but called his farm "Middle Plantation." The custom was to name your land grant from where you came from and that is why they believe that he came from Laval, France. He had 13 children by his first two wives, but married a third time. His third wife's gravestone is built into the side of the brick wall of a church in Glendale, Md. An iron marker is located on Highway 424 one quarter mile north of 424's intersection with Route 50, 6 miles west of Annapolis, Maryland. Maren acquired over 2000 acres by the time he died in 1694. His Plantation was excavated as part of an archeological survey and a book was written by William P. Doepkens, a local farmer that rented the Duvall land for many years, that describes the location of 34 graves, three tobacco barns, a root cellar with stone walls, the main house, and several outbuildings all of which lied along the south side of Rossback Road just east of 424/Rt.50 intersection.



In the tree below, Grafton is the sixth generation of Mareen Duvall. Joseph J. Duvall (b.1857 d.5-21-1910) buried in DMC Cemetery was a son of Grafton Duvall and a brother to William Franklin Duvall (1854-1933). Joseph J. Duvall had a son Joseph Montgomery Duvall (b.6-16-1885 d.12-25-1979) that owned the land the graves are on. Bordering on the west boundary of Mont's farm was William Franklin Duvall's farm which in 1934 became the Earl Johnson farm. Further investigation is going to be done to determine if Grafton at one time owned both of these farms which it was always believed to be the case.

<i>Direct Descendants of Mars Maureen Duvall</i>	
1	Mars Maureen Duvall b: Abt. 1625 d: 05 Aug 1694 Burial: Maryland
..	+Mary Parran Booth b: 1634 d: Bef. 1715 m: Abt. 1657
.....	2 John Duvall, Capt b: Abt. 1652 d: 11 Apr 1711
.....	+Mary Elizabeth Jones b: Abt. 1660 m: 17 Aug 1685 Maryland
.....	3 Lewis Duvall II b: 16 Jan 1702/03 d: Af. 1771
.....	+Eleanor Farmer d: Bef. 17 Aug 1756 m: Queen Anne's Parish, Prince Georges, Maryland, USA
.....	4 Lewis Duvall d: 1817
.....	+Anne Welsh b: 1744 d: Bef. 08 Aug 1825 m: 1762
.....	5 John H. Duvall b: 1774 d: 1858
.....	+Jane Wyvill b: 12 Mar 1776
.....	6 Grafton Duvall b: 17 Mar 1813 d: 10 Dec 1890
.....	+Harriet Scheckles b: 04 Sep 1818 d: 17 Apr 1891 m: 26 Feb 1834, Montgomery, Maryland, USA
.....	7 William Franklin Duvall b: 29 Apr 1854 d: 20 Dec 1933 Burial: Damascus Methodist Church, Damascus, Montgomery, Maryland, USA

This document was written by Garner W. Duvall, Jr. November 4, 2018