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I have received from Herbert D. Howard considerable written information and audio tapes of an interview regarding research that he had personally conducted into the Williams Cemetery which is # 297 on the survey, and also a slave cemetery nearby that is not in the survey. In the survey, this cemetery is labeled "Civil War Burials" and is located in the Laytonsville golf course property. Mr. Howard's research indicates that this cemetery is actually in the front yard of 7300 Warfield Road, a fact that the current owner would like to disallow. His research also indicates that the cemetery includes the remains of many members of the Williams family dating back to Otho Holland Williams, a veteran of the Revolutionary War. The property, original house destroyed, is listed on Hopkins 1879 map and the 1865 Martinet & Bond map as "Jas Williams."

According to the Laytonsville Funeral Home director, Mr. Barber, and a previous owner of the property, there are a considerable number of Confederate soldiers buried in the cemetery (unknown if buried during the Civil War or afterwards as veterans), and the United Daughters of the Confederacy had Decoration Day ceremonies there. The last Williams family member was buried there in the 1930s—in a lead casket. The decorative iron fence and tombstones were removed from the property by an owner around 1940.

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* Is O.H.W. Williams on SAR patriot graves list?

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#297 "Civil War Burials"
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