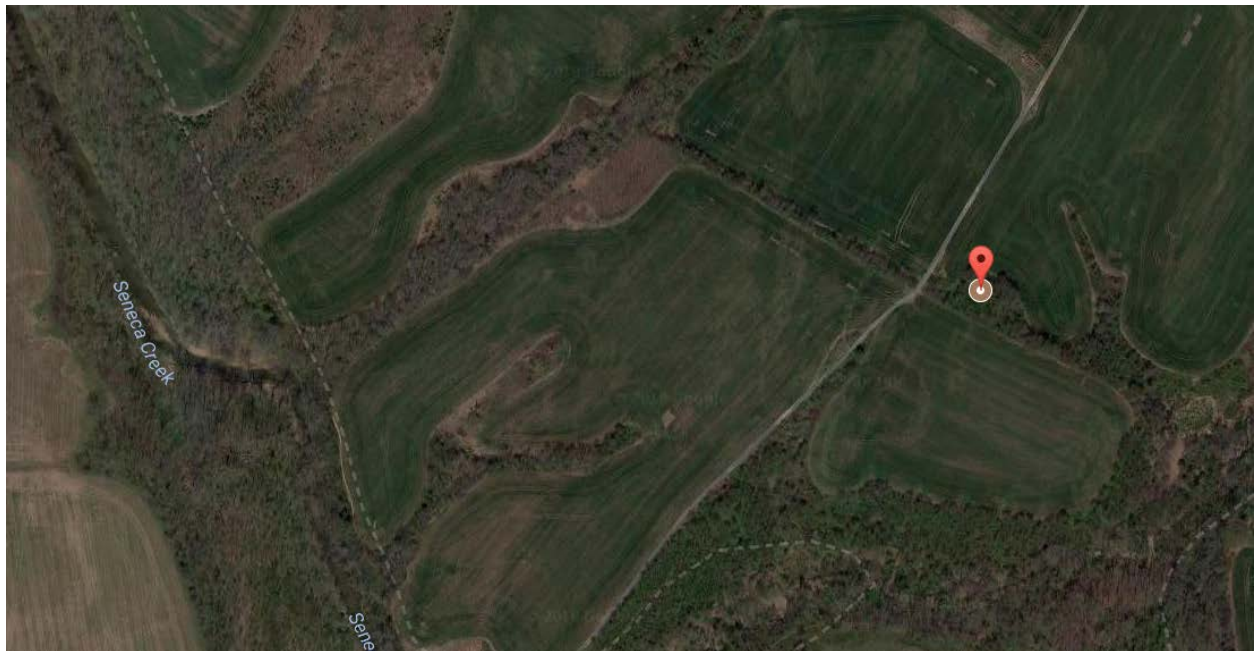
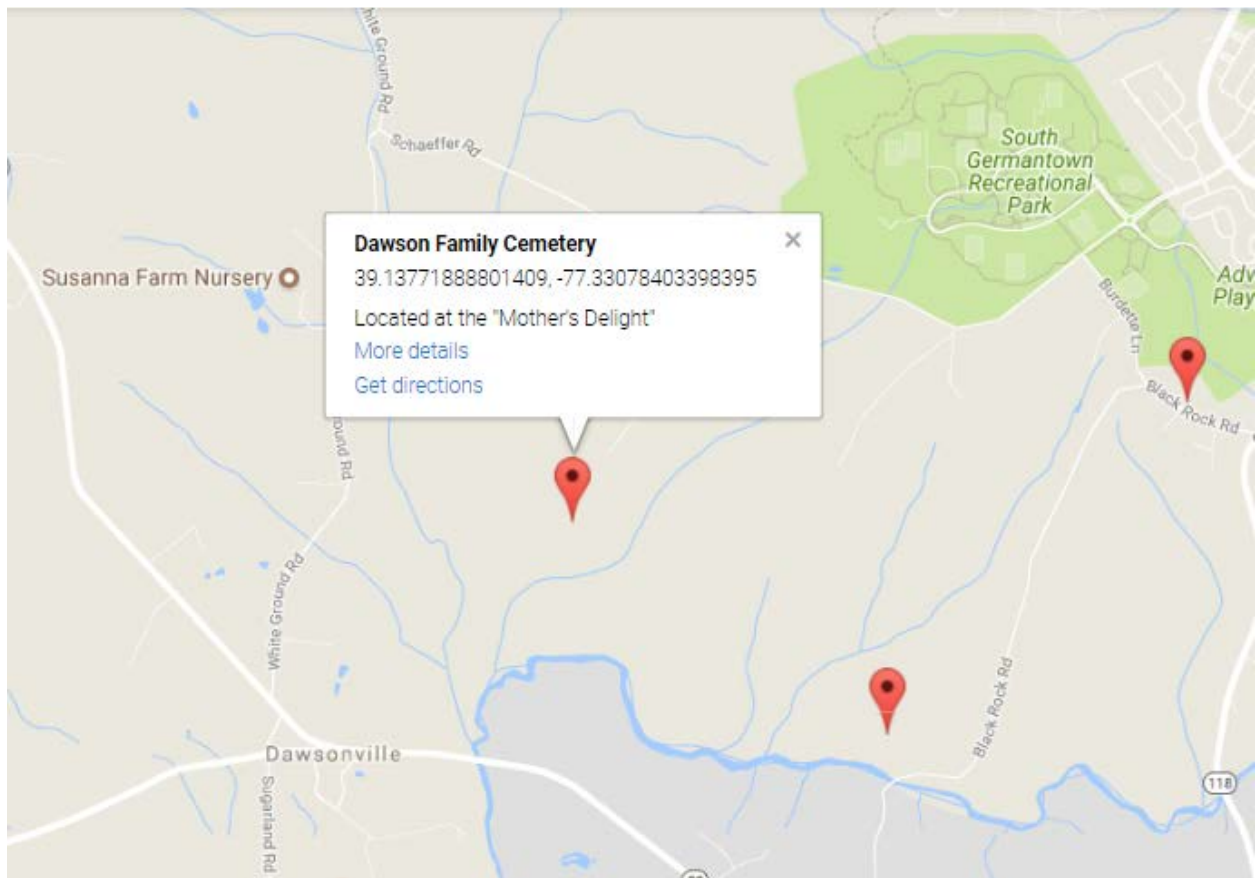




MONTGOMERY COUNTY CEMETERY INVENTORY REVISITED		
BURIAL SITE INFORMATION		
Name: <b>Dawson Family Cemetery</b>	Inventory ID: <b>300</b>	
Alternate name: "Mother's Delight"		
Address: <b>15534 Schaeffer Road, Boyds</b>		
Website:		
GPS coordinates: Latitude: <b>39.137718</b>	Longitude: <b>-77.330784</b>	
FindaGrave: <a href="https://www.findagrave.com/cemetery/2419517">https://www.findagrave.com/cemetery/2419517</a>		
BURIAL SITE TYPE		
Category: <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Community <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Family</b> <input type="checkbox"/> African American <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		
BURIAL SITE EVALUATION		
Setting/location description: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Rural</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input 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"/> <b>Poor</b> <input type="checkbox"/> None		
Is there a formal entrance? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	Accessibility: <input type="checkbox"/> Inaccessible <input type="checkbox"/> By foot <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>By car</b>	
Is cemetery active (recent burials)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	Is there a cemetery sign: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b>	
Is cemetery being maintained? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Minimal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b> (If yes, note caretaker's name below)		
Are there visible markers? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No	Approximate number of burials/visible markers: <b>2+</b>	Date ranges: <b>1797-1866</b>
Description: (markers, materials, arrangement, landscaping/vegetation, fence, paths and roads, etc.)		
• <b>Very overgrown and several fallen trees.</b>		
• <b>Only two grave markers remain. All other markers taken to Monocacy Cemetery.</b>		
• <b>Two concrete walled private burial areas. One is demolished by fallen trees. Trash needs to be removed.</b>		
BURIAL SITE CONTACT		
Name: <b>Maryland Department of Natural Resources</b>		
Relationship to burial site: <b>Custodian</b>	Advocacy contact: <a href="mailto:customerservice.dnr@maryland.gov">customerservice.dnr@maryland.gov</a>	
Address: <b>580 Taylor Avenue</b>		Phone: <b>1-877-620-8367</b>
City: <b>Annapolis</b>	State: <b>MD</b>	ZIP Code: <b>21401</b>
BURIAL SITE SURVEYOR		
Name: <b>Susan Soderberg</b>	Survey Date: <b>3/18/2018</b>	Time spent: <b>20 min</b>
Address:		Phone:
Email:		
Photographer: <b>Susan Soderberg</b>		
COMMENTS		
Suggestions for follow-up:		
• <b>Prime Eagle Scout project or community project. Requires the State's permission.</b>		
Safety issues, invasive vegetation removal, fence removal/restoration, signage, trash, erosion, vandalism:		
• <b>This cemetery requires immediate attention, including tree removal, trash, erosion, vandalism by hunters.</b>		
Anything of significance about this cemetery?		
• <b>Property of one of the earliest settlers of the area, Thomas Dawson (1708-1800), established in 1750.</b>		
SOURCES		
Cite sources used and resources available:		
• <b>2017 site survey completed by A. C. Allnutt</b>		



## Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory Photograph Log

Cemetery Name: Dawson Family Cemetery		Inventory ID: 300
Photographer: Susan Soderberg		Date: 3/18/2018
Time	Photo No.	Description and direction you are facing (Ex: detail of wall around Carr plot facing North)
	1	View toward cemetery from access road, facing east
	2	Concrete walled burial area #1, facing north-east
	3	Concrete walled burial area #1, facing north
	4	Seneca Red Sandstone markers (?)
	5	Two remaining grave markers, facing east
	6	Center of cemetery, facing south
	7	Panoramic from west to north to east
	8	Panoramic from east to south to west



**1. View toward cemetery from access road, facing east**





**2. Concrete walled burial area #1, facing north-east**



**3. Concrete walled burial area #1, facing north**





**4. Seneca Red Sandstone markers (?)**



**5. Two remaining grave markers, facing east**





**6. Center of cemetery, facing south**



**7. Panoramic from west to north to east**



**8. Panoramic from east to south to west**

# Montgomery County Cemeteries

**Name:** Dawson Family Cemetery (on FindAGrave) **ID:** 300

**Alternate Name:** Mother's Delight Cemetery

**Address:** 15514-15832 Schaeffer Road, Boyds, MD 20841  
GPS 39.137633, -77.330714 (taken from FindAGrave.com)

**Town:** Boyds

**ADC Map Page:** 0 **Grid:**

**Cemetery Association:**

**Setting:** About 1/4 mile+ from road **Condition:** Poor

**Negative Impacts:** Trees and plant overgrowth encroachment for the last 85 years. Hunters parking area during deer season, trash plus. Located near county sport biking paths. On farm road to Boy Scout area in the woods and cell tower.

**Burials:** Original number unknown. **Date range of burials:** 1797 - 1878

**Description:** Remains of the Dawson Family cemetery on farm owned by James Mackall Dawson Sr, 1775-1867, then son Americus Dawson 1820-1891. Americus married late, had no children. His nephew James Henry Jones (FindAGrave # 44078984) inherited his estate. A few years after his death in 1924, the properties where sold. Dawsons, Jones and associated families were buried in the farm cemetery located about 1/4 mile from the farm house.

**Comments:** Information from 2 engraved stones in Monocacy Cemetery:

Row H, Lot 41 Upper: "These bodies and slabs were moved from the graveyard at Mother's Delight Nov 13, 1928".

In Row E, Lot 0, another engraved stone: "These slabs were removed from the graveyard at "Mother's Delight".

Remaining at the original cemetery site are 2 stones: John Dawson and son Erasmus Dawson. In the 1920s, when gravestones and remains were moved from Mother's Delight to Monocacy Cemetery in Beallsville, this branch of the Dawson family must have wanted these stones to remain at Mother's Delight. I have no idea how many burials were originally in this family cemetery. There may have been more reinterred at other cemeteries.

**Surveyor(s):** **Survey date:**

**Photographer:** **Photo Date:** **Photo#:**

**Current Owner:**

**Owner address/phone #:**

**Historic Status:**

**Sources:**

**Additional Sources:**

Friday, March 30, 2007

Monday, April 10, 2017 -- A.C. Allnutt



## Gravestones that remain at Mother's Delight Cemetery

Father



John Dawson  
B. Dec 15th 1802, D. Dec 21st 1855,  
Aged 55 years

Son



Erasmus Dawson  
B. Oct 15th 1831, D. Dec 31st 1855  
Aged 24 years, 2 months



## Gravestones Located Now at Monocacy Cemetery, Moved from Mother's Delight farm cemetery

All of the gravestones mentioned below are listed on FindAGrave.com in Monocacy Cemetery with full names, detailed information and photos.

Row H, Lot 41 Upper. On hilltop near back road. -

Back Hillside - Jones group

People buried in this group:

- Thomas Dawson 1787-1852
- Susannah H Dawson 1788-1826
- Susan Dawson 1824-1880
- James M. Dawson 1775-1867
- Mrs Ann Dawson (wife of James M.) 1779-1854
- Eleanor Dawson 1809-1878
- David T Jones (Jr) 1853-1855 - son of David T
- Ann Maria Jones 1840-1846 - daughter of David T
- Laura V. Jones 1845-1864 - daughter of David T
- Mary Ann Jones 1815-1855 - wife of David T

Engraved stone says: "These bodies and slabs were moved from the graveyard at Mother's Delight Nov 13, 1928"



in Row E, Lot 0, another engraved stone: "These slabs were removed from the graveyard at 'Mother's Delight'"

Row E, Lot 0 - group about 100 yards from front entrance

Gravestones in this group:

- Eleanor Allnutt 1750-1832 - wife of Lawrence
- Lawrence Allnutt 1749-1825
- Benoni Allnutt 1785-1859
- Edwin Allnutt 1833-1853
- Elenor Allnutt 1802-1860 - wife of Laurence
- Laurence Allnutt 1796-1859
- James Allnutt 1751-1838
- Verlinda Allnutt 1755-1831
- George W Darby 1799-1866
- Basil Darby 1824-1850
- Jane D. Perry 1782-1857
- Verlinda Darby 1791-1851 - wife of George Darby
- Rebecca Darby 1795-1822 - wife of Thomas Darby
- Mary Dawson 1784 -1797
- William Dawson 1782-1816
- Elizabeth Dawson 1782-1839 -
- William Dawson Jr 1812 -1824





## Mother's Delight Farmhouse - Revitalized



about 1992



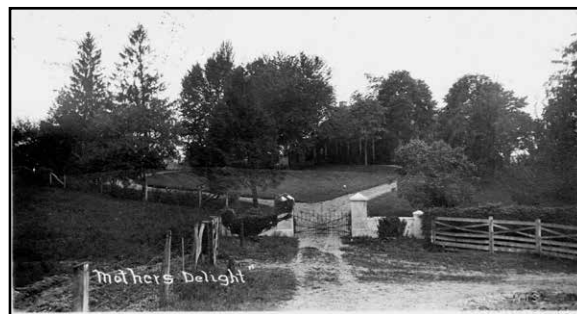
about 1992



about 2003



about 2003 (all barns and out-buildings removed)



Postcard of Mother's Delight.