



# MONTGOMERY COUNTY CEMETERY INVENTORY REVISITED

## BURIAL SITE INFORMATION

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| Name: <b>Jacob Wilbert Family Cemetery</b>                    | Inventory ID: <b>326</b>     |
| Alternate name:   |                              |
| Address: <b>5600 Little Falls Parkway, Bethesda, MD 20816</b> |                              |
| Website:  |                              |
| GPS coordinates: Latitude: <b>38.966460</b>                   | Longitude: <b>-77.101314</b> |
| FindaGrave:   |                              |

## 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: **1877-1922**

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

- **The cemetery was originally 40 feet square**
- **The cemetery area is fully asphalted over and is part of the parking area for Washington Episcopal School**
- **Site contains a stand of mature cedar trees and vinca, which would have spread beyond the original cemetery site.**

## BURIAL SITE CONTACT

Name: **Mr. David Schuessler** ()

Relationship to burial site: **Facilities manager for Washington Episcopal School** Advocacy contact: [dschuessler@w-e-s.org](mailto:dschuessler@w-e-s.org)

Address: **Washington Episcopal School** Phone: **301-652-7878**

City: **Bethesda** State: **MD** ZIP Code:

## BURIAL SITE SURVEYOR

Name: **Amy and Paul Rispin** Survey Date: **6/7/2018** Time spent: **10 min**

Photographer: **Paul Rispin**

## COMMENTS

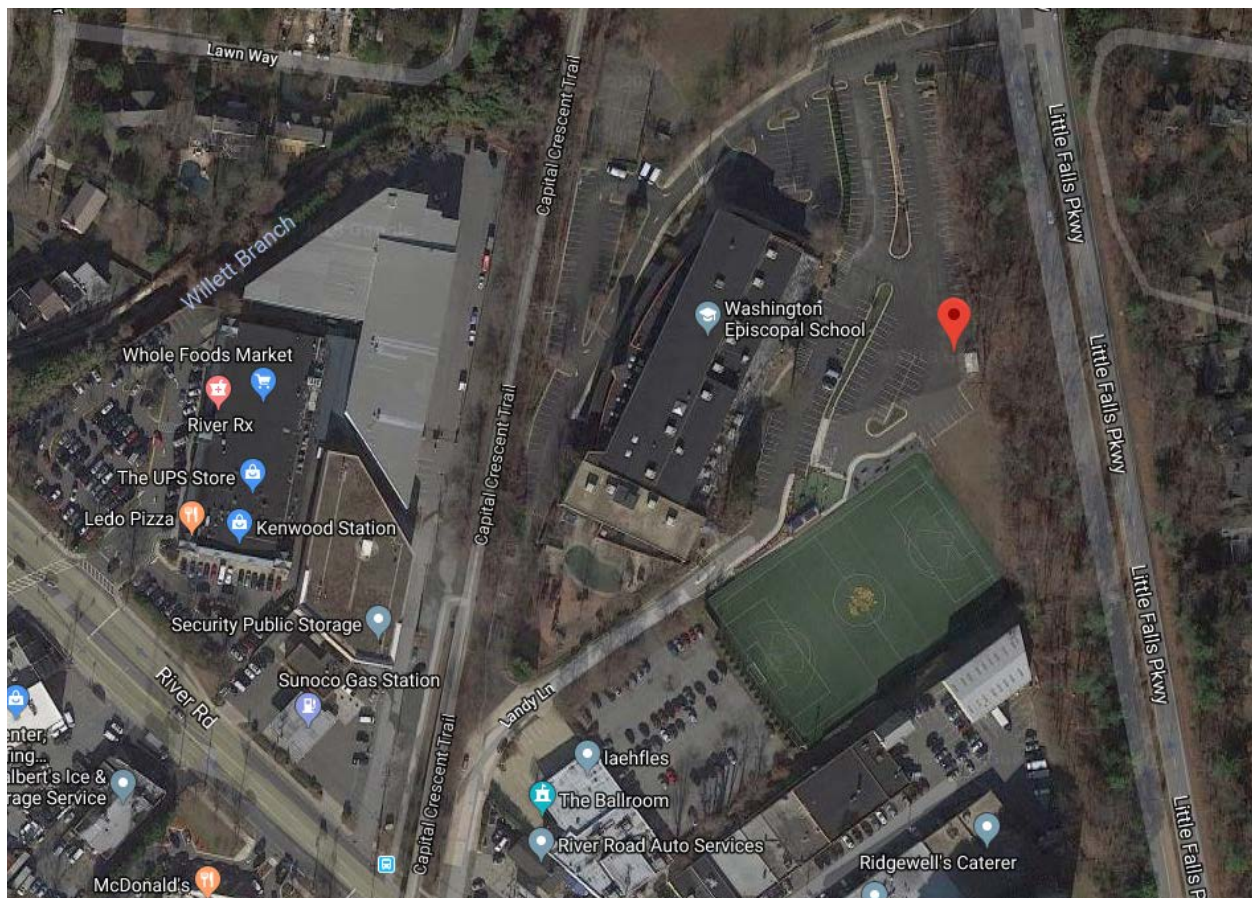
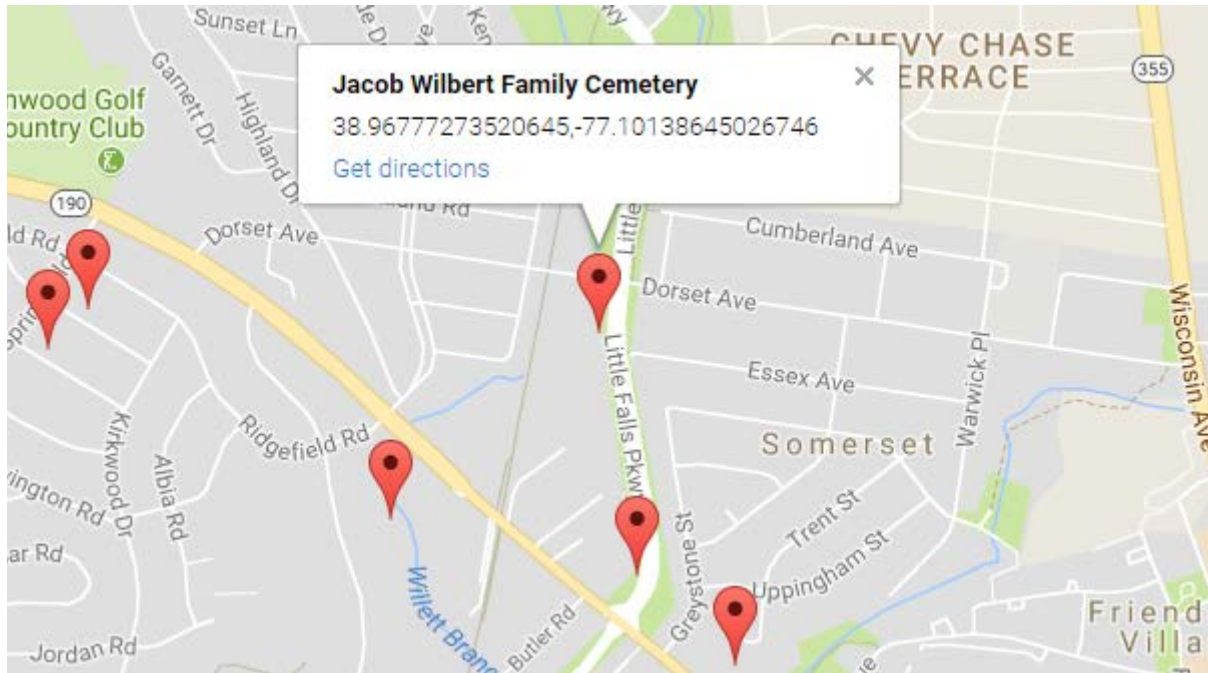
Suggestions for follow-up:

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

Anything of significance about this cemetery?

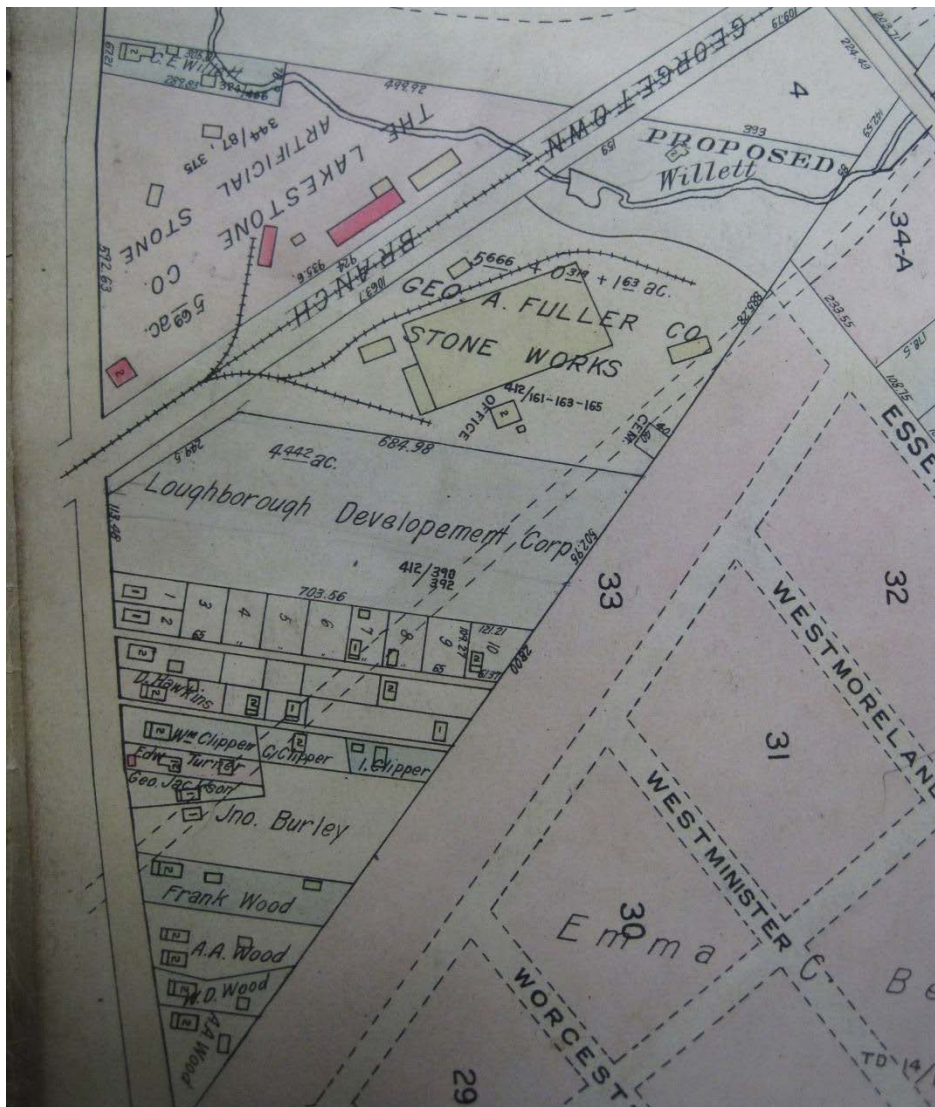
## SOURCES

Cite sources used and resources available:



According to the deed of sale of Jacob Wilbert's property in 1923 after his death, the cemetery was originally 40 feet square, with a right of way along the southern limit line of the Metropolitan southern railroad. (L PBR332 F 285) The eastern boundary of Wilbert's property is now the right of way for Little Falls Parkway. The 1931 Klinge real estate map shows the cemetery on the grounds of the Fuller Stone Works. The cemetery area is fully asphalted over and is part of the parking area for Washington Episcopal School. However, the Parkway right-of-way near the cemetery site contains a stand of mature cedar trees and vinca, which would have spread beyond the original cemetery site.

Jacob Wilbert, born in 1843 in Prussia, immigrated to the United States before 1880; in 1877 he purchased 25 acres of land from the John Counselman plantation. (L JA 17 F 178) He married Phoebe Rozelle Perry, who was the daughter of Cyrus Eli Perry who had a small farm along River Road south of the railroad. She died on May 19, 1908 and the funeral was "from her late home" (Washington Herald). (My home at 5300 Saratoga Ave. is on the Perry Farm). She was buried in the family cemetery as well as an infant child (date of death unknown). Jacob Wilbert continued to live on his land until he died early in the 1920's and was buried in the family cemetery. (The Wilberts' burial on their farm was described by Cleveland Clipper – Offutt. "Bethesda", page 247)



## Montgomery County Cemetery Inventory Photograph Log

| Cemetery Name: Jacob Wilbert Family Cemetery |           | Inventory ID: 326  |
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| Photographer: Paul Rispin                    |           | Date: 6/7/2018   |
| Time   | Photo No. | Description and direction you are facing<br>(Ex: detail of wall around Carr plot facing North) |
| 8:55 am                                      | 1         | Entrance from Little Falls Parkway   |
|  | 2         | Approach on left at entrance, site at top of hill  |
|  | 3         | Panoramic from west to north to east   |
| 9:00 am                                      | 4         | Panoramic from east to south to west   |



**1. Entrance from Little Falls Parkway**



**2. Approach on left at entrance, site at top of hill**



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



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