



Montgomery County Planning Department
The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission

Montgomery County Burial Sites Inventory

Historic Preservation ID:

HP-367

Name:

Shreeve Family Cemetery

Description:

19th-century Family Cemetery.

Community:

Religious:

Family:

African American:

Other Site Type:

Number of Burials:

1+

Visible Markers:

Formal Entrance:

Cemetery Sign:

Active:

Earliest Year:

1826

Latest Year:

1905

Is the Site Extant?:

Is the Location Sensitive?:

Sensitive Contact:

Sensitive Reason:

Location Confidence:

Approximate

Location Confirmed:

Volunteer Forms and External Web Links (Montgomery Planning is not responsible for content. Links provided for informational purposes only)

2006 Survey Summary:

Montgomery Preservation, Inc.:

FindaGrave.com:

Maryland Tombstone Transcription Project:

Other Website:

<https://apps.mht.maryland.gov/medusa/PDF/Montgomery/M%3B%2028-33.pdf>

Master Plan Historic Resource No.:

Historic Resource:

Confirmed by Planning Board:

Confirmation Date:

Site Survey Date:

Revision Date:

No

Site Surveyor Name:

Data Originator:

Notes:

Family cemetery associated with the Samuel Shreeve Family who purchased the land in 1826. Samuel Shreeve died in 1861 and may be buried on site. Shreeve's son-in-law Christopher O'Hare purchased the farm following a court dispute among the heirs in 1865. Cemetery dates are unknown. Earliest date is when the Shreeve family purchased the land; lates date is when the cemetery is mentioned in a deed reservation.

Technical information about the locational information shown in the online map.

Public Display Scale:

Is there a Restriction on Sharing Information?:

1: 0

GIS Source Date:

GIS Source Datum:

Boundary Type:

Horizontal Accuracy:

GIS Data Source:

Additional Information:

Members of the public contacted Montgomery Planning in 2024 about the possible location of the family cemetery in the vicinity of the O'Hare house, including former residents of the O'Hare house from circa 1980 who remember the location of the cemetery. Montgomery Planning provided the former resident with 1951 aerial imagery, and the former resident indicated a group of trees north of the house that corresponded to his memory of where the cemetery had been located. Those trees are in the general vicinity of the present-day intersection of Silo Way and Orangewood St.

MIHP Form for the O'Hare House 28-33 completed in 1980 states "The Shreeve Family cemetery is believed to be situated north of the dwelling. A subsequent MIHP form completed after 1985 does not mention the cemetery.

The cemetery is mentioned in a 1905 reservation in a deed transferring the land from the executor of Anne O'Hare to Catherine Tolson. The deed mentions an 1865 lawsuit among the heirs of Samuel Shreeve (Liber 182 Folio 152). "Saving and excepting therefrom, however, one quarter of an acre on the site of the present private cemetery in said land."

The number and identity of interments is unknown. A Shreeve family descendant provided a handwritten partial family genealogy to a local resident in 2006 that is one source of possible names. Samuel Shreeve also held 8 people in slavery in 1850 and 11 in 1860 according to US Census records. The burial place of these individuals is unknown.

People enslaved by the Shreeve family could have been buried somewhere on Shreeve property, or also in nearby Good Hope Union United Methodist Church Cemetery, an African American church cemetery that may have existed as early as 1870 and includes the graves of people born before Maryland emancipation in 1864. Records of the Sons of the American Revolution suggest the Good Hope Cemetery may have the grave of Revolutionary patriot and enslaver Benjamin Johnson, Jr., who died in 1795, raising the possibility that the cemetery was in use long before emancipation and establishment of the Good Hope Church.

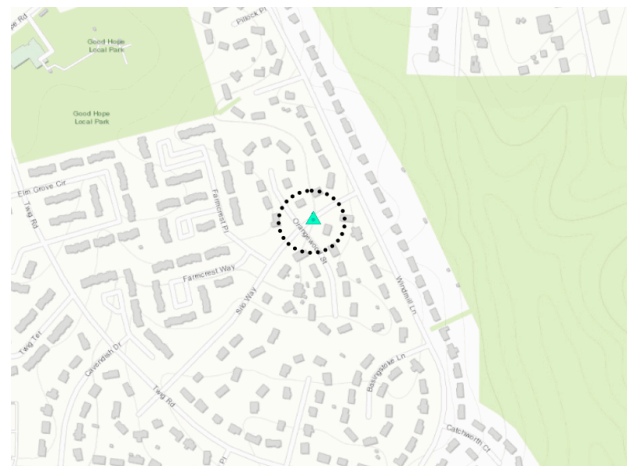
Images:



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1951 Aerial Photograph of O'Hare Farm, approximate location of the cemetery is circled with black dotted line.

Date 03/03/2026
Photographer Brian Crane



HP-367-02

Approximate Location of Shreeve Family Cemetery shown with green triangle and black dotted circle.

Date 03/03/2026
Photographer Brian Crane

MARKER ID

GIVEN NAME

FAMILY NAME

DEATH YEAR