

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic DODON CEMETERIES

and/or common STEUART FAMILY & CATHOLIC CHURCH CEMETERY

2. Location

street & number DODON ROAD not for publication

city, town DAVIDSONVILLE vicinity of congressional district

state MARYLAND county AA COUNTY

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: CEMETERY

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name STEUART L PITTMAN

street & number DODON ROAD telephone no.: 261-4587

city, town DAVIDSONVILLE state and zip code MD 21035

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY COURTHOUSE liber 4999 & 379

street & number SOUTH STREET folio 610 & 429

city, town ANNAPOLIS state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. AA-097

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

These small cemeteries are located approximately 1 1/2 miles south of the intersection of Routes 424 and 214, off of Dodon Road approximately 8/10ths of mile from the intersection of Dodon Road and Birdsville Road, on property commonly known as Dodon in Davidsonville, Maryland. There are two distinctly different cemeteries: the family cemetery of the Steuarts and a Catholic cemetery.

Dodon was originally owned by the Stuart family. In the 1890's, the property was given to the Catholic Church to establish a seminary. The mission of Holy Family was established here. The seminary never materialized and the land was eventually returned to the Stuart family.

The Stuart family cemetery is located to the East of Dodon Road approximately 1,000 feet. The cemetery is 36 feet by 78 feet and is surrounded by a granite oval walkway or path. There are no signs of fencing or separation other than this pathway. The Cemetery is beautifully maintained.

The following is an inventory of the headstones and a general description of each. All inscriptions were legible.

- (a) DR. RICHARD SPRIGG STEUART
2nd Son of
DR JAMES & REBECCA SPRIGG STEUART
BORN NOV 1ST 1797
DIED JULY 13TH 1876

GRANDSON OF
DR GEORGE HUME & ANN DIGGS STEUART

He inherited this estate DODON
from his uncle Wm. Steuart.

This is a large horizontal marble slab.

This is a four-sided marker with a large balloon top.

- (b) MRS. ANN STEUART
Widow of
DR GEORGE H STEUART
Died in 1814
in her 96th year

8. Significance

Survey No. AA-097

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
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check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or

Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Steuart family cemetery which is located to the east of the Steuart family home includes tombstones dating from 1814 to 1941.

The Catholic Church cemetery located to the northwest of the family home includes tombstones dating from 1895 to 1972,

The tie between the early Steuart family and the Church makes this a good visible record of the close relationship.

She was the Mother of
several children who are
buried near her

This is inscribed on the east side of this stone.

- (c) DAVID STEUART
Son of
DR. GEO. H & ANN STEUART
Died in 1814
Aged 64 years.

This is inscribed on the South side of this stone.

- (d) ANNE & JANE STEUART
Daughters of
DR. GEO. H & ANN STEUART
Died Before the
revolution of 76:

This is inscribed on the West side of this stone.

- (e) WILLIAM STEUART
Son of
DR. GEO. H & ANN STEUART
Died in 1838
Aged 84 years.

This is inscribed on the north side of this stone.

- (f) ANNELLE STEUART WISE
1865 - 1959
She restored DODON
to the family 1927

This stone is laid flat in the ground and is a dark marble.

- (g) PITTMAN
ERNEST W.
1889 - 1970
HIS WIFE
ESTELLE R.
1894 - 1980

This stone is also dark marble and laid flat on the ground.

(h) NANCY PITTMAN
1920 - 1941

The inscription is on a dark marble stone laid flat. Separately to the west of the inscribed stone is a statue of St. Francis of Assisi on a column.

This is a complete inventory of the Steuart family cemetery.

The Catholic Church Cemetery is located to Northeast of Dodon Road approximately 1,500 feet. The cemetery is covered with lilies, daffodils, spring bells and wild flowers of many types. There is a barbed wire fence around the perimeter of the cemetery. The cemetery is in need of restoration. The majority of the stones are in place and readable. The following is an inventory of the stones that were visible.

(i) IDA HITTLE
BELOVED WIFE OF
WM. LAUSCH
BORN NOV. 17, 1898
DIED FEB. 1, 1920

We will meet again

This tombstone is included with an additional metal wire fence which may have helped to protect it from any injury from intruding cattle or other animals or people.

This inscription is on the marble base. The actual tombstone on this base is a representation of Christ on the cross with the Catholic inscription over the cross of INRI. The cross is carved to resemble a log including the aging rings on the cut ends. The cross is a part of a stone that has been carved to represent many granite stones. The materials for the cross is granite. It sits on the marble base. It is approximately six feet high. The owner of the property indicated that this body was still in place--whereas the rest of the cemetery had had the bodies removed.

(j) REQUIESCAT IN PACE
(k) RICHARD W. WELSH
SON OF MARIA DEBORAH AND
JAMES ALEXIS IGLEHART

born June 30, 1868
died March 29, 1906

This stone consists of three parts which were face down except for the uninscribed base. The first part was a cross with the inscription across the crossing members. The base of this cross has (k)'s inscription. The stone is white marble.

(l) The footstone is in place with the initials "R.W.W."

(m) IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE OF
FANNIE
DAUGHTER OF
GEORGE & LOUISA KING
BORN
Dec 21, 1885
DIED
Dec 5, 1906
REST IN PEACE

This is a very plain white marble stone.

(n) The footstone is also in place with the initials "F.K."

(o) IN MEMORY OF
ISABELLA V. LEE
BELOVED WIFE OF
WILLIAM D. LEE
Born Dec'r 31, 1838
Died April 11, 1896
She did her Duty

This stone is lying on its back and was partially covered with dirt. There is a carved weeping willow in the top center and the stone is made of white marble.

(p) The footstone is in place with the initials "I.V.L."

(q) REQUIESCAT - IN PACE
(r) JAMES ALEXIS IGLEHART
SON OF THOMAS IGLEHART
AND ANNE LUCKETT
Born MARCH 26, 1825
Died MAY 1, 1908

Blessed Are the dead Who Die
in the Land

This stone is in three parts, a cross on a base on a base; (q) is inscribed on the cross, (r) is inscribed on the first base, and the bottom base is plain. The stone is of white marble and appears to be in place.

(s) The footstone is in place with the initials "J.A.I."

(t) RIP
ELIZABETH IGLEHART
Daughter of
JAMES ALEXIS IGLEHART
and MARIA DEBORAH WELSH
born Jan. 27, 1856
Died April 15, 1909
Thy Will be Done.

This is a plain white stone which appears to be in place.

(u) The footstone is also in place with the initials "E.I."

(v) RIP
AGNES IGLEHART
Daughter of
JAMES ALEXIS IGLEHART
and MARIA DEBORAH WELSH
Born Feb. 22, 1848
Died Jan. 10, 1908
I know that she shall rise again
in the resurrection at the last day.

This is a very plain white marble headstone which appears to be in place.

(w) The footstone is in place with the initials "A.I."

(x) There are four corner stones with the initial "I"
marking off the area of the Iglehart family plot. The area
measures 13 1/2 X 20 feet.

(y) RIP
IN MEMORY OF
MICHAEL KELLY
Born
October 10, 1820

Died
July 1, 1902
Native of Ireland

This stone has been broken in half.

(z) The footstone appears to be in place and has the initials "M.K."

(a.1) IN MEMORY OF
GEORGE KING
BORN
APRIL 21, 1852
DIED
MARCH 4, 1918

This is a white plain marble stone which appears to be in place.

(b.1) The footstone is also in place with the initials "G.K."

(c.1) RIP
IN MEMORY OF
WILLIAM KELLY
Died
March 26, 1899
Aged 72 Years
Native or Ireland

The stone is in place and of plain white marble.

(d.1) The footstone is in place with the initials "W.K."

(e.1) The headstone is face down and we were unable to read the inscription.

(f.1) There are two footstones which appear to be in place and bear the initials "N.S.K." and "M.J.K."

(g.1) There are four cornerstones which mark this family plot. The area they marked off is 10 x 11 feet and the stones bear the initial "K."

(h.1) IN MEMORY OF
AUGUST KLEINSCHMIDT
BELOVED HUSBAND OF
MARGARET KLEINSCHMIDT
Born
March 8, 1851
Died
May 31, 1910
May his soul thru the
glory of god rest in peace

This stone appears to be in place. It is plain and made of white marble.

(i.1) The footstone appears to be in place and has the initials "A.K."

(j.1) Beside the aforementioned stone is a headstone that is face down. We were unable to read the inscription.

(k.1) The footstone for this is in place but unreadable as a tree has grown directly in front of it.

(l.1) RIP
EMMA
Beloved wife of
EMORY DAVIS
Born
Jan 31, 1872
Died
Fep 17, 1910

This is a very plain marble headstone which appears to be in place.

(m.1) The footstone seems to be in place also and has the initials "E.D."

(n.1) IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE OF
PRUT. ISAAC PARKER
DIED SEPT. 13 1918
Died while serving infan-
tryman with the American
Expeditionary Forces

He heard humanity's Clear Call
And knew the Voice Divine!
He gave his Life, he gave his All
in Deadly Battle Line.

The Silent Stars in love look down
where lies this loyal son.
In frosty dew they weave
a crown
of honor he has won.

This stone is broken at the bottom and is lying against a tree. It is plain marble. The broken piece can still be seen in place as a part of the root of the same tree.

