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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

AA-148

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME

COMMON: Middle Ridge Farm and Store

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: East side of Rte. 468 (Muddy Creek Road),

CITY OR TOWN: 1/2 mile south of jct. with Rte. 214 (Central Avenue) near Edgewater

STATE: Maryland

COUNTY: Anne Arundel

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
☐ District ☒ Building ☐ Site ☐ Structure ☐ Object	☐ Public ☒ Private ☐ Both	Public Acquisition: ☐ In Process ☐ Being Considered	☒ Occupied ☐ Unoccupied ☐ Preservation work in progress	Yes: ☐ Restricted ☐ Unrestricted ☒ No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Agricultural	☐ Government	☐ Park	☐ Transportation	☐ Comments
☐ Commercial	☐ Industrial	☒ Private Residence	☐ Other (Specify)	
☐ Educational	☐ Military	☐ Religious		
☐ Entertainment	☐ Museum	☐ Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Walter E. Wallace and Phyllis A. Wallace

STREET AND NUMBER: Rt. 4, Muddy Creek Rd.

CITY OR TOWN: Edgewater

STATE: Maryland

21037

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Anne Arundel County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER: Annapolis, Maryland

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE

Map #60, AD #1, Parcel #496, Liber/folio #2520/53

Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ County ☐ Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:

PS-709

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	☐ Excellent	☒ Good	☐ Fair	☐ Deteriorated	☐ Ruins	☐ Unexposed
	(Check One)		(Check One)			
	☐ Altered	☒ Unaltered	☐ Moved	☒ Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (*if known*) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Standing on a ridge east of Muddy Creek Road, surrounded by large evergreen trees, is this large, late 19th century, frame house. The structure does not appear on either the 1860 or 1878 county maps, so it can probably be assumed that it is of a later date.

The principal (west) section of the house has a three bay facade, with a center entrance and a raised gable over the center bay. A one story open porch extends across the front. The most remarkable feature of the house is the extremely elaborate, scroll-work detailing on the eaves, rails and posts of the porch.

A long wing extneds from the back (east) side of the house. It is one room wide and contains the kitchen.

The original wooden siding has been replaced with white aluminum siding over the entire house but the scroll-work appears to have been left intact, including the scalloped barge-boards and eaves - boards which surround both sections of the house.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

- ☐ Pre-Columbian
- ☐ 15th Century
- ☐ 16th Century
- ☐ 17th Century
- ☐ 18th Century
- ☒ 19th Century
- ☐ 20th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) *(If Applicable and Known)*

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE *(Check One or More as Appropriate)*

- Aboriginal
  - ☐ Prehistoric
  - ☐ Historic
- ☐ Agriculture
- ☒ Architecture
- ☐ Art
- ☐ Commerce
- ☐ Communications
- ☐ Conservation
- ☐ Education
- ☐ Engineering
- ☐ Industry
- ☐ Invention
- ☐ Landscape Architecture
- ☐ Literature
- ☐ Military
- ☐ Music
- ☐ Political
- ☐ Religion/Philosophy
- ☐ Science
- ☐ Sculpture
- ☐ Social/Humanitarian
- ☐ Theater
- ☐ Transportation
- ☐ Urban Planning
- ☐ Other *(Specify)* _____

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY									OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES					
CORNER	LATITUDE			LONGITUDE						LATITUDE			LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds				Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	°	'	"	°	'	"				°	'	"	°	'	"
NE	°	'	"	°	'	"									
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"									
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"									

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF ~~NOMINATED~~ PROPERTY: 9 acres

Acreage Justification:

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Amy Hiatt

ORGANIZATION
Anne Arundel County Office of Planning and Zoning

DATE
August 1975

STREET AND NUMBER:
Arundel Center

CITY OR TOWN:
Annapolis

STATE
Maryland

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature

Wallace residence (Middle Ridge Farm)
not an historical name as far as I know.

I have decided that the house was probably constructed between 1880 and 1885. by Edward Collinson [III] (1848-1922).

1. It does not appear on either of the earlier County maps (1860 or 1878).

2. The original Collinson farm (known as "Rhode River Farm") consisted of ±450 acres. It was acquired in 1814 [A.A.co. Land Records: WSG 3/162] and was not partitioned until 1881 [A.A.co. L.R. SH. 17/110 etc.].

3. The original "main" dwelling was located on a ridge to the North of the Wallace residence [see 1860 & 1878 maps and description of so-called "Home Lot" in Equity #5047, Equity Records FSR 11/75]. The original dwelling was destroyed in about 1965.

4. The 1880 census lists Edw. Collinson [III] as the head of a household consisting of his wife and children and all of his brothers and sisters. Presumably they were all living in the original "main" dwelling which would have been (just) large enough for them.

(5) In 1881 Edw. Collinson [III] received 154ac. as his share of the farm* The Wallace residence stands in the middle of this parcel. The entire parcel (154 ac) was purchased by the Smithsonian Institution in 1971 from Collinson's heirs. The house and surrounding 8 acres were sold to Walter Wallace by the Smithsonian in about 1972.

*Collinson operated the farm and resided there until his death in 1922.

(Amy Hiatt - 1975)

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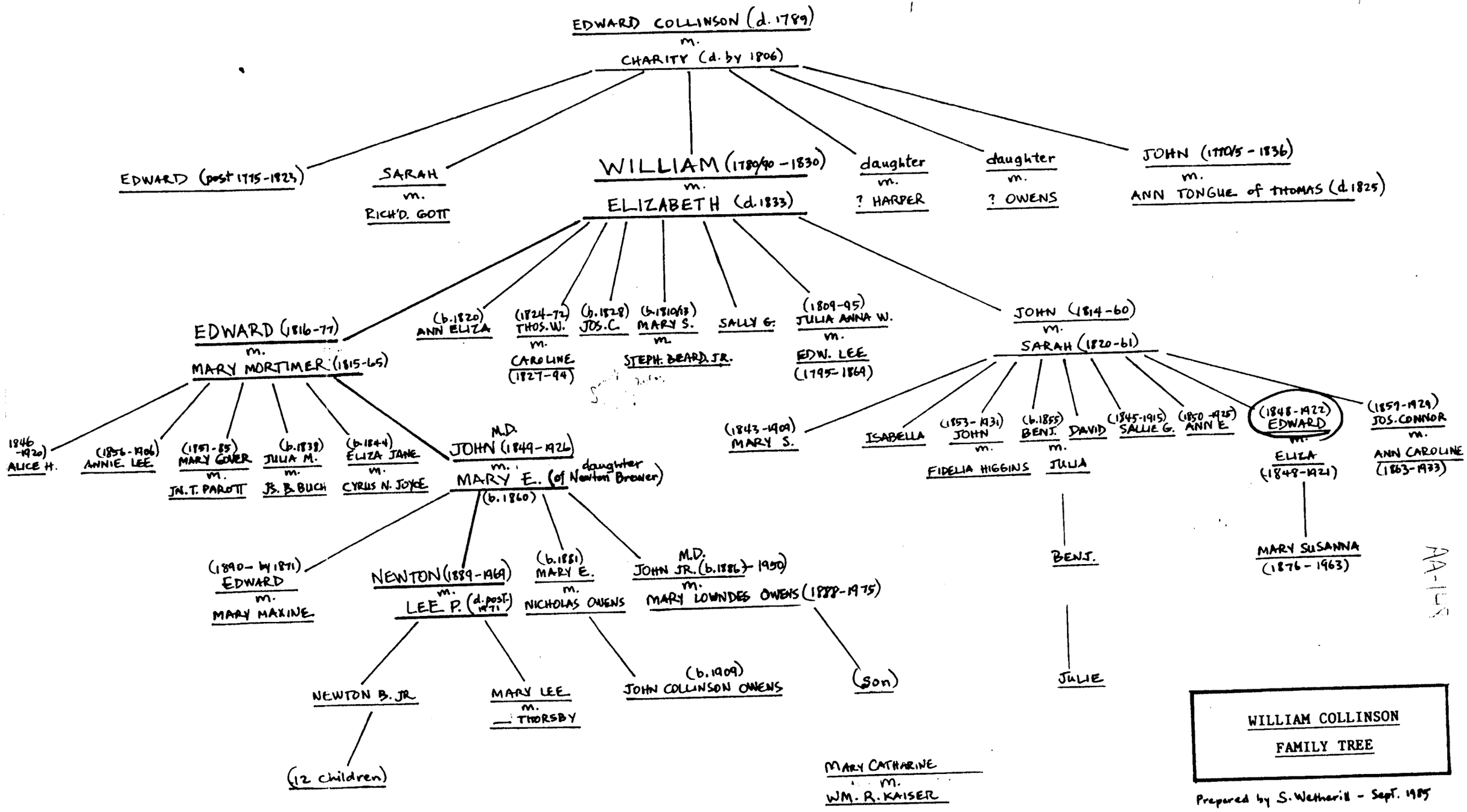
Surveyed by S. Wetherill 6/17/87.

<u>Note</u>: The old "store", located at foot of driveway, south side, was demolished last month (5/87). The final clean-up work is still underway.



* Edw. Collinson, builder of AA-148

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Edgewater (S. River)
A.A.Co. MD
S. Wetherill 7/87
NW facade, Middle Ridge Farm

NO
STOPPING
ANY
TIME

AA - 148
EDGEWATER (South River)
Anne Arundel Co. MD
S. Wetherill 6/81
South corner - Middle Ridge Farm

4x8

AA-30-T-b
(map 23)
Store (former tenant house) at Middle Ridge Farm
N. W. corner