

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. AA-848

Magi No. 020485308

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic WOODFIELD-RIDGELY CEMETERY

and/or common THE CEMETERY OFF RUTLAND ROAD

2. Location

street & number RUTLAND ROAD not for publicationcity, town DAVIDSONVILLE vicinity of 4th congressional district

state MARYLAND county ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input 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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name MRS. ROSAMOND SUMMERFIELD BALDWIN TAX ACCT # 2000-0038-5000

street & number 439 EAST 88TH STREET telephone no.:

city, town NEW YORK, N.Y. state and zip code 10028

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. REGISTRY OF WILLS BY WILL liber

street & number ANNE ARUNDEL CO COUTHUSE, SOUTH STREET folio

city, town ANNAPOLIS, MD. state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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

The small cemetery is located to the north-east of the intersection of Rossback and Rutland Roads in Davidsonville, Md. It is on a small knoll in the woods approximately 1000 feet north of the intersection and approximately 500 feet east of Rutland Road. A gully is on the west side of the site. Mature hardwood trees and thick underbrush are growing among the grave-stones. The cemetery site is approximately 32 feet by 11 feet. Markers for six graves are in a north south row. All headstones face east. All head and foot stones are made of low quality marble. The headstones stand approximately two feet above ground. All but one footstone stand approximately one foot above ground.

The following is a inventory of each head and footstone giving the legible inscriptions and general description of each.

- (a) "Sarah Cowman
wife of
John W. Clagett
Departed This Life
February 12, 1875
Aged 72 Years."

The headstone is one foot seven inches wide. It has a rounded top. In the center of the top half is a recessed circle with a relief of a hand with the index finger pointing upward. "To The Memory of", is inscribed above the circle, and the above inscription is below the circle. The footstone is one foot wide. The inscription is, "S.C.C."

- (b) "To The Memory
of
W.H. Woodfield."

The headstone is one foot seven inches wide, and has the following contour.



The footstone has the following contour, and the inscription is, "W.H.W.". It is one foot wide and is laying on the ground.



8. Significance

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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input checked="" 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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

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.

This small family cemetery includes five stones for the Woodfield and Ridgely families from the period 1813-27 and one stone from the Clagett family dated 1875. The Woodfield and Ridgely stones are all of a similar design and it is assumed that the undated marker for W. H. Woodfield is contemporary with the similar dated stones from the early 19th century. Other unmarked graves are likely to be located in the immediate vicinity.

THE CEMETERY OFF RUTLAND ROAD, ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY
DESCRIPTION, CONTINUATION SHEET NO. 1

(c) "Sacred
To The Memory
of
Thomas Woodfield
Who Departed This Life
November 12th. 1813
In the 40th Year of His Age".

The headstone is one foot nine inches wide. It has the same contour as illustrated. The footstone is one foot three inches wide and has the same contour as illustrated. The inscription is, "T.W.".

(d)"To The Memory
of
Sar III
Consort of
Thomas Woodfield
Who Departed This Life
April 8th 1827
Aged 62 Years."

The headstone is one foot nine inches wide and has the same contour as illustrated. The footstone is one foot three inches wide and has the same contour as illustrated. The inscription is, "S.W.".

(e)"To The
Memory of
Julia Marie Ridgely
Who Departed This Life
The 18th Oct 1815
Aged 2 Months &
12 Day."

The headstone is smaller (one foot three inches wide) than the other headstones and has the same contour as illustrated. The footstone is 11 inches wide and has the same contour as illustrated. The inscription is, "J.M.R. 1815".

(f)"Sacred
To The Memory of
Julia Maria
The Beloved Wife of
David Ridgely
Who Departed This
Transitory Life On
May 23rd 1817".

The headstone is one foot eight inches wide and has the same contour as illustrated. The footstone is one foot wide and has the same contour as illustrated. The inscription is "J.M.R. 1817".



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