

CAPSULE SUMMARY  
BA-0241  
Walnut Hill  
8011 Redstone Road  
Kingsville, Baltimore County  
1775 ca.  
Private

The circa 1775 Walnut Hill dates to a late 18th century period of settlement in and around the community of Kingsville in the Eleventh District of Baltimore County. In the late 17th century, Baltimore County was divided into three parishes—including St. Paul's, St. George's and St. John's—the latter of which encompassed the land surrounding the present-day town of Kingsville on the east side of the county. The land southeast of Kingsville on which Walnut Hill was built was known as "Expectation" and belonged to Elizabeth Gassaway. Colonel Edmund Acquilla Howard later owned Expectation in addition to a 300-acre property known as Woodcock Hollow near it. Although Howard's name appears next to the dwelling on the 1850 county atlas, it is difficult to determine whether or not he was the individual who occupied the house. The land to the southeast of Kingsville developed separately and became Upper Falls Post Office. To the east, Franklinville was taking shape. Walnut Hill fell in the middle of these three communities. By 1915, Walnut Hill was occupied by "F. Winith." The 18th century dwelling is now the center of a circa 1980 residential subdivision.

Initially constructed circa 1775, Walnut Hill is a two-and-a-half-story random rubble stone masonry dwelling that has been altered over the last fifty years. The building presently fronts northwest in the middle of a circa 1980 subdivision. Adjoining a two-bay-wide block is a two-bay-wide stone wing with vinyl cladding on the overhanging upper stories. Two reconstructed stretcher bond brick interior chimneys rise from the roof ridge of the side gable roof clad in corrugated sheet metal. The first chimney is located on the northeast gable end while the second chimney is centrally located on the interior of the structure. The solid stone portion of the building is two bays wide and features two 8/8 vinyl windows on the first story and two 6/6 vinyl windows on the second story, all of which have vinyl surrounds. Between the two stories is a horizontal ghost line that spans the width of the two bays. The stone and vinyl portion of the building is pierced by a central entry with a sash-and-paneled single-leaf wood door with a molded wood surround beside a 1/1 vinyl window with a vinyl surround. A one-bay-square entry porch with a gable roof supported by square wood posts shelters the entry. Two 6/6 windows with vinyl surrounds are located on the second story, while the attic story is pierced by two two-light casements with vinyl surrounds. One-story vinyl-sided shed additions project from the southeast elevation. East of the house is a circa 1990 garage of wood frame construction clad in vinyl siding.

# Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. BA-0241

## 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Walnut Hill

other

## 2. Location

street and number 8011 Redstone Road \_\_\_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Kingsville \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity

county Baltimore County

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

name Donald E. and Charlotte G. Frantz

street and number 8011 Redstone Road telephone Not Available

city, town Kingsville state MD zip code 21087

## 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Baltimore County Courthouse liber 4936 folio 343

city, town Towson tax map 55 tax parcel 349 tax ID number 1106058850

## 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

Contributing Resource in National Register District  
 Contributing Resource in Local Historic District  
 Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
 Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register  
 Recorded by HABS/HAER  
 Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count
___ district	^___ public	___ agriculture	Contributing Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	X private	___ commerce/trade	— / _____ — J _____ buildings
___ structure	both	^___ defense	— _____ — sites
___ site		X domestic	_____ structures
___ object		___ education	— transportation _____ objects
		___ funerary	— J _____ J _____ Total
		___ government	
		___ health care	
		___ industry	
		___ landscape	
		___ recreation/culture	
		___ religion	
		___ social	
		___ work in progress	
		___ un known	
		___ vacant/not in use	
		___ other:	

**Number of Contributing Resources  
previously listed in the Inventory**

## 7. Description

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### Condition

<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> altered

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

Initially constructed circa 1775, Walnut Hill is a two-and-a-half-story random rubble stone masonry dwelling that has been altered over the last fifty years. The building presently fronts northwest in the middle of a circa 1980 subdivision. Adjoining a two-bay-wide block is a two-bay-wide stone wing with vinyl cladding on the overhanging upper stories.<sup>1</sup> Two reconstructed stretcher bond brick interior chimneys rise from the roof ridge of the side gable roof clad in corrugated sheet metal. The first chimney is located on the northeast gable end while the second chimney is centrally located on the interior of the structure. The solid stone portion of the building is two bays wide and features two 8/8 vinyl windows on the first story and two 6/6 vinyl windows on the second story, all of which have vinyl surrounds. Between the two stories is a horizontal ghost line that spans the width of the two bays.<sup>2</sup> The stone and vinyl portion of the building is pierced by a central entry with a sash-and-paneled single-leaf wood door with a molded wood surround beside a 1/1 vinyl window with a vinyl surround. A one-bay-square entry porch with a gable roof supported by square wood posts shelters the entry. Two 6/6 windows with vinyl surrounds are located on the second story, while the attic story is pierced by two two-light casements with vinyl surrounds. One-story vinyl-sided shed additions project from the southeast elevation, obscuring the openings on the first story.

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East of the house is a circa 1990 garage of wood frame construction clad in vinyl siding. The building features a poured concrete slab foundation and an asphalt-shingled side gable roof. Two roll-up vinyl doors and one 6/6 vinyl window pierce the facade of the one-story structure.

<sup>1</sup> Exterior architectural analysis could not determine if these two distinctly separate portions of the building are contemporary to each other, or if they are not, which was constructed first. Additionally, no construction date could accurately be determined by the exterior architectural survey. It is believed that an intensive-level survey would aid in the determination of the dwelling's architectural evolution.

Initial architectural analysis could not determine the cause of this line.

# 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	economics _____ health/medicine _____ performing arts
X 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	education _____ industry _____ philosophy
X 1800-1899	X architecture	engineering _____ invention _____ politics/government
X 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	entertainment/ _____ landscape architecture _____ religion
2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	recreation _____ law _____ science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	ethnic heritage _____ literature _____ social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	exploration/ _____ maritime history _____ transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	settlement _____ military _____ other:

**Specific dates** 1775 ca.-present **Architect/Builder** Unknown

**Construction dates** 1775 ca., 1980 ca.

Evaluation for:

National Register

Maryland Register

X  not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

The circa 1775 Walnut Hill dates to a late 18<sup>th</sup> century period of settlement in and around the community of Kingsville in the Eleventh District of Baltimore County. In the late 17<sup>th</sup> century, Baltimore County was divided into three parishes—including St. Paul's, St. George's and St. John's—the latter of which encompassed the land surrounding the present-day town of Kingsville on the east side of the county. The Day family owned significant amounts of land in the Kingsville area, and was active in the formation of St. John's Parish, an outgrowth of the parish church in Joppa.<sup>3</sup> The land southeast of Kingsville on which Walnut Hill was built was known as "Expectation" and belonged to Elizabeth Gassaway. Colonel Edmund Acquilla Howard later owned Expectation in addition to a 300-acre property known as Woodcock Hollow near it.<sup>4</sup> Although Howard's name appears next to the dwelling on the 1850 county atlas, it is difficult to determine whether or not he was the individual who occupied the house. By the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century, the nearby community of Kingsville was only sparsely developed with a few dwellings and St. John's Episcopal Church, which was located at the crossroads of Belair Road and Joppa Road.<sup>5</sup>

Between 1850 and 1877, a few more dwellings and a Lutheran Church were erected along Belair Road to the north its intersection with Joppa Road. The land to the southeast of Kingsville developed separately and became Upper Falls Post Office. To the east, Franklinville was taking shape. Walnut Hill fell in the middle of these three communities. By 1881, the population of Kingsville had reached 150 individuals, and the small community's building stock included a public school.<sup>7</sup> Upper Falls, which developed as a quick pace, reached a

<sup>3</sup> J. Thomas Scharf, *History of Baltimore City and County From the Earliest Period to the Present Day: Including Biographical Sketches of Their Representative Men* (Philadelphia, PA: Louis H. Everts, 1881. Reprinted by Higginson Book Company, Salem, MA), p. 921.

<sup>4</sup> Baltimore County Historic Inventory.

<sup>5</sup> J.C. Sidney, *Map of the City and County of Baltimore, Maryland, from Original Surveys* (Baltimore, MD: James M. Stephens, 1850). This portion of Joppa Road has been renamed Bradshaw Road.

<sup>6</sup> *Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland* (Philadelphia, PA: G.M. Hopkins, 1877).

<sup>7</sup> *Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland* (Philadelphia, PA: G. M. Hopkins, 1877), np; see also J. Thomas Scharf, *History of Baltimore City and County From the Earliest Period to the Present Day: Including Biographical Sketches of Their Representative Men* (Philadelphia, PA: Louis H. Everts, 1881. Reprinted by Higginson Book Company, Salem, MA), p. 918.

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population of 100 in 1881 and was home to a rectory, school, general store, undertaker and two churches in addition to the numerous dwellings that were centered on the intersection of Bradshaw and Franklinville Roads. Franklinville developed as a milling town centered on cotton mills along the Little Gunpowder Falls.<sup>8</sup> By 1915, Walnut Hill was occupied by "F. Winith."<sup>9</sup> Through the mid- to late 20<sup>th</sup> century the land surrounding Walnut Hill has been greatly subdivided, and the 18<sup>th</sup> century dwelling is now the center of a circa 1980 residential subdivision.

*Atlas of Baltimore County, Maryland* (Philadelphia, PA: G. M. Hopkins, 1877), np; see also J. Thomas Scharf, *History of Baltimore City and County From the Earliest Period to the Present Day: Including Biographical Sketches of Their Representative Men* (Philadelphia, PA: Louis H. Everts, 1881. Reprinted by Higginson Book Company, Salem, MA), p. 922.

<sup>9</sup> *Map of Baltimore County* (Philadelphia, PA: G.W. Bromley, 1915).

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property      .10 Acre  
Acreage of historical setting      Unknown  
Quadrangle name                      White Marsh                      Quadrangle scale: 1:24,000

### Verbal boundary description and justification

Since its construction circa 1775, Walnut Hill has been associated with the one acre of land known as tax parcel 349 of map 55 located in the Baltimore County Tax Assessor's office.

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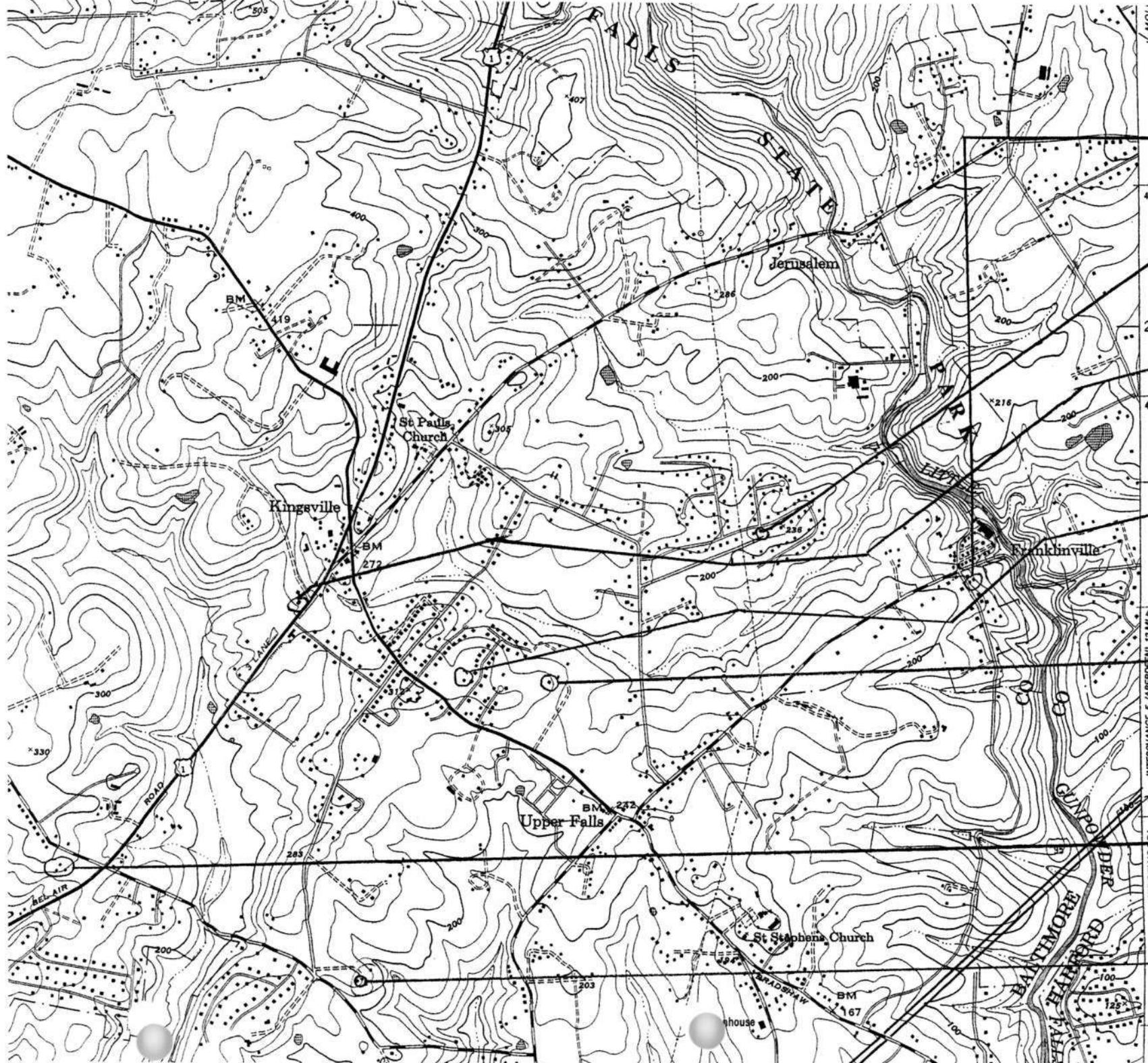
## 11. Form Prepared by

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city or town	Washington	state	DC

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to:                      Maryland Historical Trust  
   DHCD/DHCP  
   100 Community Place  
   Crownsville, MD 21032-2023  
   410-514-7600



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1825 REYNOLDS ROAD  
KINGSVILLE, BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-0241  
8011 REDSTONE ROAD  
KINGSVILLE, BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-0243  
DAY-DEANS KING HOUSE  
11750 BELAIR ROAD  
BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-0362  
BELLUE  
7528 BRADSHAW ROAD  
KINGSVILLE  
BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-0250  
ROSLYN  
7640 BRADSHAW ROAD  
UPPER FALLS  
BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-0238  
HEATHCOTE  
7027 MOUNT VISTA RD  
KINGSVILLE  
BALTIMORE COUNTY

BA-0236  
7404 MT. VISTA ROAD

MOU 2.8 A  
 4369  
 27'30"  
 4368  
 4967  
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 (EDGEWOOD) 5.92 N NE  
 JOPPA 1.3 MI.  
 YABINGDON 5.9 MI.

29416  
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i. STATE **Maryland**  
COUNTY **Baltimore**  
TOWN **Kingsville** VICINITY **Dist. XI**  
STREET NO. **Chapman Avenue**

2 NAME **Walnut Hill**

ORIGINAL OWNER  
ORIGINAL USE  
PRESENT OWNER  
PRESENT USE  
WALL CONSTRUCTION  
NO. OF STORIES

DATE OR PERIOD **late 1700's**  
STYLE  
ARCHITECT  
BUILDER

3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE

4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION

OPEN TO PUBLIC

Stone house on land called "Expectation" and patented in 1798. Owned by Elizabeth Gassaway and later by Col. Edmund Acquilla Howard who owned the adjoining 300 acre tract "Woodcock Hollow".

(second HABS report)  
E. Frances Offutt  
HABS COMMITTEE OF BALTIMORE  
COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
March 20, 1968

5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE    Endangered

Interior

Exterior

6. LOCATION MAP (PI<sup>o</sup> Optional)

3- PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages)  
INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.

7. PHOTOGRAPH

9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER

DATE OF RECORD