

G-V-A-085

Underwood United Brethern Church,
and Ashby Cemetery
Gortner
Private

Rebuilt 1938

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The Ashby cemetery contains a 1966 monument dedicated to William and Sarah Ashby who were interred there in 1803 and 1820, respectively. The majority of grave markers date from the 1920's and 1930's.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Underwood United Brethern Church and Ashby Cemetery

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Silver Knob Rd. - N side, .1 mile E of Crellin-Underwood Road

CITY, TOWN

Görtner

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Underwood United Bretheran Church

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 361

Cemetery:

Folio #: 833

No Deed

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE

Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Underwood United Brethern (sic) Church is located on the north side of Silver Knob Road approximately .1 mile east of Crellin-Underwood Road. The cemetery is situated on the south side of the road .1 mile further east.

The church is a frame, one story, gable-roofed building with its facade oriented to the southeast. Its basic configuration is a one bay by four bay main block with a square bell tower at its southeast gable end facade and a pentagonal projection at its northwest endwall. A later gable addition is positioned on the eastern end of the northeast elevation, occupying one bay.

The main section of the church rests on a concrete block foundation with a full basement level. Its rectangular windows are glazed with leaded, stained glass. The bell tower sits on a rubble stone foundation and is topped by a bellcast roof. The roof is supported by square posts with scroll brackets at the corners leaving the bell platform open. A double door entrance with a two pane transom light is located at the base of the tower and two round arched windows are placed above the doorway, one above the other. The five-sided projection at the rear also has a rubble stone foundation. Two stained glass windows identical to those on the rest of the building pierce the sides that join the main block. The gable addition rests on cinderblock and is lit by small, aluminum sash windows.

The Ashby Cemetery contains a 1966 monument dedicated to William and Sarah Ashby who were interred there in 1803 and 1820, respectively. A fragment of the Ashby tombstone is placed on the monument. The next earliest tombstone is dated 1854 and does not identify the deceased. The most recent stone is Rebecca Stiles' 1958 monument. The majority of the markers date from the 1920s and 1930s. The major families buried there are: Beachy, Kitzmiller, Dillworth, Barkman, Rishell , Forman, Armstrong , Wilson, Lowdermilk, Friend, Smith, Nine, and Elliot.

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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 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 checked="" 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 checked="" 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 c.1873; rebuilt 1938 BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This typical rural church was built C. 1873 when the congregation was founded by I. M. Underwood. It was rebuilt in 1938 by E. A. Crites.

The Ashby tombstone located in the cemetery is of special note. William and Sarah Ashby were some of the earliest settlers into Garrett County.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

May 1981

STREET & NUMBER

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CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

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SE elevation



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NE end NW side -