

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC
Carter House, site
 AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER
South bank Carter Creek

CITY, TOWN
Kent Island VICINITY OF
 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT
1st

STATE
Maryland COUNTY
Queen Anne's

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 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 checked="" 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"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: cemetery

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME
Multiple Ownership Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER
See Tax Map 76

CITY, TOWN
Tower Gardens, Section K STATE, zip code

Vicinity parcels 30-38 VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.
 STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Liber #:
 Folio #:

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input 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		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Carter House was located on the south bank of Carter's Creek on Kent Island, approximately eight miles south of Stevensville and three miles north of Kent Point. The house site has become part of a modern sub-division known as Tower Gardens. A small cemetery on the site contains seven gravestones dating from 1855 to 1903. These include six members of the Carter family and one member of the Tanner family.

The house apparently was still standing in the early 1950's but was destroyed sometime thereafter. Thus far, no detailed description or photograph of the house has been discovered. Brief descriptions of the house may be found in two sources, however. In 1951, the Boston architectural firm of Perry, Shaw, and Hepburn was commissioned by the Maryland Historical Society to prepare a brief survey of important early buildings in Eastern Maryland. On page 4 of that report, the following remarks are made:

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CONTINUATION SHEET

7.1 DESCRIPTION

...The Carter House on Kent Island is not described in Forman except in passing on p. 201 and is illustrated by a thumb-nail sketch opposite p. 57. The house is to the west of the road down Kent Island, and on the south shore of Carter's Creek. It is untenanted. The house is in reasonably good repair. From a casual survey, it appears that the north end of the house was built first and the south end was added to it around 1800. The interior wood-work appears to be of the period 1810 to 1820...

The report refers to a brief note in Henry Chandler Forman's first book, Early Manor and Plantation Houses of Maryland (privately printed in Easton, Maryland, 1934). Forman notes that the house was a two room deep building with a gambrel roof and two chimneys on each gable end. The sketch on page 57 illustrates a five bay house with a large gambrel roof and flush gable chimneys.

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 type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 400-1499	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" 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 checked="" 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

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

A large 1 1/2 story five bay house with paired gable chimneys and a gambrel roof stood on this site until the 1950's. Described briefly by Dr. H.C. Forman in the 1930's and by Perry, Shaw, and Hepburn in 1951, the house had a double pile plan and was probably constructed in two parts. The latter report noted that the original north end was enlarged circa 1800 and that the interior woodwork appeared to date to circa 1810-20. The only early feature surviving on the site is a small cemetery with gravestones of the Carter family dating to the latter half of the 19th century.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

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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

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Orlando Ridout V, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Queen Anne's County Historical Society

DATE

3/10/82

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Centreville

STATE

Maryland

Cemetery recorded in Field Notebook QA-25; June 5, 1981.

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory 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
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

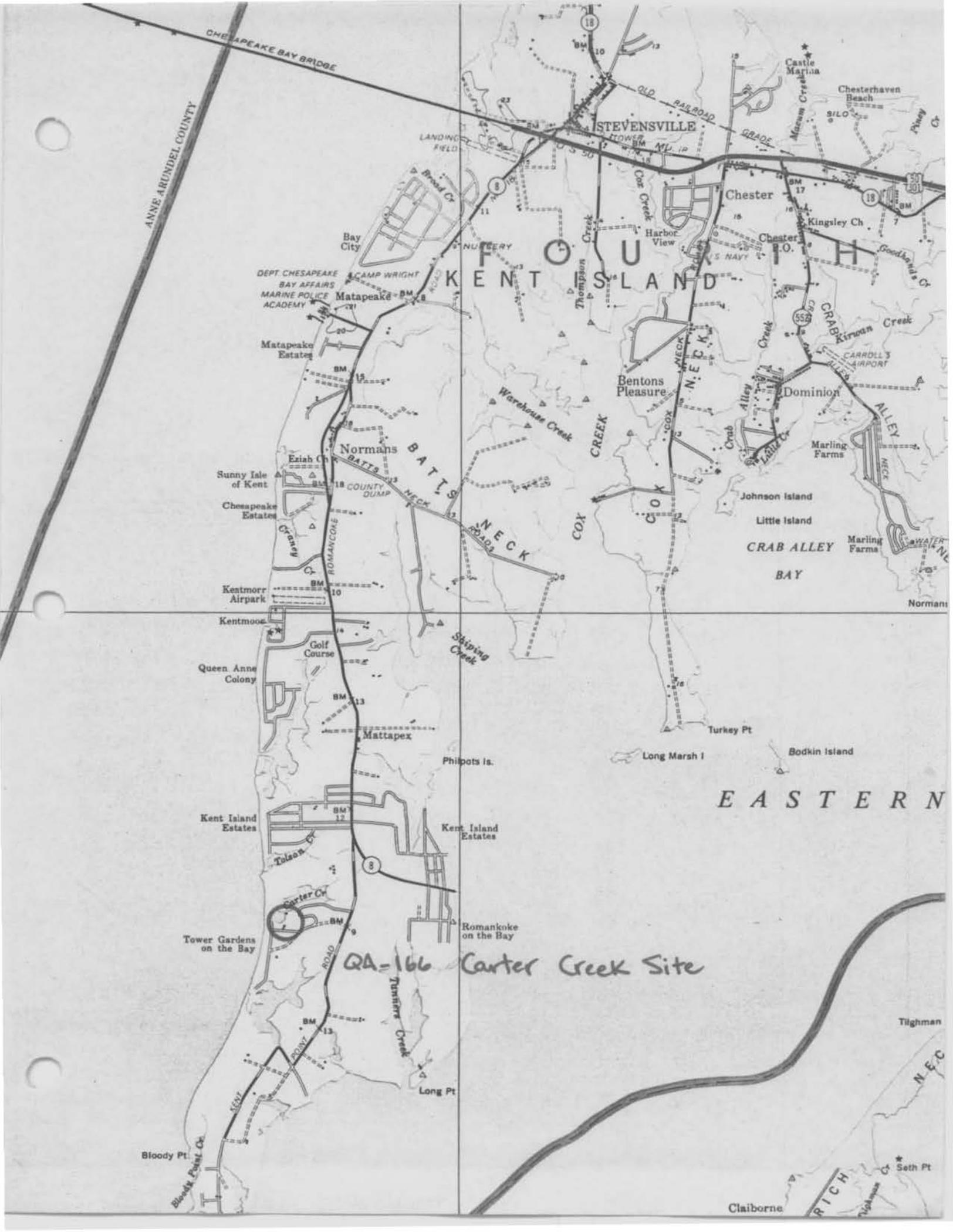
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Forman, Henry Chandlee. Early Manor and Plantation
Houses of Maryland. Privately printed: Easton,
Maryland, 1934.

Regional Architectural Survey of Eastern Maryland.

Prepared by Perry, Shaw and Hepburn, Kehoe and
Dean, Architects; 1951. (On deposit, Maryland
Historical Society).



CHESAPEAKE BAY BRIDGE
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

STEVENSVILLE

KENT ISLAND

DEPT. CHESAPEAKE BAY AFFAIRS MARINE POLICE ACADEMY

Bay City

Matapeake

Matapeake Estates

Normans

Sunny Isle of Kent

Chesapeake Estates

Kentmorr Airpark

Kentmoor

Queen Anne Colony

Kent Island Estates

Tower Gardens on the Bay

Bloody Pt.

Chester

Chester

Harbor View

Bentons Pleasure

Dominion

Johnson Island

Little Island

CRAB ALLEY

BAY

Turkey Pt.

Long Marsh I.

Bodkin Island

EASTERN

Kent Island Estates

Romankoke on the Bay

Tighman

Claiborne

Seth Pt.

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