

S-439
Levin T. Waters House
Upper Hill
Private

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The house is named for a long-time owner and former resident Levin T. Waters.

HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: CLYDE WATERS HOUSE

MHT Inventory Number: S-439

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture
- 2) Geographic Orientation: Eastern Shore
- 3) Chronological/Development Period(s):
Industrial/Urban Dominance
1870-1930
- 4) Resource Type(s): Single-family dwelling

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. S-439

Magi No.

DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic LEVIN T. WATERS HOUSE

and/or common Clyde Waters House

2. Location

street & number 8172 Upper Hill Road ___ not for publication

city, town Upper Hill ___ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Somerset

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

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

name Clyde Waters

street & number P. O. Box 316 telephone no.:

city, town Upper Hill state and zip code MD 21868

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset County Clerk of Court liber 398

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio 54

city, town Princess Anne state MD 21853

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

pository 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input 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.

Historically known as the Levin T. Waters house, this two-and-a-half story, ell-shaped frame dwelling stands at 8172 Upper Hill Road in the center of Upper Hill, Somerset County, Maryland. The main block faces west with the principal gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Dating to the third and fourth quarters of the nineteenth century, this ell-shaped house is supported by a brick pier foundation, and the exterior is clad with asbestos shingles. The main block appears to date from two distinct periods with a two-story, two-bay, side hall/parlor dwelling predating the two-and-a-half story south end addition that gives the main block its ell shape. Distinct changes in the cornice construction and perceptible changes in window design are exterior features that suggest the two stages in construction. The steeply pitched gable roofs for both sections are covered with asphalt shingle roofs. Attached to the rear wall of the main block is a two-story, two-part stepped service wing.

The west (main) elevation is an asymmetrical facade with the central entrance sheltered by an enclosed front porch. The projecting gable front wall of the late nineteenth century addition is marked by a single-pane sash window on each floor, and corner pilasters trim the house. A pointed arch window illuminates the attic, and the eaves to the roof are extended.

The south side of the late nineteenth century addition is two-rooms deep, defined by pairs of single-pane sash windows on each floor. A cross gable is centered on the roof and is marked by a pointed arch sash window. A single-flue brick stove chimney pierces the roofline.

The north gable end, on the other hand, is marked by pairs of six-over-six sash windows on each floor to each side of a single flue brick stove chimney.

The east (rear) wall of the house is partially covered by a two-story, two-part stepped service wing extended on the north and south sides by single-story shed additions. An interior brick stove chimney rises through the gable end of the two-story, two-bay section, and the second floor is lighted by six-over-six sash windows.

The interior was not seen.

8. Significance

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"/> 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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates	Builder/Architect
check: Applicable Criteria: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D and/or	
Applicable Exception: <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G	
Level of Significance: <input type="checkbox"/> national <input type="checkbox"/> state <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> local	

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

A
 Zone Easting Northing

B
 Zone Easting Northing

C

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code

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11. Form Prepared By

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organization Private Consultant date 6/5/95

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city or town Westover state Maryland 21871

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Levin T. Waters House
8172 Upper Hill Road
Upper Hill, Somerset County, Maryland
Chain of title

398/54 Willie A. Waters

to

2/5/1985 Clyde Waters
George E. Waters
Sarah Waters Lockett
Vivian Waters Smith
3/4 acre being the same premises whereon
decedent Levin T. Waters resided during his
lifetime

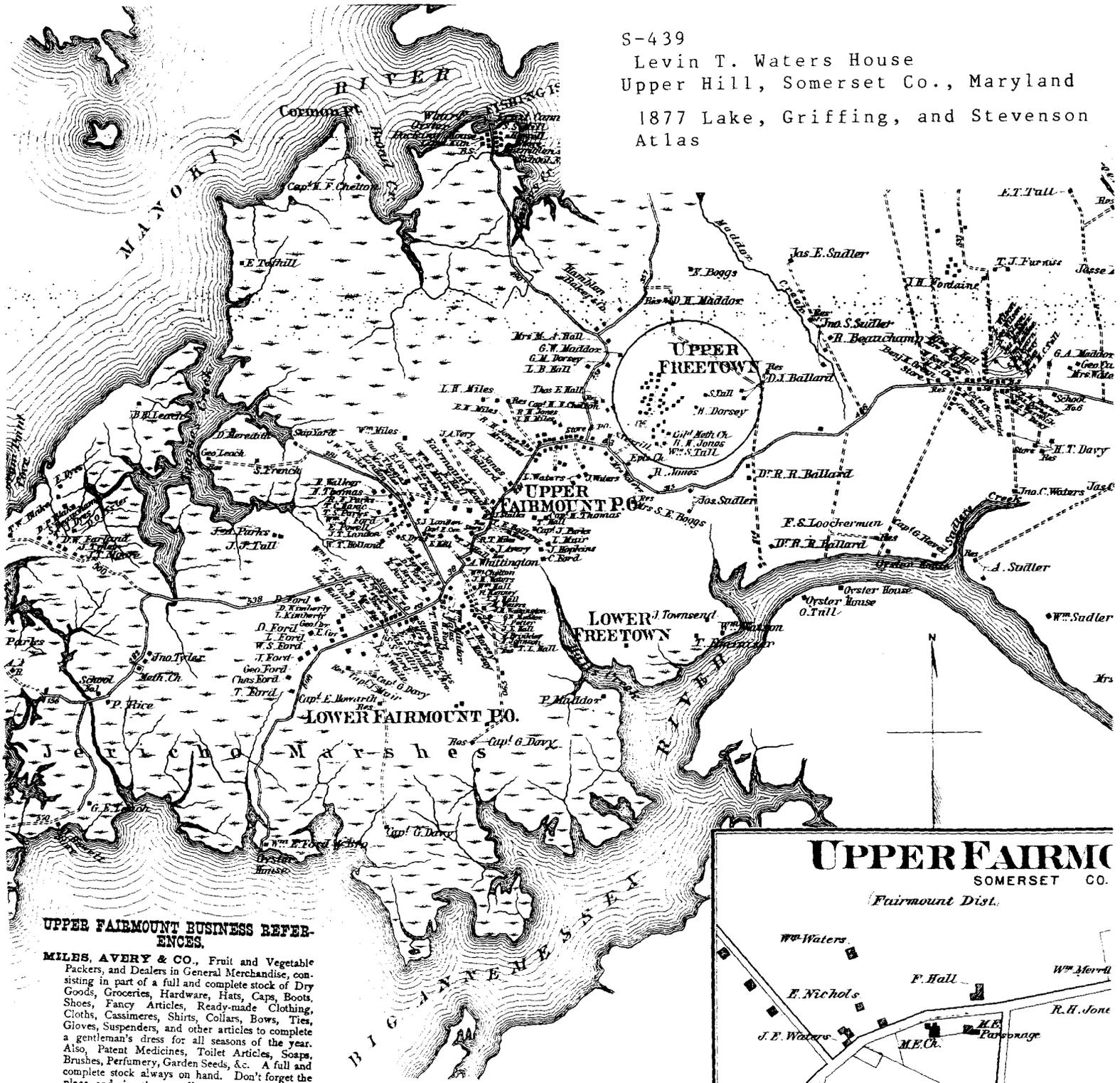
317/541 William A. Waters
Clyde Waters
Personal Representative of Levin T. Waters

to

10/30/1979 Willie A. Waters

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Levin T. Waters House
Upper Hill, Somerset Co., Maryland
1877 Lake, Griffing, and Stevenson
Atlas

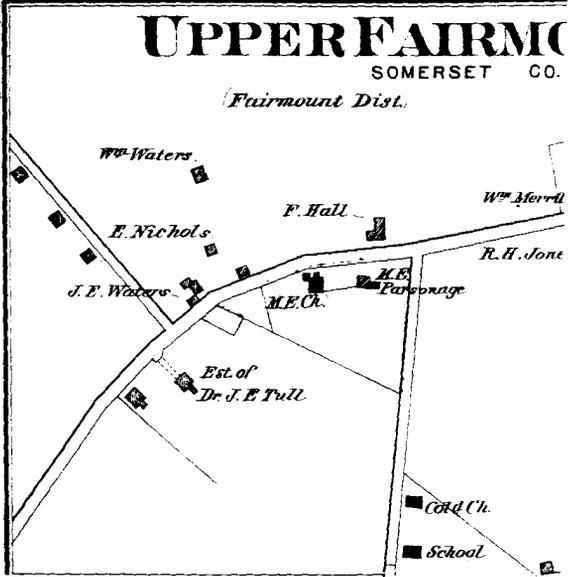


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Upper Hill, Maryland

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