

S-449
Charles Edward Waters House
Upper Hill
Private

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: CHARLES EDWARD WATERS HOUSE

MHT Inventory Number: S-449

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 Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. S-449
Magi No.
DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic CHARLES EDWARD WATERS HOUSE

and/or common NETTIE M. WATERS HOUSE

2. Location

street & number 8358 Upper Hill Road ___ not for publication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 type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" 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 Heirs of Nettie M. Waters

street & number 1716 Stenton Avenue telephone no.:

city, town Philadelphia state and zip code PA 19141-1433

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Somerset County Clerk of Court liber 303

street & number Somerset County Courthouse folio 374

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

Survey No. S-449

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.

The Charles Edward Waters house, also known as the Nettie M. Waters house, stands at 8358 Upper Hill Road on the northern edge of Upper Hill, Somerset County, Maryland. The two-and-a-half story, center hall frame dwelling faces east with the principal gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Dating to around 1890, the story-and-a-half, three-bay frame house rests on a brick pier foundation covered with sheet metal, and the exterior is sheathed with a layer of vinyl siding. The steeply pitched cross gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Attached to the back of the main block is two-story, two-bay rear kitchen wing.

The east (main) elevation is a symmetrical three-bay facade with a center entrance sheltered by a single-story cross gabled front porch which has been enclosed. Two-over-two sash windows light the first and second floors, and arched two-pane windows mark the cross gable and gable ends. The eaves to the roof are extended and the soffits are boxed.

The two-story, two-bay rear wing is extended farther westward by a single-story addition. An interior end brick stove chimney rises through the gable end.

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/ 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 **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.

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CHARLES EDWARD WATERS HOUSE
8358 Upper Hill Road
Upper Hill, Somerset County, Maryland
Chain of title

303/374 George Edward Waters
 Mary P. Badger
 Thomas Eugene Waters
 Herbert Lee Waters
 Joseph Elmer Waters
 Ronetta Majors Waters

to

9/12/1977 Netite M. Waters

ITP 287/522 George Edward Waters
 Mary P. Badger
 Thomas Eugene Waters

to

6/13/1975 Grantors above

219/226 Charles E. Waters
 Ruenette Majors Waters

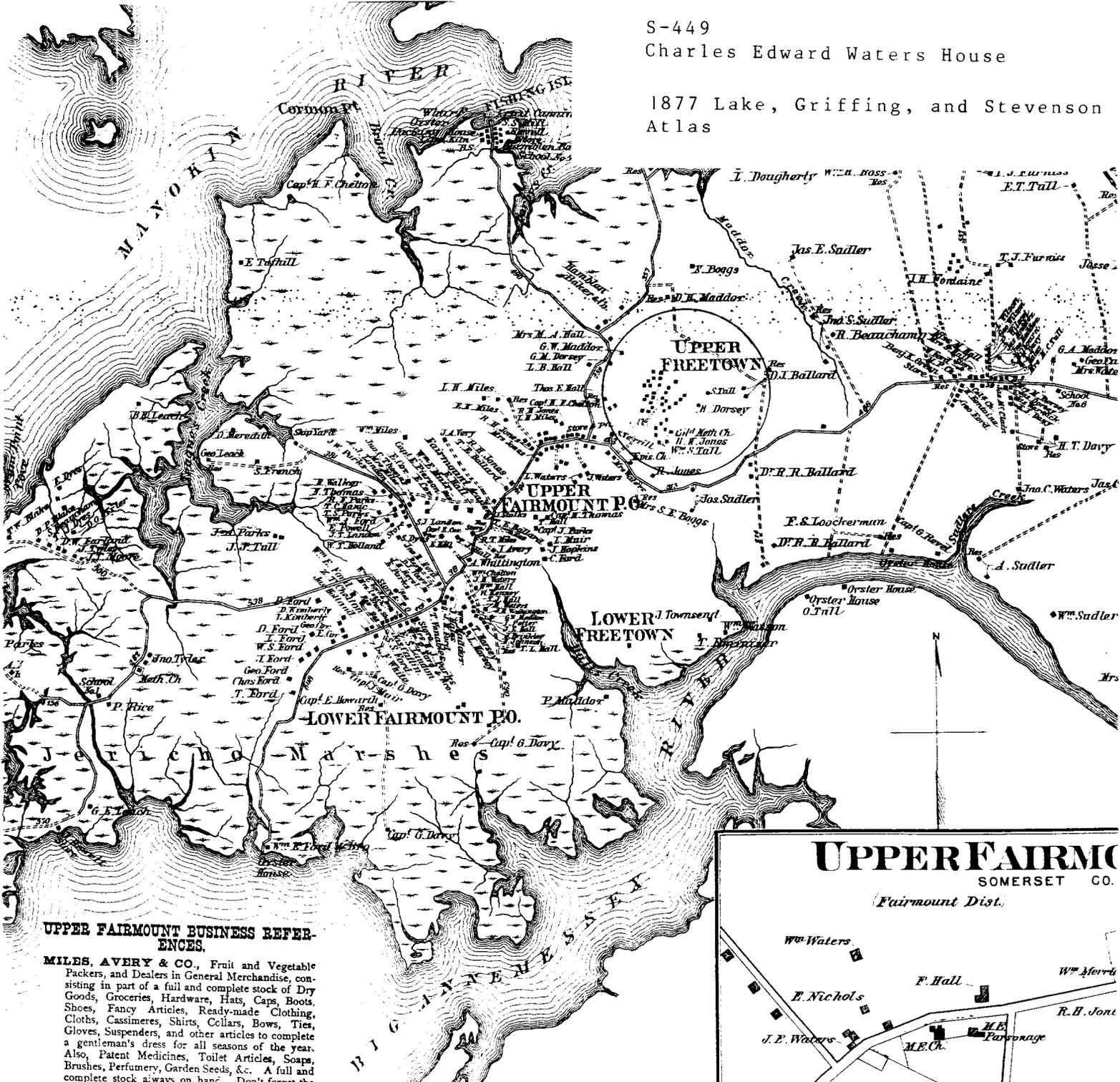
to

12/2/1963 Geroge Edward Waters
 Mary P. Badger
 Thomas Eugene Waters

GWL 99/447 Robert F. Wilson
 Hattie E. Wilson, of Cambridge

to

12/24/1929 Charles E. Waters
 (of Sherman and Parthenia Waters)
 ¼ acre

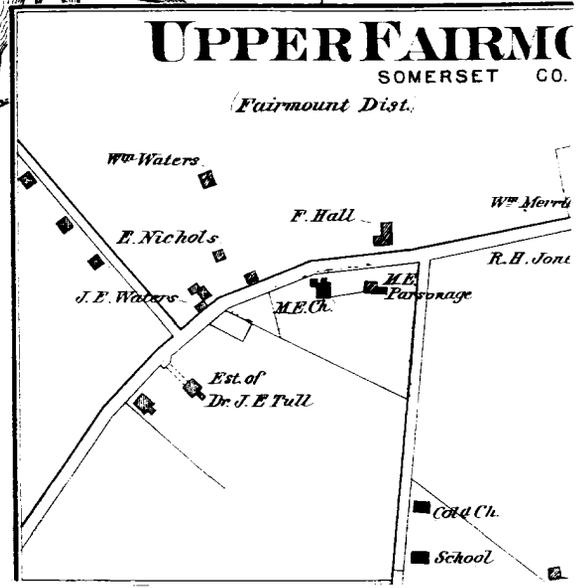


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UPPER Hill, SUMMERSET Co., MD.

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