

Notes and Comments about The Stephen Lloyd Family Cemetery Location

As was stated in the cemetery description, the cemetery was destroyed and all evidence of it disappeared over 75 years ago. The only indication of the location is based on the notes of the 1970s Cemetery Survey researchers.

Beatrice B. Doak prepared a typewritten note about this cemetery on March 14, 1973, but apparently did not visit it. There is no indication who gave her the information. Mrs. Doak's note states:

"From County Rd. #1179 [NOTE: refers to Albert Road], about 0.2 mi. west of its junction with County Rd. #1111 [NOTE: Union Grove Church Road], a lane leads south for about half a mile to a house. To the west of this lane about 100 ft north of the house is a shed [NOTE: actually some 200 ft.]. A lane, behind and to the left of house, leads down to a spring; about 100 yards along the lane on the left-hand side is a pile of rocks which is reputed to be the burial place of two slaves of Stephen Lloyd I. The cemetery was long ago destroyed when the land was brought under cultivation about 35 or 40 years ago. About 10 or 12 graves are supposed to have been here. [NOTE: destroyed say 1930 or so; the land was cultivated in the 1938 aerial photograph]."

Mrs. Engstrom appears to have visited the site, along with the site of the burial of Stephen Lloyd, (III), on April 28, 1975. Almost certainly she was accompanying someone familiar with the traditional information about the cemetery, but no name is mentioned. Mrs. Engstrom's comments were:

"(road information)....approximately 1/2 mi. [NOTE: the distance is .02 mile, as Mrs. Doak stated] from the intersection to the second lane leading some distance downhill toward a house; on the right is an old barn or shed. Stephen Loyd I was buried in the area behind this log house or shed together with some 10 or 12 other members of his family. Tenants removed the stones and the land has been given over to cultivation for 35 or 40 yrs. Loyd was killed (shot) by a slave named Isaac. Some 200 yds. southeast of the house is the spring and to the east of this two of Stephen Lloyd's slaves are buried. Stephen Lloyd I was the son of Major Thomas Lloyd. (House and land are shown on geodetic survey map.)"

Mrs. Engstrom's write-up was used from the 1970s to 2009 to describe the cemetery in the survey. These comments, similar to but less specific than Mrs. Doak's, made it difficult to determine from the directions where the cemetery was located. Mrs. Doak's note was found in the survey files in 2009, enabling a more accurate location to be established.

The area is altered by new development when compared to the topographic map of the 1970s. The Glynmorgan development began in 1997. It is clear when reviewing aerial photos of the area for 1938, 1955, 1975 and 2007 that the farm buildings described here lay on the property of the residences now present at the south end of Still Crossing Road. The main farmhouse appears to have been on the property line between 7808 and 7811 Still Crossing Road. The shed and cemetery would have been on the property at 7807 Still Crossing Road.

[Based on research by Margaret Jones and Milton Forsyth, 2009]