

West Virginia Cemetery Inventory Form

NR rating: NR

(Revised 26 September 2014)

1. Trinomial Number (OFFICE USE ONLY): 46-HM-184_____ F.S. 57_____

2. Cemetery Name, Historic: Capon Chapel Cemetery Name, Common: _____
County: Hampshire 4. 7.5' Quadrangle Name: Capon Bridge_____

5. UTM Zone: 17 NAD: 83
Easting: 0720491 Northing: 4349821

NW Corner: E0720491 N4349851 NE Corner: E0720534 N4349837
SW Corner: E0720489 N4349809 SE Corner: E0720527 N4349806

6. Location: is located approximately 2.5 miles east of the Community of Capon Bridge

. Ownership: Public: Municipal County _____ State _____ Federal _____
Private: Family _____ Church Denomination _____
Fraternal _____ Other _____

8. Burial Population: ca. 270_____

9. Predominant Surnames: Caudy, Pugh, Peacemaker

10. Mass Grave: Yes _____ No Explain: _____

11. Public Accessibility: Unrestricted
Restricted _____
For permission to visit, contact _____

12. Access into cemetery: By foot By car _____

13. Terrain: Flat field _____

14. Bounded by: Fence Wall _____ Hedge _____ Other _____

15. Condition: Well-maintained Poorly maintained _____ Overgrown, easily
identifiable _____ Overgrown, unidentifiable _____ Unidentifiable, but known to exist through
tradition or other means (identify source) _____

16. Disturbances: _____

17. Cemetery Size and Orientation (please give dimensions in feet, and indicate compass direction
for long and short axis): 170 feet N-S by 300 feet_____

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18. Historical Background (use continuation sheet if necessary): See report for this section

19. Gravestones (Please list the number of gravestones that fit in the categories below. If this is guess or an approximation, put "circa" before the number. Include photographs and/or sketches of representative decorative carvings.):

Number of headstones ca. 225+ Number of burials ca. 270 Footstones?
Yes x No _____

Number of gravestones with burial dates from the 18th century _____ 19th century x
20th century x 21th century x

Please list the earliest headstone date 1816 Most recent date 2016

Number of gravestones of each material: Slate _____ Marble _____ Granite x
Sandstone x Fieldstone x
Limestone x other _____

Number of gravestones that are: Readable x Eroded x Badly Tilted x
Cracked/Broken x Broken but standing x Broken, no longer standing x
Location of stones no longer standing within cemetery

Restoration efforts, if any: _____

20. Attachments: 1) a copy of the topographic quadrangle map indicating the cemetery's location, 2) general photograph(s) of the cemetery showing its setting and/or location, and 3) a list or copies of any reference information about the cemetery (books, personal communication, etc.).

21. Recorder: Jamie Vosvick Date: May 12, 2016
Telephone 304-242-3155 Number: _____
Address: Archaeological Consultants of the Midwest
P.O. Box 6005
Wheeling, WV 26003 _____

Please return form to:

WV State Historic Preservation Office
The Cultural Center
1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East
Charleston, West Virginia 25305-0300

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The cemetery is part of the Capon Chapel National Register of Historic Places property. The property entails the church, the cemetery, and the wrought iron fence.

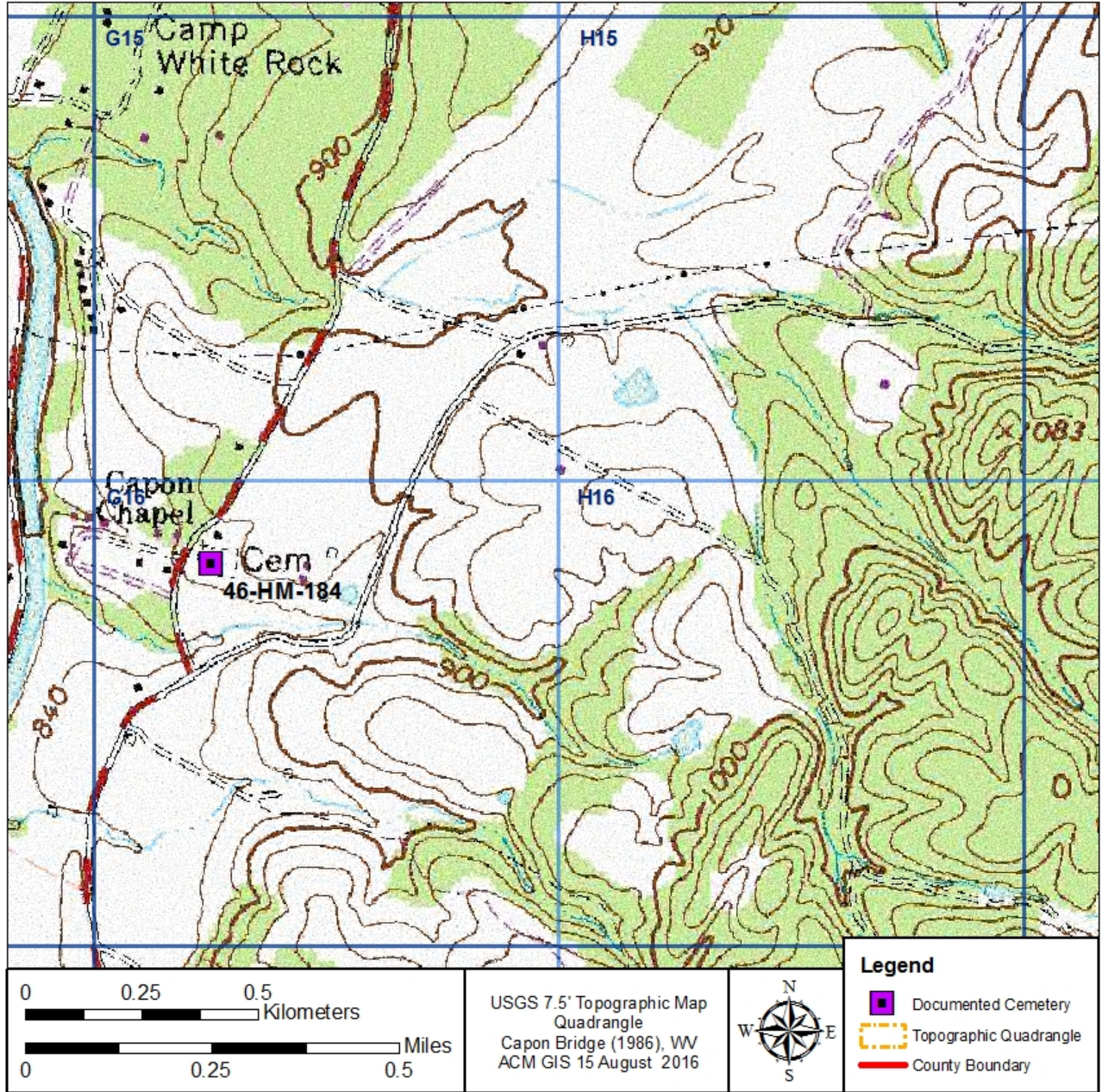
According to the NRHP nomination form, the chapel was constructed in circa 1852. The church is a front gable log structure with wood weatherboard siding and standing seam metal roof with snow birds.

The cemetery consists of the original section and a new section. The original section, which is a contributing resource to the NRHP property, is enclosed behind a wrought iron fence. There are approximately 270 burials in this section of the cemetery. The internments include free African-Americans and slaves. In addition to these burials, notable burials within the cemetery include Captain David Pugh and his family, as well as Captain Nixon. Captain Pugh was an elected county delegate to the Virginia secession convention of 1861 in Richmond; the captain voted to secede from the Union.

Captain Nixon was the founder of the Town of Marshall, West Virginia.

Circa 1990, the cemetery was expanded to the east. This new section, which is not part of the NRHP property, is enclosed behind a chain link fence.

It was ascertained that the church was eligible for listing on the NRHP under Criterion C as well as Criteria Consideration A. The church, with the old section of the cemetery and the wrought iron fence being contributing resources, was placed on the National Register in 2012.





Photograph of 46-HM-184, looking southeast.



Photograph of 46-HM-184, looking east.



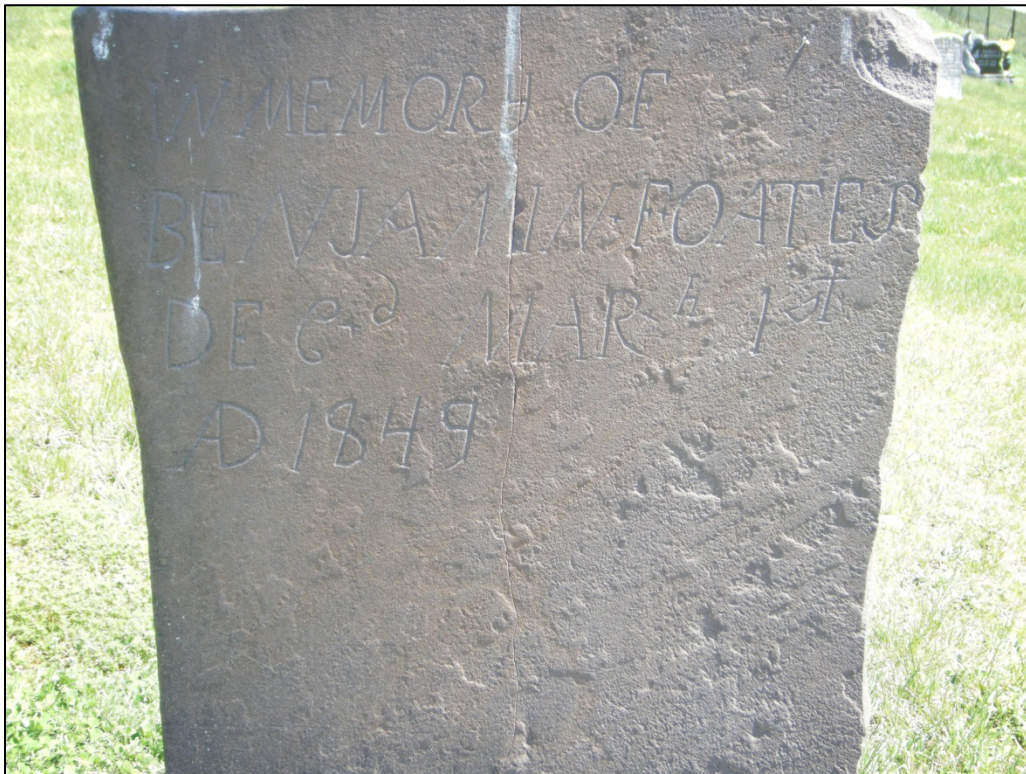
Photograph of 46-HM-184, looking west.



Photograph of a headstone documented at 46-HM-184.



Photograph of the earliest headstone documented at 46-HM-184.



Photograph of a 19th century hand inscribed headstone documented at 46-HM-184.



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