ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND
MARYLAND

PRIVATE CEMETERY P-4

APG Real Estate Dept. Designation
Building No. 763 - 0.024 Acres

The Post refers to this as Old Baltimore
Livezey calls this the Phillips Cemetery

Location

Latitude  North 39:24:24
Longitude  West 76:14:22

UTM (Meters)  North 4362640  East 393290
NAD 83 (Feet)  North 634571  East 1527245
NAD 27 (Feet)  North 573884  East 1014923

Road Sign Directions

Southeast on Maryland Boulevard (MD 715) from Maryland Gate (APG Aberdeen Entry Control) 1.7 Miles to Aberdeen Boulevard. Right on Aberdeen Boulevard 1.5 miles to Colleran Road. Straight ahead on Colleran Road 0.7 miles to Mulberry Point Road. Right on Mulberry Point Road 400 feet to Lanyard Road. Right on Lanyard Road 0.8 miles to Michaelsville Road. Continue on Michaelsville Road 1.9 miles to Aviation Arms Road. Continue straight on Michaelsville Road 2.5 miles to Palmer Road. Right on Palmer Road 1100 feet to Old Baltimore Road. Left on Old Baltimore Road 3.5 miles to an unnamed intersection. Old Baltimore Road continues on the left turn. Continue on Old Baltimore Road 1.1 miles to an entrance from the right. Right on the entrance road 0.4 miles to the cemetery.

DENIED ACCESS

Cemetery Orientation

indicates text face of marker 1

Old  Baltimore  Road

ROW 1 - - - - - - - -
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1-2 Sacred to the memory of William Pitt
Phillips who died July 20, 1791 in his
11th year

1-3 In memory of John Paca Phillips who
died Sept 27th 1802 aged 27 years
2 months and 10 days

1-4 In memory of James Phillips Jun' who died
Feb 10th 1812 aged 41 years and 10 days

2-2 Footstone W P

2-3 Footstone J P

2-4 Footstone J P 1812

5-1 Sacred to the memory of James Phillips who
departed this life June 14th 1803 in his
63rd year

6-2 Beneath this tomb is reposited the body of
James Phillips, and also in compliance with
his living request, the body of his wife
Martha Phillips, Daughter of John and
Elizabeth Paca, born Feb 3rd 1744, married
June 25th, 1766, died March 6th 1829 having
survived her husband 26 years.

'May brightest scruples from the world on high
Spread their light pinions on this sleeping tomb
And guard the dust within all from the sky
The Savior comes to bid the dead in bloom
Then may they rise together with their change
Together hear the plaudit "Rest, Well Done",
Through fields of light, and places of glory reign
Just sit with Jesus on his dazzling throne.'
SITE OF OLD BALTIMORE
C. 1670

Here beside Bush River was county seat of Baltimore County, then largely wilderness including what is now Harford County. By 1676 courthouse had been built, about 1/4 mile south of surviving cemetery of Phillips family. (Here is buried Martha Paca Phillips, sister of William Paca, signer of Declaration of Independence.) In 1683 Maryland Assembly made this village a port of entry for transatlantic vessels. By 1693 court had moved west to "Simm's Choice" on Gunpowder River, relocating again in 1712 at what is now Joppatowne. Present Baltimore city on the Patapsco was founded in 1729.

Marker erected by citizens of Harford County
SACRED

To the memory of
WILLIAM PITT PHILLIPS
who died July 26th 1791
in his 41st year.
In Memory of

JOHN PACA PHILLIPS
who died Sep' 27th, 1802
Aged 27 years 2 months
and 10 days.
In Memory of

JAMES PHILLIPS Jun'

who died Feb. 10th 1812

Aged 41 years

and 10 days.
To the memory of
JAMES PHILLIPS
who departed this life
June 14th, 1805
in his 65th year.
Beneath this stone is deposited the Body of

JAMES PHILLIPS,

And also in compliance with his Will, the Body of the said

MARTHA PHILLIPS

Daughter of

John and Elizabeth Pea.

Born February 15th, 1744.

Married June 29th, 1760.

Died March 6th, 1829.

Having survived her Husband 28 years.

In accordance with his last Will and Testament, the body is here placed.