

Oakwood Cemetery

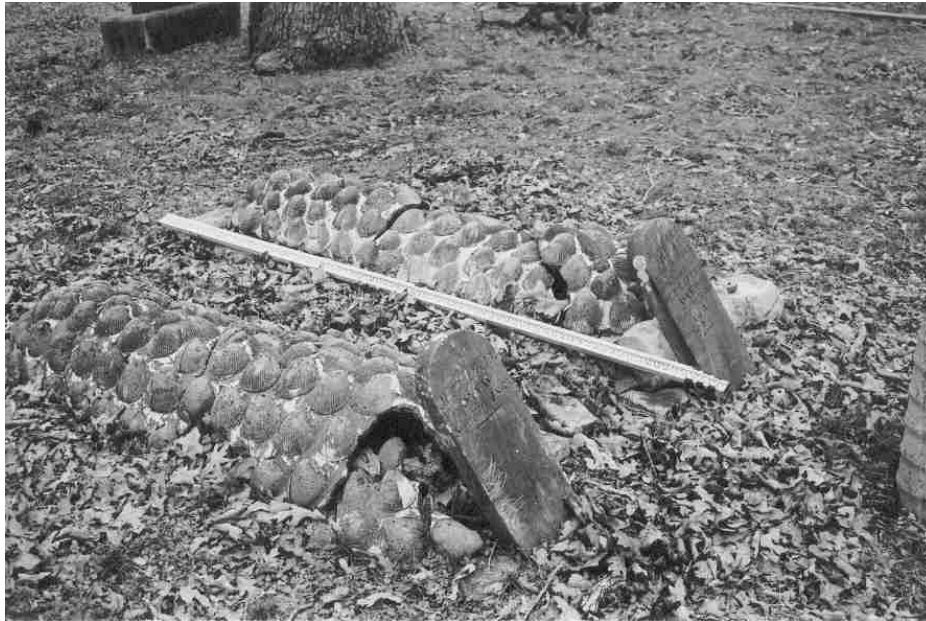


Photo 1
Feb 2001

Mounded gravesite's in section 1 old grounds. Sea shells embedded in concrete. Dirt mound has settled, leaving the arch unsupported. The concrete form is breaking. These are 2 of 3 surviving examples of sea shell used at Oakwood Cemetery found to date. These two sites are marked with headstones and have changed little in the past five years. These are not the site in question.

The photos that follow document 5 hrs of site work where by the grass and ½ inch of soil was removed from the surface using small trowels and brushes. This site is a slight hump in the lawn in an open area that is in a lower area of the cemetery. Damage has been noted in the past by lawn equipment. In an effort to protect the site, I chose to do a surface removal of the grass that has over grown the site and document the site.

The site maps do not identify this grave site. No name or dates mark this site



Photo 2
Aug 2005

View looking westward. Site is approximately 4.5 feet wide by 7 feet long.
Embedded brick and shells marking a suspected gravesite



Photo 3
Aug 2005

West end of gravesite view looking north, brick and shells seen in the grass.
Signs of current damage, from mower / string trimmer noted on brickwork. Site has been covered by years of sediment and leaf litter

Note height of brick above the grade



Photo 4

West end of mound, view looking south ward, scale on bar is 1 sq inch
Grass and ½ inch of soil has been removed



Photo 5

Note photo 3, same view. Grass and ½ inch of soil removed.
Note what appears to be a concrete slab, east of the brick



Photo 6

Close up of SW corner of what appears to be a concrete base.
Note the imprint of the missing shell on the concrete