

Statewide Survey of Historic Properties

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Site No. 1978 Status U Revisit
Quadrangle Name: Newberry East
Tax Map No. 8839-70

SURVEY FORM

Identification

Historic Name: Cannons Creek Cemetery
Common Name: (Old) Cannons Creek ARP Cemetery
Address/Location: W side of Bearington Road
City: Newberry Vicinity of County: Newberry
Ownership: Private Category: Site Other:
Historical Use: Funerary
Current Use: Funerary
SHPO National Register Eligible
Determination of Eligibility:

Property Description

Construction Date: c.1775 - 1976 Construction:
Historic Core Shape: Rectangular Exterior Walls:
Other: Foundation:
Commercial Form: Roof Shape:
Other: Roof Material:
Stories: Porch Shape:
Other: Porch Width:

Description/Significant Features:

The earliest death noted was 1775, the most recent was 1976. Most of the burials occurred during the 19th C. Rev. John Renwick (1735-1775) has the earliest legible date of death, although his memorial stone was erected in 1988 to replace the illegible stone located behind it. Other surnames for burials in the cemetery include Erskine, Maffett, Moore, Neal, Reid, Sligh, and Sloan. There are a number of depressions that indicate unmarked graves within the cemetery boundary. Most of the stones are simple tablet-style stone monuments consisting of single slabs, with curved tops or head-and-shoulder design. The cemetery covers approx. 1.7 acres with around 140 marked burials.

Alterations (include date(s), if known):

Architect(s)/Builder(s):

Unknown

Historical Information

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The Cannon's Creek Meeting House first appears on the 1825 Mills' Atlas map of Newberry District; early twentieth century historic maps, including a 1921 USDA soil survey map and 1939 SCDOT map, show Cannons Creek Church located on the east site of Bearington Road, across from the cemetery, which is also depicted on the maps. The Cannons Creek Church was founded in the early 1770s by Reverend John Renwick and was one of two churches that developed into the Associated Reformed Presbyterian Synod of the South. The church was moved from its historic location, near the Cannons Creek Cemetery, in 1948 to its current location, along US Highway 76, between Newberry and Prosperity.

Source(s) of Information:

Digital Photo ID(s)

File Name:	View:	Other:
01978001	Facing Northwest	
01978002	Facing West	
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01978006	Other	Maffett stone - grave art
01978007	Facing East	
01978008	Facing Northwest	
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