

Statewide Survey of Historic Properties

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Site No. 0980 Status U Revisit
Quadrangle Name: Gilbert
Tax Map No. 007300-05-040

SURVEY FORM

Identification

Historic Name: Oswalt Family Cemetery
Common Name:
Address/Location: South of community of Gilbert, south on AC Bouknight Road 0.27 km from its intersection with Two No
City: Gilbert ✓ Vicinity of County: Lexington
Ownership: Private Category: Site Other:
Historical Use: Funerary
Current Use: Funerary
SHPO National Register Requires Additional Research
Determination of Eligibility:

Property Description

Construction Date: c.1901-1951 Construction:
Historic Core Shape: Exterior Walls:
Other: Foundation:
Commercial Form: Roof Shape:
Other: Roof Material:
Stories: Porch Shape:
Other: Porch Width:

Other:

Description/Significant Features:

Family cemetery enclosed by a concrete block wall in severe disrepair. This wall measures 50 by 25 feet. Two concrete block columns are located on either side of the entrance, which faces west towards AC Bouknight Road. A concrete slab engraved with "1948" sits beside the southern column and likely denotes the date the block wall was constructed. Eleven graves are located within the block wall. Seven of the graves have inscribed marble or granite headstones and footstones. Two have only inscribed granite headstones with no footstones. Two graves have fieldstones as both head-and footstones.

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

Architect(s)/Builder(s):

Historical Information

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The following people are named on the headstones and footstones: Julia Estelle Clamp, Bessie Clamp, Wade D. soon of JE and RC Oswalt, infant daughter of JE and RC Oswalt, James Edward Oswalt, Julia Oswant, Katie daughter of JE and RC Oswalt, infant daughter of JE and RC Oswalt, and Reba Decia Oswalt. James Edward (JE) Oswalt was a white farmer based on early twentieth century census data. Julia Oswalt was his mother and Reba Decia Oswalt was his wife. Bessie Clamp (nee Oswalt) was the daughter of James Edward and Reba Oswalt. Julia Estelle Clamp was Bessie's daughter. The Clamp and Oswalt families were neighbors, all of whom were corn and cotton farmers.

Source(s) of Information:

Census

Digital Photo ID(s)

File Name:

00980001

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View:

Facing West

Facing West

Other:

head- and footstones

fieldstone markers

Program Management

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