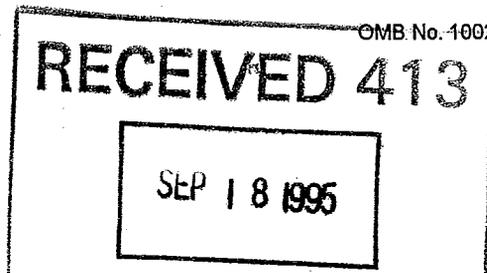


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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in the separate booklet, National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Richmond National Cemetery

other names/site number Virginia Department of Historic Resources File No. 43-126

2. Location

street & number 1701 Williamsburg Road not for publication N/A

city or town Richmond vicinity

state Virginia code VA county Henrico code 087 zip code 23231

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination

request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property

meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant

nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Karen Rome Dupak June 21, 1995
Signature of certifying official/Title Federal Preservation Officer Date

Department of Veterans Affairs
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Julie Schmick 8/25/95
Signature of commenting or other official/Title Date

VA DEPT. OF HISTORIC RESOURCES
State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register

See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register

See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register

removed from the National Register

other, (explain):

Signature of Keeper

Date of Action

Patrick Andrews

10/26/95

Richmond National Cemetery
Name of Property

Henrico County, Virginia
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
3	0	buildings
1	0	sites
3	0	structures
5	0	objects
12	0	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

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Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)
Funerary: Cemetery

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)
Funerary: Cemetery

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)
Late Victorian: Second Empire

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)
foundation Stone, concrete

walls Brick

roof Metal: tin; Asbestos

other Stone: Marble, granite, sandstone; Metal, iron

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- Criteria A, B, C, D with checkboxes and descriptions.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- Criteria A through G with checkboxes and descriptions.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- Documentation checkboxes: preliminary determination, previously listed, etc.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Military

Period of Significance

1866-1936

Significant Dates

1866

1870

1890

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Meigs, Montgomery C.

Richmond National Cemetery
Name of Property

Henrico County, Virginia
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of Property 9.7

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

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Zone	Easting	Northing

See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Therese T. Sammartino, Staff Assistant, National Cemetery System

organization Department of Veterans Affairs date June 19, 1995

street & number 810 Vermont Avenue, N.W. telephone (202) 565-4895

city or town Washington, D.C. state _____ zip code 20420

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white** photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Department of Veterans Affairs

street & number 810 Vermont Avenue, N.W. telephone _____

city or town Washington, D.C. state _____ zip code 20420

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Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Project (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

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NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION (Continued)

A 16-foot octagonal iron gazebo, Chinese Chippendale in style, was constructed circa 1890 in the northeast segment of the cemetery at the intersection of Sections 13-A, 14-A, 21-A, and 22-A. It was built to be used as a rostrum. The gazebo was removed in 1952, leaving only a concrete base and floor.

The old tool house was demolished in 1934, and a new combination brick and concrete utility building with comfort station, 33 feet 4 inches, by 22 feet 3 inches, was constructed to the rear and south of the lodge. The roof shingles are an asbestos composition.

A brick and concrete gasoline storage building, 8 feet 5 inches by 8 feet, was constructed in 1936 between the utility building and the northwest perimeter wall. The roof shingles are an asbestos composition.

There are four monuments located in the area of the flagpole circle, each 7 feet 6 inches in height and made of an original cast-iron seacoast artillery tube, secured by a concrete base. The inscription on the cast-bronze plaque affixed to one of the monuments reads as follows:

United States
National Military Cemetery
Richmond
Established September 1st, 1866
Interments 6,529
Known 838
Unknown 5,691

Records regarding these monuments focus on size and the inscription on the bronze plaque affixed to the one monument. No information is available as to the name of the manufacturer.

The numbers shown for contributing resources within the property reflect the following:

Buildings: Lodge, utility building, gasoline storage building

Sites: Cemetery

Structures: Gate, perimeter wall, rostrum base

Objects: Flagpole, four artillery monuments

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The Richmond National Cemetery is significant under Criteria A and C, and is an important component of the multiple property submission of Civil War Era National Cemeteries. It is significant under Criterion A because of its association with the Civil War and under Criterion C, because the lodge represents a distinctive prototypical design by Quartermaster General Montgomery C. Meigs, who was acclaimed as a master architect of civil works projects for the Quartermaster Corps.

The cemetery is located within the area of fortification lines established for the defense of the capital city of the Confederacy. The cemetery was established in 1866 and comprises 9.74 acres. Reinterments included 3,200 bodies, mostly unknown, removed from Oakwood Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia; 210 (115 known) from the cemetery of the Belle Isle Confederate Prison in Richmond; 12 deceased prisoners of war from a trench at the Rocketts Landing; 388 (all known but 18) from Hollywood Cemetery in Richmond; and remains from the Cold Harbor and Seven Pines battlefields, as well as from locations in Chesterfield and Hanover Counties. Some seventy different locations within a maximum distance of 25 miles of the cemetery site were searched in order that Union dead might be accorded honored burial in a national cemetery.

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By deed dated July 29, 1867, the first tract of land, consisting of 3± acres, was purchased from Mr. William Slater for \$900. A parcel containing 5 acres was purchased for \$1,500 by deed dated July 10, 1868, from Mr. William L. Williams and Ms. Ann B. Brown. By deed dated June 23, 1906, a parcel consisting of 1.74 acres was purchased from Mr. George Geffert for \$1,392.

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA - VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The Richmond National Cemetery is located at the intersection of Government Road and Route 60 (Williamsburg Road). It is 1/2 mile west of the intersection of Charles City Road with Route 60. It is located on the south side of Route 60. The boundary is defined by the stone wall which is 671 feet east to west on the south side of Route 60. At the northwest corner the west boundary is 634 feet; to the southwest corner, the south boundary is 672 feet; to the southeast boundary, the eastern boundary is 639 feet.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The National Cemetery System has used the existing boundaries of the cemetery.

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All photographs are of:

RICHMOND NATIONAL CEMETERY

Henrico County, Virginia

VDHR File No. 43-126

Mr. James Brownie and Ms. Billie Crenshaw, photographers

Dates of Photographs: September 27, 1994, January 1995 and March 14, 1995

All negatives are stored with Technical Support Service (401B), National Cemetery System, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20420

VIEW OF: Cemetery, view looking southeast showing one artillery monument and base of original rostrum

NEG. NO. 13067-13

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VIEW OF: North elevation of lodge, showing kitchen addition

NEG. NO. 13067-11

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VIEW OF: Cemetery, view looking north toward Williamsburg Road

NEG. NO. 13067-5

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VIEW OF: South elevation of lodge and utility building

NEG. NO. 13067-7

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VIEW OF: Entry drive, view looking south toward flagpole

NEG. NO. 13067-4

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VIEW OF: West elevation of utility building and lodge kitchen addition

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VIEW OF: East elevation of lodge and utility building

NEG. NO. 13067-3

PHOTO 4 of 18

VIEW OF: Southwest elevation of utility building

NEG. NO. 13067-8

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VIEW OF: One artillery monument, west side of flagpole

NEG. NO. 13067-14

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VIEW OF: South elevation of lodge and utility building

NEG. NO. 13067-6

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VIEW OF: Cemetery, view looking northeast
showing entry fence to the left

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VIEW OF: Artillery monument at flagpole

NEG. NO. 16021-16

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VIEW OF: Cemetery, view looking southeast
with foundation of original rostrum in view

NEG. NO. 16021-21

PHOTO 12 of 18

VIEW OF: Close up of artillery monument at
flagpole

NEG. NO. 16021-18

PHOTO 16 of 18

VIEW OF: Cemetery, view looking east from
flagpole

NEG. NO. 16021-20

PHOTO 13 of 18

VIEW OF: Four artillery monuments, view
looking southeast toward flagpole

NEG. NO. 16021-24A

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VIEW OF: Cemetery, view looking northeast
from flagpole

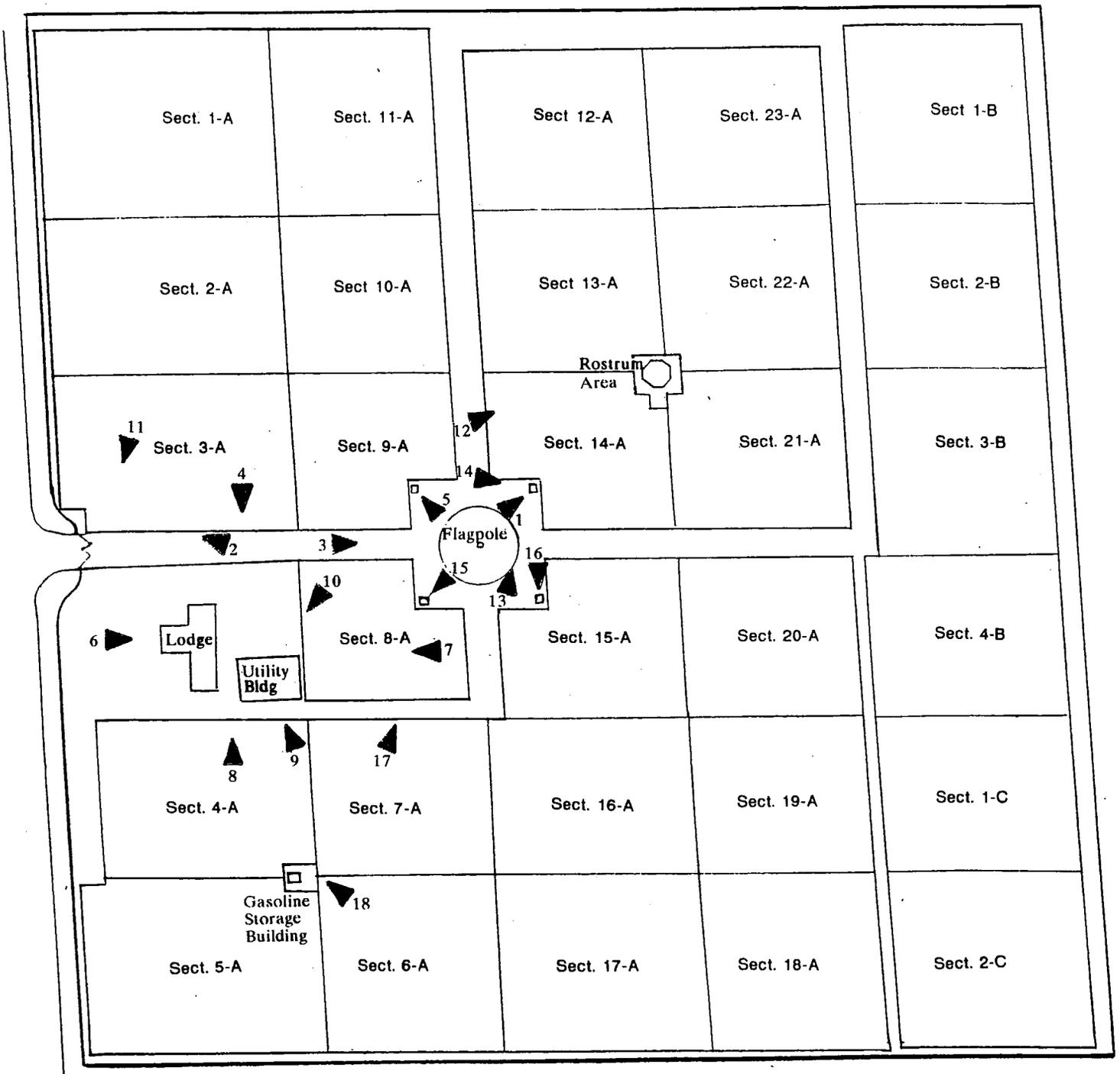
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VIEW OF: Gasoline storage building, view
looking northwest

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Sketch Map
 Richmond National Cemetery
 Henrico County, Virginia



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Note: Numbered triangles correspond to the views in the accompanying photographs

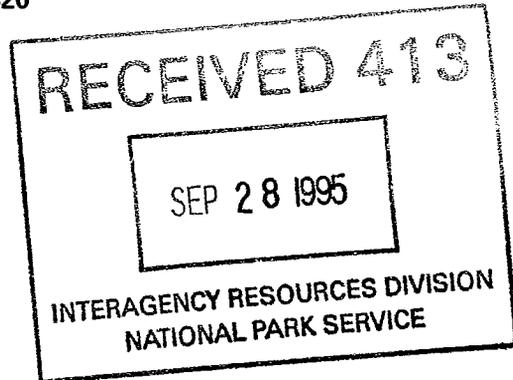


DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
National Cemetery System
Washington DC 20420

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September 25, 1995

Mr. Patrick Andrus
National Register of Historic Places
Interagency Resources Division
P.O. Box 37127
Washington, D.C. 20013-7127



Dear Mr. Andrus:

On September 1, 1995, I forwarded to your office the nomination of the Richmond National Cemetery, Richmond, Virginia, to the National Register. I noticed that in Section 8, page 3, there is a typographical error, in that I placed a period after Criterion C in the third line of the Narrative Statement of Significance.

Enclosed is a corrected page which I would appreciate you incorporating into the original nomination. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Therese T. Sammartino
Staff Assistant
Technical Support Service

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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 95001183

Date Listed: 10/26/95

Richmond National Cemetery
Property Name:

Henrico
County:

VA
State:

Civil War Era National Cemeteries MPS
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Patrick Andrews
Signature of the Keeper

11/21/95
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

The Period of Significance is amended to begin in 1867, the year in which the land was purchased for the cemetery. The Federal Preservation Office for the Department of Veterans Affairs concurs in this amendment.

DISTRIBUTION:

- National Register property file
- Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)