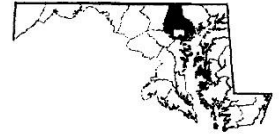


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(1) Tip of the Quarter by Ken Zimmerman

Trouble Reading a Death Certificate?

Using the following sources may be helpful to determine illegible writing or missing data:

1. Visit the findagrave.com website
2. The individual buried may be in a cemetery publication
3. Locate an obituary from newspapers.com or genealogybank.com (requires a subscription)
4. Visit the cemetery to see the tombstone
5. Contact the cemetery for their burial information

6. Compare the BCGS Death Index to the death certificate if you are having difficulty reading the person's name
7. Have another person read the handwriting
8. Enlarge the image of the death certificate
9. Compare the handwriting to another death certificate

The above techniques have been helpful when reading death certificates for entering data into the Baltimore County Genealogical Society Death Index Project.

(2) Cemeteries in 1884 and 1885 from the Baltimore County Genealogical Society Death Index Project by Ken Zimmerman

Asbury
Baltimore Cemetery
Bonnie Brae Cemetery
Cedar Hill Cemetery
E Public
Greenmount Cemetery
Holy Cross
Holy Redeemer
Laurel Cemetery
Loudon Park Cemetery
Mount Carmel
Mount Olivet
New Cathedral
Saint Alphonsus
Sharp Street Cemetery
St Matthew
St Patrick's
St Paul's
St Peters
St Vincent
Trinity Church
W Public
Western Cemetery

There are many other cemeteries such as Jewish Cemeteries, a cemetery that is listed a few times, or a cemetery that is not named but is listed as a location: i.e., Philadelphia Road and County. Recently the name of the cemetery is listed in the

Baltimore County Genealogy Society Death Index Database. Some cemeteries have been abandoned or relocated to another cemetery.

(3) Maryland Genealogical Society recent seminar on Ground Rent provided by Kenneth Zimmerman

The MGS has been sponsoring virtual and onsite seminars on various genealogical topics. Debra Hofmann has been a speaker at our BCGS meetings. If you are a member of the MGS you can view this seminar and others on the Members Only portion of their website.

MGS Webinar on Understanding Ground Rent

The newest offering in our Maryland Minutes webinar series is Understanding Groud Rent. MGS Board member Debra Hoffman tells us what we need to know about the history and practice of ground rent, which is relatively rare outside of Maryland. She explains exactly what it is, and identifies the types of information you can find to help your genealogical research in Maryland. She also takes us through how to understand ground rent records and provides some helpful resources. If you are researching Maryland families, particularly in the greater Baltimore region, this one is for you!



This video is available in our [Members Only section](#), where you also can view all of the previous webinars in our collection.

(4) IMAGING SERVICES DEPARTMENT Charting Plats Charlotte Conant from University of Maryland College Park provided by Ken Zimmerman

This summer I helped the Imaging Services Department with the input of data for the Archives' online plats website. A plat is a plan or map for the development of a property or subdivision. Every month the Maryland State Archives receives at least one set of plats from each of the twenty-four Maryland jurisdictions, as well as from the State Highway Administration. A set of plats ranges from one single plat to at most forty pages, meaning that hundreds of plats need to be inputted into the database, scanned, image quality controlled and then uploaded to the online system before they can be seen by the public. Every single plat will have three numbers associated with it: one from the county; one to tell us where it is in our database; and a last one to tell us what number it is among all the plats we have ever received. However, many counties have specific guidelines for the handling of their plats in addition to the general processing rules. Some counties require their plat titles be typed exactly how the state copy has it written. Some counties are too large to be able to process them at the same time as any other counties which can stall the system, so they have to be done independently. This means that in addition to needing to input the plats quickly, they need to be inputted carefully with great attention to detail. This process is difficult when there is standardization of the information on a plat, but not where or how the information is necessarily recorded on it. While plats are all required to have the same information printed on them, the location on the document where that information is remains completely up to the designer. So each plat is a unique document that has to be read carefully in order to find the correct information. Once this has been entered into the database, we assign our accession numbers to the plat and write those numbers on the plat itself. Then, we run the server to upload the information to the website. We have to do this before we can upload any images, because the information is uploaded overnight. Then we can scan the plats, which is typically something we do in large batches on the oversized scanner which takes a great deal of care. After that, the documents are opened in photoshop, cropped, rotated and a ruler is put on them. Then, once all of them have been processed the images can be uploaded to the system and linked to the descriptions. After a day, the images are online for the public to access. I worked with Raymond Connor to help enter the data and get plats ready for scanning, and occasionally post processing them after they had been scanned by performing quality control and assurance. Our team is also in charge of printing out any plats that patrons order. Overall the experience has been enlightening, I have learned a lot and it has been an amazing chance to apply the theories I have learned about to actual archive practices. Over the summer I have helped upload over 2,000 plats for public access.

Source: The Clamshell- A Quarterly Newsletter from the Maryland State Archives, Box 3 Folder 3, Summer 2022

(5) The Stocksdale Family of Baltimore County. From Maryland Families written by and with permission from Robert Barnes to publish.

The name sometimes appears as Stogdale, Stockstall, or Stockswill

1. Robert Stocksdale was in Baltimore County in 1692 and 1694 in the North Side of Patapsco Hundred (as Stockswill), In 1695 he was a taxable in the household of Daniel Welch, on the North Side of Back River Hundred (*IBCW*:2, 6, 9). He was in North Side of Patapsco Hundred in 1699, 1700 (as Stockdall), 1701, 1702, 1703 (as Stockdale), in the Upper Part of North Side of Patapsco Hundred in 1704 (as Strokessted), in the Upper Part of Patapsco Hundred in 1705, and North Side of Patapsco Hundred in 1706 (as Stookstill) (Raymond B. Clark, Jr., and Sara Seth Clark. *Baltimore County Tax List, 1699-1706*:4, 11,19, 25, 35, 46, 54, 62)

In November 1711 he was made levy free because he was 'ancient and feeble, and he had a great charge of children (BACP IS#B:269).

On 21 April 1722 Darby Lane of Baltimore County made a will leaving personalty to Robert Stockhill (MWB 17:296).

He May be the [-?-] Stoxdale [sic] who is placed by Bob Reynolds as the father of two sons (Bob Reynolds. "Ancestors of Bob Reynolds." Undocumented material posted on Ancestry World Tree): **2. Edward**, b. c1707; **3. Thomas**, b. c1715; and **4. prob. John**

2. Edward Stocksdale, possibly son of Robert (1), was born c1707 and died in Baltimore County between 16 August and 13 October 1779. He married Catherine [-?-].

On 16 April 1728 he witnessed the will of William Parrish of Baltimore County (MWB 19:561).

In 1737 Edward Stocktell, John Stockstill, and Thomas Stockstill were in adjacent households in Soldier's Delight Hundred (*IBCW*:26).

On 13 December 1729 Morris Gosnell of Baltimore County. and wife Susanna conveyed 50 a. *Gosnell's Range* to Edward (BALR IS#K:220). On 2 November 1740 Benjamin Buckingham and wife Avarilla conveyed 50 a. *Buckingham's Prevention* to Edward Stocksdale, who on 28 Aug 1762 conveyed the 60 a. to Solomon Stocksdale (BALR B#G:192, 193). On 8 May 1760 Edward Stocksdale conveyed 67 a., part of *Stocksdale's Addition* to Nathaniel Davis. Edward's wife Catherine consented (BALR B#H:184). On 9 February 1761 Edward Parrish conveyed. 4 a., part of *Edward's Delight* to Edward Stocksdale (BALR B#I:25). On 28 August 1762 Edward Stocksdale conveyed part *Addition to Maclan's Hills* to Thomas Stocksdale (BALR B#K:281). On 15 October 1765 Henry Clark and wife Rachel conveyed 35 a. *Park* to Edward Stocksdale (BALR B#O:461).

In a Debt Book dated 1754 or later, Edward Stoxdale is listed as owning *Gosnell's Camp, Stocksdales Forest, Stocksdales Hills, Addition to Stocksdales Forest, Stocksdales Addition, Edwards Venture, Buckingham Privation, and part McClane's Hills* (IBCW:51).

Both Edward Stocksdales, Sr., and Edward Jr., were non-jurors to the Oath of Fidelity in 1778 (BARP:262).

Edward Stocksdales died leaving a will dated 16 August 1779 and proved 13 October 1779. His eldest son Solomon was to have 25 a. *Edwards Venture*, adjoining *Buckingham's Prevention*, and one shilling. His wife (unnamed) was to have personalty, then to his daughter Hannah Hooker, who was to pay £10 to her sister Margaret, the testator's daughter; if she [Hannah] refused, the personalty was to go to his daughter Mary. Daughters Hannah and Mary were each to have one shilling. Son John was to have 113 a. *Stoxdales Addition*, and 10 a. part *The Park*, and one shilling. Son Thomas was to have personalty and one shilling. Daughter Catherine Brown was to have 60 a. part *Fine Soil Forest* for life and one shilling, and then the land was to go to her son Edward Brown. Daughter Rachel Griffith was to have personalty after wife's decease, and then to give it to the testator's grandson Aaron Davis, son of daughter Margaret. Daughter Rachel was to have personalty and then give it to his granddaughter Catherine Hooker. He also named his grandson Edward Davis, Edwards wife and son Edward were named executors. Richard Williams, Ely Israel, William Parish and Thomas Jones witnessed the will (BAWB 3:376).

Catherine Stocksdales and Edward Stocksdales, executors, posted £50,000 as an administration bond. Richard Williams and Eli Israel were sureties (BAAB 5:352).

Edward Stocksdales, acting executor, filed an account of the estate on 9 October 1786. The heirs included grandson Edward Davis, son Thomas Stocksdales, daughter Ellen Sutherland, daughter Rachel, wife of Richard Griffiee, daughter Catherine wife of Jacob Brown, and legacies to Edmond Howard Stocksdales and John Stocksdales, with the residue to the widow and then to her son Edward (BAAD 8:324).

Edward and Catherine were the parents of (Reamy and Reamy, *St Paul's Parish Register*:7, 9; D. Barnes. "Barnes/Gregg and Other Clans of Hewins, Kansas." Undocumented material posted on Ancestry World Tree): **5. Solomon**, b. 30 October 1731; **6. Margaret**, b. 6 October 1734, m. Richard Davis, and had sons Aaron and Edward; **7. Hannah**, m. by Aug 1779 [-?-] Hooker; **8. Mary**; **9. Thomas**, b. 1736, m. Mary Bennett, b. c1748, dau. of Thomas and Mary (Barber) Bennett; **10. John**, b. c1743, d. 1822 in Baltimore County, m. c1776 Elizabeth, b. c1755 in Anne Arundel Co. d. 2 January 1823, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Barber) Bennett; **11. Catherine**, m. [-?-] Brown; **12. Rachel**, m. Richard Griffiee; **13. Eleanor**, m. David Sutherland on 10 September 1776 at the First Presbyterian Church, Baltimore; and **14. Edward**.

3. Thomas Stocksdales (Stogsdill), possibly a son of Robert (1) was born c1715, and died after 15 July 1797 in Davie County, N. C. He married c1739 in Baltimore County Sarah Hannah Gosnell, who was born c1719 in Baltimore County., and died after 1790 in Davie County, N. C.

In March 1723/4, at age 8, he was bund to George Ogg, Jr.(BACP IS&TW#3:193).

In 1737 Edward Stocktell, John Stockstill, and Thomas Stockstill were in adjacent households in Soldier's Delight Hundred (*IBCW*:26).

He May be the Thomas who on 12 May 1744 was conveyed one-half of *Carrickfergus* by Joseph Cornelius and wife Elizabeth (BALR TB#C: 539).

In the 1750 Debt Book he was listed as owning *Stocksdale's Abode* (Baltimore Co. Debt Book 1750:53).

On 16 August 1763 Thomas Stocksdale conveyed 20 a., part of *Porter's Desire*, to Richard Parish, all of Baltimore County (BALR WG#P:9). In October 1757 he and an unnamed wife conveyed 50 a. *Gorsuch's Retirement* to Dr. John Stevenson

4. John Stocksdale, possibly a son of Robert (1), died by September 1757.

In 1737 Edward Stocktell, John Stockstill, and Thomas Stockstill were in adjacent households in Soldier's Delight Hundred (*IBCW*:26). In a Debt Book of 1754 dated 1754 or later, John Stoxdale owned *Brotherly Love* (*IBCW*::58). On 30 July 1740 both John Stoxdel and Thomas Stoxdell were listed as debtors to the estate of Joseph Beasman of Baltimore County (MDAD 18:18).

John died leaving a will dated 11 August 1757 and proved 3 September 1757. His son Thomas was to have 41½ a., being half of *Brotherly Love*. Son John was to have the other half. If either died, the other was to inherit when he came of age. If both died the land was to pass to the oldest daughter then living. Daughter Elizabeth was to have one shilling and 5 years' rent of the land. Daughter Prudence was to have personalty and last year's rent of the land. Daughter Patience was to have personalty. Friend Nathaniel Brothers was named executor and was to see that his sons learned a trade. Nathaniel Davis and Sarah Jones witnessed the will (BAWB 2:234).

John Stocksdale was the father of: **15. Thomas; 16. John; 17. Elizabeth; 18. Prudence; and 19. Patience.**

5. Solomon Stocksdale, son of Edward (2), died in Baltimore County, by 26 February 1783 when Edmond Howard Stocksdale, administrator, posted £1000 common monry as

an administration bond. William Beasman and Richard Griffie were sureties (BAAB 6:108) He married Rebecca [-?-].

On 5 Oct 1753 John Maclane conveyed 74 a. part *McLane's Hills* and *Addition to Maclanes Hills* to Solomon Stocksdale. His wife Margaret consented (BALR BB#I:139).

On 26 February 1783 Edmond Howard Stocksdale with William Beasman and Richard Griffie as sureties, posted a bond for £1,000.0.0 current money (BAAB 6:108).

Edmond Howard Stocksdale filed an account of the estate on 13 June 1787. He named the deceased's widow Rebecca, daughters Ruhama Stocksdale, the wife of Jacob Hook and the wife of Charles Conaway (BAAD 9:58). He filed another account on 13 Oct 1790. The heirs, Helen, Edward, and the accountant, each received £68.16.1½ (BAAD 10:212). Edmond

Stocksdale filed a third account of the estate on 13 June 1792. Rachel Stocksdale received £48.16.1 as her full part. Rachel Stocksdale received £20.0.0 as her full part, and Rebecca Stocksdale, received £70.0.0 for the use of Kerrenhapuck Stocksdale (BAAD 11:76).

Solomon Stocksdale was the father of: **20. Ruhama**; **21. Hannah**, m. Jacob Hook; **22. Margaret**, m. Charles Conaway; **23. Edmond Howard**; **24. Helen**, m. Edward Stocksdale of John; and **25. Kerrenhapuck**; and **26. Edward**.

10. John Stockdale, son of Edward (1) and Catherine, was born c1743 and died 1822 in Baltimore County. He married c1776 Elizabeth, who was born c1755 in Anne Arundel Co. and died 2 January 1823, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Barber) Bennett.

He inherited 113 a. *Stocksdale's Addition* and 19 a. *The Park* from his father.

John Stocksdale died leaving a will dated 29 November 1817 and proved 23 May 1822. He named his wife Elizabeth, sons Samuel and Jesse, and daughters Elizabeth and Sally. He mentioned *Stiocksdale's Addition*, *Clark's Park*, *Little Mountain*, *BlackRck*, and *Bachelor's Comment* (BAWB 9:416).

After his death his children sold various portions of his property; the two deeds cited named all of his children (BALR EG#206: 308, 609). John and Elizabeth were the parents of: **27. Samuel**; **28. Jesse**; **29. Elizabeth**, d. 15 July 1844, age 61, at the residence of her nephew Solomon Stocksdale of Edward, she m. 1st. [-?-] Brown, and 2nd Michajah Lane (*Westminster Democratic Advocate* 25 July 1844); **30. Sally**, m. Jesse Uppercoe by license dated 30 September 1820 (BAML); **31. Eleanor**, m. Daniel Madera by license dated 4 January 1791 and moved to Ross Co., Ohio; **32. Edward**, m. Helen Stocksdale of Solomon; **33. Margaret**, m. Richard Clark by license dated 1 September 1815 (BAML); **34. Cynthia**, m. Jacob Loudenslager; and **35. Benjamin**, m. Mary [-?-], and d. without issue by 6 September 1830.

14. Edward Stockdale, son of Edward (1) and Catherine, died in Baltimore County in 1809. He married Eleanor Bennett by license dated 6 February 1778 (BAML).

Edward died leaving a will dated 19 April 1809 and proved 22 April 1809. H left *Stocksdale's Forest* and *Gosnell's Range* to his wife Eleanor for life, and then named the children listed below (BAWB 8:401, abst. by Burns).

Edward and Eleanor were the parents of: **36. Elijah**, b. 25 November 1778; **37. Eli**, b. 25 November 1780; **38. Susan**, b. 7 December 1782; **39. Jemima**, b. 6 August 1784; **40. Catherine**, b. 5 March 1787, m. Stephen Richards by license dated 10 February 1809 (BAML); **41. Ellen**, b. 15 March 1789, m. Archibald Conaway by license dated 16 February 1814 (BAML); **42. Elisha**, b. 19 June 1791; **43. Betsy**, b. 15 August 1793, May have d. young as she was not in her father;s will; and **44. Edward**

15. Thomas Stockdale, son of John (4), on 1 January 1763, conveyed 80 a. *Brotherly Love*, originally granted to William Rogers in 1750, to John Reister (BALR B#L:5). On 15 March

1764 Thomas Stoxdale eldest son and heir at law of John Stoxdale, sold to John Reister 83 a. which William Rogers devised by will to John Stoxdale (BALR B#N:20).

16. John Stocksdales, son of John (4), on 26 November 1765?, sold to John Reister of BA Co. that portion of *Brotherly Love*, which was originally granted to William Rogers, and left by him to the heir at law of John Stcksdale. No wife consented (BALR B#P:334).

Unplaced:

Eli Stocksdales was living in Baltimore Co. on 9 Nov 1814 when Nicholas Headington and wife Dely of Brooks Co., Va. [now W. Va.] sold him 137½ a. part of *Wells Inheritance*, and 17 a., 29. perches of *Lowderman's Choice* (BALR WG#130:47)

John Stocksdales, son of either or Edward or John, on 2 April 1785 was conveyed part *Stocksdales Addition, Little Mountain, and Black Jack* by Nathaniel Davis, Jr., and his wife Catherine (BALR WG#V:752).

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