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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

Harmony Cemetery

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Route 1/1 about 1/2 mile north of Rt. 1 and Rt. 1/1 intersection.  
Cemetery is marked on county road map.

\_\_\_ NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

CITY, TOWN

Falling Waters

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF Marlow

STATE

West Virginia

CODE

54

COUNTY

Berkeley

CODE

003

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Harmony Methodist Church

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Falling Waters, W. Va. 25416

STATE

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Berkeley County

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Martinsburg, WV 25401

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**TITLE H-14, Berkeley County Historical Society & Berkeley County Historical Landmarks  
Commission Survey

DATE

1973-78

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE  COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

Berkeley County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Martinsburg, WV 25401

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

## CONDITION

EXCELLENT                       DETERIORATED  
 GOOD                                 RUINS  
 FAIR                                  UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

UNALTERED  
 ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

An old picture of the Church among the tombstones give a verification of the site.

See present picture and note outstanding stone with marble block resting in slot on top of stone. This along with the other stones shows the exact spot where the old meeting house stood. This site is undisturbed. One fair size depression in the ground may be seen. The original meeting house would have been of log underpinned with stone.

Throughout the older section of the cemetery are master craftsmen masonry structure works. Note the lamp, bird on laurel of flowers (Minnie Stover) 1870, the John Jack stone 1900 with the marble block and initial J. mentioned above. There is one very elaborate cast iron marker for Emily Smith died 1901. The 23 1/2 foot high 2 foot thick marker has an elaborate scarf draped which has bringe and tassel. An open book rests on top with birth and death data.

The cemetery is situated on a small hill. A couple of stately oaks are along the drive as you enter the cemetery. After the Civil War the Harmony Meeting House became a Methodist Congregation. A new church building was built along Route 11 in Marlow. The cemetery is maintained by The Harmony Methodist Church of Marlow.

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Harmony Cemetery is significant as an early interdenominational burying site started about 1830. The majority of cemeteries in Berkeley County were private located on the individual plantation or with a particular denomination. The name itself stands for exactly what it was-harmony and unison among the people of the area. A letter from one of the Williamsons who left and went to Ohio in the 1840s sent to his cousin in Berkeley County in the late 1850s expressed his sadness at the division of <sup>\*</sup>Harmony of the old meeting house. Many of the tombstones in the cemetery are outstanding for their craftsmanship-a lamb, bird on laurel of flowers, a very outstanding cast iron marker (very few of these exist in Berkeley County). The property has a further significance for the site of the meeting house; valuable for culture study as the only interdenominational meeting house site and cemetery in Berkeley County.

\*of the Presbyterian Church in Ohio and his longing for the peace and

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Private Collection of the Williamson Letters, owned by Becky Frye of Berkeley County.

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 3 acres

QUADRANGLE NAME Hedgesville

QUADRANGLE SCALE \_\_\_\_\_

UTM REFERENCES

A 

1	8	2	5	2	5	2	0	4	3	1	8	5	6	8	0
ZONE	EASTING			NORTHING											

B 

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C 

ZONE	EASTING			NORTHING											

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G 

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H 

ZONE	EASTING			NORTHING											

## VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Along cemetery borders as shown on Hedgesville Quadrangle 7.5 minute Series (topographic)

## LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

# 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME/TITLE Don C. Wood, Genealogist, Historian, Historic Archeologist

ORGANIZATION President, Berkeley County Historical Society  
Chairman, Berkeley County Historical Landmarks Commission

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Route 3, Box 79

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Martinsburg, WV 25401

# 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

ATTEST: KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION