

Property Information

Property Names

Name Explanation	Name
Current Name	Runion House
Function/Location	House, 12503 Plantation Drive

Property Addresses

Current - 12503 Plantation Drive

County/Independent City(s):	Spotsylvania (County)
Incorporated Town(s):	No Data
Zip Code(s):	22553
Magisterial District(s):	No Data
Tax Parcel(s):	No Data
USGS Quad(s):	CHANCELLORSVILLE

Property Evaluation Status

Not Evaluated

This Property is associated with the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields National Military Park Historic District.

Additional Property Information

Architecture Setting: Suburban

Acreage: .57

Site Description:

March 2020: The Runion House occupies the southeast fringe of a wooded subdivision; is component of Wilderness Battlefield, and is just inside Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields Memorial National Military Park, the boundary of which was extended to include this and other properties in the 1980's. Land to the south and east is owned by the National Park Service. Land to north and west is part of the Lake Wilderness residential subdivision.

Surveyor Assessment:

March 2020: The Runion House, along with the adjacent driveway, dates to c. 1990, and shares design and landscaping characteristics with other homes in the same subdivision, all dating to the same 1980's-1990's time period.

The Runion house is recommended not individually eligible for the National Register of Historic Places and does not contribute to the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields National Military Park Historic District.

Surveyor Recommendation: Recommended Not Eligible

Ownership

Ownership Category	Ownership Entity
Federal Govt	National Park Service

Primary Resource Information

Resource Category:	Domestic
Resource Type:	Single Dwelling
NR Resource Type:	Building
Historic District Status:	Non-contributing
Date of Construction:	Ca 1990
Date Source:	Local Records
Historic Time Period:	The New Dominion (1946 - 1991)
Historic Context(s):	Domestic
Other ID Number:	No Data
Architectural Style:	Ranch
Form:	Rectangular
Number of Stories:	1.0
Condition:	Good
Interior Plan:	Irregular
Threats to Resource:	Demolition
Architectural Description:	

March 2020: The Runion House is a single-story, frame, rectangular-plan, gable-roof structure. It is clad in vinyl siding. The roof is clad in asphalt shingles. A wooden porch/deck is attached to the rear (southeast) facade.

Exterior Components

Component	Component Type	Material	Material Treatment
Foundation	English/Raised	Concrete	Block
Porch	Portico/Entry Porch	Wood	Square
Porch	Stoop/Deck	Wood	Square
Roof	Side Gable	Asphalt	No Data
Structural System and Exterior Treatment	Wood Frame	Vinyl	Siding
Windows	Double-hung	Vinyl	No Data

Secondary Resource Information

Historic District Information

Historic District Name:	Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields National Military Park Historic District
Local Historic District Name:	No Data
Historic District Significance:	<p>November 2014: The Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields National Military Park Historic District derives its primary significance under Criterion A in the area of Military as the site of the American Civil War Battles of Fredericksburg (December 11–15, 1862), Chancellorsville (April 27–May 6, 1863), the Wilderness (May 4–7, 1864), and Spotsylvania Court House (May 8–21, 1864). Each of the battles was part of a major campaign initiated by the Union Army of the Potomac against the Confederate Army of Northern Virginia. Together, the battles resulted in more than 100,000 casualties, making the roughly 20-square-mile area over which they were fought the most contested ground of the Civil War. Under Criterion B, the battlefields are associated with defining moments in the careers of the generals responsible for planning and executing the battles, including Union Generals Ambrose E. Burnside, Joseph D. Hooker, Ulysses S. Grant, and George G. Meade and Confederate Generals Robert E. Lee and Thomas J. “Stonewall” Jackson. Several contributing buildings in the District also possess significance under Criterion A in the area of Health and Medicine for their association with the care of wounded soldiers during and after the battles. The District has additional significance under Criterion A for its association with national trends in battlefield commemoration and preservation during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Finally, a number of resources in the District also possess significance under Criterion C in the areas of Architecture and Landscape Architecture. Criteria Consideration D applies to Fredericksburg National Cemetery, which derives its significance from its association with important historic events and distinctive design features, and Criteria Consideration F applies to the contributing commemorative monuments within the District that possess significance engendered from their age, design, and symbolic values. The period of significance for the District extends from 1768, the date that Chatham Manor was constructed, to the present in recognition of the continuing exceptional importance of Fredericksburg National Cemetery. The District achieved its primary significance during the period between November 1862 and May 1864, when the Battles of Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, the Wilderness, and Spotsylvania Court House were fought.</p>

CRM Events

Event Type: Survey:Phase I/Reconnaissance

Project Review File Number:	No Data
Investigator:	Eric Mink
Organization/Company:	National Park Service Northeast Region
Photographic Media:	Digital
Survey Date:	3/26/2020
Dhr Library Report Number:	No Data

Project Staff/Notes:

Reconnaissance survey performed as prerequisite for forthcoming Section 106 review of NPS proposal to remove the property's two c.1990 buildings and adjacent driveway, walks, and yard-terracing. NPS acquired property as per Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields National Military Park General Management Plan (1986), for purpose of scene-restoration. No DHR ID # or survey data for the structures on the property property are extant prior to this (March 2020) survey. The land surrounding the Bush property structures is a component of the Wilderness Battlefield (DHR ID # 088-5183).

Project Bibliographic Information:

Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields National Military Park General Management Plan (1986); Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania County Battlefields National Military Park Historic District National Register of Historic Places form (2015); DHR, VCRIS survey, Wilderness Battlefield, DHR ID # 088-5183 (2016).

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Property Notes:

No Data

**Legend**

-  Architecture Resources
-  Architecture Labels
-  Individual Historic District Properties
-  Archaeological Resources
-  Archaeology Labels
-  DHR Easements
-  USGS GIS Place names
-  County Boundaries



Feet

0 50 100 150 200
1:2,500 / 1"=208 Feet

Title: Architecture Labels**Date: 4/7/2020**

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