MARKER No. 16: NANCY HAMILTON (d. 1854) wife of A.J. Hamilton

EXISTING CONDITIONS

 Marble headstone in good/fair condition and the inscriptions are partially legible. The headstone is not set in a base and is lying on the ground in a horizontal position.

- The exposed surface of the marble headstone displays signs of slight surface erosion.
- The headstone is experiencing biological growth and staining.
- Remnants of a sandstone base are present.



Before (July 2008)



After (May 2009)

TREATMENT SUMMARY

A. Excavation/Fragment Recovery

- 1. Search for base.
 - base not found.

B. Cleaning

- 1. For removal of biological growth and general soiling, the marble headstone was cleaned with D/2 Architectural Antimicrobial
 - a. Clean water at low pressure (max 300 psi) and hand-pump sprayer.
 - b. Natural or nylon bristle brushes (varying stiffness and sizes).
 - c. Avoid dissolution or erosion of the stone.
 - ▶ stone was successfully cleaned, however, slight biological staining and discoloration remain, which cannot be removed without harsh methods.

C. Re-attachment and Repair

If recovered, re-attach sandstone base fragments using two-part stone epoxy and stainless steel or nylon pins.
▶ no fragments recovered.

D. Reset and Level

- 1. If sandstone base is recovered and repaired, reset base at proper depth upon compacted gravel and set marble headstone into slotted sandstone base with a Type O mortar mix.
 - base not found.
- 2. If sandstone base is not recovered, reset marble headstone in the ground, at proper depth, in a mixture of gravel, sand, cement, and hydrated lime.

E. Site Preparation and Repair

1. Place pea gravel around base