

## BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS CEMETERY INVENTORIES

Caribbean Volunteer Expeditions conducted cemetery inventories in the British Virgin Islands between 2002 and 2004. The work included an examination of each grave site, and recording data on a form (see attached), as well as photographs of each grave. Information about the marker- size, materials, and conditions were recorded as well as written epigraphs. Forms were filled out for grave sites which had no inscription. Caribbean Volunteer Expeditions is a non-profit organization which recruits volunteers to work with local agencies in the Caribbean on historic preservation projects. In the BVI we were working with Mitch Kent of the Lavity Stoutt College. The information collected is summarized in this report which contains a schematic map of the cemetery as well as the names on the inscriptions. People wanting further information about these cemeteries should contact CVE via [ahershve@aol.com](mailto:ahershve@aol.com)

### Cemeteries inventoried:

2002

Tortola: The Planter's Cemetery, Road Town  
Tortola: Kingstown Cemetery  
Tortola: St George's Anglican Cemetery, Road own (front section)  
Tortola: Quaker Cemetery  
Tortola: Donovan Vault, West End  
Tortola: Tower's Cemetery West End  
Tortola: St. Michael's at Windy Hill  
Virgin Gorda: St. Thomas Bay Cemetery

2003

Tortola: St George's Anglican Cemetery, Road Town (back of the church)  
Peter Island Cemetery  
Salt Island: Rhone Cemetery  
Salt Island: Cemetery 11  
Salt Island: Cemetery 111

2004

Sea Cow's Bay Anglican Church Cemetery  
Tortola: Cane Garden Bay Cemetery  
Tortola: Road Town Methodist Church Cemetery  
Jost Van Dyke: The Public Cemetery  
Jost Van Dyke: Callwood Cemetery  
Jost Van Dyke: Chinnery Cemetery  
Virgin Gorda: The Valley Methodist Church Cemetery  
Virgin Gorda: St. Mary's Episcopal Church Cemetery

# CEMETERY SURVEY

CEMETERY: \_\_\_\_\_  
LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME ON MARKER: \_\_\_\_\_ GRAVE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

## 1. MARKER TYPE

- HEADMARKER     COMPANION FOOTMARKER  
 LEDGER     BOX TOMB     TABLE TOMB  
 ABOVE GROUND TOMB OR VAULT (WITH SEVERAL GRAVES)     TOMBSTONE  
 OBELISK/MONUMENT     GRAVE OUTLINED WITH STONES OR SHELLS  
 EARTH MOUND    OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. MARKER MATERIALS

- MARBLE     GRANITE     SLATE     OTHER STONE \_\_\_\_\_  
 CAST IRON     BRICK     CONCRETE     PLASTERED MASONRY  
 NATIVE STONES     SHELLS     WOOD  
 OTHER (IDENTIFY \_\_\_\_\_)

## 3. SIZE OF PRIMARY MARKER

HEADMARKER: \_\_\_\_\_ HEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ WIDTH \_\_\_\_\_ THICKNESS  
LEDGER OR GRAVE SLAB \_\_\_\_\_ LENGTH \_\_\_\_\_ WIDTH \_\_\_\_\_ THICKNESS  
TOMB/VAULT: \_\_\_\_\_ HEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ WIDTH \_\_\_\_\_ THICKNESS  
ROCK/SHELL OR EARTH OUTLINE: \_\_\_\_\_ LENGTH \_\_\_\_\_ WIDTH

4. DESIGN ELEMENTS \_\_\_\_\_

5. CARVER SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

## 6. ORIENTATION

GRAVE:  EAST/WEST     NORTH/ SOUTH    OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

## 7. OTHER MATERIALS AT GRAVE

- FENCE- CAST IRON/ WOOD     METAL/BRICK/ STONE CURBING  
 STATUARY     ORNAMENTAL PLANTS  
 SHELLS    OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

## 8. CONDITION OF PRIMARY MARKER

EXCELLENT     VERY GOOD     GOOD     FAIR     POOR

- WEATHERING     CHIPPING     CRACKING     FALLEN     TILTED  
 BROKEN (\_\_\_\_ NUMBER OF FRAGMENTS)     BIOLOGICAL STAINING  
 PREVIOUS REPAIR

COMMENTS

# ***CEMETERY SURVEY***

CEMETERY: \_\_\_\_\_  
LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

INSCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

GRAVE NO: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER COMMENTS

PHOTOGRAPH NO \_\_\_\_\_