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Identity Statement:

Title: Schultzel Cemetery and Church Papers
 Extent of the unit of description: 9 containers; 3.5 linear feet

Scope & Content / Abstract:

The Schultzel Cemetery and Church Papers are a collection of research and field exploration notes relating to cemeteries and churches of Hunterdon and Warren Counties. The Papers contain research folders labeled by cemetery and church name. Most of the material includes research copies and work notes taken from published and unpublished books and manuscripts, supplemented by findings on trips to the cemetery or church in question. These additional research work notes can include tombstone inscriptions, photographs, correspondence, original or drawn locator maps, photocopies of deeds, photocopies of research sources, and original notes by the creator of the collection.

This collection is of importance to anyone who researches or is interested in Hunterdon County churches or cemeteries. While some of the entries are basic, many of them are quite detailed. They can include not only research and notes concerning the cemetery but can also include original research such as tombstone inscription recordings and photographs.

Context:

Dates of accumulation: 1982-2008
 Name of Creator: Ron Schultzel
 Administrative / Biographical history: Accession #115 - Ron Schultzel's Hunterdon County Cemetery Collection

Ron Schultzel, former manuscript curator at the Hunterdon County Historical Society, had a long-time interest in Hunterdon County cemeteries, especially the older family burying grounds that have been neglected over time. He was also interested in the older churches in the county.

In 2011, Ron donated three large cartons of over 150 file folders of information about every cemetery of which he was aware in Hunterdon County. He collected bibliographic material which referenced these cemeteries: newspaper articles from the Hunterdon County Democrat; chapters with Hunterdon cemetery information in books and pamphlets; prior recording of inscriptions conducted by Hiram E. Deats, Marian Deats, Egbert Trimmer Bush, Theodore Bellis, Boy Scouts working on their Eagle projects, N.S.D.A.R. volunteers, Genealogical Society of New Jersey volunteers, and collected inscriptions of the New Jersey Historical Society. If the cemetery was published, he would include a photocopy of the printed pages in the file folder.

In addition to collecting information, from 1982 through 2005 Ron found many older neglected burial grounds. He recorded many gravestone inscriptions in these smaller cemeteries, sometimes accompanied by a hand-drawn map of each numbered grave location. He was careful in his recording by checking and re-checking each written inscription, and was often helped in this endeavor by another HCHS volunteer, Shirley Wydner. Ron took black and white photographs of many of the older gravestones and these were found filed in the folders of the appropriate cemetery or burial ground.

The following is not a complete list, but represents the majority of Hunterdon County burial grounds which were recorded, and sometimes photographed, by Ron Schultzel:

Garrison-Tharp Burying Ground, Bethlehem Township, 1998, with Shirley Wydner.
 Opdycke Family Burying Ground, Bethlehem Township, 5 gravestones with photographs.
 Hampton Baptist Churchyard, 1998, Borough of Hampton.
 Musconetcong Valley Cemetery, 2000-2005, Borough of Hampton.
 Cole (Henry) Family Burying Ground, 1998, Holland Township, with Shirley Wydner.
 Slacktown Cemetery, Kingwood Township, with Shirley Wydner.
 Mount Lebanon Methodist Episcopal Cemetery, 2001, Lebanon Township with Shirley Wydner.
 Cole Family Burying Ground, 1982, Readington Township.
 Samuel Kanach Burying Ground, 1982, Readington Township.
 Pickell Family Burying Ground, 1982, Readington Township.

Schamp Family Burying Ground, 1998, Readington Township, 48 inscriptions with map and numbered locations of each gravestone.
 Schomp Family Burying Ground, 1998, with Shirley Wydner, Readington Township.
 Smith (Johannes) Burying Ground, 1982, Readington Township, 18 inscriptions with map of each grave location.
 Wyckoff-Bertrand Burying Ground, 1982, Readington Township.

- Pamelyn Bush, 1/3/2017

Structure:

Disposition:

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