

Mathews County Marker Event October 3, 2020

Time:	Honoree:	Location:	
9:30	Keeper Walter M. Shawn	Trinity Church Cemetery	
11:15	Keeper Henry Luther Dow	St. Paul United Methodist Church Cemetery	
	Lunch		
1:30	Keeper James Garnett Williams	H.C. Smither Cemetery	
2:15	Keeper William Thomas Brooks	H.C. Smither Cemetery	
3:30	Keeper Robert Harold Matthews	H.C. Smither Cemetery	
4:15	Keeper Andrew Broaddus Sadler and Keeper Charles Franklin Sadler	H.C. Smither Cemetery	

OCTOBER 3, 2020 USLHS GRAVE MARKER EVENT – MATHEWS, VA
SUPPORTED BY THE CHESAPEAKE CHAPTER, UNITED STATES LIGHTHOUSE SOCIETY

Keeper Walter M. Shawn - Ceremony at 9:30 am at Trinity Church Cemetery

Trinity Church Cemetery
Route 14 and Route 626 (Ridge Road)
Foster, VA 23056

Directions to Trinity Church Cemetery

From Main Street in Gloucester, VA - Take Route 14 east towards Mathews, VA. Drive about 10.8 miles to Trinity Church, which will be on the left. As you approach the church, turn left on to Route 626 (Ridge Road) and then turn right into the Trinity Church parking lot. We do have permission to use the church parking lot during the ceremony. The grave site for Keeper Shawn is behind the church.

From the intersection of Route 198 and Route 14 in Mathews - Travel west on Route 14 (towards Gloucester) about 2.9 miles. Trinity Church will be on the right. After passing the church, turn right on to Route 626 (Ridge Road) and then turn right into the Trinity Church parking lot. We do have permission to use the parking lot during the ceremony. The grave site for Keeper Shawn is behind the church.

Keeper Henry Luther Dow - Ceremony at 11:15 am at Saint Paul United Methodist Church Cemetery

Saint Paul United Methodist Church Cemetery
5555 Route 14 (New Point Comfort Highway)
Susan, VA 23163

Directions from Trinity Church Cemetery to Saint Paul United Methodist Church Cemetery

(The distance from Trinity Church Cemetery to Saint Paul United Methodist Church Cemetery is about 10.2 miles.)

Turn left on to Route 14 east and travel about 2.9 miles. At the intersection of Route 14 and Route 198 (Buckley Hall Road) turn right and follow Route 198 east (Buckley Hall Road) for about 1.7 miles and then turn right on to Route 14 east (Main Street). Follow Route 14 east which becomes New Point Comfort Highway, for about 5.6 miles. The grave site for Keeper Dow is on the right and parking at the Saint Paul United Methodist Church parking lot across the road (Route 14) is permitted.

Keeper James Garnett Williams - Ceremony at 1:30 pm at H.C. Smither Cemetery

Keeper William Thomas Brooks - Ceremony at 2:15 pm at H. C. Smither Cemetery

Keeper Robert Harold Matthews - Ceremony at 3:30 pm at H.C. Smither Cemetery

Keepers Andrew Broaddus Sadler and Charles Franklin Sadler - Ceremony at 4:15 at H.C. Smither Cemetery

H.C. Smither Cemetery
Route 627 (Smithers Lane)
Hudgins, VA 23076

Directions from Saint Paul United Methodist Church Cemetery to H.C. Smither Cemetery

(The distance from Saint Paul United Methodist Church Cemetery to H.C. Smither Cemetery is about 9.3 miles.)

Take Route 14 west (New Point Comfort Highway) for about 5.6 miles to the Mathews Courthouse area. (Route 14 will become Main Street.) At the intersection of Route 198 west (Buckley Hall Road) and Route 14 (Main Street), turn left. Follow 198 west for about 3.7 miles to Route 627 (Smithers Lane) which is across the road from the Piankatank Ruritan Club. Turn right on to Smithers Lane which marks the entrance to H.C. Smither Cemetery. The grave sites of our five honorees will be to the left.

**U.S. LIGHTHOUSE SOCIETY
 MAP OF MATHEW'S COUNTY LIGHTHOUSE KEEPER MARKER EVENT
 SATURDAY, 3 OCTOBER, 2020**

- 1330 KEEPER JAMES GARNETT WILLIAMS
- 1415 KEEPER WILLIAM THOMAS BROOKS
- 1530 KEEPER ROBERT HAROLD MATTHEWS
- 1615 KEEPERS ANDREW BROADDUS SADLER
 AND CHARLES FRANKLIN SADLER

H.C. SMITHER CEMETERY

Hudgins

**0930 KEEPER WALTER M. SHAWN
 TRINITY CHURCH CEMETERY**

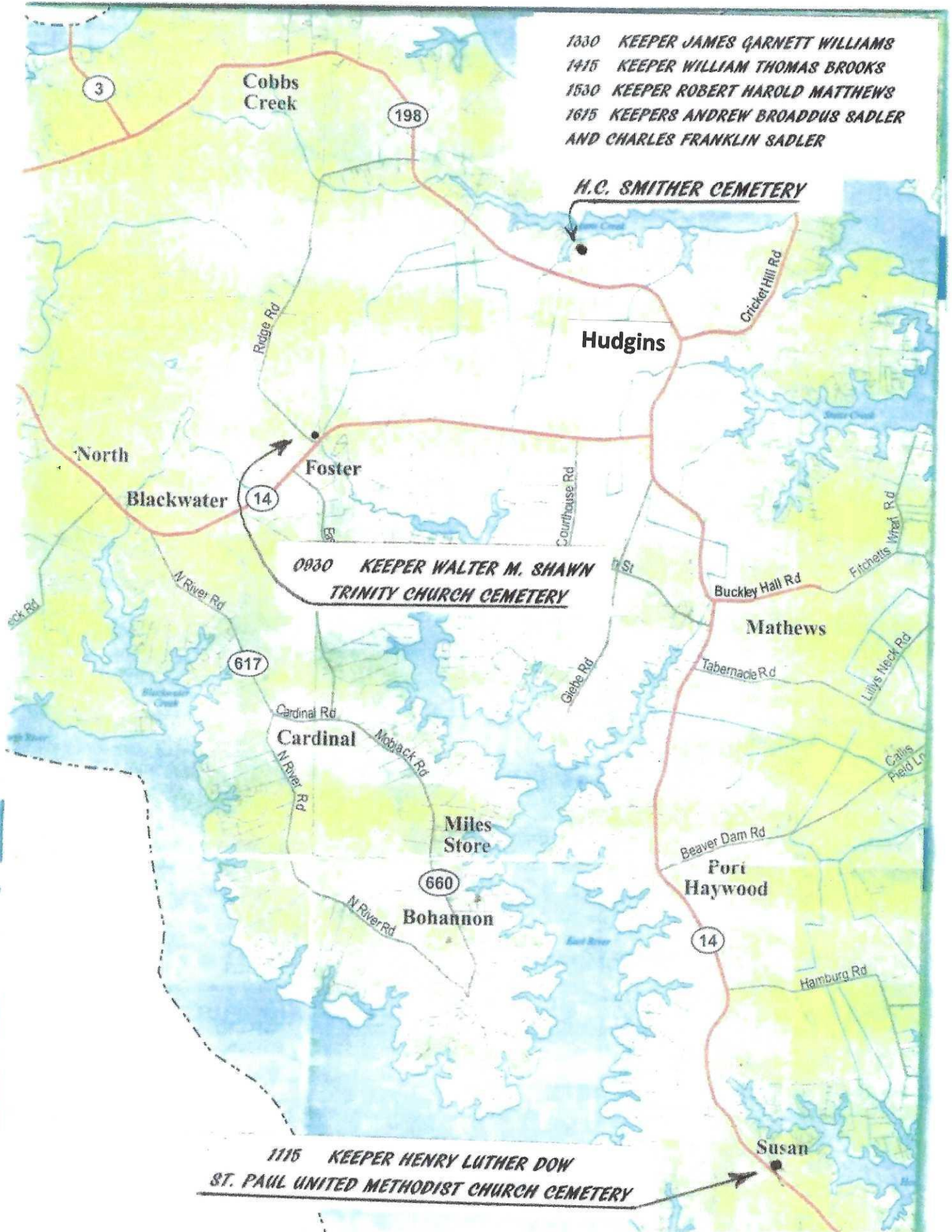
Mathews

**Port
 Haywood**

Bohannon

Susan

**1115 KEEPER HENRY LUTHER DOW
 ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CEMETERY**



Attractions in Mathews County, Virginia

Mathews County Visitor Center – Located in Sibley’s General Store, 239 Main Street, Mathews, VA. Has local art, educational displays and complete area information. Sells books and some souvenirs on the Mathews County lighthouses. Hours: Wed – Sat at 10 am to 4 pm. (May be subject to change.) (804) 725 – 4229. For more information see: www.visitmathews.com.

Gwynn’s Island Museum – From Route 14 turn left on to Route 198 which will take you to Hudgins. At Hudgins, turn right on Route 223 and cross the Gwynn’s Island Bridge. The museum is on the main road (on the left) as you pass a cemetery. The museum is open seasonally and by appointment. April - October on Friday, Saturday & Sunday, 1:00 to 5:00 pm. (804) 725-5022. See www.gwynnsislandmuseum.org for more information.

Milford Haven Coast Guard Station – From Route 14 turn left on to Route 198 which will take you to Hudgins. At Hudgins, turn right on Route 223. The Coast Guard Station is on the right before crossing the Gwynn’s Island Bridge. There is a U.S. Light House Establishment (U.S.L.H.E.) bell on display and a bell from the Coast Guard Cutter *Wistaria*.

Wolf Trap Lighthouse – Best viewed from the water, but can be seen in the distance from Bethel Beach in Mathews County. Take Route 14 through the town of Mathews and turn left on to Route 608. Follow Route 608 (Hamburg Road) which briefly becomes Potato Neck Road. Then turn left at a gray house on to Route 609 (Bethel Beach Road). Proceed to the end of Route 609 (Bethel Beach Road) to find the Bethel Beach Natural Area Preserve.

New Point Comfort Lighthouse – Best viewed from the water, but can be viewed in the distance from the New Point Comfort Preserve Observatory walkway. Take Route 14 through the town of Mathews. At the end of Route 14, turn left on to Route 600 at Bavon. Turn Right on to Lighthouse Road and proceed to end.

Mathews County Factoids: Located on the eastern tip of the Middle Peninsula, on the western shore of the southern Chesapeake Bay. Founded in 1791 by Revolutionary War veteran and Speaker of the Virginia House of Delegates Major Thomas Mathews.

84 square miles – second smallest county in Virginia. (Smallest is Arlington County – 26 square miles). 214 miles of shoreline on the Chesapeake Bay – more than any other county on the Bay.

No traffic lights except the light at the Gwynn’s Island Bridge. Two lighthouses including the 3rd oldest on the Bay. Population – 8,978 (2010 census)