

# BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
NEW YORK STATE PARKS AND RECREATION  
ALBANY, NEW YORK (518) 474-0479

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 001-06-0134  
QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR NAME Town of Guilderland DATE June 1, 1979

YOUR ADDRESS Town Hall, Guilderland TELEPHONE 518-356-1908  
N.Y.

ORGANIZATION (if any): \_\_\_\_\_

## IDENTIFICATION

1. BUILDING NAME(S) Guilderland Cemetery Vault (Building #26)
2. COUNTY Albany TOWN/CITY Guilderland VILLAGE \_\_\_\_\_
3. STREET LOCATION Osborn CORP; RTE. 158; EAST SIDE; IN GUILDERLAND CEMETERY;
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public ☐ b. private ☒ AT RTE 146
5. PRESENT OWNER Guilderland Cemetery ADDRESS c/o H. Crounse, 45 Willow St. G'lan  
N.Y. 12084
6. USE: Original: vault Assoc. Present: vault
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes ☒ No ☐  
Interior accessible: Explain by appointment

## DESCRIPTION

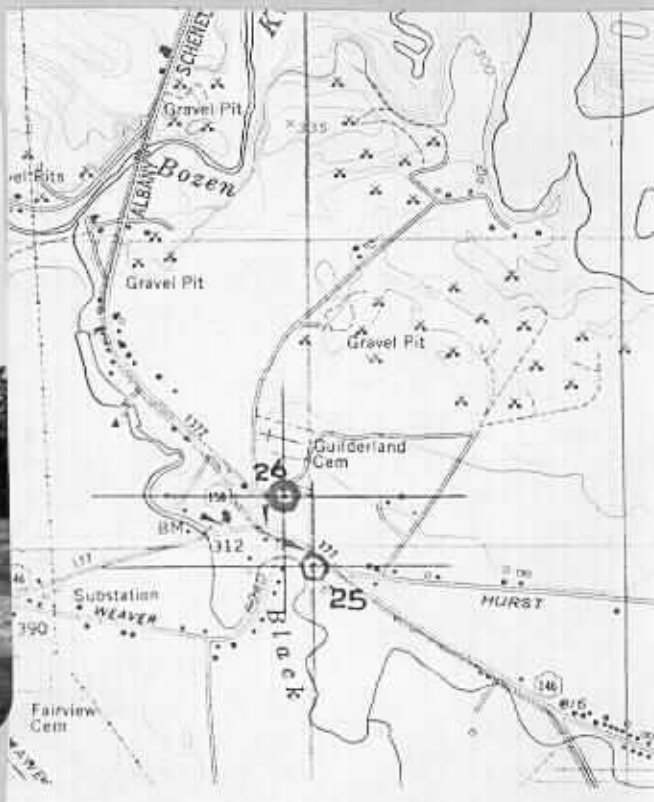
8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard ☐ b. stone ☐ c. brick ☐ d. board and batten ☐  
e. cobblestone ☒ f. shingles ☐ g. stucco ☐ other: \_\_\_\_\_
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints ☐  
(if known) b. wood frame with light members ☐  
c. masonry load bearing walls ☒  
d. metal (explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
e. other: \_\_\_\_\_
10. CONDITION: a. excellent ☐ b. good ☒ c. fair ☐ d. deteriorated ☐
11. INTEGRITY: a. original site ☒ b. moved ☐ if so, when? \_\_\_\_\_  
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

12. PHOTO:

13. MAP:



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14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known ☒ b. zoning ☐ c. roads ☐  
 d. developers ☐ e. deterioration ☐  
 f. other: \_\_\_\_\_
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:  
 a. barn ☐ b. carriage house ☐ c. garage ☐  
 d. privy ☐ e. shed ☐ f. greenhouse ☐  
 g. shop ☐ h. gardens ☐  
 i. landscape features: Cemetery  
 j. other: \_\_\_\_\_
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):  
 a. open land ☒ b. woodland ☐  
 c. scattered buildings ☐  
 d. densely built-up ☐ e. commercial ☐  
 f. industrial ☐ g. residential ☐  
 h. other: Cemetery
17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:  
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)  
**The area is open agricultural land but there are some quarrying operations nearby. The nominated area is 160 feet from the center of the building on all sides.**
18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):  
**The building is unique coursed cobblestone with smooth ashlar quoins and rounded arch door.**

#### SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: ca. 1872
- ARCHITECT: Unknown
- BUILDER: Unknown

#### 20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The Guilderland Cemetery Vault is significant as one of only several cobblestone buildings in the town. Although cobblestone construction was a common building technique in the northeast prior to the twentieth century, it was rare in this vicinity. The vault is a significant and unusual example of the use of this material. It is well crafted, with simple embellishments typical of a straightforward vernacular design. The building survives intact amidst modern suburban development encroaching upon the area.

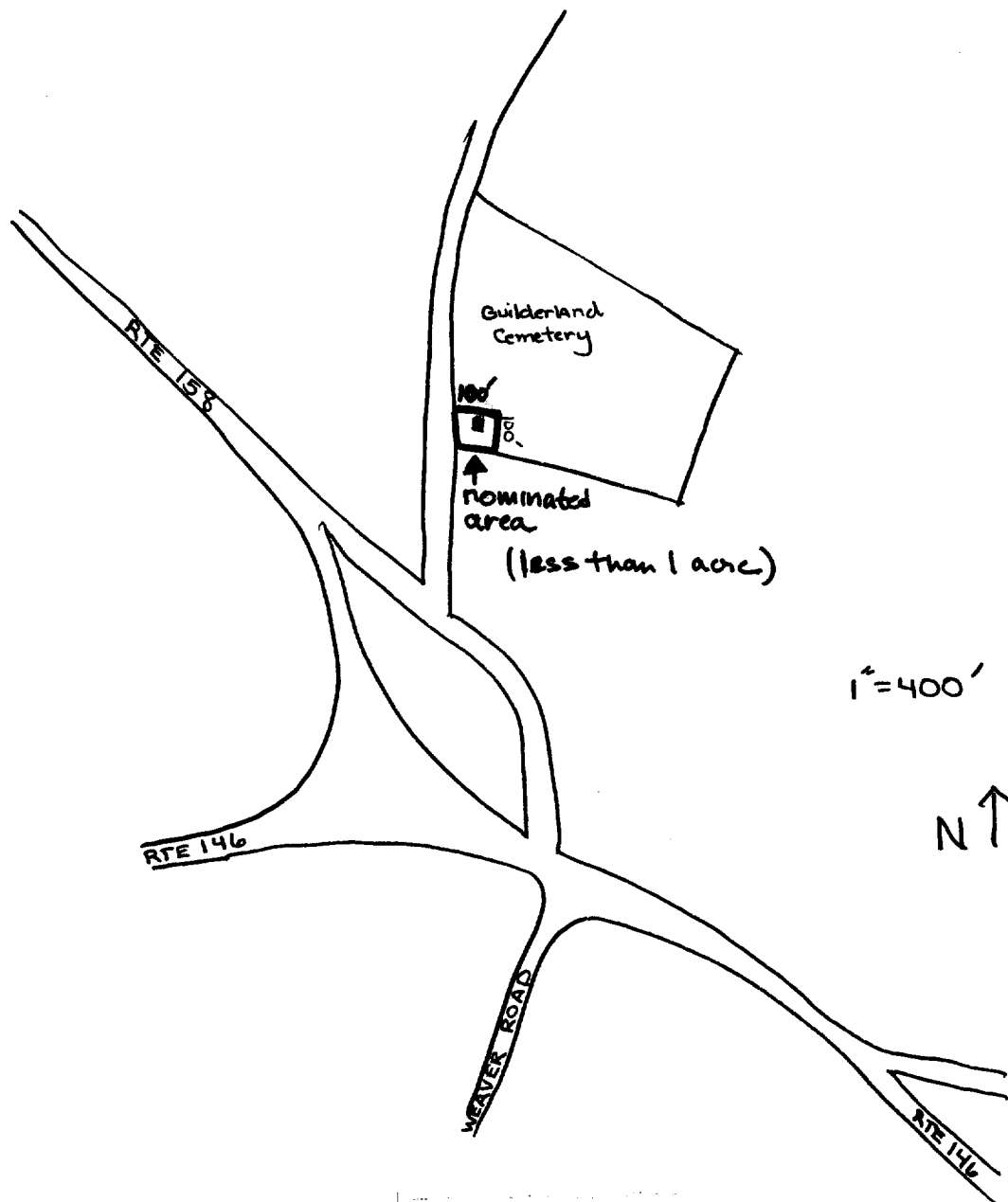
21. SOURCES: **See bibliography**

22. THEME:

Guilderland Cemetery Vault  
Historic Resources of  
Guilderland (Phase I)

Guilderland Cemetery

Guilderland Cemetery Vault  
Building # 26



Historic Resources of  
Guilderland Phase I  
Albany County Guilderland  
New York  
Site Map (from tax map)  
Smith & Mahoney 1979

ROTTERDAM  
JUNCTION

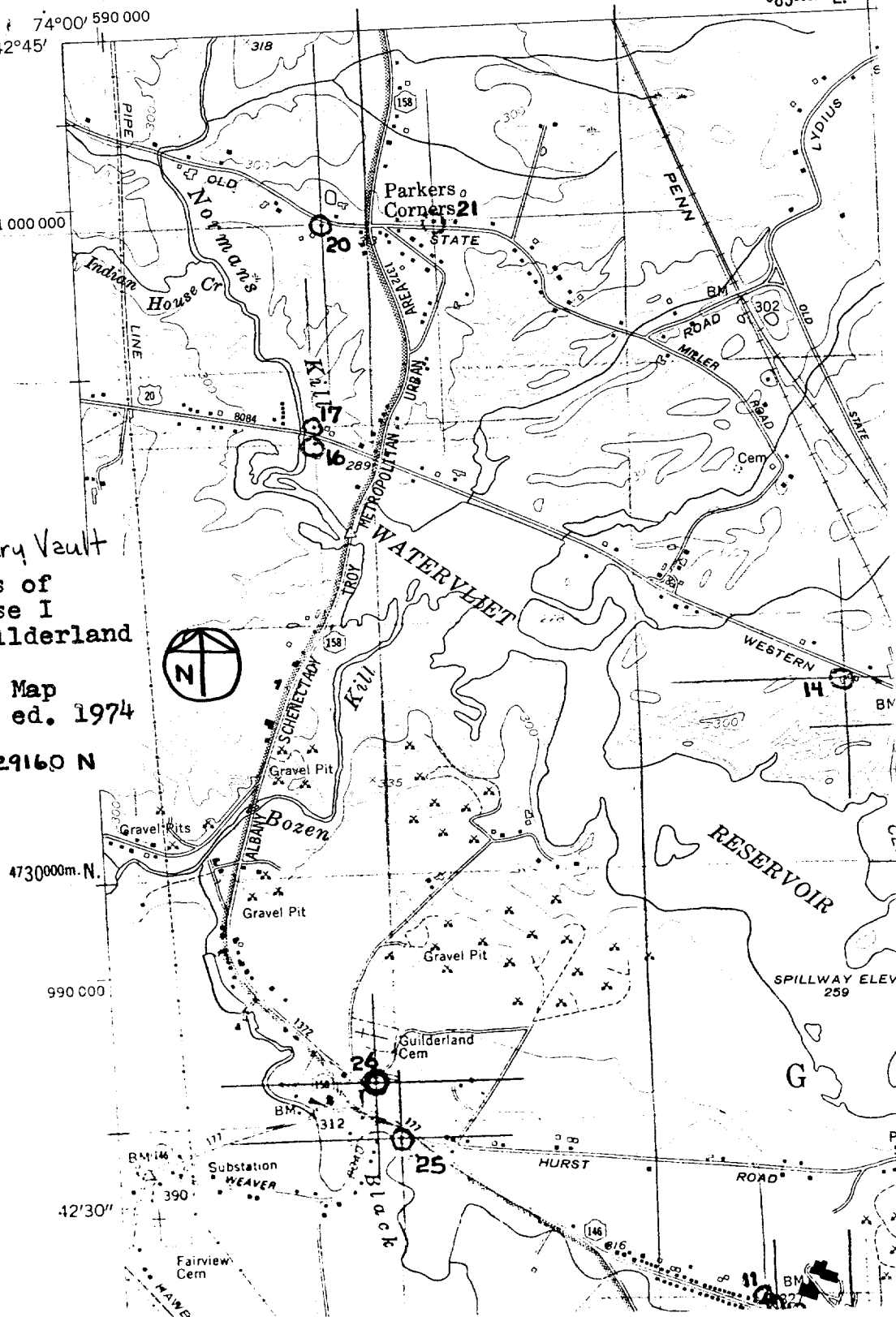
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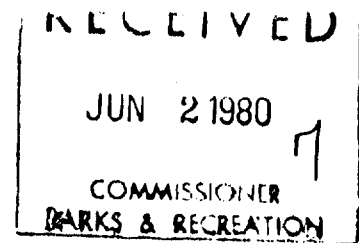
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Guilderland Cemetery Vault  
Historic Resources of  
Guilderland Phase I  
Albany County Guilderland  
New York  
U.S.G.S. and Site Map  
Scale 1:24000 2nd ed. 1974  
VOORHEESVILLE QUAD  
#26 UMT: 582900E 4729160 N





May 19, 1980

Orin Lehman, State Historic Preservation Officer  
New York State Office of Parks & Recreation  
Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller Empire State Plaza  
Albany, N.Y. 12238

Re: Cemetery Vault  
Osborne Corners  
Guilderland, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Lehman:

As the above structure will be considered for nomination to the National Register (Letter May 14, 1980, Ann Webster Smith) we urge that your bureau act favorably for its inclusion.

Except for paragraphs B & E in the criteria for evaluation (it has not been moved or reconstructed) it fulfills the requirements for approval. It is sited at the entrance to the Cemetery containing the graves of many of the founders of Historic Guilderland.

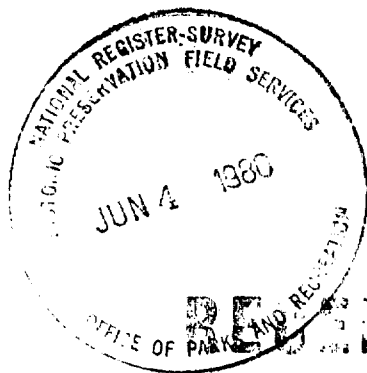
If further information would be helpful for this nomination, we would appreciate your advising our Association.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter or keen importance to us.

Very truly yours,

GUILDERLAND CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Harold E. Crounse  
President  
45 Willow St.  
Guilderland, N.Y. 12084



JUN 8 1980  
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION