

News Release

Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge

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Refuge in Search of Family Connections to Gravestones

Cambridge, MD – Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge came into the possession of a number of gravestones in the early 2000's during the acquisition of Bishops Head. These gravestones are from Bishops Head and neighboring landowners. If you believe you have a family connection and wish to claim your family's stone(s), please contact Ray Paterra at 410-430-2325 or ray_paterra@fws.gov by Friday, March 19, 2021.

Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge, located on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, protects over 32,000 acres of rich tidal marsh, mixed hardwood and pine forest, managed freshwater wetlands and cropland for a diversity of wildlife. To learn more, visit our website at www.fws.gov/refuge/blackwater or @BlackwaterNWR.

The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is working with others to conserve, protect, and enhance fish, wildlife, plants, and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. We are both a leader and trusted partner in fish and wildlife conservation, known for our scientific excellence, stewardship of lands and natural resources, dedicated professionals, and commitment to public service.

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