Acquinton Church and Cemetery King William County, Virginia



Acquinton Church was one of four early colonial churches built in King William County, possibly on an earlier chapel site dating from 1690. The walls are actually the remainder of a north wing that had projected from the center of a much larger, rectangular church that was built on the site around 1734. Acquinton began as an Anglican parish church, a branch of the Church of England, prior to the Revolutionary War. After being abandoned by the Anglicans around 1800, it was used by Baptists, Methodists, and other congregations such as the "Campbellites" (led by Alexander Campbell) until the Civil War.

As a result of the hard times that fell upon the South after the war, the church fell into disrepair and was vacant until the Methodists bought it in the 1870s. They tore down the original 1734 structure, and remodeled and extended the north wing, producing the present structure at the site today. Behind the church are remains of a glebe house (a glebe was the tract of land presented to a parson by an Anglican parish so he could live near the church where he was rector). Across the street from the church are the remains of a 19th century general store (Warner-Edwards Store), at which men enlisted for the Civil War. This area was once a hub of community activity where people congregated for social, commercial, and political as well as religious reasons.

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APPROXIMATE LAYOUT OF GRAVES Not to scale

