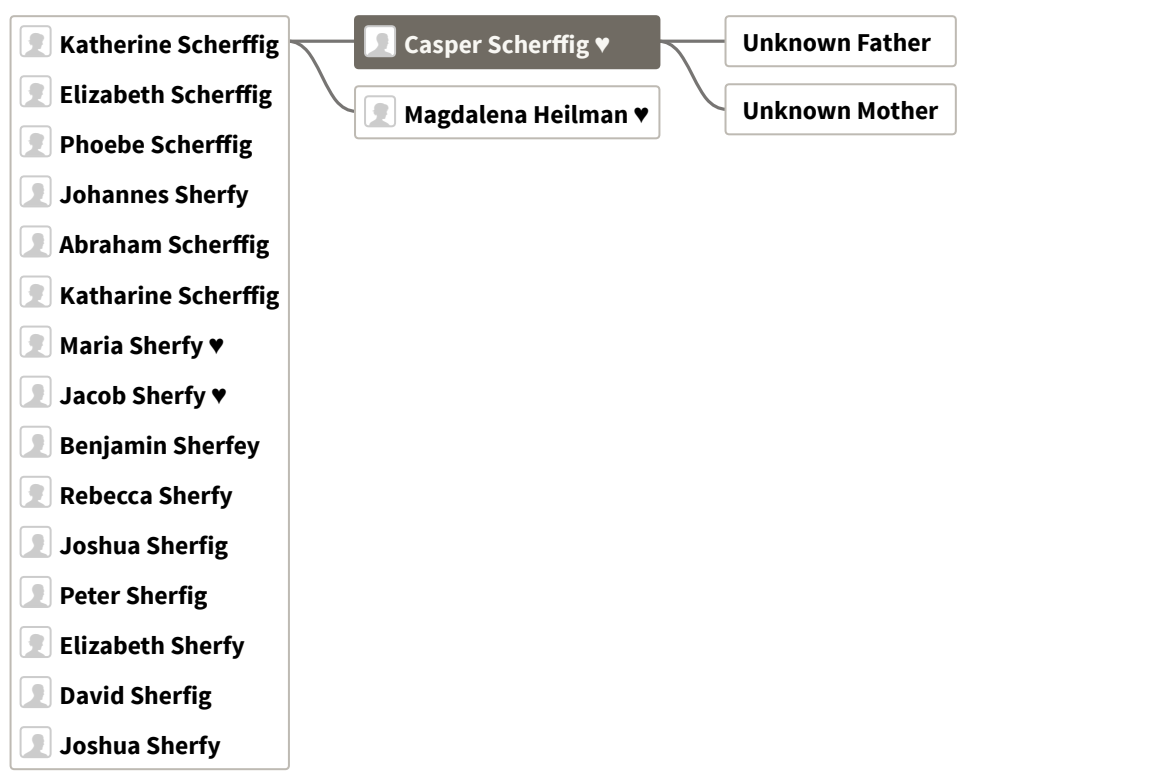


# Casper Scherffig ♥

1735-1783



Casper Scherffig was born in 1735 in Germany. He married Magdalena Heilman on December 13, 1758, in Trappe, Pennsylvania. They had 15 children in 18 years. He died in 1783 in Taneytown, Maryland, at the age of 48, and was buried in Union Bridge, Maryland.



**1735**  
AGE 0

## Birth

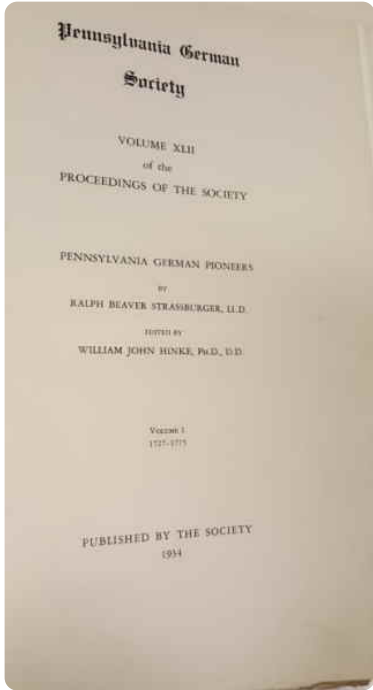
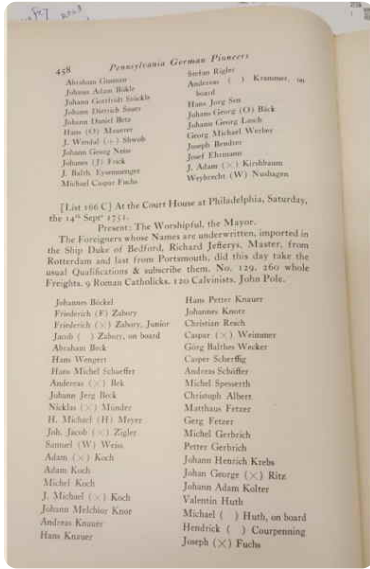
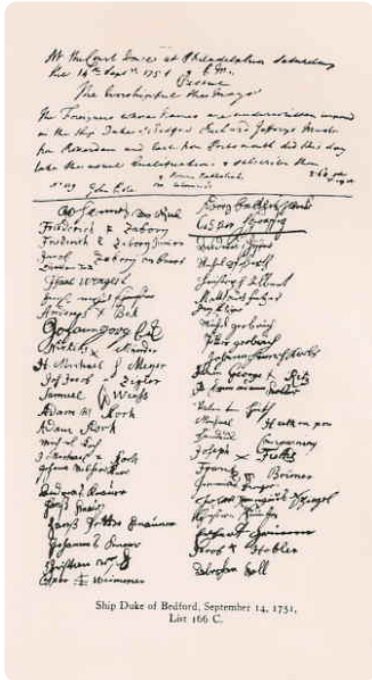
Casper Scherffig was born in 1735 in Germany.

1735 • Germany

14 SEP 1751 AGE 16

### Arrival

Sailed from Rotterdam, Holland, arriving at the port of Philadelphia, PA, On Sept 14, 1751, on the ship Duke of Bedford, Captain Jefferson. He signed his own name, among who were nine Roman Catholics and 120 Calvinists in the list of 260 passengers.



14 Sep 1751 • Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

1751 AGE 16

### Residence

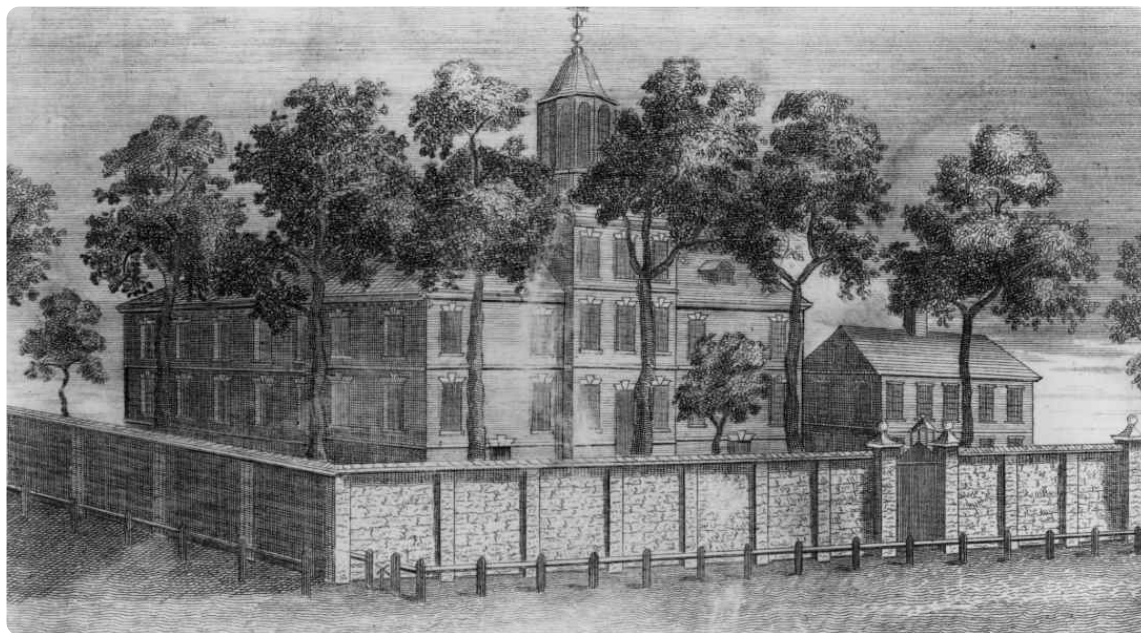
Casper Scherffig lived in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1751.

1751 • Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, PA

**1751**  
AGE 16

## Founding the First Hospital in America

Casper Scherffig ♥ may have watched the construction of the first hospital in America while living in Philadelphia in 1751.



13 DEC  
**1758**  
AGE 23

## Marriage

Casper Scherffig married Magdalena Heilman in Trappe, Pennsylvania, on December 13, 1758, when he was 23 years old. The family Bible has been in the Sherfey family ever since its publication in 1776.

Their family record written by Kaspar Scherffig in German, is found in their old family Bible. This information was found in the files at the Historical Society of Carroll County, MD on 11/11/2016



### **Magdalena Heilman ♥**

1738–1825

**Dec 13 1758 • Trappe, PA**

30 NOV  
**1759**  
AGE 24

## Birth of Daughter

His daughter Katherine was born on November 30, 1759, in Frederick, Maryland.



**Katherine Scherffig** 1759–1764

**30 Nov 1759 • Frederick, Maryland, USA**

**1759**  
AGE 24

## Residence

This property, which once belonged to Casper and Magdalena Scherffig, and on which they raised ten children is located at 3217 Old Taneytown Road (State Route 832) about 3 miles east of Taneytown, Maryland. (Pronounced Tawneytown.) The driveway, from SR 832 is on a deeded right-of-way and is about 1/4 mile long to the house. The and comprises approximately 120 acres and included in the 1798 tax record, a log house, a barn and mill. The land is not far from a stream call Meadow Branch, which feeds into Big Pipe Creek. A creek would have been a significant locating feature at that time when there were few formal roads. Therefore, "near" Meadow Branch was a relative term to roughly locate the property. Actually, the closest point on the property to Meadow Branch is perhaps 600 yards. A reasonable sized, unnamed feeder to Meadow Branch does extend through the property and in 1995 includes two small lakes, one recently created, within 100 feet of the house.

~Robert B. Sherfy 117 Seneca Ridge Drive Sterling, VA 20164 June 1995

Homestead

**1759 • Taneytown, Maryland**

**1759**  
AGE 24

## History of the Scherffig Family Bible

Kaspar Scherffig's Bible is a copy of Christoph Sauer's Germantown Bible of 1776. It was published under the auspices of the society of the Brethren of Dunkers. The sheets were printed in 1776, but on account of the unsettled state of affairs at that time, owing to the Revolutionary War, the books were not bound and issued that year. The sect of Dunkers under whose auspices this Bible was published, was founded by Alexander Mack in a hamlet of Saxony in 1708. He and his little congregation were soon driven from Germany on account of their religion and they took up their abode in Holland, a freer country. A few members immigrated thence to Pennsylvania as early as 1720, and in 1745 Alexander Mack with the majority of the three congregations then existing in the Netherlands, sailed for Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The remnant emigrated during the next ten years. The family Bible has been in the Sherfey family ever since its publication in 1776. First owned by Kaspar Scherffig, whose family record may be seen on a fly-leaf in the back, this Bible passed to his youngest child, Joshua Sherfey in 1817, thence to his nephew Solomon Sherfey in 1859, thence to his youngest son William Emory Sherfey in 1876, and thence to his son, Solomon Rand Sherfey in 1920. Solomon Rand Sherfey 1909 McGavook Pike Nashville, Tennessee

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**1759**

23 OCT  
**1761**  
AGE 26

### Birth of Daughter

His daughter Elizabeth was born on October 23, 1761, in Frederick, Maryland.

 **Elizabeth Scherffig** 1761–1761

**23 Oct 1761 • Frederick, Maryland, USA**

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**1761**  
AGE 26

### Death of Daughter

His daughter Elizabeth passed away in 1761 in Frederick, Maryland, when she was less than a year old.

 **Elizabeth Scherffig** 1761–1761

**1761 • Frederick, Frederick, Maryland, United States**

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4 FEB  
**1763**  
AGE 28

### Birth of Daughter

His daughter Phoebe was born on February 4, 1763, in Frederick, Maryland.

 **Phoebe Scherffig** 1763–

**04 Feb 1763 • Frederick, Maryland, USA**

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3 MAR  
**1764**  
AGE 29

### Birth of Son

His son Johannes was born on March 3, 1764, in Frederick, Maryland.

 **Johannes Sherfy** 1764–1846

**3 March 1764 • Frederick, Frederick County, Maryland, USA**

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**1764**  
AGE 29

### Death of Daughter

His daughter Katherine passed away in 1764 at the age of 5.

 **Katherine Scherffig** 1759–1764

**1764**

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19 MAR  
**1765**  
AGE 30

### Birth of Son

His son Abraham was born on March 19, 1765.

 **Abraham Scherffig** 1765–1812

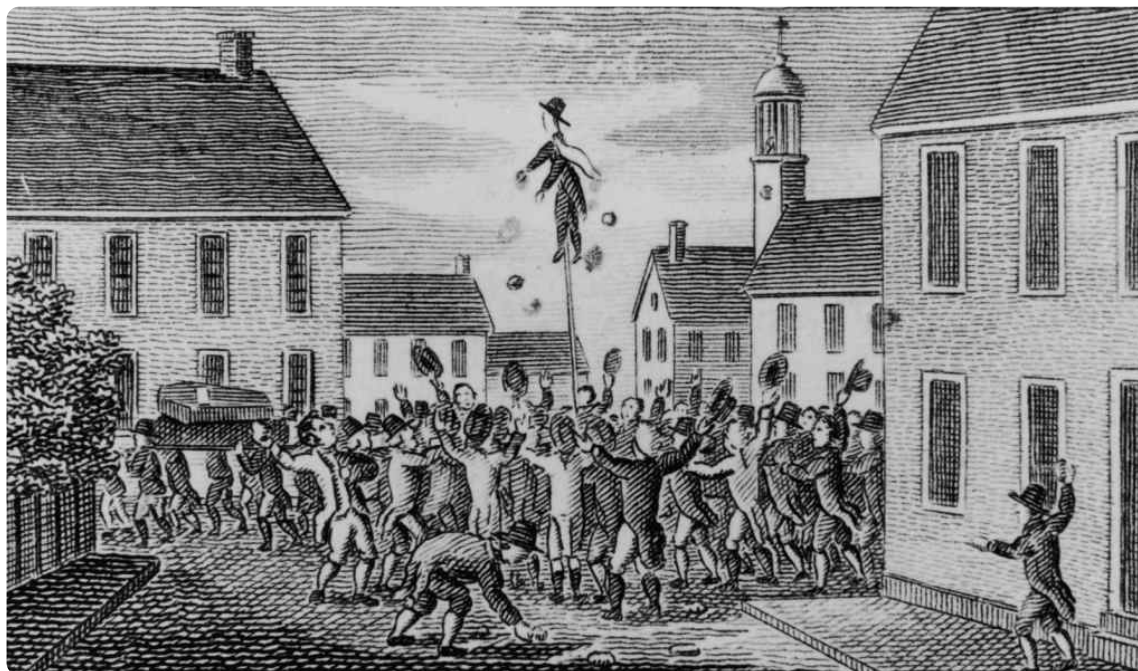
**19 Mar 1765**

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**1765**  
AGE 30

## The Stamp Act

When people took to the streets to protest the Stamp Act in 1765, Casper Scherffig ♥ was probably living in Maryland, one of the colonies opposing British rule.



30 AUG  
**1766**  
AGE 31

## Birth of Daughter

His daughter Katharine was born on August 30, 1766.

 **Katharine Scherffig** 1766–

**30 Aug 1766**

16 MAR  
**1768**  
AGE 33

## Birth of Daughter

His daughter Maria was born on March 16, 1768, in Frederick, Maryland.

 **Maria Sherfy ♥** 1768–1858

**16 Mar 1768 • Frederick, Frederick, Maryland, United States**

4 MAR  
**1769**  
AGE 34

## Birth of Son

His son Jacob was born on March 4, 1769.

 **Jacob Sherfy ♥** 1769–1842

**04 Mar 1769**

9 JUN  
**1770**  
AGE 35

## Birth of Son

His son Benjamin was born on June 9, 1770.

 **Benjamin Sherfey** 1770–

**09 Jun 1770**

5 MAR  
**1772**  
AGE 37

### Birth of Daughter

His daughter Rebecca was born on March 5, 1772.

 **Rebecca Sherfy** 1772-

**05 Mar 1772**

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20 APR  
**1773**  
AGE 38

### Birth of Son

His son Joshua was born on April 20, 1773, in Frederick, Maryland.

 **Joshua Sherfig** 1773-1773

**20 Apr 1773 • Frederick, Maryland, USA**

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ABT.  
**1773**  
AGE 38

### Death of Son

His son Joshua passed away in 1773 in Frederick, Maryland, when he was less than a year old.

 **Joshua Sherfig** 1773-1773

**Abt. 1773 • Frederick, Maryland, USA**

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27 JUL  
**1774**  
AGE 39

### Birth of Son

His son Peter was born on July 27, 1774, in Frederick, Maryland.

 **Peter Sherfig** 1774-1774

**27 Jul 1774 • Frederick, Maryland, USA**

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ABT.  
**1774**  
AGE 39

### Death of Son

His son Peter passed away in 1774 when he was less than a year old.

 **Peter Sherfig** 1774-1774

**Abt. 1774**

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30 JUL  
**1775**  
AGE 40

### Birth of Daughter

His daughter Elizabeth was born on July 30, 1775, in Frederick, Maryland.

 **Elizabeth Sherfy** 1775-1849

**30 Jul 1775 • Frederick, Maryland, USA**

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7 MAY  
1776  
AGE 41

Arrested and fined by the Association of Freemen of Maryland for not pledging allegiance to the patriots cause

From the book "The Church of the Singing Hills" 1988 by H. Austin Cooper. Found in the Frederick, MD Historical Society library on 15 December 1994. On page 330, Cooper indicates that a dozen or so Dunkers at the Woolery Crumbacker (Crumpacker) Dunker Meeting House near Union Bridge, MD were arrested and fined by the Association of Freemen of Maryland for not pledging allegiance to the patriots cause. Among those was "Casper Sherfe" (Scherffig) who, on 7 May 1776, was fined 7-1/2 pounds. On 4 June the fine was reduced to 4 pounds. (There was no indication how or why the reduction was obtained. It is assumed that he paid the fine, because those who did not were often sent to debtors prison. Fines could sometime be paid in produce or other goods or services.) (The assumption was that if you were not FOR the patriot cause, you were a British sympathizer and ally. The Dunkers, in general, would not pledge their allegiance to any non-religious cause, and were steadfast non-combatants, although a few were later listed on the rosters of patriot troops.) ~Bob Sherfy 1995

From the book "The Church of the Singing Hills" Arrested and fined by the Association of Freemen of Maryland for not pledging allegiance to the patriots cause

**7 May 1776 • Union Bridge, Carroll, Maryland, USA**

30 AUG  
1776  
AGE 41

Birth of Son

His son David was born on August 30, 1776, in Frederick, Maryland.

 **David Sherfig** 1776-1776

**30 Aug 1776 • Frederick, Maryland, USA**

ABT.  
1776  
AGE 41

Death of Son

His son David passed away in 1776 in Frederick, Maryland, when he was less than a year old.

 **David Sherfig** 1776-1776

**Abt. 1776 • Frederick, Maryland, USA**

4 DEC  
1777  
AGE 42

Birth of Son

His son Joshua was born on December 4, 1777.

 **Joshua Sherfy** 1777-1860

**04 Dec 1777**



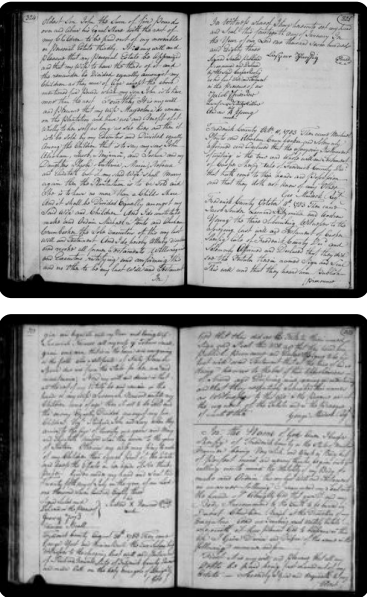
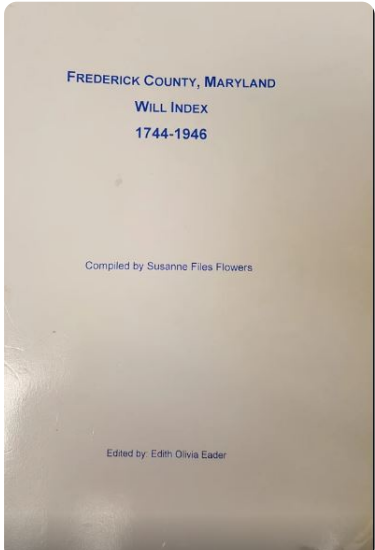
1783  
AGE 48

### Death

Casper Scherffig died in 1783 in Taneytown, Maryland, when he was 48 years old.

Contrary to the stated date of Casper's death (1817) , the actual date of Casper's death is between 14 January 1783 (the date of his last will) and 11 October 1783 when the will was probated, as documented at the Frederick County Court House, MD

Decedent	Libertine	Date	Executor
09816 SHERRING, Henry	TS-1-259	24 Mar 1853	George Smith
09817 SHERRING, J. B.	CM-1-467	22 Oct 1851	George Smith
09818 SHERRING, J. B.	MS-2-390	24 Nov 1850	E. C. Hunt
09819 SHERRING, Joseph	GM-1-268	16 Nov 1847	George Casper
09820 SHERRING, John	GM-3-339	22 Jan 1845	Frederick Knepp
09821 SHERRING, Peter	HS-3-234	27 Nov 1814	John Scherffig
09822 SHERRING, John	HS-1-281	27 May 1816	John Scherffig
09823 SHERRING, Lewis E.	MS-1-189	28 Jan 1841	H. Wood Swaine
09824 SHERRING, Mary E.	MS-1-283	08 Jul 1842	H. Wood Swaine
09825 SHERRING, John A.	MS-2-390	1 Nov 1850	John Scherffig
09826 SHERRING, John A.	MS-1-145	16 Apr 1809	William Carroll, Jr
09827 SHERRING, John	A-1-329	13 Feb 1783	John & Thomas Scherffig
09828 SHERRING, John	GM-2-113	08 Dec 1835	William Scherffig
09829 SHERRING, Solomon	GM-3-359	30 Jan 1900	William Scherffig, Jr
09830 SHERRING, Ustian	GM-3-361	30 Jan 1900	William Scherffig, Jr
09831 SHERRING, Ustian	GM-1-323	14 Oct 1783	Michael Phelan
09832 SHERRING, Casper	GM-2-338	13 Apr 1900	Mary Scherffig
09833 SHERRING, Nancy	HS-3-153	28 Dec 1822	Elizabeth Scherffig
09834 SHERRING, Jacob	HS-3-118	25 Dec 1822	George M. Scherffig
09835 SHERRING, Daniel	GM-2-34	03 Apr 1783	Thomas Scherffig
09836 SHERRING, Alexander	GM-1-46	19 Apr 1829	Alexander Thomas
09837 SHERRING, Esau	GM-1-268	15 Jul 1837	William Meyer
09838 SHERRING, John	GM-1-242	25 Dec 1806	William Stebbins
09839 SHERRING, Jeffrey	TS-1-168	17 Nov 1881	John Scherffig
09840 SHERRING, William	MS-2-377	30 Oct 1910	Mrs. I. Sherrig
09841 SHERRING, James A.	A-1-302	18 Aug 1790	John Scherffig
09842 SHERRING, Elizabeth	GM-2-344	05 Jun 1790	Catherine Sherrig
09843 SHERRING, William	HS-2-76	05 May 1817	Frederick Mann
09844 SHERRING, Barbara	MS-1-498	20 Dec 1828	Mary M. Scherffig
09845 SHRY, Sarah C.	JM-1-54	08 Feb 1893	Vanita Sherrig
09846 SHRY, Lawrence	GM-2-206	12 Sep 1830	William Cover
09847 SHRY, Jacob	A-1-269	16 Mar 1787	Heinrich Scherffig
09848 SHRY, Ann G.	APR-1-238	30 Dec 1852	Nancy D. Sherrig
09849 SHRY, Charles	MS-1-171	08 Jul 1904	Edw. S. Sherrig
09850 SHRY, Frederick	HS-2-489	29 Aug 1829	Margaret Sherrig
09851 SHRY, George	MS-1-372	24 Nov 1902	Emily C. Sherrig
09852 SHRY, Ida R.	JM-1-571	18 Jun 1915	George M. Sherrig
09853 SHRY, Isaac	TS-1-125	14 Apr 1851	Mary Ann Sherrig
09854 SHRY, John S.	MS-1-130	23 Jan 1824	Carroll Cup
09855 SHRY, Mary Ann	TS-1-126	14 Apr 1851	Reman. of Executors
09856 SHRY, Rachel	GM-2-884	24 Feb 1842	Marcella O. Wash
09857 SHRY, Thomas C.	TS-1-93	24 Sep 1850	Ann G. Sherrig
09858 SHRY, Uly	GM-1-143	21 Sep 1826	John Sherrig
09859 SHRY, William H.	MD-2-377	18 May 1917	F. N. S. M. M. Sherrig
09860 SHRY, Prudence E.	JM-1-285	17 Jun 1878	George M. Sherrig



### 1783 • Taneytown, Carroll County, Maryland, USA

### Burial

There is a good possibility that Casper is actually buried in an unmarked grave near the rear of the Wolfe Cemetery near where his infant children Elizabeth and Joshua Scherffig are buried



### Union Bridge, Carroll County, Maryland, USA