Yost

Old Presbyterian Meeting House burial ground · Washington's gunsmith and the "I. Y." stone

Meeting House burial ground · Context, or burial not confirmed

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John Yost
(1743 – 1806) · born in Lancaster, Pa.
Gunsmith in Georgetown with his brother Henry, 1770–82
Sold Washington a rifle, Mar 5, 1770 ("John Jost")
1776: contracted for 300 muskets and 100 rifles for Maryland, boring barrels on a horse-powered mill
To Alexandria, 1783: gunsmith, blacksmith and keeper of the town powder house, Wilkes and Fairfax Sts.
Burial: *churchyard, Mar 8, 1806; his "I. Y." stone survives inside the bell tower base*

m. 1767

Rebecca Waggoner Yost
Married at Lancaster, 1767
Survived him into the 1810s

Their children
A household of ten in 1782;
the children are not named here

Henry Yost, John's brother and partner, ran the Georgetown gunsmithery with him.

Another account: a family story places his burial in the Christ Church yard, in the lot of Jacob Wess. Rev. Muir's burial record and the surviving "I. Y." stone point to the Meeting House.