

Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery Inventory

State and Water Streets, Dover DE 19903

Lot Number: 300 Space: G 65

Find A Grave # 68426288

Name: **Ridgely, Col. Nicholas Greenberry**

Birth date: February 12, 1694 Death date: February 16, 1755 Burial Date: Age: 61
b. Wardridge, MD

Spouses: Sarah *Worthington* Ridgely (1696-1721) m. December 26, 1711; Anne *French* Gordon Ridgely (1702-1733) m. December 5, 1723; Mary *Middleton* Vining Ridgely (1705-1761) m. December 23, 1736.

Children: With Sarah *Worthington* Ridgely; Sarah Ridgely (1712-1721); Rebecca *Ridgely* Warfield (1714-1755); Rachel *Ridgely* Vining (1715-1753); Ruth Ridgely (1719-1754); Ann Ridgely (1721-1810); with Ann *French* Gordon Ridgely; Mary Tilden Ridgely (1731-1758); Robert Ridgely (1733-1733); with Mary *Middleton* Vining Ridgely; Charles Greenberry Ridgely (1738-1785); Elizabeth *Ridgely* Dorsey (1745-1815)

Parents: Capt. Henry Ridgely III (1669-1699) and Katherine *Greenbury* Howard Ridgely (1671-1703)

Siblings: Henry Ridgely (1690-1750); Ann *Ridgely* Dorsey (1692-1771); Elizabeth *Ridgely* Worthington (1693-1734)

Residence: Eden Hill Farm, Dover DE

Cause of death/Burial/Obituary: Died at "Eden Hill" near Dover DE

Service/occupation information: Farmer, public servant in various roles in Colonial America, Judge
See several sources on next page

Officiate:

Lot Owner: Ridgely

Marker: Copper plaque on ledger stone

Inscription*:

Nicholas Ridgely
son of
Henry Ridgely
and
Catherine Greenbury
his wife
Born near Annapolis, M.D.
1694
Died at "Eden Hill" near Dover
1755

DIMENSIONS: H 70" x W 35" x 17"

STYLE: ledger

Repairs needed: cleaning; broken pieces

Inventory date: March 30, 2019 Recorder: Ted George



*Inscription on stone, now washed away. A record was found with Christ Church historic papers: 300 G 265 p.

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Here are deposited until the resurrection of the just
The mortal remains of Nicholas Ridgely Esq.
Who was an eminent example of unfigured piety towards God,
Of tenderness and affection to his wife and family,
And of justice and compassion to all his fellow citizens.
Obit. 10 Feb. Etat suc 61 1755

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Nicholas Greenberry Ridgely was born on 12 February 1693 in Wardridge, Maryland, to Captain Henry Ridgely III and Katherine Greenberry. His father died when he was six years old and his mother was remarried to Captain John Hammond Jr. Nicholas was orphaned at ten years old when his mother died. At the age of eighteen, Nicholas inherited some of his father's land: 275 acres of "My Quarter Plantation" at the head of Broad Creek and 272 acres of "Ridgely's Lot" on the northeast side of the great branch of the Patuxent River. He served as an associate justice for the counties of New Castle, Kent, and Sussex, in Delaware. Nicholas married first Sarah Worthington, 26 December 1711, in St Margaret's Parish, Maryland. Their daughters were Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, Ruth, and Ann Ridgely. He was widowed when his wife died in 1721. He married second widowed Anne French Gordon, 5 December 1723, but was widowed once again when she died in 1733. His third marriage was on 23 December 1736 to widowed Mary Middleton Vining. Colonel Nicholas Greenberry Ridgely died, 16 February 1755, aged 62, at Eden Hill in Dover, Delaware, and was buried with his wife at Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery.