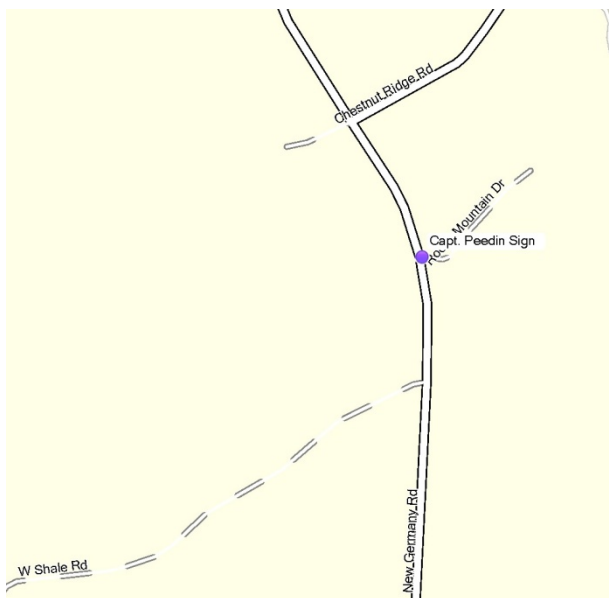




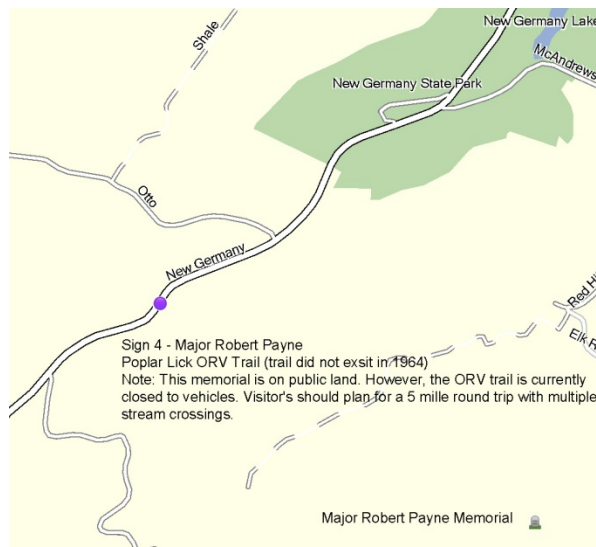
### Site 2: Stone House – Major Thomas McCormick

Late in the afternoon on the day of the accident, the Pilot, Major Thomas McCormick, walked several miles in deep snow to the Warnick Family's Stone House.



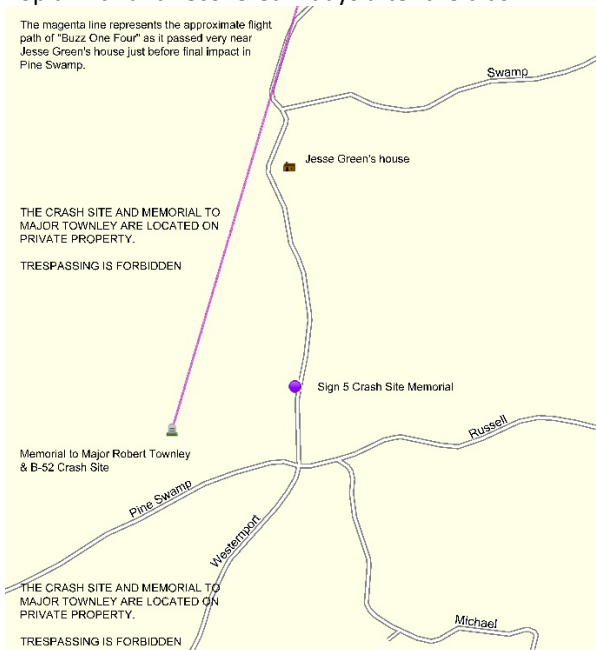
### Site 3: New Germany Rd. – Captain Parker Peedin

Captain Peedin remained at the point where he landed. On the day following the crash, a Civil Air Patrol search plane sighted Captain Peedin's parachute and notified a ground search team. A short time later, the search team located Captain Peedin, and brought him out of the woods to New Germany Road.



### Site 4: Major Robert Payne Memorial

Landing in 11°F temperatures, lost and without winter flight gear, Major Payne attempted to walk to safety, only to die of exposure. His remains were located in Poplar Lick and recovered 2 days after the crash.



### Site 5: Major Townley Memorial & Crash Site

After clipping a mountain with its wing tip, "Buzz One Four," with Major Townley still aboard, came to rest in Pine Swamp. Major Townley's remains were located in the wreckage in the evening of the following day.



## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration

### THE "BUZZ ONE FOUR" CREW

#### Survivors:

**Pilot:**

**Major Thomas W. McCormick**

**Co-pilot:**

**Captain Parker C. Peedin**

#### Lost:

**Navigator:**

**Major Robert L. Payne**

**Radar Navigator:**

**Major Robert E. Townley**

**Gunner:**

**TSgt Melvin D. Wooten**

A Boeing B-52D, Serial Number 55-0060, radio call sign "Buzz One Four," was returning to Turner Air Force Base in Albany, Georgia from an unplanned stopover at Westover Air Force Base in Massachusetts. It was on the final leg of an airborne alert flight as part of the Cold War operation known as "Chrome Dome."

At approximately 1:42 AM on January 13, 1964, the aircraft, armed with two Mk 53 thermonuclear devices, was flying at 30,000 feet when it encountered extreme air turbulence which induced a structural failure of the tail, rendering the aircraft uncontrollable.

The pilot ordered the crew to evacuate the crippled bomber. The Navigator and Tail Gunner successfully parachuted but both men later succumbed to injuries and exposure before they could be located. The Radar Navigator was unable to exit the aircraft, and perished in the crash.

The Pilot and the Co-pilot, both suffering from severe hypothermia, survived their ordeal and recovered.

For additional information, please visit the Official Website:

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## Points of Interest

### 1. TSgt. Melvin D. Wooten Memorial

West Salisbury, PA

**Sign 1A:** N39 45.517 W79 05.437

**Sign 1B:** N39 45.715 W79 05.309

### 2. Stone House Farm - Major Thomas McCormick

Rt. 40 East of Rt. 219 North (no sign at this location)

N39 41.619 W79 05.775

### 3. New Germany Road – Captain Parker Peedin

N39 39.229 W79 07.393

### 4. Poplar Lick ATV Trail – Major Robert Payne

Major Payne Memorial

N39 37.085 W79 09.012

### 5. Crash Site / Major Robert Townley Memorial

Westernport Road near Pine Swamp Road

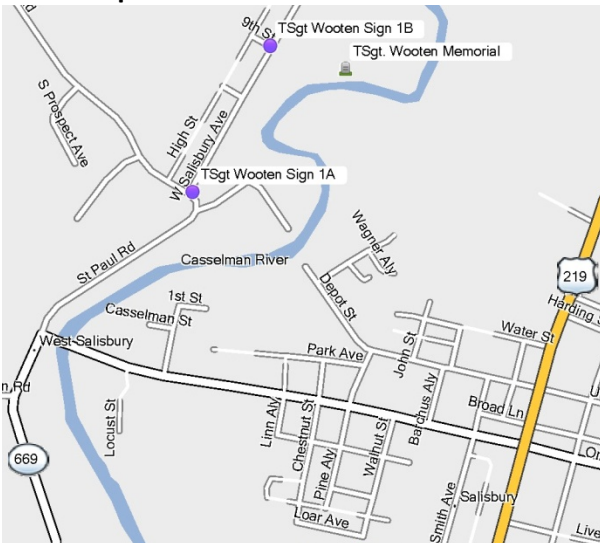
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**Note:** The actual crash site and the memorial to Major Townley are located in a swamp on private property. **TRESPASSING IS FORBIDDEN.**

### 6. Crash Memorial–Little Crossings–Rt. 40 & River Rd.

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## Detail Maps for Points of Interest

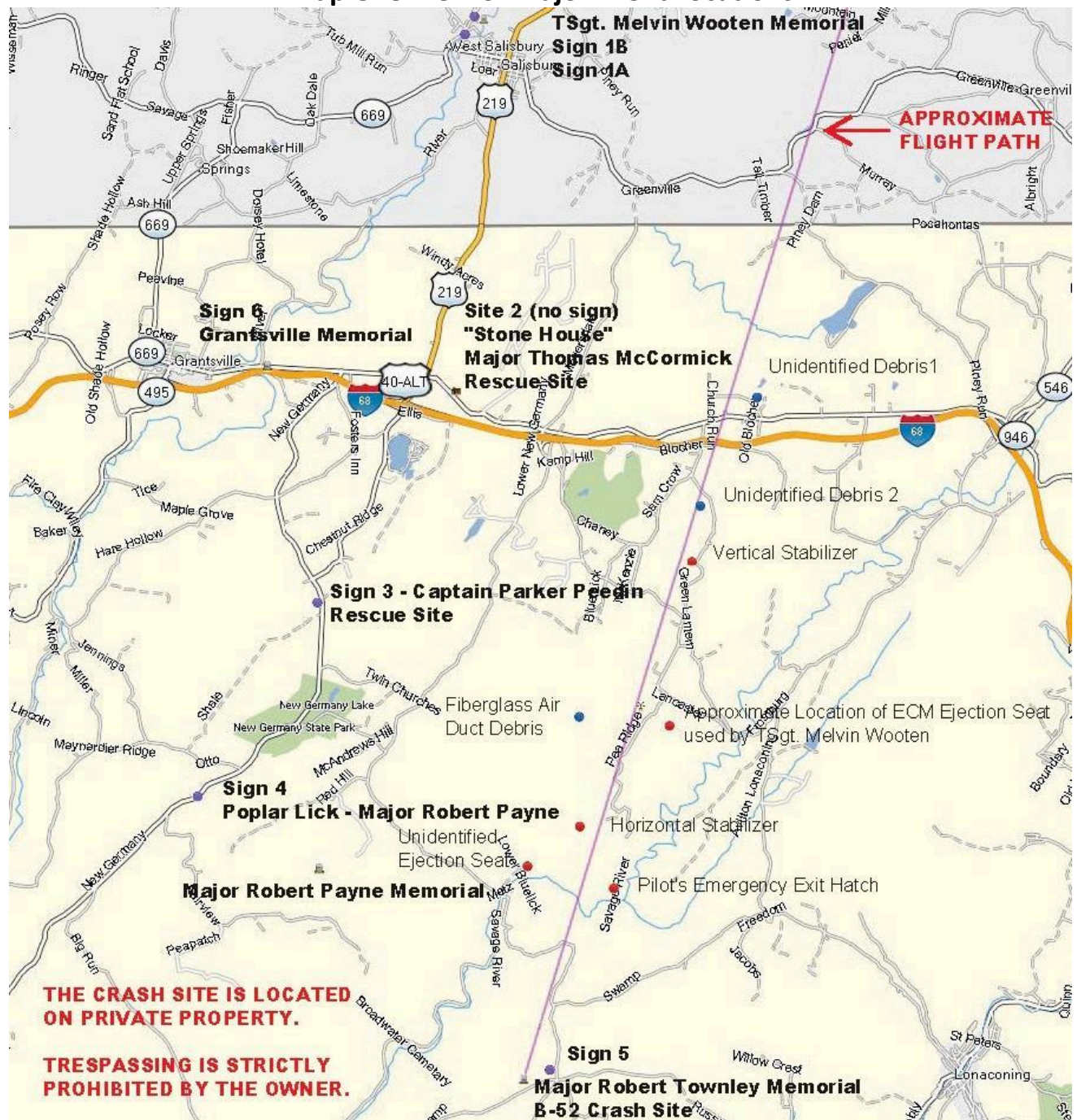


### Site 1: TSgt. Melvin D. Wooten Memorial

Severely injured in the process of ejecting from the aircraft, TSgt. Wooten perished shortly after landing. His remains were recovered near the Casselman River four days after the accident.



## Map Overview of Major Event Locations



Approximate Map Scale: 1" = 1.5 miles

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