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## WILLIAM HOGE

### Hoge's Tavern, Winchester, Virginia, 1743

William Hoge was born at Musselburgh, Scotland in 1660 and died at Kernstown, Virginia in 1749. He married in 1695 Barbara Hume, born at Paisley, Scotland in 1670 and died at Kernstown, Virginia in 1745. Both are interred in Opequon Church Cemetery near Winchester, Virginia.<sup>38</sup>

William Hoge came to America in 1685 aboard the *Caledonia*, on the same ship as his future wife, Barbara Hume and her parents. On arrival in New York, her parents had died. William took her into his care, and ten years later, they married.

William and his wife first settled at Perth Amboy, New Jersey, where their child, John, was born. They soon moved to Chester County, Pennsylvania, living first in Delaware. That part of Delaware where they settled may possibly have become part of Chester County, as they abut each other. Evidently a man of substance and importance, William became a member of the House of Deputies in New Jersey, and of the Governor's Council in Pennsylvania.

The Hoges were one of the first families that came into Virginia with Joist Hite, who had explored the lower Shenandoah Valley prior to arriving with this group of settlers about 1732. William Hoge purchased four hundred eleven acres about four miles from the present town of Winchester. On 13 January, 1743 he applied for and received a license to keep an ordinary. At this time he was about eighty-three years old. He died six years later, aged eighty-nine. The tavern survived the first and second Civil War Battles. The brick building still stands (1997), housing a ladies' fashion store known as Claire's at Creekside.<sup>39</sup>

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<sup>38</sup> Robert A. Stevenson, *The Hogue Family in America*.

<sup>39</sup> *The History of the Lower Shenandoah Valley*, (1890), 73.