

1746, 1748). **MILITARY SERVICE:** captain, by 1742; major, by 1744—death. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** mortgaged 1 servant and 12 slaves, 1734 (mortgage probably released under the terms of his stepfather's will, 1738); gave 8 slaves to his children in 1746, which were to be transferred to them after the death of his mother. **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** probably 1,682 acres in Baltimore and Prince George's counties (450 acres in Baltimore County by patent; 624 acres in Baltimore County by purchase; his wife's rights to 608 acres in Prince George's County). **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH:** patented 400 acres and resurveyed his home plantation for a net gain of 349 acres, all in Baltimore County, 1725–1727; purchased 187 acres in 1726, and resurveyed it for net gain of 72 acres in Baltimore County, 1734; purchased 450 acres Baltimore County, 1728–1732; sold 350 acres in Baltimore County, 1727–1732; sold 1,382 acres in Baltimore County to the Principio Ironworks Company, 1734; sold an additional 350 acres in Baltimore County and his wife's 608 acres in Prince George's County, 1734–1739; owned only about 400 acres in Baltimore County by 1739; patented 296 acres in 1742, 108 acres in 1748, and purchased 462 acres in 1744–1749, of which he sold 50 acres in 1749, all in Baltimore County. In 1744 Sheredine began purchasing land with Thomas Sligh. Together they bought at least 920 acres in Baltimore County between 1744 and 1749 (of which 200 acres were sold in 1749). Of the total land they purchased, at least 300 acres adjoined Baltimore Town, east of Jones Falls, and at least 18 acres were added to Baltimore Town in 1749. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** early in the morning of May 28, 1752, at his home in Baltimore County, of small pox. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, £657.9.6 current money (including 6 servants, 4 slaves, 24 oz. plate, and 59 books); FB, £0.14.10. **LAND:** probably ca. 1,520 acres in Baltimore County, including his portion of the land purchased with Sligh.

SHEREDINE (SHERIDINE), UPTON (1740–1800). **BORN:** in 1740 in Baltimore County; younger son. **NATIVE:** fourth generation. **RESIDED:** at “Mid-Hill,” Unity Hundred, Frederick County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** **FATHER:** *Thomas Sheredine* (1699–1752). **MOTHER:** Tabitha (ca. 1691–1769). **BROTHERS:** Daniel (ca. 1724–1749); Thomas (1726–1769); Jeremiah (?–1775), and William Mills (1734–died young). **SISTERS:** Sarah (ca. 1721–?); Elizabeth (1728–died young); Elizabeth (1730–

?); Ann (1732–?); and Tabitha. **NIECE:** Sarah Hammond (1742–1775), who married *Nathaniel Giles* (1735–1775). **MARRIED** first, between 1768 and 1779, Eleanor, daughter of Basil Dorsey (1705–ca. 1763) and wife Sarah Worthington. Eleanor was the granddaughter of both *Thomas Worthington* (ca. 1691–1752/53) and Caleb Dorsey (1685–1742) and wife Eleanor Warfield. She was the niece of *Edward Dorsey* (1718–1760); *Brice T. B. Worthington* (1727–1794); *Nicholas Worthington* (1734–1793); and Mary Dorsey (1725–ca. 1786), who married *John Ridgely* (by 1724–1771). Her brothers were Caleb (1734–1763); *Thomas Dorsey* (?–1790); and Dennis (?–1788), a minor in 1763. Her sisters were Sarah, who married by 1760 John Burgess; Ariana, who married by 1779 Thomas Sollers; and Elizabeth, who married by 1779 Ephraim Howard, Jr., of Anne Arundel County. Her first cousins were Frances Todd, who married *George Risteau* (?–1792); *Harry Dorsey Gough* (ca. 1745–1808); Achsah Dorsey (1746–1799), who married *Ephraim Howard* (1745–1788); Deborah Lynch (?–1810), who married *Samuel Owings, Jr.* (1733–1803); Rebecca Dorsey (1739–1812), who married *Charles Ridgely* (1733–1790); Eleanor Dorsey (ca. 1739–1805), who married *John Hall* (1729–1797); Mary Dorsey (?–1816), who married *John Weems* (1727–1794); *John Griffith Worthington* (1764–1797); Catherine Worthington (1761–1814), who married *Baker Johnson* (1747–1811); *Henry Woodward* (1733–1761); *Charles Ridgely, of John* (ca. 1749–1786); Deborah Ridgely (1749–1817), who married *John Sterett* (1750/51–1787); Mary Ridgely (?–1804), who married *Benjamin Nicholson* (?–1792); and Elizabeth Dorsey (?–ca. 1811), who married *Richard Ridgely* (1755–1824). **OTHER KINSHIP:** Her second cousin was *Samuel Worthington* (1734–1815). **MARRIED** second, Sophia (surname unknown), who subsequently married James L. Higgins. **CHILDREN.** Died without progeny. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Anglican. **ADDITIONAL COMMENT:** his inventory listed a Methodist prayer book. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Esq., by 1786. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** farmer. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Conventions, Frederick County, 2nd–3rd, 1774, 4th, 1775 (elected, but did not attend), 5th, 1775, 9th, 1776 (Claims); Lower House, Frederick County, 1777 (Grievances 1; Claims 1, 2; Elections 2), 1777–1778 (Elections 1–3; Loan Office 1; Claims 1–3); Senate, Western Shore, Term of 1776–1781: 1779 (elected on July 24, 1779, to fill vacancy in 1778–