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**BURIAL MONUMENT OF PAUL AND BARBARA HECK**  
**By David R. Merck**

[This brief file contains an email message about the discovery of the Burial Monument of Paul and Barbara Heck by David R. Merck, along with the text inscribed on the monument. I have listed David R. Merck as the author, but I have done the arrangement of the file. -- DVM]

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**A PICTURE OF THE HECK BURIAL MONUMENT INCLUDED WITH THIS FILE**

This file is accompanied by a color, JPG picture of the Burial Monument of Paul and Barbara Heck, as hdm0380a. The original picture from which this graphic was created was taken by David R. Merck.

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Bro. Maxey,

I thought the following would be of interest to you!

Recently while in revival meeting in upstate New York I crossed over into Ontario, Canada. While passing through a small town called Prescott situated on the St. Lawrence Seaway I noticed a name on a monument in a cemetery that was familiar (Barbara Heck). I had the brother I was riding with turn the vehicle around and discovered that this was her burial place and that of

her husband, (Paul Heck: 1730 -1795). I was familiar with the fact that she was known as the mother of Methodism, but was unaware of her burial location.

Below are the different inscriptions that were on the monument to her memory:

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Born 1734 - Died August 17, 1804

Barbara Heck Put Her Brave Soul  
Against The Rugged Possibilities  
Of The Future and Under God  
Brought Into Existence American  
And Canadian Methodism and Between  
These Her Memory Will Ever Form  
A Most Hallowed Link In Memory of One  
Who Laid Foundations Others Have Built Upon

First Methodist Society Founded in New York City in 1766  
By Barbara Heck and Philip Embury

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Below you will find a file attachment with the picture of the monument which I hope comes through clearly. [See hdm0832a.jpg]

Bro. Merck

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