

# Echo Hill

**JOHN WILLIAM VANDEVENTER<sup>5</sup> VIRTS** (*HENRY J. A.<sup>4</sup>, ADAM<sup>3</sup>, CONRAD<sup>2</sup> WIRTZ, WILHELM<sup>1</sup> WURTZ*) was born January 20, 1849 in Loudoun County, VA, and died May 17, 1938 in Loudoun County, VA. He married (1) EMILY J. CORBIN December 18, 1894 in Loudoun County, VA. She was born May 1853 in Virginia, and died April 9, 1905 in Loudoun County, VA. He married (2) LYDIA CATHERINE HICKMAN April 12, 1911. She was born 1868 in Baltimore, MD, and died October 7, 1956 in Waterford, VA.



This lot was also part of Atlee's large tract, and remained unimproved until John William Vandevanter Virts (1849-1938) built this Victorian-style frame house about 1890. The cross gable at the center of the façade became a popular motif during the Gothic Revival period; it expressed the Gothic preoccupation with height.

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