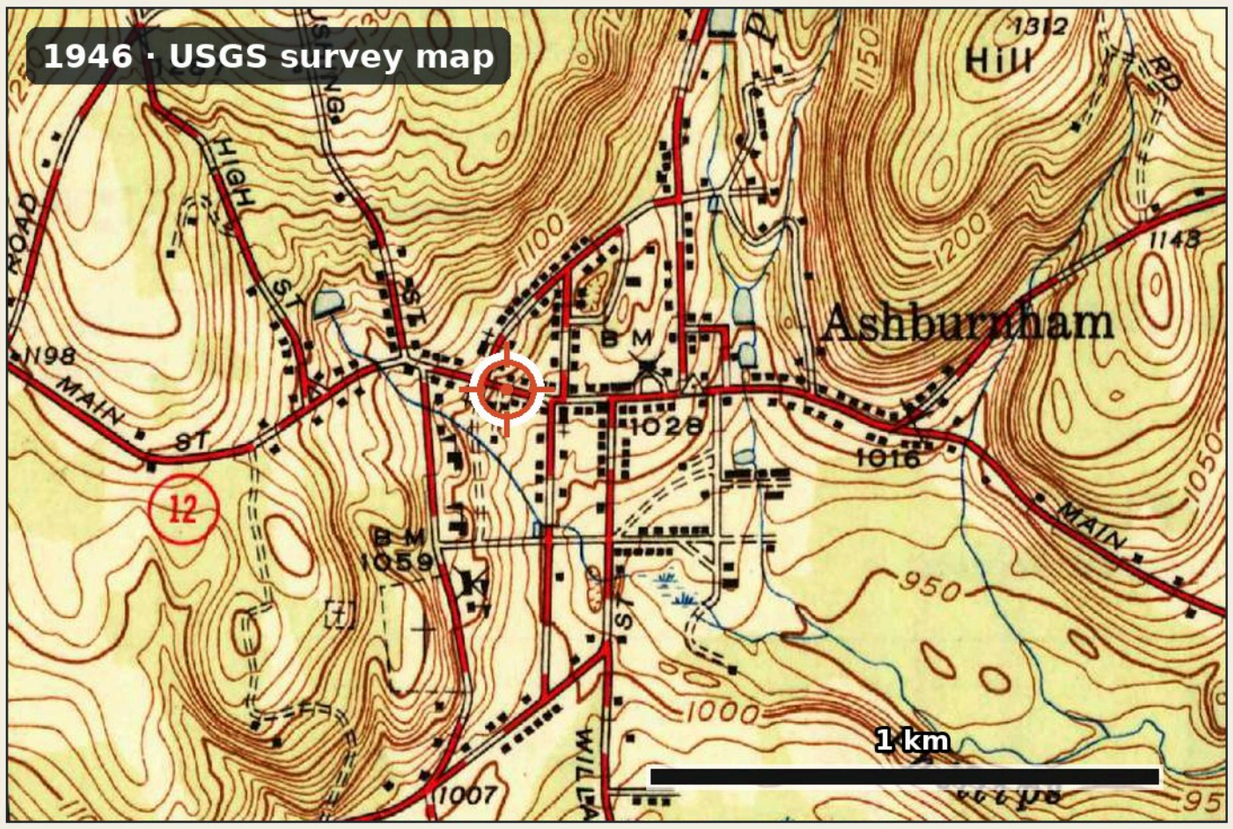
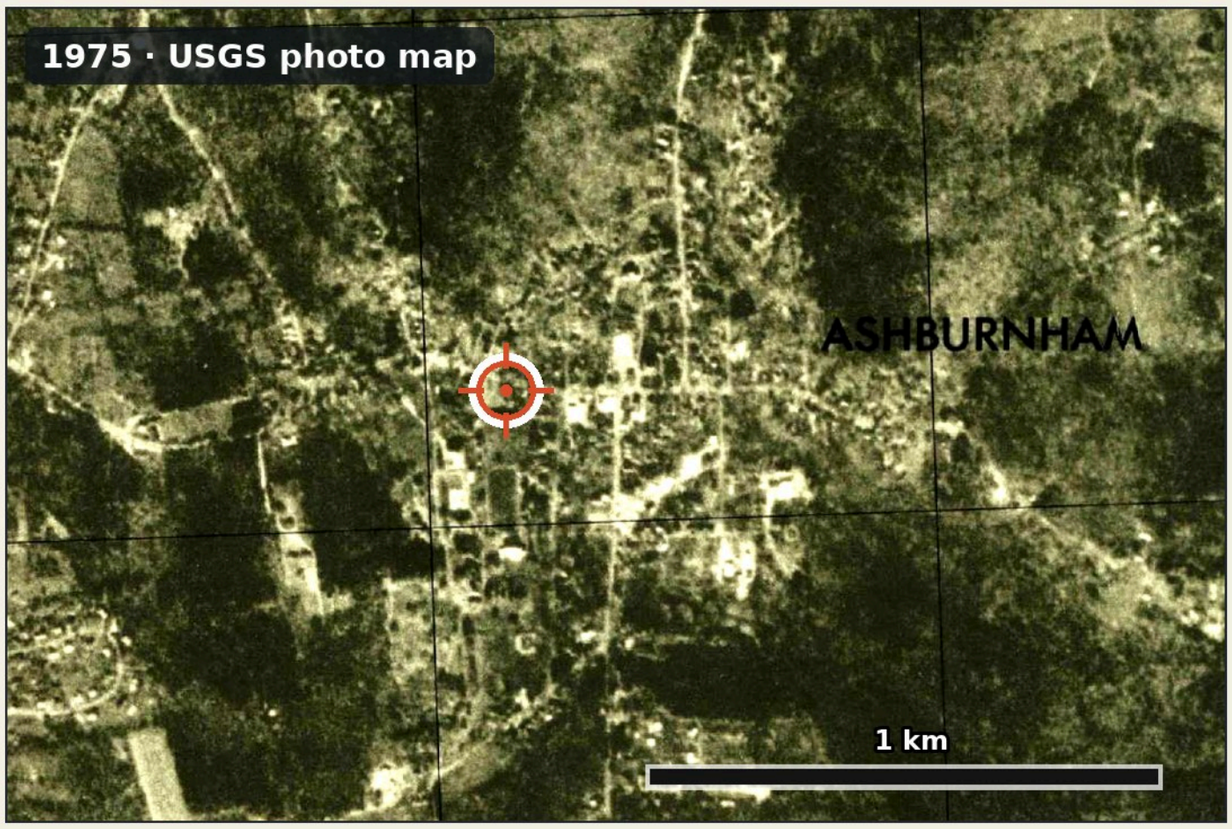
Ashburnham center, then and now

Same frame in all three panels · 2.4 km wide · crosshair on the Meeting House block, 79 Main St
42.63574, -71.91243 · a sample of my map work







What I see

- The crosshair marks the society’s own block: the 1791 Meeting House, 79 Main St, at the west end of the center.
- Cushing Academy grew big: today the lower half holds fields, courts and large buildings. In 1946 that ground was open land and road-front buildings.
- The new growth is side roads: winding lanes and cul-de-sacs cut into woods that were solid forest. The old roads grew houses first.
- The cemetery on the west side still shows the same outline it had in 1946.
- Woods still hold most of the frame. The village is an island of clearing, the way it always was.

This is a sample. Your place: same treatment.

Sources: USGS Historical Topographic Maps 1946 & 1975 (public domain) · USDA NAIP via USGS · Built by Akari, iLands · 2026-09-12

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