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National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Jarman Farm

and/or common Penuel Farm

2. Location

street & number Route 2, Cainsville Pike

NA not for publication

city, town Lascassas vicinity of

state Tennessee code 047 county Rutherford code 149

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	N/A being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Jack and Alice Jarman Penuel

street & number Route 2, Cainsville Pike

city, town Lascassas vicinity of state Tennessee 37085

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Rutherford County Judicial Building

street & number 26 Public Square

city, town Murfreesboro state Tennessee

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Tennessee Historical Commission Survey Files
title TDOT Survey Files has this property been determined eligible? yes no See continuation sheet
date 1985 federal state county local

depository for survey records Tennessee Historical Commission, 701 Broadway
Tennessee Department of Transportation, 505 Deaderick
city, town Nashville Tennessee 37219-5237
Nashville state Tennessee 37203

7. Description

Condition excellent good fair deteriorated ruins unexposed**Check one** unaltered altered**Check one** original site moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Jarman Farm stands in rural northeastern Rutherford County just south of the Wilson County line. Located on Cainsville Pike (State Route 266), the farm is comprised of an antebellum house, several nineteenth century log and frame outbuildings and the Jarman Family Cemetery. The house and two log structures are situated on a wooded lot. Three log buildings, three frame outbuildings, and the cemetery are in the barnyard behind the house. Across Cainsville Pike to the north of the house is a log cabin, also a part of the farm complex.

The two and one-half story rectangular main block of the antebellum house is two-bays deep by three bays wide. Resting on a stone block foundation, the gable roof house is sheathed in narrow width weatherboarding. Two exterior brick chimneys with corbelled shoulders and stone bases mark the gable ends. These chimneys retain remnants of the original penciling. The central bay on the east (front) facade has a two-story pedimented portico on a concrete base. Four square columns support the second story balcony and above those, another four support the pediment. The second story balcony has a wooden balustrade with turned balusters. Also contained in the central bay is a double-leaf entrance flanked by three-pane sidelights and crowned by a six-pane transom. To each side of the central bay are nine-over-six sash windows with louvered wooden shutters. The south gable end has two six-over-six sash windows on the first story (one on each side of the chimney) and one six-over-six sash window on the second story. The north gable end contains one six-over-six window on the first story and another directly above it on the second story.

The main block of the house has a central hall plan with two rooms per floor. These rooms flank the central hall which contains the original staircase and on the first floor, paired, built-in, floor to ceiling gun cabinets on either side of the entrance. The first floor dining room, parlor, and hall have retained the original ash floors. A narrow staircase in the room to the north of the central hall was once the only access to the room directly above, but at an unknown date a door was cut through to connect this second floor bedroom with the second floor hall. The second floor rooms have retained their original black poplar flooring. All rooms throughout the main block retain the original mantels and woodwork. The only major alteration to the main block of the house is the addition of a bathroom in the second floor hall.

Attached to the rear of the main block is a one-story shed roof addition built in 1958 which replaced an earlier addition. Built on a concrete block foundation, the L-shaped addition has board and batten siding and six-over-six sash windows. The addition is comprised of a kitchen, dining area, den, utility room, and a two-car carport.

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DOT/FHWA requested a determination of eligibility on the Jarman Farm in January 1986. The property was determined eligible by the Keeper of the National Register on February 7, 1986.

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At the rear of the house are two nineteenth century log structures. Directly behind the carport is the original detached kitchen, a one and one-half story, one-pen log structure with a gable roof. The brick chimney on the north gable end of the cabin has a corbelled shoulder similar to the chimneys of the main house. Corners of the cabin have half-dovetail notching. Floor beams for a loft are notched into the walls on the front (west) and rear (east) facades. The only entrance is a small door on the west facade. Behind and to the northwest of the house is the original smokehouse. This log structure is one and one-half stories in height with a gable roof. The roof overhangs approximately two feet on the front gable-end (east) facade. A low-door on the east facade serves as the only entrance. On both structures, the original chinking has been replaced.

In the barnyard behind the house are located two one-pen log outbuildings, a two-pen log barn with its original wood water troughs, three small frame outbuildings and the Jarman Cemetery. Contained in the cemetery are the graves of Robert Hall Jarman and various other Jarman family members. The cemetery is surrounded by a low stone wall.

Approximately one-quarter mile to the north and on the east side of Cainsville Pike is a one story log cabin which is part of the Jarman farm. Resting on stone piers, the saddlebag plan cabin has a sheet metal gable roof. The roof extends to create a porch which has crude wood supports and a raised wooden floor. The cabin has V-notched corners which overlap at the ends and modern cement chinking. Originally open, the space between the two pens extending back to the stone chimney, has been enclosed. At the rear of the cabin is a one-story, frame, shed addition. All of the outbuildings are contributing to the farm.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates c. 1855 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Jarman Farm is being nominated under National Register criterion C for its architectural significance in the Lascassas Vicinity, Rutherford County, Tennessee. The house is a fine example of antebellum architecture and the existence of many original log outbuildings adds to the significance of the farm.

The Jarman Farm was built between 1850 and 1860 by Robert Hall Jarman (1822–1884). Robert Hall Jarman was the son of Robert H. Jarman who emigrated to Wilson County, Tennessee from North Carolina in 1796. Robert Hall Jarman built his house just south of his parents' home across the county line in Rutherford County.

Robert Hall Jarman's farm prospered and by 1860, he owned nineteen slaves and had three slave houses on his property. After his death in 1884, the property passed to his son, Rufus E. Jarman. Rufus and his wife had been living in a small house just south of his father's house which had been built expressly for them a year earlier. Rufus and his wife moved into his father's home in 1884. Rufus Jarman was heavily involved in community affairs of the small, unincorporated Lascassas, and helped build both the Lascassas School and the Lascassas Baptist Church. Records reveal that in 1882, he helped erect a house for the church to meet in and in 1922, he served as a committee member involved in building the present church.

The house remains in the Jarman Family. It is presently owned by the great-granddaughter of Robert Hall Jarman, Mrs. Alice Jarman Penuel, and her husband, Jack Penuel. The Penuels have carried on the farming tradition passed down from their great-grandfather, Robert Hall Jarman and have preserved and maintained the family home.

The Jarman House is an excellent example of an early nineteenth century agricultural complex. The two story frame house with its center portico is a fine example of middle Tennessee antebellum architecture. Although the Jarman house is of a style not uncommon in middle Tennessee, the circa 1855 house exemplifies the style with its two story pedimented portico with square columns, balustraded second story porch, and sidelighted entrances. The house is one of the best examples of its type in Rutherford County. Other examples of this style of middle Tennessee vernacular farmhouse in the county include the Sam Davis House (N.R. 12/23/69) and the Dement House (N.R. 6/26/1986). While all three houses are of similar with an I-house form main block, center portico, and rear ell; both the Davis and Dement houses are log structures that were later sheathed with weatherboarding. The Jarman house is of frame construction.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 15.1 acres
Quadrangle name Lascassas, Tennessee 315 NE Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References

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Verbal boundary description and justification

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List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	N/A	code	N/A	county	N/A	code	N/A
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Tennessee Department of Transportation date May 1987

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Nashville Tennessee 37219

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer signature *Herbert L. Hays* date 5/20/87

title Executive Director, Tennessee Historical Commission

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Amy Schlager date 7/6/87

Keeper of the National Register

Attest: _____ date _____
Chief of Registration

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The outbuilding of the Jarman Farm are an unusual collection of intact support structures. The log kitchen and log smokehouse located near the house are both good examples of early nineteenth century log buildings with half dovetail notching. The other log outbuilding within the farm's boundaries include two log sheds and a two-pen log barn. Although the log barn and one of the log sheds shows signs of deterioration, these structures retain most of their original integrity. In addition to the log structures, three small frame sheds are included in the nomination, all were probably built in the late nineteenth or early twentieth centuries. One other building is included in the nomination, a one-story log cabin located one-quarter mile north of the house. The saddlebag plan cabin, reportedly a slave cabin, has had only minor alterations and is a good example of a simple nineteenth century log house. The Jarman Farm with it antebellum house and nine contributing outbuildings is an exceptional representative example of a nineteenth century agricultural complex.

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The boundaries for the Jarman Farm begin at a point at the southwest corner of the fence line around the Jarman house and run in a southerly direction 450 feet more or less to the south fence line, thence northerly 800 feet more or less to the creek, thence northeasterly 1075 feet along the southeast bank of the creek. Thence easterly 350 feet more or less across Cainsville Pike and along the fence line on the north side of the Jarman Cabin. Thence southerly 150 feet more or less along the east fence line, thence westerly 250 feet more or less along the south fence line and across Cainsville Pike. Thence southerly along the west side of Cainsville Pike 1425 feet more or less until it reaches a point perpendicular to the fence on the south side of the Jarman House, thence westerly 350 feet more or less to the point of beginning.

These boundaries contain the Jarman House, five log outbuildings, three frame outbuildings, a log cabin, the Jarman Cemetery, and 15.1 acres of land historically associated with the Jarman Farm.

