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### Historic Resources of Hardin County

Historic Name: Smith, George W. House (HD-11) Classification: Building Common Name: Smith's Mill

Owner: James A. Miles, Jr. Route # 2, Box 460, Elizabethtown, KY 42701.

Location: Off KY 1904 three miles south of intersection with US 62.

Contributing:		Non-Contributing:	
Buildings	1	Buildings	0
Structures	0	Structures	0
Sites	0	Sites	0
Total:	1	<u>Total:</u>	0

### Description:

The George W. Smith House is a five bay, ca. 1870, central passage plan brick residence. The house is of double pile design, two stories in height and of common bond brick. It features a hipped roof of composition shingles and four projecting chimneys at the roofline. Windows are original six-over-six sash with jack arching. On the main facade are paneled doors on both floors with three light sidelights. A rear door (north facade) has a two light transom. The roof cornice features brackets. The doors on the main facade originally opened onto a two-story porch but this has been removed as has a frame kitchen on the north facade and a small porch on the east facade. The interior was inaccessible. There are no significant outbuildings.

Period of Significance: ca. 1870

Area of Significance: Architecture

Criterion: C

Architect/Builder: Unknown

#### Statement of Significance:

The George W. Smith House is a notable example of a central passage plan residence of the late 19th century with Italianate detailing. The house was constructed ca. 1870 and retains much of its original design. Italianate features of the residence include eave brackets, original paneled doors and a hipped roof. A porch on the main facade has been removed in recent years but this is the only alteration to the house. An added mid-20th century frame addition at the rear facade has been also been removed. The house was built for George Washington Smith, a prosperous farmer who operated a nearby gristmill which no longer stands. The area remains known as Smith's Mill. Smith was also responsible for the construction of three notable Italianate residences for his children (Chestnut Grove HD-5, Maplehurst HD-7 and Maple Hill HD-9). These four residences built by Smith represent some of the finest examples of Italianate influenced homes in the county.

Acreage: Less than 1 acre

# UTM References: Cecilia Quad 16/595255/4165362

## Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

The boundary for the George W. Smith House is illustrated on the accompanying Hardin County property tax map 188, lot 46, and is defined by driveways to the southwest and southeast and fencelines to the northwest and northeast. The boundary includes the house and excludes modern farm buildings. The boundary includes property sufficient to protect the historic setting of the site.

