

TENNESSEE MULTIPLE PROPERTY FORM

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Title: Historic Resources of Williamson County

Historic Name: Crockett, Samuel, House (WM-82)

Common Name: Forge Seat

NATIONAL REGISTER

Classification: Building

Owner: James E. Cason, 1502 Wilson Pike, Brentwood, TN.

Location: At the junction of Crockett Road and Wilson Pike.

<u>Contributing:</u>		<u>Non-Contributing:</u>	
Buildings	5	Buildings	1
Structures	0	Structures	1
Sites	0	Sites	0
<u>Total:</u>	5	<u>Total:</u>	2

Description:

The Samuel Crockett House is a two-story brick hall-parlor residence constructed ca. 1808. A two-story brick addition was added on the east facade ca. 1830 and two-story wing was added to the west facade ca. 1840. On the main (north) facade of the original section is an original six panel door with an added ca. 1960 surround. This surround displays three light sidelights with frame lower panels, an eleven light transom, pediment and fluted Doric pilasters. Windows on the first story are original nine-over-nine sash with projecting wood sills and rounded arch window heads. Over the windows are two courses of brick relief arching. On the second story are original six-over-six sash windows with two-course brick relief arching.

The house is of six to nine course common bond construction. The original section has exterior end brick chimneys. The added west wing is of six-course common bond construction and also has nine-over-nine sash windows and brick relief arching. A doorway opening on the main facade of this wing has been bricked in. All windows in the house have 19th century shutters. The house rests on a dressed limestone foundation with cellar windows with frame lintels. On the rear or south facade of the building is single course jack arching over the windows. The basement door on the south facade is of ca. 1890 glass and frame design. The rear entrance on the main facade has double doors of frame and glass with a five light transom.

At the rear of the house is a ca. 1830 brick kitchen which is now connected to the main section with a ca. 1960 brick addition. The kitchen is of five course common bond with added twelve-over-twelve sash windows. The interior of the house appears to have originally been a hall-parlor design but was changed at an early date when the wings were added. The interior retains original simple Federal influenced mantles, a staircase with a simple newel post and square balusters, wainscoting and four and six panel doors.

The Crockett House has a number of contributing outbuildings on its property. These include: a ca. 1900 frame barn with vertical board siding; a ca. 1900

frame well house of hexagonal design with a conical roof; and a ca. 1900 frame smokehouse. These outbuildings are good examples of their type and contribute to the property's setting. Also at the rear of the house is the original ca. 1810 log blacksmith shop which retains its stone fireplace. This log building has half-dovetail notching and has been enclosed with weatherboard siding and additions. To the north of the house on the property is a one-story frame ca. 1900 commercial building. This building originally stood at the corner of Crockett Road and Wilson Pike and was moved back from the road in recent years approximately thirty yards. Because it has been moved it is included as a non-contributing building. Also on the property is a non-contributing swimming pool.

Period of Significance: ca. 1808; ca. 1810 - 1827; ca. 1830; ca. 1840; ca. 1900

Area of Significance: Architecture

Criterion: A and C

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Statement of Significance:

The Samuel Crockett House is a notable example of a hall-parlor brick residence of the early 19th century. The property is also notable through its association with an important 19th century industry of the area. The house was enlarged several times in the early 1800s but has since not been significantly altered. The site of the Crockett's forge remains intact and it is one of the few early industrial sites extant in the county.

The Samuel Crockett House was built ca. 1808 by Samuel Crockett III whose parents were Andrew and Sally Elliot Crockett who settled in a log house nearby in 1798. Samuel Crockett was born in 1772 and moved with his parents to Williamson County. Around 1808, Crockett constructed the original two-story hall and parlor plan brick residence. In addition to owning lands from his father's estate Crockett also became well known for his blacksmith and gunsmith shop. By 1810, Crockett operated a forge in a log building at the rear of his residence. In addition to common place iron utensils Crockett and his cousin, Andrew Crockett, produced muskets which were highly prized for their craftsmanship and well known throughout Middle Tennessee. During the War of 1812, Andrew Jackson visited the Crockett home and purchased a number of guns for his troops. In addition to this forge, the Crocketts also operated a forge in Franklin near the downtown square. This building no longer stands.

Crockett was listed in 1820 as owning 10 slaves and a large farm. It is not known how long the forge remained in operation but it appears that it was discontinued following Samuel Crockett's death in 1827. The log building and stone foundation of the forge remains extant at the rear of the house. The house remained in the Crockett family during the 19th century and a two-story and one-story wing were added by 1840. Since the late 19th century few changes have occurred to the residence and it retains its original site and setting.

Acreage: 18.5 acres

UTM References: Franklin Quad/A. 16/520140/3981220 B. 16/520300/3981250 C. 16/520280/3980770 D. 16/520440/3980760

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification: The boundary for the Samuel Crockett House is illustrated on accompanying Williamson County tax map # 35, lot 4. The boundary is drawn to include the legal boundary of the property which encompasses the main residence and adjacent outbuildings and fields. The boundary includes sufficient property to protect the historical setting of the site.

Supplemental Bibliographical References: Historic Williamson County, Bowman.



↑ Samuel Crockett House  
 (WM-82)  
 Scale: 1" = 800'

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- STATE LINE
- CO LINE
- CORP'S LIMITS
- TRANSMISSION LINE
- ROAD
- RAILROAD
- RIDGE LINE

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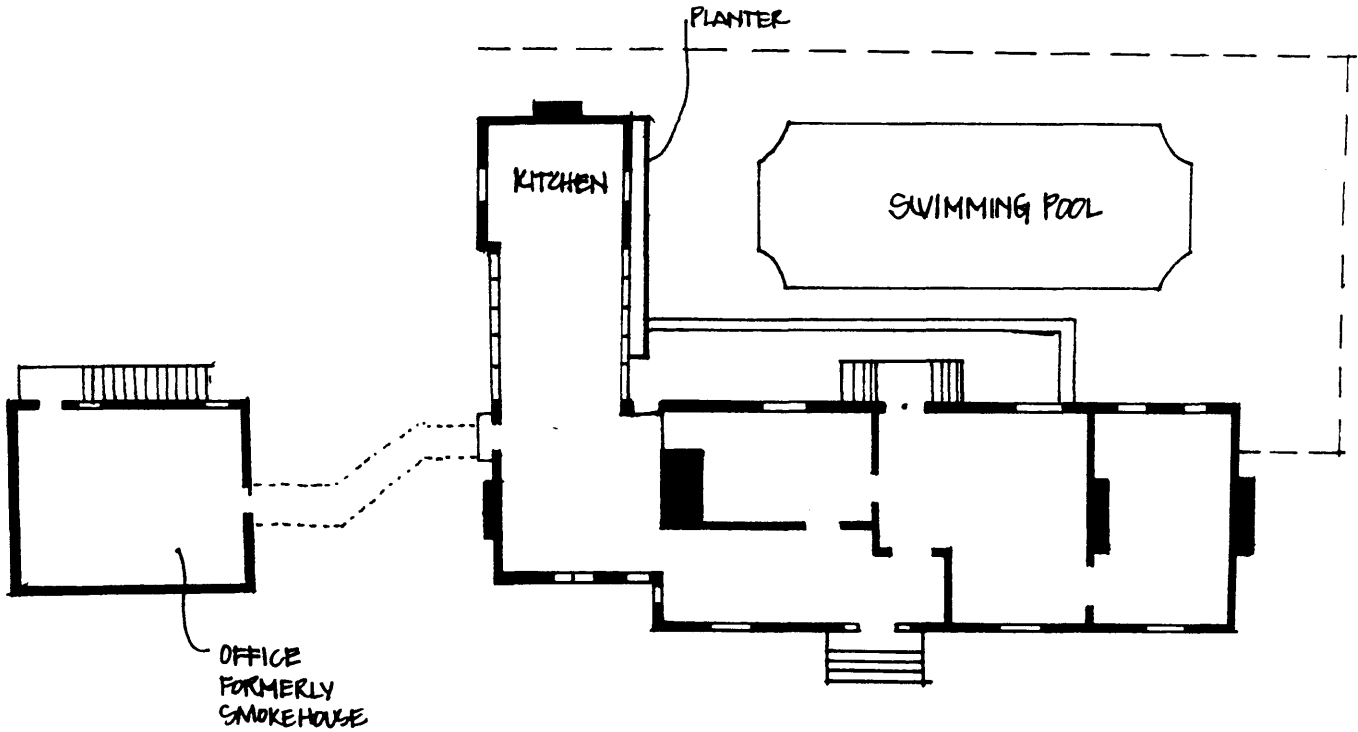
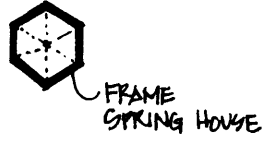
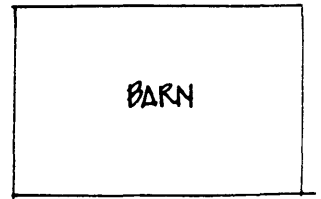
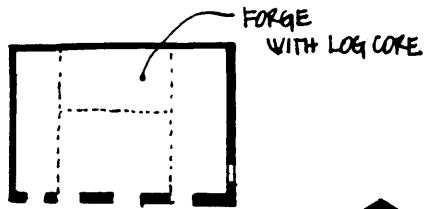
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**MIDDLE GRAND DIVISION**

SCALE 1"=800'	DISTRICT
DATE OF FLYING MAP, 086	
DATE COMPLETED, 086	

#02 SAMUEL CRACKETT HOUSE



\* NOT TO SCALE

COMMERCIAL BUILDING

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United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 88000296

Date Listed: 4/14/88

Crockett, Samuel House  
Property Name

Williamson County TN  
County State

Williamson County Multiple Resource Area  
Multiple Name

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This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

*Amy Schaefer*  
Signature of the Keeper

4/14/88  
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

Criterion A is selected, but there is no area of significance to correlate with it. The documentation makes the case for the significance of this property in industrial history.

Discussed and concurred in by TN SHPO on April 14, 1988.

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DISTRIBUTION:

- National Register property file
- Nominating Authority: (without nomination file)