

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

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 Taylor, Philip R., House (Glen Echo)

and/or common

2. Location

street & number Shuler Lane not for publication

city, town Louisville Vicinity X vicinity of Louisville  
~~Congressional District~~

state Kentucky code 021 county Oldham code

3. Classification

| Category                                      | Ownership  | Status  | Present Use   |
|---|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> district             | <input type="checkbox"/> public                      | <input type="checkbox"/> occupied                     | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> building(s)          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private          | <input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied                   | <input type="checkbox"/> commercial                   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> structure | <input type="checkbox"/> both                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> work in progress  | <input type="checkbox"/> educational                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> site                 | <b>Public Acquisition</b>                            | <b>Accessible</b>                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in process       | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted              | <input type="checkbox"/> government                   |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> being considered | <input checked="" 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 |
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|   |  |   | <input type="checkbox"/> scientific                   |
|   |  |   | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation               |
|   |  |   | <input type="checkbox"/> other:                       |

4. Owner of Property

name Mrs. Alfred Shands

street & number 609 West Main Street

city, town Louisville vicinity of state Kentucky

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Oldham County Courthouse

street & number

city, town LaGrange state Kentucky

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Survey of Historic Sites in KY has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date 1981 federal state county local

depository for survey records Kentucky Heritage Council

city, town Frankford state Kentucky

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## 7. Description

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**Condition**

excellent  
 good  
 fair

deteriorated  
 ruins  
 unexposed

**Check one**

unaltered  
 altered

**Check one**

original site  
 moved date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance**

The Philip Taylor House in southwestern Oldham County, is situated on a gently rolling expanse of land surrounded by huge Hemlock and Holly trees. Built circa 1868, it is a five-bay, one-story Greek Revival/Italianate frame structure. The house rests on a stuccoed stone foundation and is crowned by a hipped roof covered with standing seam metal. Two brick inside end chimneys are found on each side. The portion of the chimneys rising from the roof have been stuccoed. Paired scrolled brackets punctuate the wide wood cornice. The front windows are ceiling to floor length and have 6/6 pane sash. Shallow segmental pediments are placed above the front facade openings.

A one-story porch with chamfered posts and sawn decoration spans the center three bays of the house. A one-room deep addition with a shed roof was added across the back circa 1900.

The floor plan is composed of a vestibule which opens off a central hall (10' X 32') with two 16 X 16 rooms off each side. A double parlor is located on the east side. The door between the vestibule and central hall is unusual in that it has a round arch door. The woodwork is composed of shouldered architrave trim. Each room has a fireplace with a simple Greek Revival mantel and coal grates.

The original floor plan is intact and the house itself is in fair condition. A log smokehouse (18' X 18') with pyramidal roof is located 50' behind the house.

## 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                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499            | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic     | <input type="checkbox"/> conservation           | <input type="checkbox"/> law                    | <input type="checkbox"/> science                 |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799            | <input type="checkbox"/> art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> engineering            | <input type="checkbox"/> music                  | <input type="checkbox"/> theater                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> philosophy             | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900–                | <input type="checkbox"/> communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> politics/government    | <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)         |
|   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> invention              |   |  |

**Specific dates** C.1868 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Philip Taylor House is significant as the only one-story double-pile Greek Revival structure with a hipped roof found in Oldham County. (A comprehensive survey of historic sites of Oldham County was completed in 1981. Oldham County, formed in 1823, is located in the north middle part of the state on the Ohio River. The gently undulating land is very suitable for farming and stock raising.) The style of the Taylor House is not only unique to Oldham County, but rare for the state as well. Only a half dozen examples have been found in Kentucky, four of which are located in neighboring Jefferson County. (See the Jefferson County Multiple Resource National Register Nomination JF-216, 223, 224 and 356.) The Taylor's House original floor plan remains intact as well as its shouldered Greek Revival Trim.

Philip R. Taylor (1829–1905) is believed to have built the house circa 1868. Taylor pursued farming as a career, first acquiring land on the Ohio River in Oldham County. In 1868 he returned to the family farm, where he was born, and built the existing house. In the 1879 Atlas of Oldham County, Taylor is listed as a "farmer and breeder of Short Horns and Cotswold Sheep." In 1881, Philip Taylor was elected to the Kentucky legislature and served one term.

In 1849 Philip Taylor married Mary Adams of Jefferson County. The couple had five daughters. After the death of his first wife in 1859 Taylor married Edmonia Barrick of Oldham County and had three children.

The house is in fair condition and is in the process of being rehabilitated under the Economic Recovery Act of 1981.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Perrin, W.H., Kentucky. A History of the State. Chicago: F.A. Battery and Company. 1887.

Atlas of Jefferson and Oldham Counties, Kentucky. Philadelphia: Beers and Lanagan. 1879.

## 10. Geographical Data

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Quadrangle name Anchorage

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

### UMT References

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

The nominated area extends 150' from the foundation of the house on all sides. Included in the nominated area is a log smokehouse.

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

state code county code

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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Mary Cronan Opel, State Historic Preservation Officer

organization Kentucky Heritage Council date January 26, 1983

street & number Ninth Fl., Capital Plaza Tower telephone 502/564-7005

city or town Frankfort state Kentucky

## 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.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature Mary Cronan Opel

title State Historic Preservation Officer date March 22, 1983

For NHP use only  
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register of Historic Places.  
[Signature]  
Director of the National Register  
date 5/24/83  
Chief of Registration

# SPRINGDALE

Scale: 1/2 Inches to the Mile.

Atlas of Jefferson & Oldham Counties, Kentucky.  
Philadelphia: Beers & Lanagan  
1879.  
MAP 1

