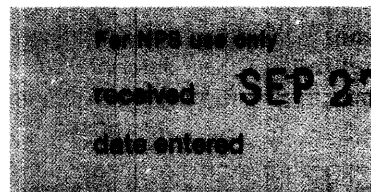


United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form



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

1. Name

historic MOYERS BUILDING

and/or common

2. Location

street & number South Court Street ___ not for publication

city, town Booneville vicinity of congressional district

state Kentucky code 021 county Owsley code 095

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

4. Owner of Property

name Kendall and Sharon Robinson

street & number Box 34

city, town Booneville vicinity of _____ state Kentucky 41314

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Owsley County Courthouse

street & number South Court Street

city, town Booneville state Kentucky

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

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

date April 1981 federal state county local

depository for survey records Kentucky Heritage Council

city, town Frankfort state Kentucky

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

Situated on South Court Street across from the Owsley County Courthouse, the Moyers Building is the oldest commercial building in the small town of Booneville.

The Moyers Building is a two-story, three bay with center entrance, rectangular structure of brick construction executed in common bond pattern with rows of headers every seven rows. All bays have double soldier, segmental arches, and tall rounded arch, 2/2 pane windows pierce the facade. A round ventilator and projecting pilaster strips which separate the bays enhance the facade of the building. The building has a gable roof covered with tin and interior chimneys. Corbelling at the first floor and cornice levels complete the structure.

The interior remains intact with no alterations since its construction. Both levels retain the original wooden plank flooring and wooden plank ceilings. The first floor has plain window trim while the second floor features a more ornate architrave trim. The original enclosed one-run stairway with turned balusters remains intact.

Structurally, the building is unaltered with no additions, and it is in a good state of repair.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
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<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 1888 **Builder/Architect** B.G. Moyers

Statement of Significance (In one paragraph)

The Moyers Building, built in 1888, is significant for its historical associations with the development of Booneville. The building is the most stylistically elaborate edifice in Booneville, and is the oldest commercial structure, as well as the oldest brick building in the town.

B. G. Moyers was a merchant in Booneville, and built the structure for use as a general store. The bricks were burned at a brick kiln that operated in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth century on the banks of Buck Creek, and which served the Booneville Community.

Moyers operated a general store in the town for many years, and throughout the years the building has been used for drygoods, grocery, and other commercial enterprises. Presently, a clothing store is situated in the building.

Architecturally, the Moyers Building is the most elaborate structure in Booneville with a population of one hundred twenty-six, and the seat of government of Owsley County. Owsley County, named in honor of Judge William Owsley, who served as Governor of Kentucky from 1844–1848, was formed in 1843, and was the ninety-sixth county established in the state. The county is situated in the eastern coalfield region of Kentucky characterized by rugged mountainous terrain.

The current owner is restoring the building for use as a commercial enterprise. The Moyers Building is the first nomination to the National Register from Owsley County.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Collins, Lewis. Historical Sketches of Kentucky. Maysville, Ky: Lewis Collins, 1847.
Kentucky Deskbook of Economic Statistics. Frankfort: Kentucky Department of Commerce, 1975.
Owsley County Deed Book D.

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property less than 1 acre

Quadrangle name Booneville

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UMT References

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Verbal boundary description and justification The property nominated is a rectangular lot 30' by 100' on South Court Street.

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

state code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title William G. Johnson, Senior Historian

organization Kentucky Heritage Council date August 1982

street & number 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 Emma Spill

title State Historic Preservation Officer date Sept. 21, 1982

For NPS use only
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register
Keeper of the National Register
Attest: [Signature] date 10/21/82
Chief of Registration