

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Kentucky	
COUNTY: Scott	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
001	15 1973

1. NAME

COMMON:
Robert Sanders House

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Robert Sanders House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
U.S. 25, 2 miles south of Georgetown

CITY OR TOWN:
Georgetown

STATE Kentucky	CODE 21	COUNTY: Scott	CODE 209
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <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 (Specify)

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Donald Sucher

STREET AND NUMBER:
Route 4, Etter Lane (Echo Valley)

CITY OR TOWN:
Georgetown

STATE: Kentucky	CODE 21
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Scott County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
East Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Georgetown

STATE: Kentucky	CODE 21
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Survey of Historic Sites in Kentucky

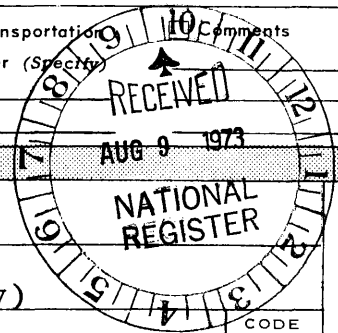
DATE OF SURVEY: **1971** Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Kentucky Heritage Commission

STREET AND NUMBER:
401 Wapping Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Frankfort

STATE: Kentucky	CODE 21
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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Robert Sanders House, looking down on Cane Run Creek and U.S. 25, is a belted, two-and-one-half story house with full basement. Said to be the oldest brick house in this lucrative Central Kentucky agriculture area, the house has been painted for a number of years. A small Victorian porch and an added ell, along with chimney structure on the west end, comprise the alterations.

The west end once featured two chimneys, those having been combined to serve a later mantel. On the east end, however, the original walnut mantel piece with heavy carving reached to an elaborate cornice which extends around the ceiling, matching also a heavy chair railing. A large bookshelf complements the picture to the right of the mantel, while to the left is a closet which may have once housed an early stairway. A central hall leads to the upstairs where early mantels, six panel doors of walnut and ash floors are seen.

Walls in places are three and one-half feet thick, according to earlier sources. There are in the basement 27 sleepers of eight inch wide locust, 12 inches thick. A bar of hickory is still in position at the front door.

To the rear of the yard is a stone barn which originally had portholes in one side. The stone barn, which was laid without mortar, was rebuilt earlier in this century, after it had begun to collapse. At that time the portholes were eliminated and the windows added.



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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian | 16th Century | 18th Century | 20th Century
 15th Century | 17th Century | 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) circa 1797

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
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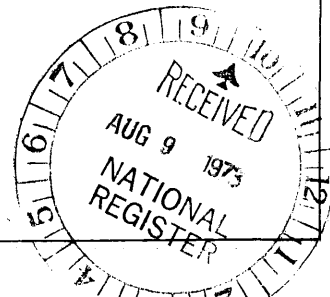
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The first brick house remembered by Polly Shipp Hawkins in her 1868 memoirs (she had come to Scott County in 1785 at the age of six) was the Robert Sanders House, "standing near the Cane Run bridge on the turnpike to Lexington." It is a large, two-and-one-half story, white painted brick house that contains elaborate interior woodwork. The date generally accepted for the erection of the Sanders house is 1797, making it one of the oldest brick houses in this Central Kentucky agricultural area, and certainly one of the finest when it was built.

Around 1790 Robert Sanders settled in Scott County on a 1,000 acre tract originally patented to Richard Cave. By 1793 Sanders was operating Scott County's first race track. He also owned "Blaze," one of the first English race horses in Kentucky. By 1796, when he was promoting three day meetings on his track, he was operating a 500 bed hotel and tavern on his plantation. Referred to in a family history as "the wealthiest pioneer in the state," Sanders was known for lavish expenditures. The ornate carving on the mantelpiece in the parlor attests to his good taste. A basement shelter, built to afford protection from the Indians, became known as "one of the finest wine cellars in the state." The Sanders estate also included a spring house, ice house, smoke house, loom house, blacksmith shop, and a stone barn. The stone barn, which was laid without mortar, originally had tiny port-holes for mounting rifles.

Colonel Robert Sanders died in 1805, leaving four sons: Toliver, Walker, Thomas, and Valentine. Both his fine house and stone barn are still standing. Sanders has been remembered for his contribution to one of Kentucky's most famous industries - the horse industry.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Ann B. Bevins, "One of Finest Early Kentucky Homes Built In Scott," The Lexington Leader, Sept. 21, 1971.

Carrie T. Goldsborough and Anna G. Fisher, Descendants of John Sutton, Lexington, 1941, pp. 27, 43.

Polly Shipp Hawkins, "Memories of Early Scott County," Unpublished manuscript in Georgetown Public Library.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

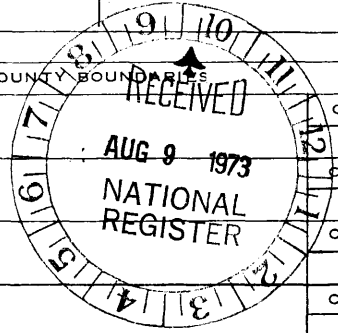
LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	84°	33'	28"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"			
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"			

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **5 acres**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

UTM
16/713930
422/260



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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: **Ann B. Bevins, Scott County Representative**

ORGANIZATION: **Kentucky Heritage Commission** DATE: **July 1, 1973**

STREET AND NUMBER: **401 Wapping Street**

CITY OR TOWN: **Frankfort** STATE: **Kentucky** CODE: **21**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name Mrs. Simeon Willis

Title State Historic Preservation Officer

Date August 6, 1973

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

Ernest A. Connolly
~~Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation~~
 Associate Director
 Professional Services
 Date OCT 15 1973

ATTEST:
Com. [Signature]
 Keeper of The National Register
 Date 10-9-73