

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation 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 John E. Turner, Home House

and/or common Same

2. Location

street & number 401 E. 10th St. N/A not for publication

city, town Holdenville N/A vicinity of congressional district

state Oklahoma code 40 county Hughes code 063

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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	N/A in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	N/A 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 Mr. and Mrs. O.D. Clark

street & number 401 E. 10th

city, town Holdenville N/A vicinity of state Oklahoma

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Hughes County Courthouse

street & number

city, town Holdenville state Oklahoma

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Oklahoma Historical Preservation Survey has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date federal state county local

depository for survey records Preservation Office, Oklahoma Historical Society

city, town Oklahoma City state Oklahoma

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		date N/A _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The John E. Turner home is a three story square frame building. The roof is hipped with bell-curves. Four prominent double windowed shingled roof dormers accent the roof. The roof is red tile with decorative ridge cresting. A corbelled brick chimney extends through and above the roof tiling. The eaves of the roof dormer, the main house roof and the first floor porch roof are broad, unbracketed but with a repetition of dentil molding in all eaves.

A tile-roofed veranda extends around the east and north elevations. Part of the south veranda has been enclosed and extended four feet to the south. The west, rear, elevation has a small single story enclosed porch.

The massive oak glassed paneled front entry is off-centered to the north. It is flanked by large single paned side lights. Windows on the east front elevation are three groups of three, two groups on the second floor and one group on the first floor. Other 1st and 2nd floor windows are placed singly. All windows are one over one lights.

The siding is narrow clapboard painted white. The foundation of the house is rusticated buff stone. The porch foundation is of buff brick alternating brick and open space for ventilation.

The pedimented front extends beyond the veranda. Four steps lead to the veranda. Ten Tuscan columns on rusticated buff stone plinths support the front pediment and veranda roof. Wood balustrade sections appear between the columns except for front and side entries.

Eclectic in styling the house form presents a strong bold image on a large corner lot with low retaining wall and broad sidewalks.

A two-story garage-carriage house is placed southwest of the main house. Its roof line repeats the main house roof with hipped bell curve shape, red tiles and four dormers. The siding repeats the house siding. Originally used for horses and carriages the carriage house is equipped with hardwood horse stalls, tack room and upstairs coachmen's quarters. It is steam heated.

With the exception of extensive kitchen remodeling the interior retains its historic integrity. Original wide oak base board and trim, original lighting fixtures, plumbing and heating fixtures, and some original wallpapers.

The house was built by Leigh Broughton, an immigrant master craftsman.

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/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1910-1911 **Builder/Architect** Leigh Broughton

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The John E. Turner home is significant because of its association with two prominent Oklahoma men and their families and because it is the best example of early architecture in Holdenville.

Holdenville was founded in 1895 in response to the need for a market center for area farmers and ranchers and as a rail center for the new railroad. The surrounding area was highly publicized as a prime place for farming, especially truck farming and Holdenville attracted many land speculators.

The house was built in 1910-1911 by R.M. McFarlin, an enterprising Texan who migrated to Norman, Oklahoma, and then to Holdenville where he lived and dealt in cattle and land and finally in oil. The large Chapman-McFarlin Ranch is still east of Holdenville, however McFarlin is better known as the founder of McCann Oil Co., and for his association with the Glenn Pools and Mobil Oil Co. A philanthropist as well, McFarlin built the Keystone Hotel and numerous churches in Holdenville. In 1921 McFarlin moved to Tulsa.

John E. Turner, an attorney, came to Wetumka in 1902. Turner began to deal in real estate with the Creek Indians. He moved to Holdenville in 1911 because it was the county seat by then. John E. also purchased the Keystone Hotel from R. M. McFarlin and subsequently purchased the McFarlin home in 1921. John E.'s son was Hughes County Attorney, as was another son, George. The Turner family maintained the home until 1978 when it was purchased by O.D. Clark (also a Texan like McFarlin), who wanted to restore the home as closely as could to its original gentility.

As a county seat and market center Holdenville flourished but retained a modest, rural, small town character. Residences from the early 1900s are primarily two story frame "farmhouse" styles and single story plains cottages. The Turner house, the most impressive residence in Holdenville, represents the leadership and enterprise, of two of Holdenville's most prominent families.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Tyson, C., Thomas, J., and Faulk, O. The McMan: The Lives of Robert M. McFarlin and James A. Chapman, Norman, Oklahoma: University of Oklahoma Press, 1977.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property under one acre

Quadrangle name Holdenville, OK

Quadrangle scale 7.5

UMT References

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Zone		Easting				Northing								

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Lot 1, 2, and NE 25 ft., Lot 3, Block 111, Original Town

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

state N/A code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Mary Ann Anders, Ph.D.

organization Oklahoma Historical Preservation Survey date

street & number 502 Math Sciences, Okla. State Univ. telephone 405-624-5678

city or town Stillwater state Oklahoma

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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature C. E. Metcalf date 12/7/82

title date

For HCRS use only	
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register	
<u>Bruce M. Boyd</u>	date <u>1/27/83</u>
Keeper of the National Register	
Attest: <u>Patrick Anders</u>	date <u>1/27/83</u>
Chief of Registration	