

DATA SHEET

Form 10-300
(Rev. 6-72)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries complete applicable sections)

STATE: Tennessee
COUNTY: Anderson
FOR NPS USE ONLY
ENTRY DATE: MAY 29 1975

1. NAME

COMMON: Edwards-Fowler House
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION 3.5 mi S of Lake City

STREET AND NUMBER: Dutch Valley Road			
CITY OR TOWN: Lake City		CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Second	
STATE: Tennessee	CODE: 47	COUNTY: Anderson	CODE: 001

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY <small>(Check One)</small>	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <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
PRESENT USE <small>(Check One or More as Appropriate)</small>			
<input 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 <small>(Specify)</small> _____ _____
Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Sam Fowler		
STREET AND NUMBER: Dutch Valley Road		
CITY OR TOWN: Lake City	STATE: Tennessee	CODE: 47

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

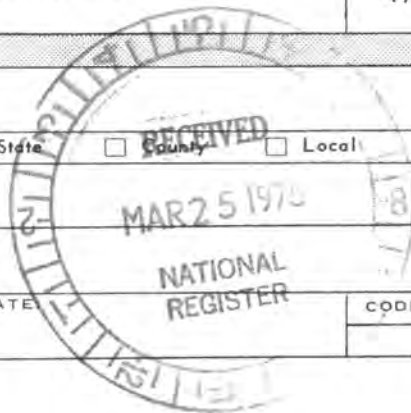
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Anderson County Register's Office		
STREET AND NUMBER: Courthouse		
CITY OR TOWN: Clinton	STATE: Tennessee	CODE: 47

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:			
DATE OF SURVEY:	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> State	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE:	DATE: MAY 29 1975

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DATE: _____



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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input 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 Edwards-Fowler home is located in the Dutch Valley area of Anderson County. Directly behind the home rises Walden Ridge which separates the coal mining area of the county from the rural and urban areas.

The home, of Federal design, was built between 1835 and 1838 by slave labor. The slaves quarried the limestone for the basement and burned all the bricks for the house. Both the clay and the limestone were extracted from sites near the home. The exterior walls are 4 bricks thick and the interior walls 3 bricks thick. All walls with the exception of one wooden separation wall on the second floor are structural.

For the most part the house is in quite good shape, although some settling has occurred. The grounds have been well maintained. There are two large hemlocks and a large magnolia in the front yard, and in the side yard there is a male holly tree almost as tall as the house. There are several flower gardens as well as a vegetable garden on the grounds.

The interior has been worked on through the years and all the fireplaces with the exception of the large kitchen fireplace have been bricked up to keep the house from losing too much of its gas-supplied heat. The front portion of the house has full 14 foot ceilings in both the downstairs and the upstairs. In the back section, or the ell of the house, the original upstairs slave quarters have been extensively worked on by the Fowlers. The floors have been sanded down to their natural pine finish and the room has been decorated with pre-Civil War antique furniture.

Although the woodwork in the house is not particularly ornate, it is interesting to note that the mantels, closets, and trim are primarily done in cherry. On some of the closet doors the cherry board measures a full 18 inches across.

Both the front and back porches have been replaced several times. The roof of the front porch was built in the 1950's replacing an Italianate style roof. The back porch is in the process of being replaced.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1835-38

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 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 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Edwards-Fowler home is located in Anderson County which before the coming of TVA and Oak Ridge was one of the poorest counties in the State. The county is not blessed with particularly fertile soil and therefore was not developed very extensively. Also, much of Anderson County's heritage has been destroyed either through fire, "progress," or neglect. The Fowler home is the only pre-Civil War building left in the county which has maintained its basic integrity through the years.

James Ross was the first white man to settle in the area, having moved from Virginia in the 1790's. His log cabin was a few hundred yards northeast of the Fowler home. In the early 1800's the Louisville-Nashville stagecoach line came through and Ross obtained the contract for overnight stays. From his profits Ross bought land, eventually acquiring over 1,000 acres. In the late 1820's Ross's daughter, Nicely, married a man named Edwards. As a wedding present James Ross gave his son-in-law about 300 acres of land and a number of slaves. It was on this land and with these slaves that Edwards began to build what is now the Edwards-Fowler home. The foundations of the slave cabins are still visible and there is a slave cemetery near the ridge in back of the house.

All the material for the house was secured on site except the hardware and glass for the windows which came from Louisville. About one-third of the glass now in the house is original.

The home remained in the Edwards family until the early 1900's when it was purchased by the East Tennessee Nursery Company. Sam Fowler, Sr., a partner in the firm, then moved in and it has been in the Fowler family since.

The area soon became known as the Fowler Community because of the school which Sam Fowler started and taught. The school burned in 1929 and the house never regained its place as a center of social life in the area. It remains, however, as a landmark in the area, significant architecturally because it is the only example of early Federal architecture in the county.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Goodspeed (Ed.), History of Tennessee, East Tennessee Edition
(Chicago and Nashville, 1887).
Seeber, Raymond, History of Anderson County, unpublished thesis.
Knoxville, 1928.

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				
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	0	'	"	0	'	"	36°	10'	18"
NE	0	'	"	0	'	"	84°	10'	03"
SE	0	'	"	0	'	"			
SW	0	'	"	0	'	"			

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 6

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE



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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Jon Coddington

ORGANIZATION: East Tennessee Development District DATE: 6/17/74

STREET AND NUMBER:
1810 Lake Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Knoxville STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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 Lauren C. [Signature]

Title Executive Director
Tennessee Historical Commission

Date 3/20/75

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

[Signature]
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 5/9/75

ATTEST:
[Signature]
Keeper of The National Register

Date 5.27.75





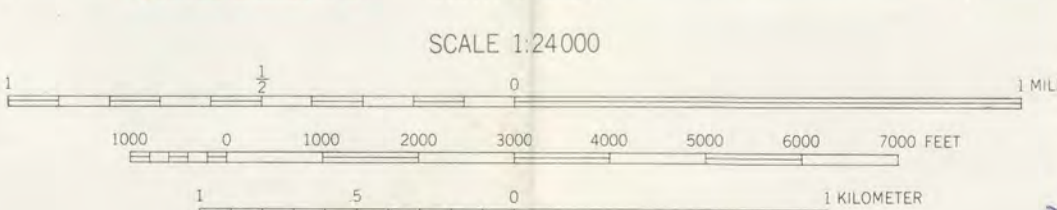




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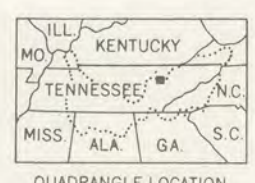


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Published by the Geological Survey
Control by USC&GS, USGS, WPA, and TVA
Complete field revision by TVA 1952, using aerial photographs
taken 1952 and by reference to TVA USGS quadrangle dated
1947. Original map compiled by multiplex methods from
aerial photographs taken 1940
Polyconic projection 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Tennessee rectangular
coordinate system
---002--- Indicates Norris Lake Easement Boundary



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL
THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS

FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
TENNESSEE DIVISION OF GEOLOGY, NASHVILLE, TENN.
U. S. TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY, CHATTANOOGA OR KNOXVILLE, TENN.
A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST



ROAD CLASSIFICATION (TVA 137-NW)

In developed areas, only through roads are classified

HARD-SURFACE ALL WEATHER ROADS	DRY WEATHER ROADS
Heavy-duty	4-LANE 16-LANE Improved dirt
Medium-duty	4-LANE 16-LANE Unimproved dirt
Loose-surface, graded, or narrow hard-surface	

U. S. Route State Route

EDWARDS-FOWLER
HOUSE
LAKE CITY, TENN.
N3607 5-W8407 5/7 5
1952

National Register of Historic Places

Note to the record

Additional Documentation: 2014

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY NAME: Edwards-Fowler House

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: TENNESSEE, Anderson

DATE RECEIVED: 8/22/14 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 10/08/14
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 75001726

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

___ACCEPT ___RETURN ___REJECT _____DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Additional Documentation Approved

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept
REVIEWER Elsa Beall DISCIPLINE History
TELEPHONE _____ DATE 10.8.14

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



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August 12, 2014

Carol Shull
Keeper of the National Register
National Park Service
National Register Branch
1201 Eye Street NW
8th floor
Washington, DC 20005

Re: Additional documentation

Dear Ms. Shull:

Lake City in Anderson County, Tennessee has changed its name to Rocky Top. There are four properties listed in the National Register that will now need their city address/location changed to reflect this. They are:

Norris Dam State Park Rustic Cabins Historic District.	14000446
Fort Anderson on Militia Hill	11000830
Edwards-Fowler House	75001726 ✓
Fraterville Miners' Circle Cemetery	04001459

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Sincerely,

Claudette Stager
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
CS/cs

National Register of Historic Places
Memo to File

Correspondence

The Correspondence consists of communications from (and possibly to) the nominating authority, notes from the staff of the National Register of Historic Places, and/or other material the National Register of Historic Places received associated with the property.

Correspondence may also include information from other sources, drafts of the nomination, letters of support or objection, memorandums, and ephemera which document the efforts to recognize the property.

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE TENNESSEE

Date Entered MAY 29 1975

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Bryant, Louis E., House	Oneida Scott County
LaFollette House	LaFollette Campbell County
Graham-Kivette House	Tazewell Claiborne County
Big Spring Union Church	Springdale Claiborne County
Edwards-Fowler House	Lake City Anderson County

Also Notified

Hon. Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Hon. Bill Brock
Hon. John J. Duncan
Hon. Marilyn L. Lloyd
Regional Director, Southeast
Region

State Historic Preservation Officer
Mr. Lawrence C. Henry
Executive Director, Tennessee
Historical Commission
170 2nd Avenue North, Suite 100
Nashville, Tennessee 37219

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6/2/75

Property Edwards - Fowler House
State Tennessee Working Number 3.25.75.464

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Anderson

TECHNICAL

Photos 3
Maps 1

CONTROL

OK Am
3.27.75

HISTORIAN

Accept
E. Smith
4-2-75

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Accept
L. Bouch
3-29-75

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____
Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept
Cole
4.9.75

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

Dunst
for Murray
5.27.75

National Register Write-up _____
Federal Register Entry 7-1-75 Send-back _____
Re-submit _____

Entered MAY 29 1975

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STATE OF TENNESSEE

TENNESSEE HISTORICAL COMMISSION

170 SECOND AVENUE, NORTH
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37201
TELEPHONE (615) 741-2371

LAWRENCE C. HENRY, Executive Director
State Historic Preservation Officer

March 19, 1975

Dr. William J. Murtagh
National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service
18th and C Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Dr. Murtagh:

Enclosed please find the forms necessary for the nomination of the Edwards-Fowler House to the National Register of Historic Places.

If additional information is needed, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence C. Henry

LCH/HLH/11
Encl.



NATIONAL REGISTER DATA SHEET KP

1 NAME as it appears on federal register: Edwards-Fowler House 2 OTHER NAMES: _____ 3 date of entry: 5-29-75 4 county code: 001

5 LOCATION street & number: 3.5 mi. S of Lake City on Dutch Valley Rd. city / town: Lake City vicinity of: Lake City state: TN county: Anderson 6 NPS REGION: Southeast

7 OWNER: PRIVATE STATE MUNICIPAL COUNTY MULTIPLE FEDERAL (agency name) 8 ADMINISTRATOR: _____ 9 EXISTING SURVEYS: HABS HAER NHL 10 FUNDED? YES NO 11 CONGRESS DISTRICT: 2 12 SOURCE OF NOMINATION: STATE FEDERAL (if state who prepared form?)

13 WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES, NAME: _____ NO 14 WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? YES, NAME: _____ NO 15 ACREAGE: 6.0 16 LOCAL PRIVATE ORGANIZATION

16 CONDITION: excellent deteriorated altered original site good ruins unaltered moved fair unexposed reconstructed unknown unexcavated excavated 17 features: INTERIOR: SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-1 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-4 NOT APPLICABLE-7 EXTERIOR: SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-2 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-5 NOT APPLICABLE-8 ENVIRONS: SUBSTANTIALLY INTACT-3 NOT INTACT-0 UNKNOWN-6 NOT APPLICABLE-9

18 ACCESS: YES - Restricted YES - Unrestricted No Access Unknown 19 ADAPTIVE USE: YES NO 20 SAVED? YES NO IS PROPERTY A HISTORIC DISTRICT? yes no

21 AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE: ARCHEOLOGY - prehistoric-2 COMMERCE-6 ENTERTAINMENT-26 ENGINEERING-11 LANDSCAPE ARCH.-15 POLITICS / GOVT.-21 RECREATION-28 ARCHEOLOGY - historic-1 COMMUNICATIONS-7 EXPLORATION-12 LAW-16 RELIGION-22 SETTLEMENT-29 AGRICULTURE-3 CONSERVATION-8 HEALTH-27 LITERATURE-17 SCIENCE-23 URBAN PLANNING-31 ARCHITECTURE-4 ECONOMICS-9 INDUSTRY-13 MILITARY-18 SOCIAL / HUMANITARIAN-24 OTHER (SPECIFY) _____ ART-5 EDUCATION-10 INVENTION-14 MUSIC-19 SOCIAL / CULTURAL-30 TRANSPORTATION-25 22 CLAIMS: explain 'first' 'oldest' 'only' only intact antebellum home in county

23 functions: WHEN HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT: ~~Private residence~~ Private residence CURRENTLY: same 24 dates of initial construction: 1835-38, 1838 major alterations: 1950: front porch altered historic events: currently: rear porch redone 25 ETHNIC GROUP ASSOCIATION: _____

26 architectural style(s): Federal 27 architect: _____ 28 master builder: _____ 29 engineer: _____

30 landscape architect / garden designer: _____ 31 interior decorator: _____ 32 artist: _____ 33 artisan: _____ 34 builder / contractor: _____

35 NAMES give role & date PERSONAL: _____ EVENTS: _____ INSTITUTIONAL: _____

36 NATIONAL REGISTER WRITE-UP: 2 1/2 L-shaped, rectangular Brick, 1 1/2 - 2 stories, gabled roof sections, with corbelled cornice, interior, interior and ~~end~~ exterior end numerous chimneys; (center front) ~~entrances~~ and rear wing entrances, each with transoms; 1-story front porch altered, 1950s; rear porch currently being replaced. ~~Only antebellum~~ Federal. County's In the Federal style, the only intact antebellum structure in county.