

Property Name Mitchell House

Property Owner Ben Southerland

Location 115 N. Nelson

Address 115 N. Nelson

Construction Date 1927 Survey No. 3019

Gentry, AR 72734

DESCRIPTION

The Mitchell House, 1927, located in the heart of Gentry, is a flawless example of a craftsman bungalow. One-and-one-half stories in height, the house has a side-gable roof that extends to cover the full front porch. The porch supports are battered columns on stucco piers. The large roof overhang is supported by brackets which are stacked boards that increase in length from bottom to top. The rafters are also exposed. There are shed dormers on both the front and back of the house. The windows are double-hung, one-over-one. There is also a detached garage which is contemporary to the house and is sheathed in the same narrow weatherboard.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Criterion: C

Area of significance: Architecture

An excellent example of the pure bungalow form, the Mitchell House is architecturally unique in Gentry. From the exposed rafters and brackets under the eaves to the large front porch with battered columns, from the shed dormer to the mixture of materials, the house exhibits many of the trademarks of the Craftsman style, which are not often found in smaller Arkansas towns.

Acreage less than 1 acre

Verbal Boundary Description Lots 7 & 8, Block 18, Original Town

Quadrangle Name Gentry, Ark. Quadrangle Scale 1:24000

UTM Reference: Zone 15 Easting 366880 Northing 4014610

12/14/87

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Benton County MRA
State Benton County, ARKANSAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

61. Merrill House

Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper Melous Byers 1/28/88

Attest _____

62. Methodist Church

Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper Melous Byers 1/28/88

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63. Miller Homestead

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National RegisterKeeper Melous Byers 1/28/88

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64. Mitchell House

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65. Morris House

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National RegisterKeeper Melous Byers 1/28/88

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66. Myler House

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67. New Home School and Church

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68. Norwood School

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69. Osage Creek Bridge

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70. Osage Mills Dam

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEETMitchell House (Benton County MRA)
Benton County
ARKANSAS

DEC 14 1987

Working No. _____

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/7/89Date Due: 1/14/88 - 1/28/88Action: ☒ ACCEPT 1-28-88☐ RETURN☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Entered in the
National RegisterSubstantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

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

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____

Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- ☐ summary paragraph
- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
- ☐ applicable criteria
- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
- ☐ context
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



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MITCHELL HOUSE - 3019
GENTRY
BENTON COUNTY MRA
PHOTOGRAPHED BY BENTON CO. SURVEY STAFF - JANUARY 1987
NEGATIVES ON FILE AT AHPP

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000022