

**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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

1. Name

historic M.K. and T. Depot in Laverne

and/or common Riggs Office

2. Location

street & number ~~Northside of Main St., one block east of Ohio Ave~~ N/A not for publication

city, town Laverne N/A vicinity of

state Oklahoma code 040 county Harper code 059

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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 Arliss and Randall Riggs

street & number

city, town Laverne N/A vicinity of state OK 73848

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. See Primary Nomination

street & number

city, town state

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title See Primary Nomination has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The M K and T Depot in Laverne is a one story, depot with vertical and horizontal wood siding reminiscent of stick style with millwork brackets and a slate tile hipped roof. The structure, sits near the eastern edge of town, on the north side of Main Street east of Laverne's business district. Originally it paralleled the railroad tracks that ran between the depot and the country road denoting the eastern edge of town, but the tracks were removed when the line was abandoned in 1973.

Basically a rectangular (35'x100') hipped roof building it has a bay-like projection with a king post-like gable motif on the east facade that served as the ticket window. The horizontal emphasis of the long facades the roofline, the loading docks and the watertable is broken visually by the irregular repetition of the brackets that support the wide eaves by the ticket windows by the irregular placement of the double hung (2x3 in each sash) sash windows, by the panelled doors with 3 vertical lighted rectangular transoms, and by the planked freight doors. Paired double-hung sash windows are grouped with two pairs on the south eand and two just north of the entry at the south edge of the west facade. Another entry was placed directly across on the east facade with one set of paired windows next to it. The freight dock begins at the back quarter of both the east and west facades and connects to form a U-shaped dock around the north side. Two interior brick chimneys are still present in the peak of the roof and the name plate for the depot, a small rectangular sign with the word LAVERNE, is mounted on the roof on the south side facing Main Street. The interior retains many of its original structural features, especially the vertical board wainscoating, and the only alterations to the exterior have been the use of white paint with charcoaled color detailing on the trim (while the original color was a light brown) and the addition of small wooden flower boxes below the paired windows.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1912 **Builder/Architect** M. K. & T. Railway

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Built in 1912 as the railroad arrived in Laverne, the M.K. and T. Depot in Laverne was central to the existence of this small agricultural community because the town was established in 1912 due to the construction of the railroad,

The one story, clapboard depot with bracketed eaves also typified the style of early depots and remains as one of two left in a county that originally had numerous depots for the railroads that served as the main transportation network in the county. The depot continued in use for freight shipment until 1973. Passenger service ended in 1938, when the line was abandoned.

Although the railroad no longer serves Laverne, the small wooden depot remains as a reminder of the important aspect of the community's history and it now serves as the offices of the newer and important business for the semiarid agricultural area, an irrigation company.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See Primary Nomination Sheet

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property under one acre

Quadrangle name Laverne, OK, 1971

Quadrangle scale 7.5

UTM References

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B

Zone			Easting				Northing							

C

Zone			Easting				Northing							

D

Zone			Easting				Northing							

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Zone			Easting				Northing							

H

Zone			Easting				Northing							

Verbal boundary description and justification

From the northeast corner of Main St. and Ohio Ave., go east 250 feet to point of beginning. From point of beginning go 150 feet north then 100 feet east then 140 feet South then 100 feet back to point of beginning; area within old railroad right of way on North side of Main Street.

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

state See Primary Nomination Sheet code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title See Primary Nomination Sheet

organization date

street & number telephone

city or town state

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

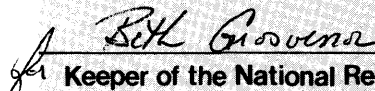
As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature 

title date

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

 date 7/8/84
Keeper of the National Register

Attest: date

Chief of Registration