

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES REGISTRATION FORM**

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in "Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms" (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "X" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

**1. Name of Property**

historic name Brown-Kennedy House  
other names/site number Brown-Kennedy-Shockley House

**2. Location**

street & number Georgia State Route 59  
city, town Carnesville (X) vicinity of  
county Franklin code 119  
state Georgia code GA zip code 30521

(N/A) not for publication

**3. Classification**

**Ownership of Property:**

- private
- public-local
- public-state
- public-federal

**Category of Property**

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

**Number of Resources within Property:**

	<u>Contributing</u>	<u>Noncontributing</u>
buildings	6	1
sites	0	0
structures	0	0
objects	0	0
total	6	1

**Contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0**

**Name of related multiple property listing:** Historic Resources along the Old Federal Road in Georgia's Banks and Franklin Counties, c.1805-1946.

**4. State/Federal Agency Certification**

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets the National Register criteria. ( ) See continuation sheet.

Mark R. Edwards  
Signature of certifying official

10/07/96  
Date

Mark R. Edwards  
State Historic Preservation Officer,  
Georgia Department of Natural Resources

In my opinion, the property ( ) meets ( ) does not meet the National Register criteria. ( ) See continuation sheet.

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Signature of commenting or other official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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State or Federal agency or bureau

**5. National Park Service Certification**

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

Entered in the National Register

Edson H. Beall

11-7-96

( ) determined eligible for the National Register \_\_\_\_\_

( ) determined not eligible for the National Register \_\_\_\_\_

( ) removed from the National Register \_\_\_\_\_

( ) other, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

( ) see continuation sheet \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature, Keeper of the National Register      Date

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## **6. Function or Use**

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### **Historic Functions:**

DOMESTIC/single dwelling  
AGRICULTURE/agricultural outbuildings

### **Current Functions:**

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

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## **7. Description**

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### **Architectural Classification:**

LATE VICTORIAN/Queen Anne Cottage

### **Materials:**

<b>foundation</b>	brick
<b>walls</b>	vinyl siding
<b>roof</b>	asphalt
<b>other</b>	brick

### **Description of present and historic physical appearance:**

The Brown-Kennedy House is a c. 1910 one-story, Queen Anne cottage with a hipped roof and rear gabled ell. It has one relatively new narrow, rectangular brick chimney and one stove flue. There is a shed porch on the front and a shed porch on the rear, both of which have slender turned unpainted supporting posts. The house has been sided with vinyl, and the eaves are boxed. All windows except one have three vertical panes over one. The foundation is enclosed with painted metal panels. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles.

The front door has two vertical panes over two vertical panels and opens directly into the living room. The living room has a shallow fireplace with a simple oak mantel with two brackets under it. The face and hearth are covered with "white mud." The back door opposes the front door and a small, square, unceiled room is partitioned out of the right rear corner of the room. The room has wood floors and narrow unpainted beveled boards on the walls and ceiling. Two rooms open off the left wall of the living room with fireplaces which are identical to the one in the living room. All utilize the same chimney. Both bedrooms have the same floors, walls, and ceilings as the living room. The kitchen is reached by going through the middle room or onto the back porch. It is sheetrocked and has linoleum floors. It was unceiled when the Shockleys moved in 1942. All ceilings are 10', and all doors have four panels.

The yard has several good sized elms, many perennials, and flowering shrubs.

Several outbuildings remain near the house, and a well on the property has been covered. There is a small gable-front weathered clapboard smokehouse with a slightly projecting tin roof and batten door. The

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cotton house is a small, gable-front building with batten door and 5-1/2" wide flush horizontal boards. The pig pen has collapsed. The outhouse is still used. There is also a large gable-front weathered corn crib with a batten door and a drop door on one side. The Brown-Kennedy House and its associated outbuildings form an early 20th century agricultural complex. Agricultural fields surround the house and outbuildings.

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**8. Statement of Significance**

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**Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:**

nationally     statewide     locally

**Applicable National Register Criteria:**

A     B     C     D

**Criteria Considerations (Exceptions):**     N/A

A     B     C     D     E     F     G

**Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions):**

ARCHITECTURE  
AGRICULTURE

**Period of Significance:**

c. 1910-1946

**Significant Dates:**

c. 1910

**Significant Person(s):**

N/A

**Cultural Affiliation:**

N/A

**Architect(s)/Builder(s):**

Unknown

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**Significance of property, justification of criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above:**

**Narrative statement of significance (areas of significance)**

Architecture

The Brown-Kennedy House is architecturally significant as a regional vernacular house type (Queen Anne Cottage) which has suffered few alterations to its form since its construction in the first decade of the 20th century. Although now sided with vinyl, the house still conveys much of its original appearance. This house type is rare along the Old Federal Road, adding to the significance of this building. The several extant outbuildings of the property add to its significance in terms of architecture by providing fine examples of the types of outbuildings that were built early in the 20th century.

Agriculture

The Brown-Kennedy House is significant in the area of agriculture as an intact example of the type of small farm complex found in north Georgia and along this portion of the Old Federal Road during this period. The majority of farms in the area were small subsistence farms, raising crops and livestock to sustain the families who lived there. Crops included corn, oats, and wheat as well as vegetables. Cotton was grown as a cash crop, but only on a small scale. This farm was established in the 1910s when Blaton Brown built the house for his son, Tom, who lived there only a few years. The farm was then rented to Freeman Kennedy, who lived there and raised cotton and a variety of other crops. This agricultural activity is represented by the remaining historic outbuildings.

**National Register Criteria**

The Kennedy House meets National Register criteria A and C. It meets criteria A as it is associated with the agricultural history of the Old Federal Road in Banks and Franklin Counties, Georgia. It is typical of the small early 20th century farm complexes found in the state. Criteria C is met as the house is a rare example on the Old Federal Road of the Queen Anne Cottage house type, and for the early 20th century agricultural outbuildings.

**Criteria Considerations (if applicable)**

N/A

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**Period of significance (justification, if applicable)**

The period of significance for the Brown-Kennedy House begins with the construction of the house c. 1910 and ends in 1946, the end of the historic period.

**Contributing/Noncontributing Resources (explanation, if necessary)**

The main house and five outbuildings were constructed within the period of significance and maintain integrity. The one noncontributing resource was either constructed after 1946 or has lost historic integrity.

**Developmental history/historic context (if applicable)**

Blanton Brown built this house c. 1910 for his son, Tom, who lived there a couple years and then moved to Atlanta. The farm was rented to Freeman Kennedy for approximately twenty-five years. Kennedy never owned the farm, but he built the barn and farmed the land, raising cotton as well as a variety of other crops. In 1941, the Shockleys bought the property, which is still under Shockly ownership.

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## 9. Major Bibliographic References

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Aerial photos, from University of Georgia collections:  
Franklin County 1938, 1951, 1956, 1967, 1980

Photographs: Taken April-May, 1985 by Sybil A. Bowers

Historic maps, from University of Georgia collections:

1818 Georgia map, includes roads  
1829 Georgia map, includes roads  
1836 A New Map of Georgia with its Roads and Distances  
1846 A New Map of Georgia with its Roads and Distances  
1860 County Map of Georgia and Alabama  
1883 Georgia State Gazetteer map  
1894 Post Route map  
1909 USDA Soils Map of Franklin County  
1910 Map of Franklin County  
1916 Department of Agriculture map of the State of Georgia

Historic photos: contact prints, Vanishing Georgia Collection,  
property of Franklin County Historical Society

Interviews, Roger McConnell by Sybil A. Bowers

10 December 1984, 17 April 1985, 24 April 1985, 1 May 1985,  
15 May 1985, 22 May 1985, 29 May 1985.

Interviews, Roger McConnell by Susan Casey

January 1990 and October 1990.

National Register Nomination for Homer, Georgia, written  
September, 1984

Road maps, GMAPDC collections:

1967, Franklin County

Sherwood, Adiel. Gazetteer of the State of Georgia 1827, 1860

Georgia State Gazetteers, 1879-80, 1881-82, 1886

USGS topographic maps, 1967:

Ashland quadrangle

Previous documentation on file (NPS): (X) N/A

- ( ) preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67)  
has been requested
- ( ) previously listed in the National Register
- ( ) previously determined eligible by the National Register
- ( ) designated a National Historic Landmark
- ( ) recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # N/A
- ( ) recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # N/A



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Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State Agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other, Specify Repository: Georgia Mountains Regional Development Center

Georgia Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): N/A

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## **10. Geographical Data**

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### **Acreage of Property**

Approximately 15 acres.

### **UTM References**

A) Zone 17 Easting 288400 Northing 3803260

### **Verbal Boundary Description**

The boundary of the Brown-Kennedy House is indicated as a solid black line drawn to scale on the accompanying National Register Boundary map. This map is based on the current county tax maps which are drawn to a scale of 1"=660'. These maps are the largest scale maps available for this rural area.

### **Boundary Justification**

Boundaries include historic structures, buildings, and visual representation of historic acreage. On the south and east side of the boundary, the boundary follows existing property lines. Due to intrusions on the north and west side of the boundary, the boundary follows an existing tree line and fence.

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## **11. Form Prepared By**

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Photographs

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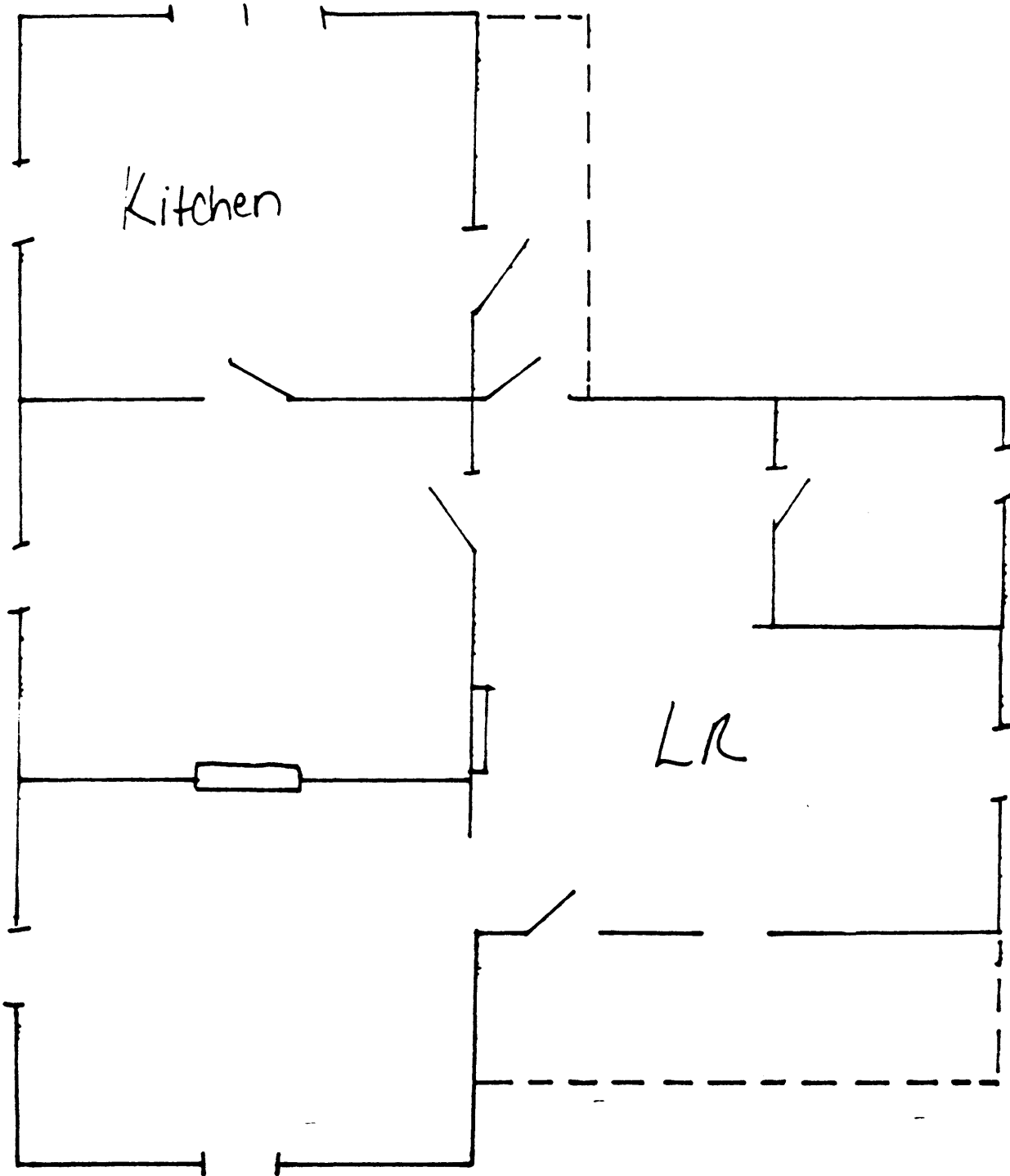
**Name of Property:** Brown-Kennedy House  
**City or Vicinity:** Carnesville  
**County:** Franklin  
**State:** Georgia  
**Photographer:** James R. Lockhart  
**Negative Filed:** Georgia Department of Natural Resources  
**Date Photographed:** March 9, 1994

**Note:** Photography was field checked in July, 1996; photographs still convey an accurate representation of the property.

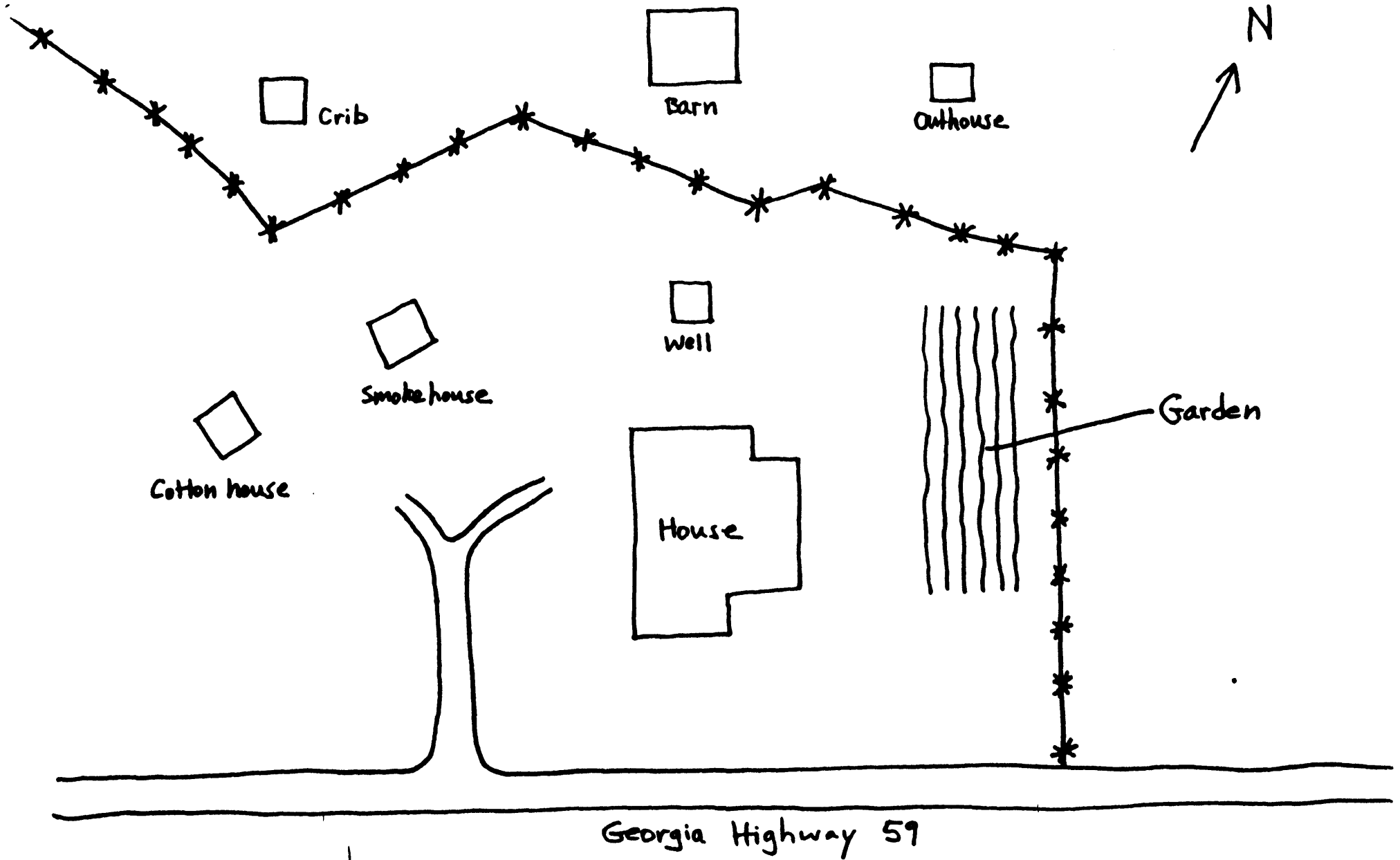
**Description of Photographs:**

- Photo 1 of 4 Front facade; photographer facing northwest.  
Photo 2 of 4 Outbuildings; photographer facing west.  
Photo 3 of 4 Rear facade; photographer facing south.  
Photo 4 of 4 Outbuildings; photographer facing northwest.

Floor Plan  
Brown-Kennedy House, Franklin County, Georgia  
Not to Scale  
Source: Sponsor  
Date: 1996



Site Plan  
Brown-Kennedy House, Franklin County, Georgia  
Not to Scale  
Source: Sponsor  
Date: 1996



**National Register Boundary**  
Brown-Kennedy House  
Near Carnesville, Franklin Co., GA.

Scale: 1"=660'

Source: Franklin Co. Tax Map 21

Date: 1989

Key: The nominated district is marked by a heavy black line.

