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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 Myers House

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

— NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN
Martinsburg

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

 VICINITY OF Berkeley Station

STATE
West Virginia

CODE
54

COUNTY
Berkeley

CODE
003

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	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input 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 Mr. & Mrs. Richard A. Salzer

STREET & NUMBER

Berkeley Station

CITY, TOWN

Martinsburg, WV 25401

STATE

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, Berkeley County
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Martinsburg, WV 25401

STATE

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE H-109, Berkeley County Historical Society & Berkeley County Historical
Landmarks Commission Survey.

DATE

1973-78

— FEDERAL — STATE COUNTY — LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Berkeley County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Martinsburg, WV 25401

STATE



DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

- EXCELLENT
- GOOD
- FAIR
- DETERIORATED
- RUINS
- UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

- UNALTERED
- ALTERED

CHECK ONE

- ORIGINAL SITE
- MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

A 5 bay, gable roofed, 2 story house, with inside end chimneys, the house is built of brick in Flemish bond and three row common bond. The entrance door has a beautiful Chines Chippendale transom. The one bay, one story entrance porch has a flat roof on 4 round posts of 2 like pilasters (not original). The layout is central block with one wing. The wing, 1 1/2 story, 2 bays, predates the house by only a few years and has a large fireplace on both floors. The main house has a central hall plan, two rooms each side. Three fireplaces are on the ground floor and two are on the second, one being in a large double size room, the ballroom. The ballroom and parlor have like mantels. The single paneled frieze is flanked by paneled end blocks supporting a shelf with molded edge and square cornered projections over the blocks. Pilasters are half round fluted columns on plain bases. Some rooms have small 2 tiered, paneled door cupboards next to the fireplace. Other mantels have a plain, single paneled frieze on paneled pilasters. In most of the rooms, the trim consists of short lintel construction, with a large astragal and an architrave backband. Other rooms have rosette corner blocks on pedestaled facings that relate to the paneled mantel pilasters. The main open string stairway reaches the third floor in 4 flights. There is only one starting newel, a very slender round and tapered post with a neck molding. The handrail is also round in section and very small. The stairway curves gracefully at each flight of steps. Two round and tapered balusters are on each step and the step end decoration consists of a "double comma" scroll. All rooms have a chair rail, much of it identical in section to the paneled pilasters. Door jambs are also single paneled. Windows are 9/6 on the 1st floor and 6/6 on the 2nd and most have splayed, paneled reveals. The mantels and trim relate through the different rooms, one of the special features of this fine Federal period house, ca. 1813.

SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Myers House is significant for its architectural type and economics. The Myers family settled on the Opequon Creek and acquired larger holdings. They built the brick house ca. 1817. The Myers family were of Pennsylvania Dutch origin.

- A. The Myers house is an outstanding example of American Federal architecture in the true classic sense. Absent are the garlands and urns of Adams. Present is the linearity of American Federal in the delicate paneled friezes and pilasters of the mantels and trim. All of the architectural elements are original. None have been changed or even modified. This is why the house is important architecturally. It is a true statement in architecture of American Federal design at its finest. A house of this size and design could only have been built by a well-to-do family and the Myers family was. They contributed greatly to the cultural and economic development of this area. Owning and successfully managing nearly 1,500 acres, they provided jobs for many people in the area allowing them to support their families and thus for this area to develop in agriculture, trade and commerce.
- B. The 1 1/2 story wing is the earlier section and was built ca. 1815. The entire house was completed ca. 1817.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

UTM NOT VERIFIED

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1 A.

QUADRANGLE NAME Hedgesville

QUADRANGLE SCALE _____

UTM REFERENCES

A	18	248630	4376670	B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING		ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Beginning at the railroad crossing thence N along the road 200 ft., thence ENE 300 ft. S 200 ft, WSW along the railroad 300 ft. to the beginning.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Don C. Wood, Genealogist, Historian, Historic Archeologist

ORGANIZATION President, Berkeley County Historical Society
Chairman, Berkeley County Historical Landmarks Commission

DATE _____

STREET & NUMBER
Route 3, Box 79

TELEPHONE _____

CITY OR TOWN
Martinsburg, WV 25401

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 _____

OR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE _____

ATTEST: KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE _____

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION