

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 Reuben Sale House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 3700 Smith Lane (one mile northwest of U.S. 42) not for publication

city, town LaGrange vic. vicinity of ~~congressional district~~

state Kentucky code 021 county Oldham code

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	N/A in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	N/A being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<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:

4. Owner of Property

name Richard and Karen Wright

street & number 13110 Springhill Way

city, town Prospect vicinity of state Kentucky 40059

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Oldham County Courthouse

street & number Courthouse Square

city, town LaGrange, state Kentucky

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Ky. Survey of Historic Sites has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1981 federal state county local

depository for survey records Kentucky Heritage Council

city, town Frankfort state Kentucky

7. Description

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

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Sale house is located on Smith Lane about one mile northwest of U.S. 42. The house is situated at the end of a long driveway in a grove of trees.

The house is a two-story, single-pile brick structure with Flemish bond brickwork on the front facade, queen closers, and double-row brick cornice. The four bay facade has two front doors and there are two doors on the rear. Three of the doorways retain four-panel wood doors which are possibly original. There are brick jack arches above the doors and windows. An exterior chimney of brick is on the west end and the east end has an interior chimney and a small window in the attic. There are no other windows in the end walls. A rear wing was removed several years ago but the remains of a stone chimney and fireplace from the wing are still there. A one-story front porch was also removed. (Photos 1,2,3)

The house has two rooms on each story and no hall. Each room on the first story has an enclosed corner stairway to the room above. The east room on the first story has built-in presses on each side of the fireplace and a chair rail. Woodwork and mantels are plain. (Photo 4)

The site also contains a fine double-crib log barn which has been weather-boarded. No other outbuildings remain. (Photos 5,6)

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 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 ca. 1833–35 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

Statement of Significance (In one paragraph)

The Sale house is significant for its architectural form. It is one of four two-story, brick houses in Oldham County which have a double-cell plan, two front doors, and no center passage. A fifth similar house has been altered on the facade. With the exception of the Hermitage (OL-276) these houses are vernacular structures with simple, unornamented details. The Sale house retains its original corner staircases, built-in presses, chair rail, and most of the woodwork and mantels. Reuben Sale, a farmer, probably built the house about 1833-35 according to tax records, although he may have lived on the land earlier. In 1816 he married Phoebe Pemberton, daughter of Reuben Pemberton, of Henry County (in 1824 this section of Henry County became part of the newly-formed Oldham County). Reuben Sale died in 1862 and the house was owned by his heirs until the 1880s.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Information from Mrs. Paul Dent, Louisville, Kentucky
McKechnie, Edna Scott, and Dent, Willada Rickman, eds. Oldham County Records, Vol. I, Cemeteries. Oldham County Historical Society, 1974.
Oldham County Deed Books, Oldham County Will Books
Tax Records, Henry County 1800-1824; Oldham County 1825-1840.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 3.2 Acres

Quadrangle name LaGrange

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UMT References

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Verbal boundary description and justification Begin at a point on the south side of Smith Lane: Approximately 825' southwest: 170' northwest: 825' northeast: 170' northeast to beginning. The site contains approximately 3.2 acres and includes the house and barn. See attached aerial photo.

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

state code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Mary Jean Kinsman

organization Jefferson County Office of Historic Preservation and Archives date August 16, 1982

street & number 100 Fiscal Court Building telephone 581-5761

city or town Louisville state Kentucky 40202

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 Mary Jean Kinsman

title State Historic Preservation Officer date October 11, 1982

For NPS use only
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register
Keeper of the National Register
Attest: [Signature] date 11/24/82
Chief of Registration