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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

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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 Hamil, Alexander, House
other names/site number Edmondson, John N., House (BL-1136)

2. Location

street & number On Morganton Road, one-half mile east of the Clover Not for publication
city, town Hill Road junction - Maryville vicinity
state Tennessee code TN county Blount code 009 zip code 37801

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
		Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district		_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site		_____ structures
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure		_____ objects
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Hist. & Arch. Resources of Blount Co.
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

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 request for determination of eligibility 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 does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
Herbert L. Hays 6/8/89
Signature of certifying official Date
Deputy SHPO, Tennessee Historical Commission
State or Federal agency and bureau

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

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:
 entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.
 determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.
 determined not eligible for the National Register.
 removed from the National Register.
 other, (explain:)
Alvina Byrum 7/25/89

Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/Single Dwelling**7. Description**

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

OTHER/I-House

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick/Stonewalls Wood/Brickroof Metalother Wood

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Alexander Hamil House is a two-story brick and frame residence constructed in two separate stages. The original section is a one-and-one-half story double pen, brick residence built ca. 1834. This original section was enlarged ca. 1885 by a two-story frame addition which was built at a right angle to the original brick structure. The present appearance of the house is that of a frame, central passage plan I-House with a rear brick wing and the main facade orientation is now located on the front of the frame section.

The original brick, two-story section was built ca. 1834 of Flemish bond and rests on a stone foundation. This brick section was built in a double pen design with a central brick chimney separating the two rooms. The first story doors and windows were altered ca. 1970 with larger windows added of single light design and doors enclosed. Jack arching is still visible over these windows. The second story windows are original pegged six-over-six sash with original wood sills and jambs.

The two-story frame section was added ca. 1885 and has weatherboard siding, four-over-four sash windows, a stone and concrete foundation, interior brick chimney and gable roof of corrugated metal. The entrance has an original two panel frame double door. Windows on the second story have pedimented surrounds. The porch on the main facade was added ca. 1920 with tapered frame posts on brick piers. Windows on the first floor of the north and south facades were altered with new paired windows of ca. 1930 two-over-one sash. At the southwest facade is a ca. 1930 shed roof addition with replacement siding. The interior has been altered with added wall paneling and a tile ceiling. The wood floors in both sections have been retained. The second story of the brick section retains its original plaster walls, wood ceiling, and wood floors. An enclosed interior staircase with a vertical board door leads to the second floor of the brick section. No original mantles remain and there are no indications that the house ever possessed decorative detailing. No photographs of the interior were possible. To the north of the house are two, ca. 1940, frame sheds which are non-contributing to the property. The house sits in a rural area to the north of the community of Binfield.

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6. Statement of Significance

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) A B C D E F G N/A

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

ca. 1834/ca. 1885

Significant Dates

1834

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Alexander Hamil House is significant under criterion C for its architectural design and evolution. The house is one of three identified in the county which share common building forms and evolution. All three houses originated as early two-story, double-cell brick homes which were enlarged with frame additions in the late 19th century. These frame additions were placed at right angles to the original brick sections and this type of enlargement is unusual in Tennessee. No link has been established among these three residences and they are located in diverse sections of the county. Despite 20th century additions at the rear, the ca. 1885 form and design of the property is intact.

The builder of the original brick section is not known due to conflicting deed information. The earliest known owner of this residence was John N. Edmondson who lived here with his family in the 1860s and 1870s and possibly earlier. Tradition states that the brick section of the house was built ca. 1834 and its Flemish bond construction and floor plan support this date. The Edmondson family sold the house in 1877 and in 1885 the house was purchased by Alexander Hamil. Hamil enlarged the house into its present form by adding a two-story frame section at right angles to the original brick house. Hamil operated a farm of several hundred acres and his family occupied the house until it was sold in 1905 to Nathan Spradling. The Spradling family owned the house until the 1940s.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

Blount County Deed Records. 1800 - 1989. Blount County Courthouse, Maryville, Tennessee.

Burns, Inez E. History of Blount County, Tennessee: From War Trail to Landing Strip. Tennessee Historical Commission, Mary Blount Chapter DAR, 1957.

Morgan, John. Blount County Cultural Resource Survey. Tennessee Historical Commission, Nashville, Tennessee.

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Previous documentation on file (NPS): 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 # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

- Primary location of additional data:
- State historic preservation office
 - Other State agency
 - Federal agency
 - Local government
 - University
 - Other
- Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acres of property 1.82 acres.

UTM References

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Zone		Easting						Northing						

C

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B

Zone		Easting						Northing						

D

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Binfield Quad

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Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of the Alexander Hamil House is illustrated on accompanying Blount County tax map 78, lot 32, which is drawn at a scale of 1" = 400'.

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Boundary Justification

The boundary for the Alexander Hamil House includes the present legal description of the property and encompasses the house and adjacent lot.

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Section number _____ Photographs Page 1 Hist. and Arch. Resources of Blount Co.

Alexander Hamil House
Morganton Rd., Maryville vic., Blount County, TN
Photographs By: Thomason and Assoc.
Date: Fall, 1988
Location of Neg: THC

View: South and west facades.
Photo # 1

View: West facade.
Photo # 2

View: North and east facades.
Photo # 3

View: Shed, second identical shed located to north.
Photo # 4

#1136 — ALEXANDER HAMIL HOUSE



