

# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Perrin, W. H. History of Kentucky. Louisville: F. A. Battle and Co., 1887.

Railey, William E. History of Woodford County. Lexington: The Thoroughbred Press, 1968.

## UTM NOT VERIFIED

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

## ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY one acre

QUADRANGLE NAME Keene

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

A 16 703380 4203460  
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B           
ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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E         

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### VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

A line parallel to, and 200 feet from, the foundations of the main house.

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

# 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Jayne Henderson, Historian

ORGANIZATION

Kentucky Heritage Commission

STREET & NUMBER

104 Bridge Street

CITY OR TOWN

Frankfort

DATE

August 13, 1980

TELEPHONE

(502) 564-3741

STATE

Kentucky

# 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

*Donna C. Hopkins*

TITLE

*Acting State Historic Preservation Officer*

DATE

10-13-80

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

*Carol D. Shue*

DATE

11-28-80

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

*Paul Rust McCelland*

DATE

11-28-80

CLERK OF REGISTRATION

# 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
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<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                      1837                      BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Thomas Lyne House is an early transitional Federal/Greek Revival I-house in Woodford County, Kentucky. The unique and exuberant interior woodwork is of outstanding design and craftsmanship, almost unequaled for its period within the state.

Thomas Lyne IV was born in 1783 in Loudon County, Virginia, and resettled in Woodford County probably in the early 1800s. Tradition states that Lyne, a farmer and blacksmith by trade, had this house built in 1837.

The Greek Revival house exhibits well laid Flemish bond brick work on the facade and the Federal entrance element is especially fine, with a leaded glass fanlight.

Although deceptively simple on the exterior, the interior woodwork is unmatched in design in the area. The main parlor is ornately treated with fluted columns flanking arched recesses, symmetrically molded window trim with floral corner blocks, and a richly designed mantel element. Opulent flower designs and a variety of frets and moldings unite to form a mantelpiece of outstanding detail.

Although not as ornate as the parlor, the other rooms in the house are well treated with similar window trim, chair railing, floral corner blocks and architrave mantelpieces. Of special interest is the Federal newel post and bannister in the central passage.

# 7 DESCRIPTION

## CONDITION

EXCELLENT  
 GOOD  
 FAIR

DETERIORATED  
 RUINS  
 UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

UNALTERED  
 ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Thomas Lyne House, in rural southwestern Woodford County, is located near the tiny community of Pinckard. Bordering the Jessamine County line, the house faces the northeast, and is not visible from the road.

Constructed circa 1836, the Lyne House is a large scale, two-story brick I-house. A Flemish bond brick pattern appears on the facade with five-course American bond on the remaining exterior walls. The main block rests on a cut limestone foundation and a one-story porch shelters the main entrance. An original 1½ story ell projects from the rear; however it contains no interior doors to the main block. An early one-story L-shaped porch with chamfered posts connects the ell to the rest of the house. (see photos 1-2).

The main entrance consists of double wooden doors topped by a leaded glass fanlight and flanked by segmented sidelights with paneled aprons beneath (see photo 3).

The structure's interior is richly appointed with transitional Federal/Greek woodwork. The east front parlor contains the most opulent treatment. The Federal mantel is decorated with floral motifs and flanked by arched recesses supported by fluted columns (see photos 4-7).

The window openings have symmetrically molded trim with floral corner blocks.

By comparison, the west parlor is less ornate. It contains an interesting Greek mantel with a pediment blocking course in the frieze and simple half-round columns (see photo 8).

The central passage exhibits much simpler trim with different floral corner blocks and a Federal stair. Simple architrave mantels and chair railing remain throughout the rest of the house (see photo 10).

Only one outbuilding is included in the nomination--a one-story frame shed which sits in the southwest corner of the yard. The farm dwelling sits appropriately amid open pasture; therefore the nominated area consists of the house, one outbuilding, and surrounding domestic space.

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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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**

HISTORIC

Thomas Lyne House  
AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Smith Lane

— NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Versailles, Ky

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Pickard

VICINITY OF

6

STATE

Kentucky

CODE

021

COUNTY

Woodford

CODE

239

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

**PRESENT USE**

- AGRICULTURE
- COMMERCIAL
- EDUCATIONAL
- ENTERTAINMENT
- GOVERNMENT
- INDUSTRIAL
- MILITARY
- MUSEUM
- PARK
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- RELIGIOUS
- SCIENTIFIC
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Shelley Moore

STREET & NUMBER

Route 4, Smith Lane

CITY, TOWN

Versailles

— VICINITY OF

STATE

Kentucky

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Woodford County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Versailles

STATE

Kentucky

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

Survey of Historic Sites in Kentucky

DATE

Summer 1980

FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

Kentucky Heritage Commission

CITY, TOWN

Frankfort

Ky  
STATE