

AREA	FORM NO.
	441

~~MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION~~  
~~294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108~~

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
 MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
 80 BOYLSTON STREET  
 BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02116

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 PHOTO: (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)  
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 Photo number \_\_\_\_\_  
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Town Arlington, MA  
 Address 274-276 Broadway  
 Historic Name Ralph W. Shattuck House

Use: Present Two-family residence  
 Original Two-family residence

DESCRIPTION:

Date ca. 1875  
 Source Town Atlas

Style Italianate  
 Architect Unknown

Exterior wall fabric Clapboard  
 Outbuildings No

Major alterations (with dates) \_\_\_\_\_  
Rear ells (late 19th century)

Moved No Date N/A

Approx. acreage less than one acre

Setting The Shattuck House is located in a neighborhood of single and multifamily homes only a few hundred feet from the edge of the town center.

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.

*See attached map.*

Recorded by Betsy Friedberg  
 Organization Mass. Historical Commission  
 Date December 1984

(Staple additional sheets here)

*UTM: 19/323180/4697680*

**ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE** (Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

The Shattuck House remains one of the finest extant examples of a mid-19th century housing form—the double house—that was favored in Mill Brook Valley. It in an excellent state of preservation. Italianate details include the generous use of brackets along the cornice, the deeply bracketed hood over the double front entrance, and the simple brackets on the window enframements.

**HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE** (Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.)

Ralph W. Shattuck was the owner and proprietor of Arlington's oldest continuing business, Shattuck's Hardware. The family was also involved in the hotel business, and Shattuck was active in Arlington's real estate development. The house is part of the Broadway Historic District, a local historic district established in 1981.

**CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY**

The Ralph W. Shattuck House is a well-preserved example of Italianate architecture. It retains integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association and it fulfills Criteria B and C of the National Register of Historic Places.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES** (name of publication, author, date and publisher)

Town Atlas  
Parker's History of Arlington  
Assessors Records

BOSTON MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
80 BOSTON STREET  
BOSTON MASSACHUSETTS

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Shattuck, Ralph W., House (Arlington MRA)  
Middlesex County  
MASSACHUSETTS

MAR 6 1985

Working No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Fed. Reg. Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Due: 4/4/85 - 4/20/85  
Action:  ACCEPT  
 RETURN 4-18-85  
 REJECT \_\_\_\_\_  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for:  technical corrections cited below  
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered
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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

**8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_  
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

Contact with the National Historic Preservation Act  
 National Historic Preservation Act  
 Section 106

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreege of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

**11. Form Prepared By**

**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

*Please provide scale for map.*

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed *Dr. Byers* Date *4/18/85* Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**



Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Arlington Multiple Resource Area  
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

41. Russell Common

Entered in the  
National Register

*for*  
Keeper

*Melora Byers 4/18/85*

Attest

42. Shattuck, Ralph W., House

Entered in the  
National Register

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Keeper

*Melora Byers 9/27/85*

Attest

43. Sterling-Cutter, Ella  
Mahalla, House

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National Register

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44. Swadkins, Thomas, House

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45. Swan, Henry, House

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46. Symmes, Jr., Stephen, House

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47. Taylor-Dallin House

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48. Wayside Inn

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49. Whittemore House

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MASSACHUSETTS

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1" = 120'

Arlington Town Assessors Maps 1960

