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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

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 Frazier, Samuel, House
other names/site number Frazier, Samuel, House (BL-409)

2. Location

street & number At the junction of Marble Hill Road and Big Springs N/A not for publication
city, town Road - Friendsville vicinity
state Tennessee code TN county Blount code 009 zip code 37737

3. Classification

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

Archie E. 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. Entered in the National Register 7/25/89
 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:)

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/Three-Room

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Limestone

walls Limestone

roof Other/Composition

other Wood

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Samuel Frazier House is a two-story stone, three bay, I-House residence built ca. 1795 in a Three-Room plan. The house consists of an original rectangular plan building of uncoursed limestone blocks with a rear ca. 1950, one-story rectangular frame addition. The original section has a stone foundation, gable roof of metal standing seam and two, interior end, stone chimneys. At the corners of the house are quoins fashioned from interlocking stones. The original windows have been removed and replaced with ca. 1950, 2/2 horizontal sash design. Over the east window on the first story of the main facade is original stone jack arching but repointing over the west window has resulted in the loss of its jack arching. Beneath the roof eaves are original exposed roof rafters. A small basement opening with a ca. 1950 two-light window exists on the main facade beneath the east bay window. The patio and porch on the main facade was added ca. 1950. The rear addition was built ca. 1950 with a stone veneer wall on the east facade and frame shiplap siding on north and west facades.

The interior of the house retains its original form and plan but most interior detailing has been altered. The first floor is composed of a large room on the west side of the house with two smaller rooms on the east side of the house. The two small rooms each have a fireplace opening into the east wall chimney. The original mantle on the west wall has been removed but the original stone lintel remains. The walls originally were composed of plaster over the limestone but past owners removed the plaster and the limestone walls exposed. The original walls on the first story were replaced ca. 1930-1940 with simple studs and paneling. Doors are original vertical board with original iron latches. The frame staircase retains much of its original materials but was rebuilt ca. 1930-40. On the second story is a large room with an original fireplace opening on the west wall. The original wood floor on the first story has been removed and replaced with concrete. The house is located in a rural section of the county.

8. 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. 1795

Significant Dates

ca. 1795

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 Samuel Frazier House is significant under criterion C for its architectural design. The house appears to be the oldest standing structure in Blount County and is one of only two stone ante-bellum residences which exist in the county. The building was constructed in a Three Room or Quaker plan, which is rare in the county. It retains fine craftsmanship in its stone detailing and as well as its original site and setting. Alterations to the property have been extensive. However, the basic plan and form of the residence remains intact and its uniqueness of materials and design render it significant to the architectural heritage of the county.

The original two-story stone section of the house was built ca. 1795 by Samuel Frazier. It is not known if the builder were Samuel Frazier Junior or Senior. Samuel Frazier Senior served in the Revolutionary War and was an officer serving under General Nathaniel Greene. His son, Samuel Frazier Jr. was born in 1774 and the Frazier family came to Blount County in the early 1790s. Tradition states that the Frazier family required four years to build the house completing it ca. 1795. Samuel Frazier Jr. obtained a land grant for this property (206 acres) in 1812 from the State of Tennessee. He also served as a captain in the 12th Regiment of Tennessee Militia.

Frazier's house was built with limestone quarried from the hillside behind the house. The house was built in a Quaker, or Three Room plan, on the first story with the second story composed of one large room. Existing decoration consists of crude stone quoining at the corners of the house and jack arching over the windows. Few other decorative features are extant. In 1819, Samuel Frazier, Jr. sold his property and moved to lands he had purchased in northern Alabama. The house and several hundred acres were purchased by David Parkins. The Parkins family were well known farmers of the area and they owned the house until 1868 when it was sold to Soloman Brown. The house was sold to the Orr family in 1911 and it remained in their possession until 1960 when it was purchased by the present owner.

See continuation sheet

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

Acreage of property Less than 1 acre.

UTM References

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Binfield Quad

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Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary for the Samuel Frazier House is shown on accompanying Blount County tax map 54 and 65, lot 92, which is drawn at a scale of 1" = 400'. The boundary is an irregular rectangle which measures less than 1 acre and is bounded on the north, east, and south by a fence line and on the west by a driveway.

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Boundary Justification

The boundary for the Samuel Frazier House includes the house and adjacent lot which encompasses the house. The house is the only unaltered historic property associated with the site and the boundary is drawn to exclude two early 20th century outbuildings to the west.

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**National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet**

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

Samuel Frazier House
Big Springs Rd., Friendsville vic., Blount County, TN
Photographs By: Thomason and Assoc.
Date: Fall, 1988
Location of Neg: THC

View: West facade.
Photo # 1

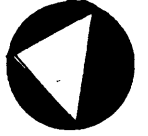
View: West and north facades.
Photo # 2

View: East facade.
Photo # 3

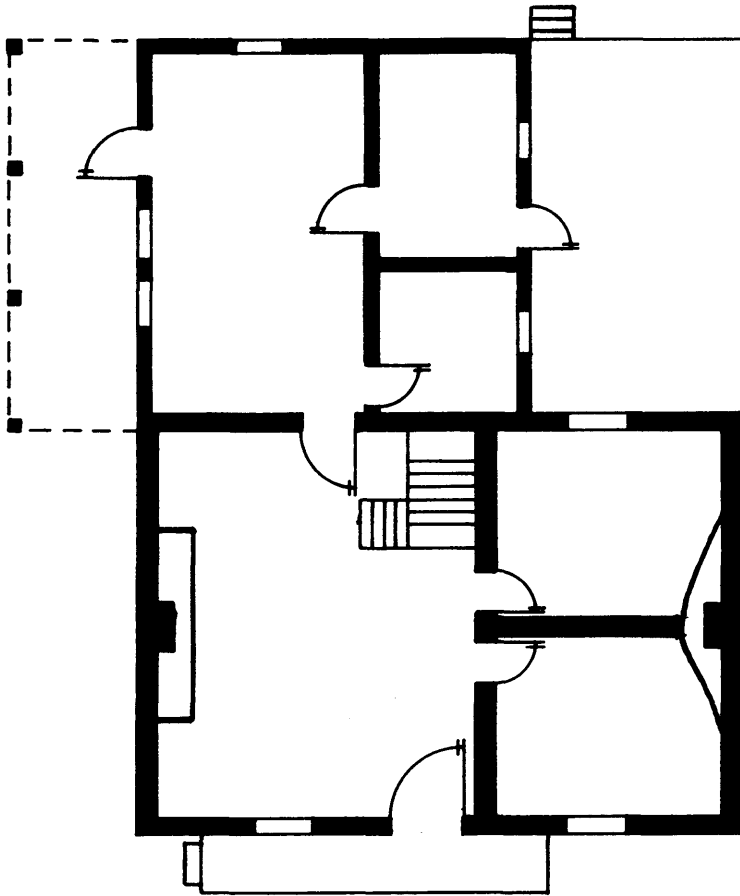
View: North facade.
Photo # 4

View: Interior, mantle.
Photo # 5

#409 — SAMUEL
FRAZIER HOUSE
(FRIENDSVILLE
STONE HOUSE



PORCH



ADDED ON

PORCH

80
41.5 AC±

Samuel Frazier House
(BL-409)
Blount County
1" = 400"

91
2.1 AC±

92
19.3 AC.
27.5 AC±

8.01
0.47 AC

5
7
8 AC

8 — (65)

1 — (66)

8
3.57 AC.

92 — (54)

1 — (60)

9.01
18.28 AC.

9
37.2 AC±

10
3.61 AC.

2560

SPRING

11
168.00 AC.

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12.03
37.81 AC.

12.01
3.4 AC.

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