

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES
Individual Inventory Form

Resource # 114
Shelby County

1. Name of Resource: Rice House

2. Original Owner: Unknown

3. Other Names: None

4. Prehistoric Site Building Object
Historic Site Structure Other

5. Location: Clay Village, 1/2 mile north of U.S. 60

6. Owner's Name: Joseph Nation [P]

7. Owner's Address: Rte. 3, Shelbyville, KY 40065

8. Evaluation: National Register [N]

9. Recognition & Date:
 Nat.Landmark _____ Local Landmark _____
 Nat.Register _____ HABS/HAER _____
 Highway Marker _____ KY Inventory 8-15-80
 KY Landmark Certificate _____

10. N.R.Status & Date:

11. N.R.Group:
 District Name: []
 Mult.Resource Area: Shelby County []
 Thematic Name: []

12. Historical Theme:
 Primary: Architecture [030]
 Secondary: []
 Other: []

13. Statement of Significance:
 This property is significant under criterion C as a rare example of construction in Shelby County employing a popular early 19th century floor plan. While the hall-parlor (two-room) plan was frequently found in houses constructed between 1800-40, only [C]

14. History:
Property owned by James A. Rice in 1882.

15. Source of historical information and/or contact person: Atlas of Henry and Shelby Counties, Kentucky, 1882.

16. Date:
 Original Building 1800-24 ? [8]
 Addition ? [?]

17. Style: []
Settlement Vernacular [2V]

18. Architect/Builder: Unknown

19. No. of Stories: 1 [1.0]

20. Original Floor Plan: Hall-parlor (two-room) [HP]

21. Single Pile Double Pile N.A.

22. Roof Form & Material: Original
Gable, asphalt shingle Not Original

23. Structural Material: Wood frame, mud-filled [W]

24. Exterior Material: Wood, sawn weatherboard [W]

25. Foundation Material: Stone, coursed rubble [S]

26. Major Alterations: None
 Moved/Rebuilt Other
 Additions

27. Special Features: Mud-filled construction

28. Outbuildings: Non-contributing [NC]

29. Original Function: Residential/Domestic, single dwell [01A]

30. Present Use: As above [01A]

31. Condition: Fair [F]

32. Endangered: Yes _____
No _____

33. Attach Photos:
 Roll: Photo Nos: No. of Slides:
 18 8A - 14A 1

34. Prepared by: C. Worsham
 35. Organization: V. Shelby Co. Hist. Society
 36. Date: April 1986
 37. New Survey _____ Resurvey

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UTM Point of Primary Building:	Zone	Easting	Northing	39. G.I.S. Mod.	[]
Quadrant: Waddy	16	6 6 5 9 1 0	4 2 2 9 4 4 0	40. Coordi. Accuracy	[]

UTM Points of Boundary (for N. R. eligible sites only):

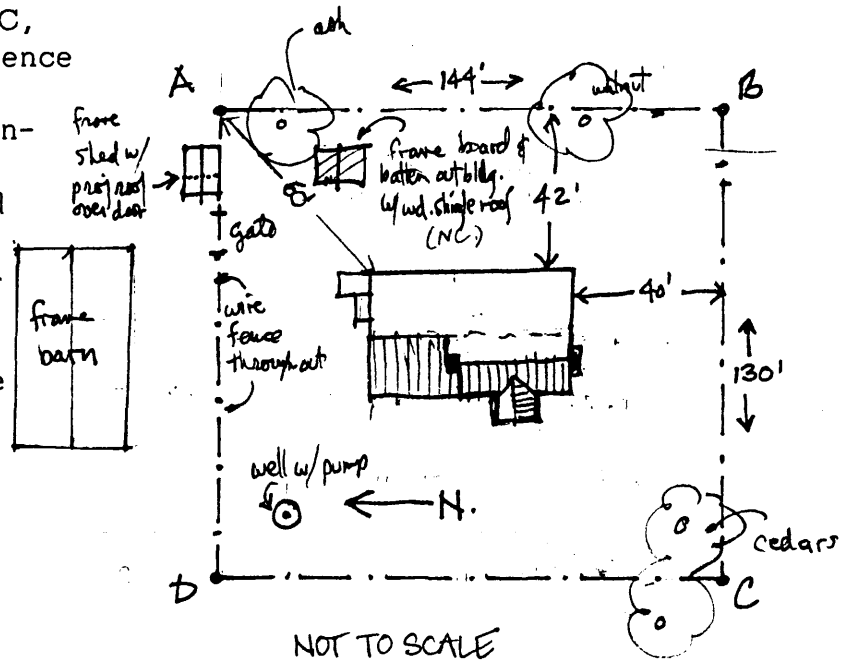
A. -----	D. -----
B. -----	E. -----
C. -----	F. -----

Total Acreage in Present Property: unknown 43. Acreage included in proposed N.R. boundary: .43

Site Plan (and boundary description and justification for N.R. sites):

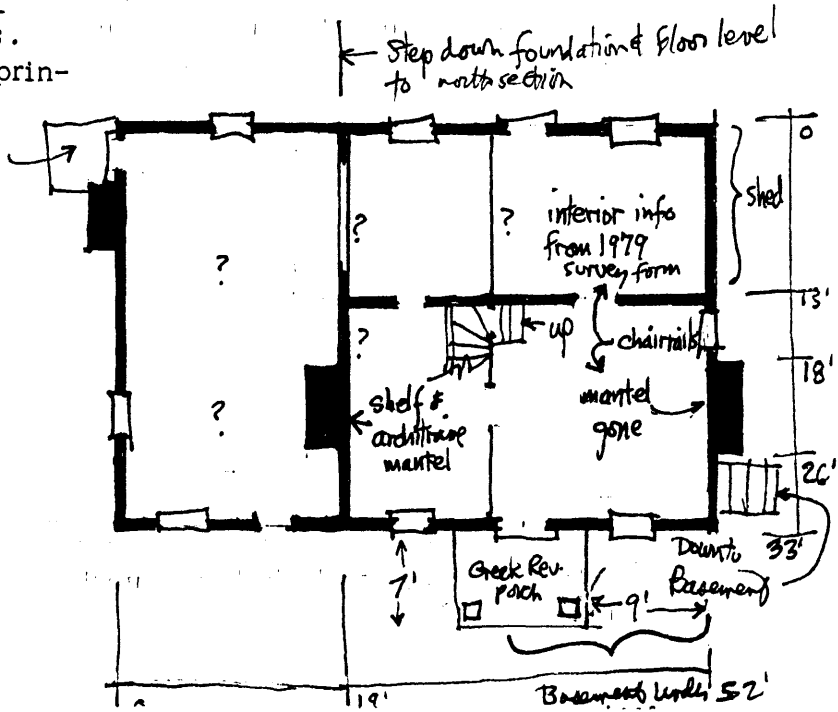
Beginning at A, south along a fence 144' to B, thence west 130' along a fence to C, thence north 144' along a fence to D, thence east 130' along a fence to the point of origin. The boundaries were chosen to encompass the house and its domestic-related space and outbuilding as defined by fences and trees separating it from surrounding fields. Included is one non-contributing outbuilding.

Point A is the intersection of two fences in the northeastern corner of the yard and is 60 feet northeast of the northeastern corner of the dwelling.



Description and House Plan:

1 1/2-story frame 3-bay hall-parlor (two-room) house with early additions on north and east, all incorporating mud infilling between timbers. Main section has beaded siding on west (principal) front, altered windows, original box cornice, added Greek Revival porch over central entry bay with square columns, heavy entablature, and pediment. External stone chimney at each end flanked by casements on south. Interior features chairrail and an enclosed stair rising from the larger room through the smaller. Mantel survives in smaller room (shelf and architrave) with federal detailing.



13. Statement of Significance: (continued)

3 frame examples were identified; two of these were of mud-filled construction. The other mud-filled hall-parlor plan is the Thomas Threlkeld House (Sh-179, listed in the National Register in 1984). Alterations to the structure do not affect the integrity of its significant form and material.

45. Description and House Plan: (continued)

Shed-roofed frame section mirrors plan and fenestration to east. May be original. Both sections have tapered rake boards, and east section has beaded weatherboards on the east wall. A north section, also of mud-infilled timber, adds a room to both south sections, under one wide gabled roof. A stone chimney stands at the north end of the north room, partially demolished. May represent a hall-parlor house with a one-room north extension, soon enlarged by the addition of a lean-to across the back, at which time the roof of the north room united with that of the rear addition.

The nominated area includes one contributing building and one non-contributing building.