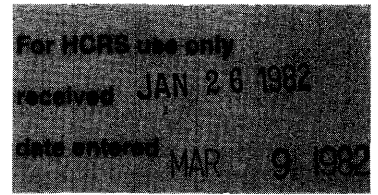


**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**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 The William and Martha Myrick Home House

and/or common _____

2. Location

street & number RFD Marion (1 1/2 mi. ^N north of Kamas) _____ not for publication

city, town Kamas vic. _____ vicinity of _____ congressional district 1st Utah

state Utah code 049 county Summit code 043

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Utah Ranching and Investment Company

street & number c/o 2510 South State Street

city, town Salt Lake City _____ vicinity of _____ state Utah 84115

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Summit County Courthouse

street & number _____

city, town Coalville _____ state Utah 84017

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title None has this property been determined eligible? _____ yes no

date _____ federal _____ state _____ county _____ local

depository for survey records _____

city, town _____ state _____

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The William Myrick house, located in the small farm community of Marion, Summit County, is a 1 1/2 story Eastlake Cottage. The house represents an interesting stylistic variant of a popular vernacular "T" plan house type. This gable-facade, central-hall house form was built in all parts of Utah in the late 19th century and surfaces in a great number of different stylistic configurations. Popular for over 30 years, the type may be found with Gothic Revival, Second Empire, Queen Anne, Victorian Eclectic, or, as in this example, Eastlake external appointments. The Myrick house, completed in 1902, remains one of the best preserved and most articulate examples of the Eastlake style in rural Utah.

The Myrick house is an unusually elaborate frame cottage. It is 1 1/2 stories high and is built along a "T" floorplan with shed-roof extensions to the rear. The top of the "T" is a forward projecting gable which has been beveled in to approximate a bay window at the first story level. The second story's square corners are decoratively supported by fan-like bracketing. The lower front window contains a leaded-glass transom and is flanked by fish scale shingled panels. Enriched, recessed panels band the bottom of the bay-shaped front gable, a decorative device which is repeated at the line separating the first and second levels of the house. The main gable is pedimented and enframed by scalloped barge boards. There is a semi-circular carved rosette at the peak of the gable. Decorative scroll brackets are found at the point where the paired upper windows break the gable pediment. The pedimented window head contains a dentiled frieze and below the windows are two checker-board panels. The gable at the stem of the "T" is a duplicate of the one on the front.

The most distinctive feature of the house is the elaborate porch running the length of the stem of the "T". The porch is supported by turned posts connected by lattice-work along the frieze and ballustrade. An octagonal turret is found at the end of the porch. An enriched, pedimented gable occupies a place on the porch over the horseshoe shaped front entrance. Roof cresting which once adorned the ridge of this small porch gable (and the main roof and dormer ridges) has been removed, representing the only significant alteration of the house's exterior. Three fancy dormers -- two on the side of the house and one above the front porch -- are scaled down examples of the decorative work found on the main gables. The external fabric of the Myrick house is extremely varied, though the visual complexity is slightly obscured by the fact that the structure has been painted completely white.

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
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Specific dates 1900-1902 **Builder/Architect** Claude Fitch

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The William Myrick house in Marion is one of the fine, rare examples of the Eastlake style in rural Utah. Constructed in 1902, the house successfully integrates architectural fashion with vernacular house form. Eastlake decorative elements have here been sensitively applied to a central-hall, "T-plan" house type popular in Utah during the late 19th century. William Myrick was a successful rancher and important civic leader in the Kamas Valley in the early 20th century.

William Venable was born in Salt Lake City in 1867.¹ Orphaned at an early age, William was adopted by George and Marion Myrick. The Myricks, feeling that great opportunity awaited them in the high mountain country of Summit County, moved to the Kamas Valley in 1882.² Here the family engaged in farming until George's death in the mid-1880s. Marion remarried, becoming the wife of Erasmus Sorensen, a Danish immigrant convert to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. As a young man, William Venable Myrick got a start in ranching from his new step-father, and, by the turn-of-the-century, had built up a fine livestock operation of his own, the Utah Ranching and Investment Company.

The upper Kamas Valley was originally settled in 1856 by trappers moving up from Salt Lake City.³ By 1860, the streams were depleted of furs and these first inhabitants were now replaced by farmers from the Mormon communities around Coalville. One of the county's leading citizens, Samuel P. Hoyt, moved one of his polygamous wives into the valley in 1861 and began an extensive cattle operation in the area. There were only a few scattered settlers here at that time, and all were soon working for Hoyt's outfit. The 1880s brought an influx of new homesteaders into the valley and small communities were established at Oakley, Kamas, and Marion. The town of Marion was named after one of its most illustrious citizens, Marion Myrick Sorensen.

In 1902, William V. Myrick married Martha Hoyt, a daughter of Samuel P. Hoyt and his second wife, Emma Burbridge. The frame house was built in anticipation of this union and was completed in 1901. The house was designed and constructed by a carpenter-builder named Claude Fitch. Fitch is remembered locally to have been an itinerant house builder who put up several houses in the Marion area during the 1900-1902 period. Mr. Myrick operated his prosperous livestock business from the home until his death in 1943. Myrick is well-known in Marion for his work in bringing electricity to the valley in the 1920s and in organizing the Marion Waterworks Company. The house has remained in the Myrick family and today is occupied by a tenant.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Myrick Family Records
Summit County Records
Echoes of Yesterday: Summit County Centennial History (Salt Lake City: Summit County Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, 1947).

10. Geographical Data

Acreege of nominated property Less than one

Quadrangle name Kamas Quadrangle

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UMT References

A

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Verbal boundary description and justification Com SE cor. Sec. 5, TS 2 S R 6 E, Salt Lake Base and Meridian; N 30', W 30.91 ch, thence S 81° 15', 22.16 chains, 1° 10' W 12.45 chains, S 80° 22', w 10.765 ch, S 07', 28.42 rds, 28 1/2 rds, s 23.85 rds, e. 160 rds to beg.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Robert D. Myrick - Secretary

organization Utah Ranching & Investment Co.

date June 4, 1981

street & number 2510 South State Street

telephone (801) 973-5021

city or town Salt Lake City

state Utah 84115

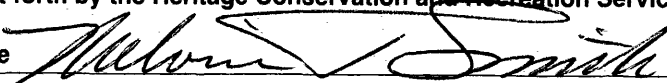
12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature



title

date 1-15-82

For HCRS use only

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Lynn A. Barber
Keeper of the National Register

date March 9, 1982

Attest: Emma Jane Sage
Chief of Registration

date 3-2-82

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¹Information on William Venable Myrick was obtained through correspondence with Robert D. Myrick.

²Echoes of Yesterday: Summit County Centennial History (Salt Lake City: Summit County Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, 1947), p. 254.

³See, Echoes of Yesterday, pp. 250-257.