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# National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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| 3. Clas  | sification   |   |   |   |
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| city, town   | Okmulgee   |   | state   | Oklahoma 74447  |
| 6. Rep   | resentation  | in Existing S   | Surveys   |   |
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| city, town (   | Oklahoma City  |   | state   | Oklahoma 73105  |

## 7. Description

#### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Hugh Henry Home, constructed in 1902, is a two-story detached residence with gabled roof and native sandstone foundation. It is approximately  $40' \times 60'$  and is finished with clapboard painted white. A one-story  $15' \times 40'$  appendage is attached to the rear of the two-story "I" portion giving the residence a T-shaped floor plan.

A two-story porch supported by plain wood columns with flared bases spans the entire length of facade. The wood columns rest on native sandstone bases. There are one-story shed-roofed porches on north, south, and rear sides. They all have plain wood columns with flared bases and rest on native sandstone bases.

Fenestration on first floor facade includes two rectangular-shaped 1/1 sash windows flanking the main entrance and one rectangular-shaped 1/1 sash window on north and south ends. Second story windows on facade are identical to first story fenestration. There are two rectangular-shaped 1/1 sash windows flanking the second story door which leads to balustraded deck. There is also one rectangular-shaped 1/1 sash window on north and south ends of second story facade.

The first story of the south wall has two large, paired 1/1 sash windows in gable end, paired casement windows to the west of the gable end, and three rectangular-shaped 1/1 sash windows near southeast corner. The second story of south gable end has one 1/1 sash window.

The north wall of gable end has one 1/1 sash window on second story. There are paired casement windows on first floor of north side within porch area and paired rectangular-shaped 1/1 sash windows in north wall of rear appendage.

The rear wall has two rectangular-shaped 1/1 sash windows flanking paired casement windows on north end of back porch. There are paired, rectangular-shaped 1/1 sash windows on south end of back porch.

Doors include three panel type with lights in first story facade and one panel type with light in second story facade. There is one paneled door with light in center of back porch wall.

There is one interior brick chimney with corbelled cap. It sits astride gabled roof ridge.

Decorative elements are minimal. The focal point of the facade is the two-story porch with six plain wood columns and the balustraded deck above the main entrance. The one-story porches also have flared wood columns. All columns rest on rusticated pedestals. Molded cornice heads top window and door openings.

The grounds are landscaped with a variety of trees and shrubs. The home is located on a hill situated to the north of the downtown area of Henryetta. A 3' high uncoursed rubble fence surrounds the yard. The 80-year old dwelling has not been significantly altered.

## 8. Significance

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| Specific dates  | 1902-1920   | Builder/Architect I | Hugh Henry   |   |

#### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Hugh Henry Home, constructed in 1902, is both historically and architecturally significant because: (1) its historic association with Hugh Henry, who laid out the townsite of Henryetta, Oklahoma and for whom the town was named in 1900, and (2) it is one of the best examples of the "I" house folk architectural style found in northeastern Oklahoma.

Hugh Henry migrated to Indian Territory from his native state of Texas in 1885 and joined a cattle ranching operation with his two cousins. Henry, a half-Creek Indian, was allotted 160 acres by the Dawes Commission in the 1890s. The land was located along the banks of Coal Creek in present-day southern Okmulgee County. Here he raised cattle and crops.

In 1899 he learned that the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad planned to lay tracks from Sapulpa, Oklahoma to Dennison, Texas. Because the route would run through his property, Henry developed a townsite plan and formed a land company to sell lots in anticipitation of the coming of the railroad. The Federal government, however, ruled that Henry, because of his status as a restricted Indian, could not legally transfer titles of land. Henry's original allottment of 160 acres was sold to private developers and Henry City soon emerged. Henry was compensated for the loss of his original 160 acre allotment with another 160 acre allotment directly north of his original allotment.

A United States Post Office was established at Henry City on August 28, 1900; however, the name was soon changed to Henryetta because there were too many towns with the word "city".

Henry built his home in 1902 on the second allotment. It was located on a hill to the north of Henry City, the new town named after him because he was the first resident and because of his role in early development of the community. He lived in the nominated property during the period of 1902 to 1920 when he died. It was during this era that Henry witnessed his town becoming a major railway and coal mining center in eastern Oklahoma. Henry's original home on the first allotment was destroyed by fire shortly after the town was founded and, therefore, the nominated property is the only structure left which was associated with Hugh Henry.

The Henry Home is an excellent example of the "I" house, a folk architectural style which diffused into Oklahoma during its settlement period. The I-house is characterized by two stories, one room deep, and two-three rooms wide; all of which are manifested in the Henry Home. Other features of the Henry Home, which are commonly found in I-houses, are the gabled roof, shed-type porches, clapboard construction, and one-story appendage to the rear.

| 9. | Major | Bibliog | raphical | References  |
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Interview with Jack Gibson, husband of Tchinina Henry who is one of Hugh Henry's Daughters, July 22, 1982.; Okmulgee Daily Times, July 21, 1982.; Henryetta Free-Lance, March 11, 1910.; Henryetta Standard, July 9, 1912.; Historical and Civic Survey of Okmulgee and Okmulgee County (W.P.A. Writer's Project. May, 1936).

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