

KENTUCKY HISTORIC RESOURCES
Individual Inventory Form

Resource # 36
Shelby County

1. Name of Resource: Samuel Booker House

2. Original Owner: Samuel Booker

3. Other Names: Willow Brook Farm

4. Prehistoric Site Building Object
Historic Site Structure Other

5. Location: North side Clore-Jackson Rd.,
1.5 mi west of KY 55

6. Owner's Name: Edward Klingenfus [P]

7. Owner's Address: Rt. 1, Box 260
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 well-preserved example of the early 19th century (1810-40) 2-story, brick, hall-parlor (two-room) plan in Shelby County. It is one of 6 such houses identified in the county from the period. It includes a lateral [C]

14. History:
Richard Marot Booker of Amelia Co., VA (son of Richard & Rachel Marot) m. Elizabeth Palmer 1770 in Halifax Co., VA. Booker sold his Virginia property "Red Hill" to Patrick Henry in 1794. Settled with his family in Shelby Co. in 1798. Bought land from Andrew Kinkead & William Whitaker. First house (no longer standing) on property built by Booker stood a few feet west of present structure. Booker's will, probated in 1805, gives the property to his son, Samuel Booker. House then passed to Samuel's son, Wm. Henry Booker. Said to have been built when Wm. Henry's brother

15. Source of historical information and/or contact person:
Clara Clendenin Davis (deceased), great-granddaughter of Samuel Booker, from Edward Klingenfus.

16. Date: Original Building c. 1828 [7]
Addition c. 1975 [1]

17. Style: Settlement Vernacular [2V]

18. Architect/Builder: Unknown

19. No. of Stories: 2 [2.0]

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: Brick [B]

24. Exterior Material: Flemish bond facade [B]

25. Foundation Material: Stone, coursed [S]

26. Major Alterations: None
 Moved/Rebuilt (kitchen Other
 Additions ell)

27. Special Features: None

28. Outbuildings: Carriage house [1]

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

30. Present Use: As above [01A]

31. Condition: Excellent [E]

32. Endangered: Yes _____
No

33. Attach Photos:
Roll: Photo Nos: No. of Slides:
6 34 - 35 1
7 0A - 5A

34. Prepared by: C. Worsham

35. Organization: V, Shelby Co. Historical Society

36. Date: March 1986

37. New Survey _____ Resurvey

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38. UTM Point of Primary Building: Zone Easting Northing 39. G.I.S. Mod. []
 Quadrant: Eminence 16 6 5 5 2 5 0 4 2 4 3 3 2 0 40. Coordi. Accuracy []

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

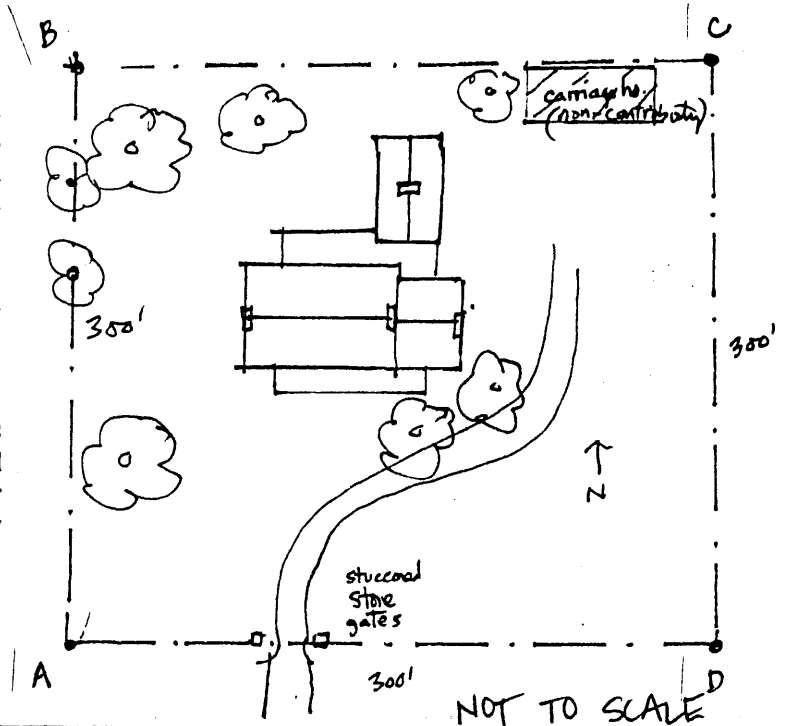
A. ----- D. -----
 B. ----- E. -----
 C. ----- F. -----

42. Total Acreage in Present Property: 196.87 43. Acreage included in proposed N.R. boundary: 2.06

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

Beginning at a point (A) which is the intersection of two fences in the southwestern corner of the yard and is 80 ft. west of the west edge of the drive, 300 ft. northward along a fence and tree line to (B) its intersection with the rear fenceline; then 300 ft. eastward along fenceline to (C) its intersection with another fence; then 300 ft. southward along fenceline to (D) its intersection with the front fenceline; then 300 ft. westward along fence, crossing drive, to point of origin.

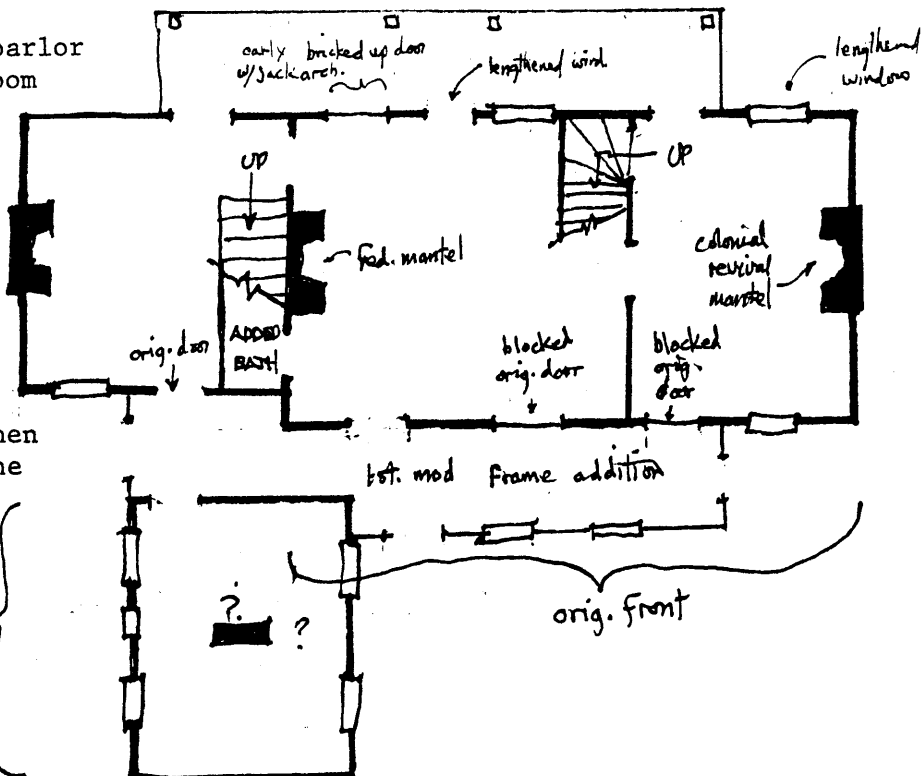
The boundaries were drawn to encompass the domestic yard area which is enclosed by fences and contains the dwelling (contributing) and a turn-of-the-century carriage house (non-contributing).



45. Description and House Plan:

Exterior:

A two-story, two-room, brick hall-parlor house with a slightly recessed one-room two-story, brick wing on the east which appears to have been added at a lightly later date (pencilled grapevine joints in the east end gable of the hall-parlor section suggest this wall was originally exposed.) A one-and-one-half-story brick kitchen ell, originally attached to the south wall of the wing, was taken down prior to the 1880s and rebuilt as a detached kitchen on the north side of the wing when the house was re-oriented at this time (see #14). In its original orientation, the plan consisted of two unequal-sized rooms each with a door and a window in the north



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wing, added shortly after the main part of the house was constructed. Alterations have not lessened the value of the form with its unusual wing. The semi-detached
14. History: (continued) ell is related to the house's unusual reorienting before 1880. John (b. 1824) was 2 years old. From Wm. Henry to his daughter Julia Booker Clendenin, to her daughter Clara Clendenin Davis. Sold to Carl R. Klingenfus in 1974. Now owned by his son. House was re-oriented from north to south prior to 1880s when a road to the north of the house was superseded by the present Clore-Jackson Pike. The south kitchen ell was taken down at this time and rebuilt on the north side of the house.

45. Description (continued)

wall, the windows forming the outer bays. The north wall was laid in Flemish bond with jack arches over the openings. Both doors have been blocked, and the easternmost window has been made into a door. A one-story, shed roofed frame addition (ca. 1975) covers the two original doors, the easternmost window (now door) and abuts the brick kitchen which has been made semi-detached by framing in (ca. 1975) the space between it and the house so that the new additions form an enclosed corridor along most of the north wall. The exposed first floor western window on the north has been lengthened as have those on the south facade, probably at the time of the re-orientation. The original opening into the west room from the south remains intact, while in the south wall of the east room the early door on the outer bay has been bricked up. The north wall is laid common bond. The two-room, one-and-one-half-story brick kitchen has two two-over-two sash windows on the first floor of both the east and west walls and a small square window in the east wall between the sash windows. Nine-pane fixed windows are above the two-over-two. A pair of tie rods run through the building from east to west. The kitchen has a standing seam metal roof.

Interior:

A Colonial Revival mantel replaces the original in the west room. Enclosed corner stairs open into this room in the southeast corner. A large Federal mantel with sunburst surrounds a finely tooled stone fireplace in the east room. A stair runs up the west wall of the east wing. Doors are six-panel set in reeded and panelled jambs. The walls have been furred out to accommodate modern insulation. A bath has been inserted under the stair in the wing with access from the east room of the two-room section.

Outbuildings:

A non-contributing turn-of-the-century frame carriage house with second floor stands to the north east rear of the house.

The boundaries enclose one contributing and one non-contributing building.