

HISTORIC RESOURCES OF DALLAS COUNTY  
DALLAS COUNTY, ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Survey Number DA-12

Owner James A. McMullin

Property Name Ed Knight House

Address Route 2, Box 322

OFF AR 128  
Location Pine Grove

Bearden, AR

Significant Date/s c. 1880

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

The Ed Knight House faces west on an unpaved county road near the community of Pine Grove. This gable roofed house, which appears to be a double pen structure was originally a log dog-trot resting on stone piers. In the late 19th century the passageway was enclosed, an ell was added to the south end of the rear facade, and the entire structure was clad in horizontal weatherboards. The front facade contains a pair of central six-over-six double-hung windows flanked by a door and a window on each side. Of particular note are the decorative facings surrounding the central windows, which extend beyond the top of the windows enclosing rectangular panels. Covering the front facade is the half hip porch roof supported by six turned posts with jigsaw cut brackets.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Ed Knight House is located just outside Pine Grove, a community settled in the 1840's. The Knights were a prominent 19th century farm family of the southwest portion of Dallas County. Built originally as a dog-trot, the house was converted into a finely crafted double pen structure with a rear ell near the turn of the century. The Ed Knight House is an outstanding example of the traditional evolution of the dog-trot plan in Dallas County. The enclosure of the dog-trot, in this case into a very unusual double pen plan, reflects an expression of rural affluence in the county.

Acreage: less than 1

Quadrangle Name: Quachita

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000

UTM Reference: 15 519460/3747050

Verbal Boundary Description:

The nominated property, located within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of section 7, T10S R16W, is bounded on the north, south, east and west by lines running parallel to and 100' from each of the four major facades of the house.

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only  
received 9/14/83  
date entered

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Dallas County Multiple Resource Area  
State Arkansas

Nomination/Type of Review		Date/Signature
11. Garrison Place	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum 10/28/83</u>
		Attest _____
12. Goodgame, Capt., House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum 10/28/83</u>
		Attest _____
13. Hampton Springs Cemetery (Black Section)	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum 10/28/83</u>
		Attest _____
14. Knight, Ed, House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum 10/28/83</u>
		Attest _____
15. Koonce Building	Substantive Review	Keeper <u>Beth Grosvenor 10/28/83</u>
		Attest _____
16. Mallett, George W., House	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum 10/28/83</u>
		Attest _____
17. Mt. Carmel Methodist Church	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum 10/28/83</u>
		Attest _____
18. Mt. Zion Methodist Church	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum 10/28/83</u>
		Attest _____
19. Old Fordyce Post Office	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum 10/28/83</u>
		Attest _____
20. Princeton Cemetery	Entered in the National Register	for Keeper <u>Melrose Byrum 3/27/84</u>
		Attest _____

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Knight, Ed, House (Dallas County MRA)  
Dallas County  
ARKANSAS

Working No. SEP 14 1983  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2-5-85  
Date Due: 10/13/83 - 10/29/83  
Action:  ACCEPT 10/28/83  
 RETURN  
 REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in the  
National Register

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: \_\_\_\_\_ technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input 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

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

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**8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_\_ national    \_\_\_\_\_ state    \_\_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

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**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



DA-12  
Knight House  
Sarah Brown, photographer  
May 28, 1982  
Negative on file at the AHPP  
View from the east

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000025