

George W. Valentine Farmhouse
AL-111-B-152
North of Route 51
near Cumberland
late 19th century

The George W. Valentine Farmhouse was most likely built shortly before the turn of the century. The building originally consisted of a "T" shaped house with frame wall construction and clapboards, which have been removed. George W. Valentine bought this farm property in 1893, and it remained in the Valentine family for over fifty years.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

George W. Valentine Farmhouse

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

North of Rt. 51, Oldtown Road

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY** DISTRICT BUILDING(S) STRUCTURE SITE OBJECT**OWNERSHIP** PUBLIC PRIVATE BOTH**PUBLIC ACQUISITION** IN PROCESS BEING CONSIDERED**STATUS** OCCUPIED UNOCCUPIED WORK IN PROGRESS**ACCESSIBLE** YES RESTRICTED YES UNRESTRICTED NO**PRESENT USE** AGRICULTURE COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT GOVERNMENT INDUSTRIAL MILITARY MUSEUM PARK PRIVATE RESIDENCE RELIGIOUS SCIENTIFIC TRANSPORTATION OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Charleton A. Shore

Telephone #: 722-5098

STREET & NUMBER

Oldtown Road

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21502

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 470

Folio #: 710

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland,

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

RL-III-6-152

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

George W. Valentine Farmhouse is located north of Maryland Route 51 near Cumberland.

This building originally consisted of a "T" shaped house, two stories tall and probably four bays wide on the south. Wall construction is frame, clapboards have been removed and replaced with aluminum siding.

The building rests on a low foundation of random rubble stone with a plain water table. The gable falk roof is covered with slate with snowbirds. Eaves consist of a box cornice and soffit with returns and bargeboard on the southern gable end. No original chimneys or entrances remain. Original windows remaining are pedimented and pegged with six over six lights. A large wooden barn with gabled ventilators and a stone foundation is also on the property.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

George W. Valentine farmhouse, located south of Cumberland, was most likely built shortly before the turn of the century. In 1893, Samuel Smith sold Valentine all those "several tracts. (1) composing the farm on which the said George W. Valentine now resides...." (2) Valentine paid \$5000 for his farm.

The farm originally belonged to a very wealthy Cumberland resident, James M. Smith. In his will which was probated in 1890, Smith left his "cattle and other livestock...and the crops growing or gathered" on the farm to his son, Samuel Smith. (3) Samuel sold it to George Valentine, (4) and the farm remained in the Valentine family for over fifty years, until 1945.

Although the house does not retain its original appearance, it stands as a reminder of the way of life experienced by a late 19th - early 20th century farmer and his family.

- (1) Allegany County Land Records, Liber 73, Folio 281.
- (2) Ibid
- (3) Allegany County Wills, Liber F, Folio 120
- (4) Land Records, Liber 203, Folio 393.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegany County Land Records

Allegany County Wills

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 83.49 Acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

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ORGANIZATION Allegany County Historic Sites Survey DATE 4/6/79

STREET & NUMBER County Office Building TELEPHONE 777-5944
3 Pershing Street

CITY OR TOWN Cumberland, STATE Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

TITLE SEARCH

George W. Valentine Farmhouse
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Allegany County Deed: Liber 470, Folio 710
Grantee: Charleton A. and Anna M. Shore Date: May 10, 1974
Grantor: John C. Sullivan and John M. Robb, personal
Notes: Representatives of the estate of Reatus L. Spiker

Allegany County Deed: Liber 210, Folio 599
Grantee: Reatus L. Spiker Date: August 15, 1946
Grantor: Charles E. and Nannie H. Jenkins

Allegany County Deed: Liber 203, Folio 393
Grantee: Charles E. Jenkins, et. ux. Date: April 5, 1945
Grantor: Russell M. and Zelda I. Valentine

Allegany County Deed: Liber 138, Folio 678
Grantee: Russell M. and Yelda I. Valentine Date: October 22, 1921
Grantor: George W. and Mary A. Valentine
Notes: "Convey all these three tracts known as
the George W. Valentine Farm"

Allegany County Deed: Liber 73, Folio 281
Grantee: George W. Valentine Date: February 7, 1893
Grantor: Samuel Smith Consideration: \$5,000
Notes: All those "several tracts...composing the farm
on which the said George W. Valentine now
resides."

Allegany County Wills: Liber F, Folio 120
Grantee: Samuel Smith Date: September 26, 1890
Grantor: James M. Smith
Notes: Left Samuel this 200 acre farm with the
"cattle and other livestock...and the crops
growing or gathered" on it.

INVENTORY NO: AL-III-B-152

DATE: 9/12/78

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minor

NAME OF PROPERTY: George Valentine

LOCATION OF PROPERTY: North of Rt 51

DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: EAST

NAME OF OWNER: Carlton Shore

ADDRESS: _____

STORIES: 1() 2() 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3() 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS:

DWELLING SHAPE: (square, cross, rectangular) T

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- () FRAME: ^{replaced} Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
- () BRICK: Bond type - common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
- () STONE: Bond type - rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
- () LOG
- () OTHER: Coverings aluminum siding

WALL FEATURES: Belt Course, Pilasters, Others _____

FOUNDATIONS: High, Low, Brick, Stone Random Rubble

WATER TABLE: None, Plain, Beveled, Moulded Brick

WINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1() 2/2() 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other()
pegged() nailed() wide() narrow() mitred() pediment()

ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: _____
HARDWARE: original() replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Vertical, Horizontal Boards

BOX

CORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed) returns bargeboard
original() replaced() rafter ends, modillions, dentils, frieze, architrave

ROOF: Gable front, ~~Gable flank~~, Hip, Shed, Mansard, Gambrel, Flat, Dormers # _____
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin. asphalt; snowbirds original() replaced()

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable()

CHIMNEYS: Number: _____ Brick() Stone() Corbeled() original() replaced()
Location: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior()

ARCHES: Door & Windows: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS: large Barn gabled vents
stone foundation

USE: _____
SIGNIFICANCE: _____



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George W. Valentine Farmhouse

Oldtown Rd Cumberland

David A. Dorsey

9/12/78

~~Southwest~~
Northwest



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George W. Valentine farmhouse

Oldtown Rd. Cumberland

David A. Dorsey

9/12/78

Southeast



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George W. Valentine Barn
Oldtown Road, Cumberland

David A. Dorsey

9/12/78

Southwest