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SMITH HOUSE  
(Mid-19th Century)  
Dunkirk  
Private

This is one of several Smith family houses built in the mid-19th century on land granted to Thomas Smith in 1670. During the 19th and early 20th centuries, this area was called Smithville. Like some of the other homes, the W. D. Smith house possessed a certain elegance and, in spite of alterations, has retained elements of both middle and late Victorian decoration.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Billy Daniel Smith House (W.D. Smith House)  
AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Jones Road

CITY, TOWN

Dunkirk

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY  
Calvert

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

<b>CONDITION</b>		<b>CHECK ONE</b>	<b>CHECK ONE</b>
<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**

During the middle of the 19th Century, the area which is now called Dunkirk was then known as Smithville. The members of the Smith family from which the area derived its name were numerous. Many homes in this region are connected with the Smiths and have been since Thomas Smith first received a grant for Highland and Smiths Chance in 1670. It was not uncommon for the land to be subdivided among children and by 1860, the original Smith tracts of well over three hundred acres had been subdivided into several "Smith" farms. Smith family papers show that this house was the home of William Daniel Smith, 1830- C. 1915. He was a son of Fielder Bowie Smith of Highlands (CLVT -3)

Mrs. Kenneth Ward a decendant has a deed in her possession which shows that William D. Smith sold the house in 1881. The aluminum siding and interior changes make it somewhat difficult to determine the original appearance. The nearly square center section with its end hall, equilateral hipped roof and bracketed eaves has the same Italianate appearance as the house Thomas Smith built to replace "Whitehall" (CLVT-    ). The two story swell front with its pronounced gable suggests the late Victorian as do the East Lake type mantles and entrance. Some of these materials are said to have been saved from an earlier building which was destroyed by fire. These would not include those things reflecting East Lake influence.

The interior has much to suggest earlier elegance. In addition to the five fireplaces, there is a curved hung stair plus there are corner blocks and molding with carved floral designs. Later and less elegant but still of character are other materials like vertical tongue and groove wainscoting in the kitchen and dining room where there is also evidence of a pressed tin ceiling. Much of the floors, hardware and glass are late 19th Century if not original.

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# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

## PERIOD

- PREHISTORIC
- 1400-1499
- 1500-1599
- 1600-1699
- 1700-1799
- 1800-1899
- 1900-

- ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
- ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
- AGRICULTURE
- ARCHITECTURE
- ART
- COMMERCE
- COMMUNICATIONS

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

- COMMUNITY PLANNING
- CONSERVATION
- ECONOMICS
- EDUCATION
- ENGINEERING
- EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT
- INDUSTRY
- INVENTION

- LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
- LAW
- LITERATURE
- MILITARY
- MUSIC
- PHILOSOPHY
- POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

- RELIGION
- SCIENCE
- SCULPTURE
- SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
- THEATER
- TRANSPORTATION
- OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE COUNTY

STATE COUNTY

## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

ORGANIZATION

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

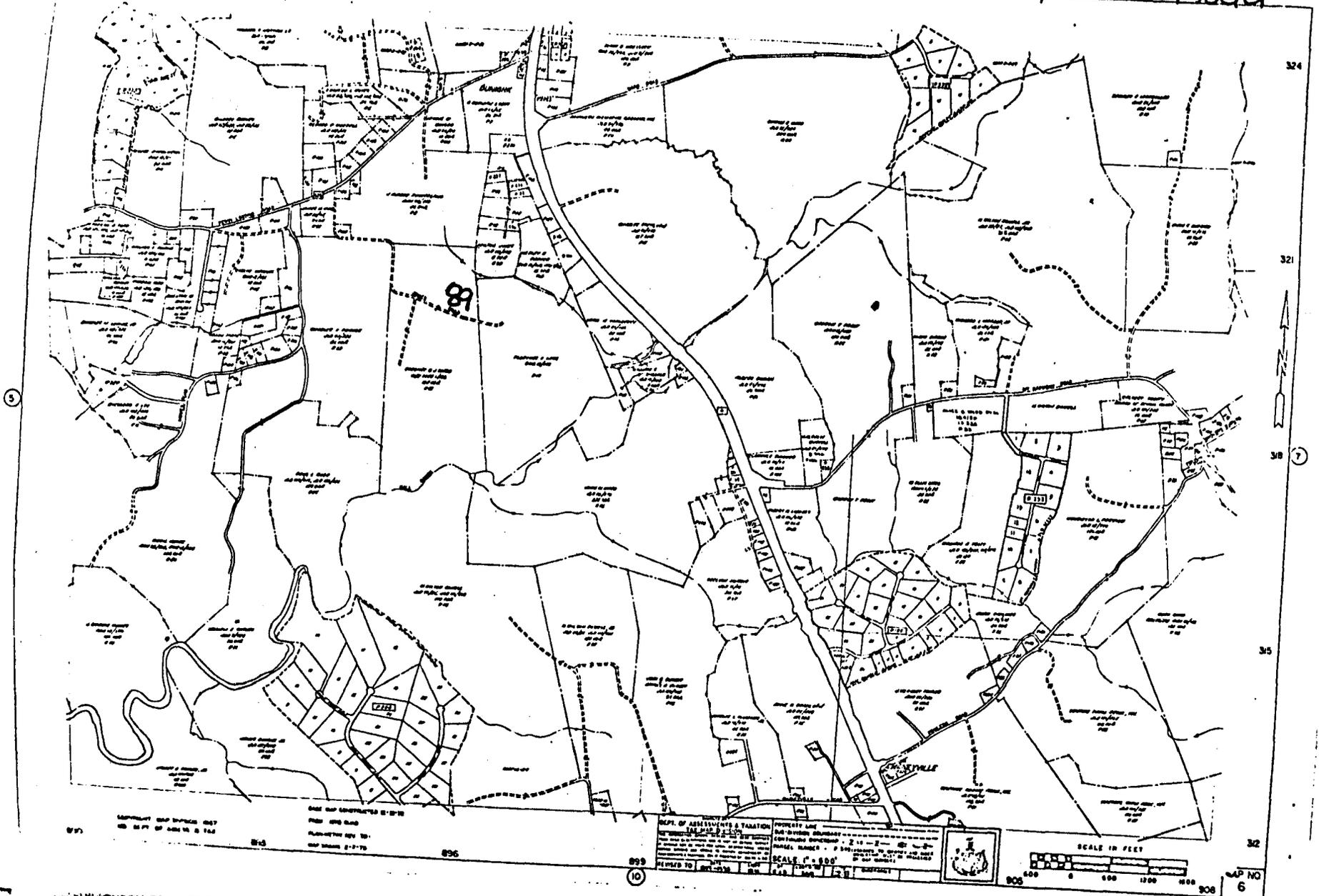
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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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

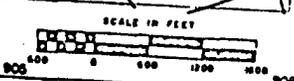
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REPLACEMENT MAP DATED 1957  
BY DEPT. OF ASSESS. & TAX.

ONE MAP CONTAINED IN THIS  
FILE AND ONE  
PLANNING MAP NO. 10  
MAP DATED 2-1-70

DEPT. OF ASSESSMENT & TAXATION  
PROPERTY AND  
LAND-USE INFORMATION  
FOR THE COUNTY OF CALVERT  
SCALE 1" = 600'  
REVISED TO 1970



MAP NO  
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CALVERT COUNTY 890-32  
PUBLIC INFORMATION





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