

Capsule Summary  
SM-747  
19836 Piney Point Road  
Valley Lee  
Private

circa 1900

Standing on the east side of Piney Point Road just north of its intersection with Happyland and Hewitt Roads is the house at 19836 Piney Point Road. Erected near the rural community of Valley Lee, Maryland, this circa 1900 two story, three bay, frame dwelling represents a relatively common house form in St. Mary's County. Probably constructed of standardized lumber along with mass produced window sash, doors, and architectural accoutrements, the dwelling illustrates the impact urban lumber mills and sash factories had upon architectural form. It is also one of the few remaining residences at this crossroads that are occupied.

# Maryland Historical Trust

## Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. SM-747

### 1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic

other 19836 Piney Point Road

### 2. Location

street and number 19836 Piney Point Road \_\_ not for publication

city, town Valley Lee x vicinity

county St. Mary's

### 3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Mayfield Bennett and Aberdeen Bennett Jackson

street and number 7306 Prince George Road telephone N/a

city, town Baltimore state Md zip code 21207

### 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse tax map and parcel TM-57, P-234

city, town Leonardtown liber EWA 1206 & 74 folio 572 & 379

### 5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

### 6. Classification

Category	Ownership	Current Function	Resource Count	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	Contributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	<u>1</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social	<input type="checkbox"/> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> structures
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> objects
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown	<u>1</u> Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use	
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:	
				<b>Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory</b>
				<u>0</u>

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## 7. Description

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### Condition

excellent       deteriorated  
 good             ruins  
 fair               altered

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Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Standing on the east side of Piney Point Road north of Valley Lee, Maryland is the house at 19836 Piney Point Road. Oriented on an east/west axis, the dwelling is situated on a 2 acre parcel. This tract is bounded by wooded and residential tracts to the north, east, and south. Piney Point Road passes immediately to the west of the house and property. Approached via a dirt drive that extends east from the main road, the lot is characterized by a number of mature trees and shrubs.

The dwelling itself is a two-and-a-half story, three bay, frame dwelling with a gable roof that was probably constructed circa 1900. The exterior walls appear to be covered with aluminum siding, while the roof is clad with asphalt shingles. The dwelling also features a pronounced cornice line that is interrupted by a large cross gable. The roof is pierced by at least one interior brick chimney flue.

The primary or west elevation is pierced on the first floor by a centrally located door flanked on either side by paired six-over-six, double-hung sash windows. All of these bays are shaded by a porch supported by four square posts. The second floor is pierced by three symmetrically placed, six-over-six windows. The attic story is accentuated by a cross gable. This element features abbreviated cornice returns as well as a one-over-six window with a rounded crown.

No other elevation were investigated.

# 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime history	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**Specific dates**

**Architect/Builder**

**Construction dates**

Evaluation for:

National Register                       Maryland Register                       not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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Due to the repetitive nature of the house form and the presence of superior examples, no further documentation is recommended.

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Hammett, Regina Combs. History of St. Mary's County, Maryland: 1634-1990. Ridge, Md: Self-published, 1994.

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## 10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of surveyed property 2 acres

Acreage of historical setting 2 acres

Quadrangle name Piney Point

Quadrangle scale: 1:24 000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

This tract is bounded by wooded and residential tracts to the north, east, and south. Piney Point Road passes immediately to the west of the house and property. A more specific description of the properties boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber EWA 1206 and Liber 74, Folios 74 and 379 respectively.

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## 11. Form Prepared by

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city or town	Leonardtown	state	Maryland

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties 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.

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Mary's County

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July 2000

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