

Capsule Summary  
SM-788  
23909 Budds Creek Road  
Clements  
Private

circa 1951

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# Maryland Historical Trust Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. SM-788

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

historic

other 23909 Budds Creek Road

## 2. Location

street and number 23909 Budds Creek Road \_\_ not for publication

city, town Clements x vicinity

county St. Mary's

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

name Charles and Doris Guy

street and number 23909 Budds Creek Road telephone N/a

city, town Clements state Md zip code 20624

## 4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse tax map and parcel TM-24, P-18

city, town Leonardtown liber CBG 80 folio 487

## 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.

Perched on a hillside on the southwest side of Budds Creek Road is the house at 23909 Budds Creek Road. Oriented on a north/south axis, the house is approached via a paved drive that extends to the south of the main road. The property is virtually surrounded by cultivated farmland and woodland with Budds Creek Road forming the northern boundary. The 1.66 acre property is mowed and studded by a number of mature trees and shrubs.

The main house is a one story, frame, asymmetrical plan, kit house constructed circa 1951. The exterior appears to be clad with aluminum siding while the roof is sheathed with asphalt shingles. An interior and exterior end brick chimney is visible.

The primary or north elevation is dominated by a rambling porch that shades a picture window and main doorway. The porch is supported by a series of battered wood posts supported by brick bases. A plain balustrade connects these bases. Decorative roof members protrude from the building's gable end. All of these architectural components are highly indicative of kit houses erected in the early to mid-twentieth century.

No other elevations were observed.

# 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 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
<b>Construction dates</b>	

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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## 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 1.66 acres  
Acreage of historical setting 1.66 acres  
Quadrangle name Leonardtown

Quadrangle scale: 1:24 000

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is virtually surrounded by cultivated farmland and woodland with Budds Creek Road forming the northern boundary. A more specific description of the properties boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber CBG 80, Folio 487.

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## 11. Form Prepared by

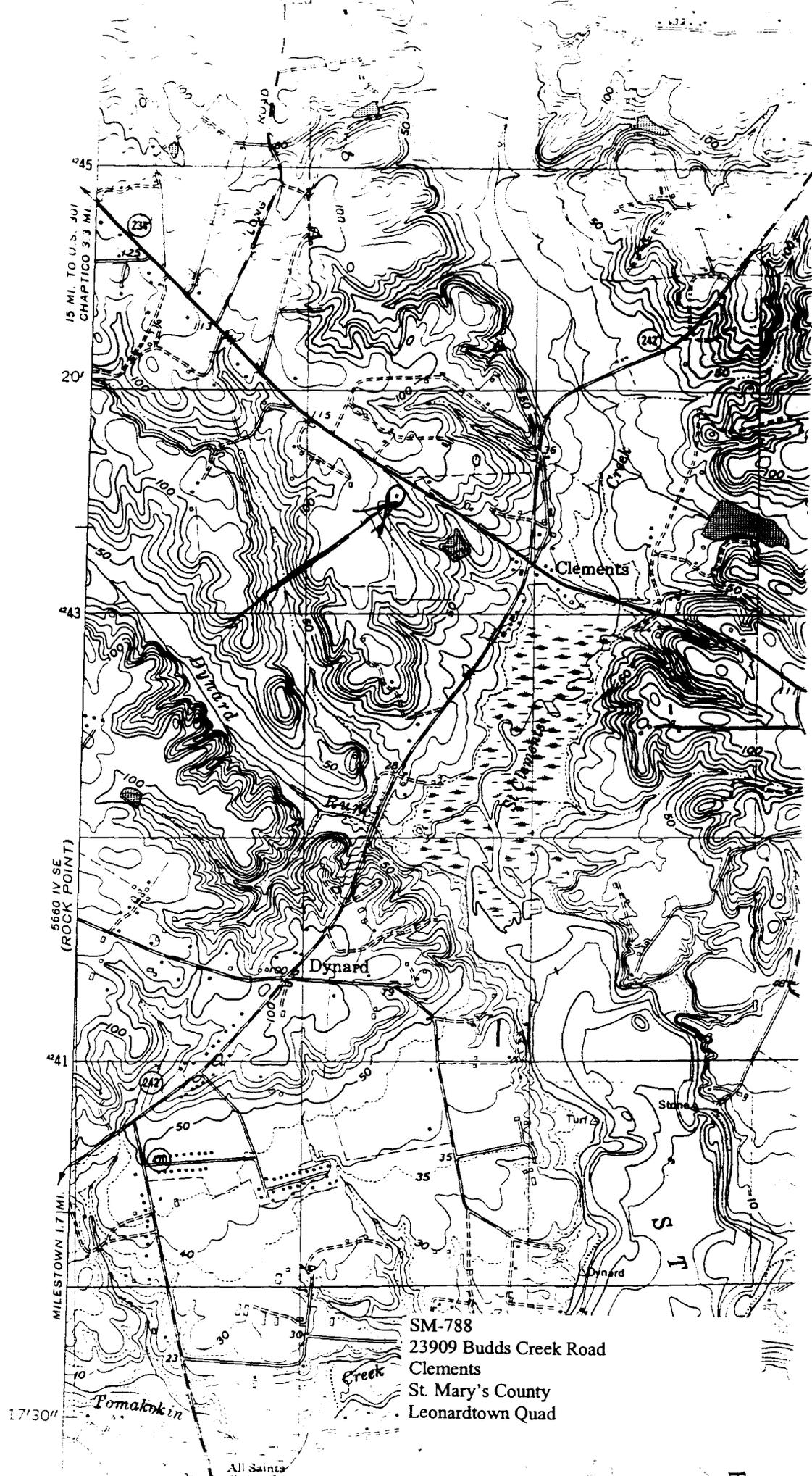
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name/title	Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyor		
organization	St. Mary's County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	August, 2000
street & number	22740 Washington Street	telephone	301-475-4662
city or town	Leonardtown	state	Maryland

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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Crownsville, MD 21032-2023  
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