

Survey # WA-III-138
Street Address 4401 Main Street
Town, State Rohrsersville, Maryland 21779
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Approximate date Ca. 1920

Retaining a high level of integrity is this cast stone foursquare style house dating from approximately 1920. It is three bays wide with the typical foursquare hipped roof and dormer with overhanging roof and porch. A variety of types of cast stone are used, making this house distinctive. The foundation appears to be poured concrete, while a "watertable" of smooth cast stone forms a band around the base of the building. At the first story, construction is rock faced concrete block with lighter colored blocks defining the quoins and sides of the windows. Smooth cast stone is used for the lintels and sills of the windows. At the second story, regular concrete block forms the walls with rock faced block used for quoins and sides of the openings. Windows have three or four narrow vertical panes above single pane lower sash. The windows are doubled or tripled. The entrance is located in the center bay of the front elevation. A second entrance opened from the second floor onto an upper level porch. The first story porch extends across the front and is supported by two rock faced block piers. The second story porch is narrower covering only the openings and has a shed roof. It may be a later addition. The roof is covered with diamond shaped asbestos shingles. This house is an excellent example of the early use of concrete products. It is unusual to find such a variety of cast stone in a single building. The date attribution is based on the popularity of the foursquare style, the cast stone usage and the vertical paned upper sashes.

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

- I. Geographic Organization: Western Maryland
- II. Chronological/Developmental Period(s): Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930
- III. Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s): Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning
- IV. Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Village

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): Domestic/Single Dwelling

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