

WILLIAMSPORT, WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

Survey # WA-WIL-237                      Approximate date early 20th century  
Street Address 36 West Church Street  
Town, State Williamsport, Maryland  
private X, public     

Description

Two story, three bay aluminum sided frame house with a central cross gable. Similar to WA-WIL-235, 236, and 238. Early 20th century.

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

- I. Geographic Organization: Western Maryland
- II. Chronological/Developmental Period(s):  
Industrial Urban Dominance - A.D. 1870-1930
- III. Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme(s):  
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning
- IV. Resource Type  
Category: Building  
Historic Environment: Urban  
Historic Function(s) and Use(s):  
DOMESTIC/single dwelling  
Known Design Source: Unknown

Photo Reference: Photo # 12

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Frame House at 36 West Church Street

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

36 West Church Street

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Dortha J. Shank

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

36 West Church Street

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21795

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 653

Folio #: 136

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

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

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

# 7 DESCRIPTION

100-2-37

### CONDITION

- EXCELLENT
- GOOD
- FAIR
- DETERIORATED
- RUINS
- UNEXPOSED

### CHECK ONE

- UNALTERED
- ALTERED

### CHECK ONE

- ORIGINAL SITE
- MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This house, located on the south side of West Church Street is one of a set of four houses which appear nearly identical, and which probably were built at the same time. It is a two story, three bay balloon frame structure having a central cross gable with a small rectangular window. The walls are sheathed with German siding. Windows are two over two pane sashes. The entrance is located in the center bay. Brick chimneys with corbels are located inside the end walls.. A hip roofed porch which has been modernized extends across the front. The house would appear to date from the early 20th century.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

WA-WIL-237

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 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 type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" 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		

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SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Town lot # 128, 33' x 196'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

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CITY OR TOWN		
Sharpsburg		

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

W. SALISBURY STREET

223 222 221

COMMERCE

CEMETERY

STREET

220

219 218

217 216 215 214 213

212 211

TRETT

337	E. ARD
336	R J McCARD
335	RE SNYDER
334	H N SMITH
333	JANICE A. STAM
332	WM. R TURN
331	IDA K. GRIN
330	NEAL S. MYERS
329	DORIS E. TAYLOR

337	FRANK PALMER
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337	JESSE S. SHANK
336	CHARLES R. DAVIS
335	WALTER SPRINKLE
334	CHARLES R. BROWN
333	ANITA J. WIEDERHOLD
332	KENNETH F. LAFFERTY
331	TOWN OF WILLIAMSPORT
330	SUNSHINE DEV. INC
329	PHILIP M. STRALEY
328	BESSIE LEMEN
327	TOWN PROP.
326	FRANK PALMER
325	FRANK PALMER
324	FRANK PALMER
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322	FRANK PALMER
321	FRANK PALMER
320	FRANK PALMER
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W. CHURCH STREET

239

238 237 236 235 234

233 232 231 230 229

318	FRANK PALMER
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309	FRANK PALMER

337	NORMAN E. BOWERS
336	DORTHA J. SHANK
335	CHARLES E. BROWN
334	FRANK M. BROWN
333	JAMES E. PALMER
332	MRS. IRENE SOCKS
331	JOHN B. GROVE
330	JOHN A. BOWMAN
329	EDWARD L. SHANK
328	WALTER W. SUFFACOL

WILLIAM GRIM

MARGARET

W.A.W.L. 237

175'

531'

521'

292'

200'



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