

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

WA-II-386  
District 1  
Map 76  
Parcel 112  
MAGI # 2209495535

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Marker Rifle Works

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

Maryland Route 34, West of Sharpsburg

CITY, TOWN

Sharpsburg

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

\_\_\_DISTRICT  
 BUILDING(S)  
\_\_\_STRUCTURE  
\_\_\_SITE  
\_\_\_OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

\_\_\_PUBLIC  
 PRIVATE  
\_\_\_BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

\_\_\_IN PROCESS  
\_\_\_BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

OCCUPIED  
\_\_\_UNOCCUPIED  
\_\_\_WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
\_\_\_YES: RESTRICTED  
\_\_\_YES: UNRESTRICTED  
 NO

PRESENT USE

AGRICULTURE  
\_\_\_COMMERCIAL  
\_\_\_EDUCATIONAL  
\_\_\_ENTERTAINMENT  
\_\_\_GOVERNMENT  
\_\_\_INDUSTRIAL  
\_\_\_MILITARY  
\_\_\_MUSEUM  
\_\_\_PARK  
 PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
\_\_\_RELIGIOUS  
\_\_\_SCIENTIFIC  
\_\_\_TRANSPORTATION  
\_\_\_OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

R. Earl Roulette

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

Sharpsburg

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21782

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 582  
Folio #: 275

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**

<b>CONDITION</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**  
 UNALTERED  
 ALTERED < 50%

**CHECK ONE**  
 ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

This property includes a two story, five bay L-shaped brick house and several frame outbuildings. It was the site of the Marker Rifle Works, a manufacturer of guns during the mid 19th century.

The house is constructed in common bond at all elevations. A vertical seam in the brick work between the two sections indicates that the house was built in parts. All windows have two over two pane sashes and are hung beneath wide wooden lintels. A Victorian porch extends across the front elevation. The house would appear to date from the latter part of the third quarter of the 19th century.

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" 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

This house is significant as an example of late 19th century brick architecture in Washington County. The site is important as the location of the Marker Rifle Works, a local industry which manufactured guns during the Civil War period.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 169.68 acres

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

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ORGANIZATION

Preservation Associates

DATE

June 1978

STREET &amp; NUMBER

109 West Main Street, Box 202

TELEPHONE

301-432-5466

CITY OR TOWN

Sharpsburg

STATE

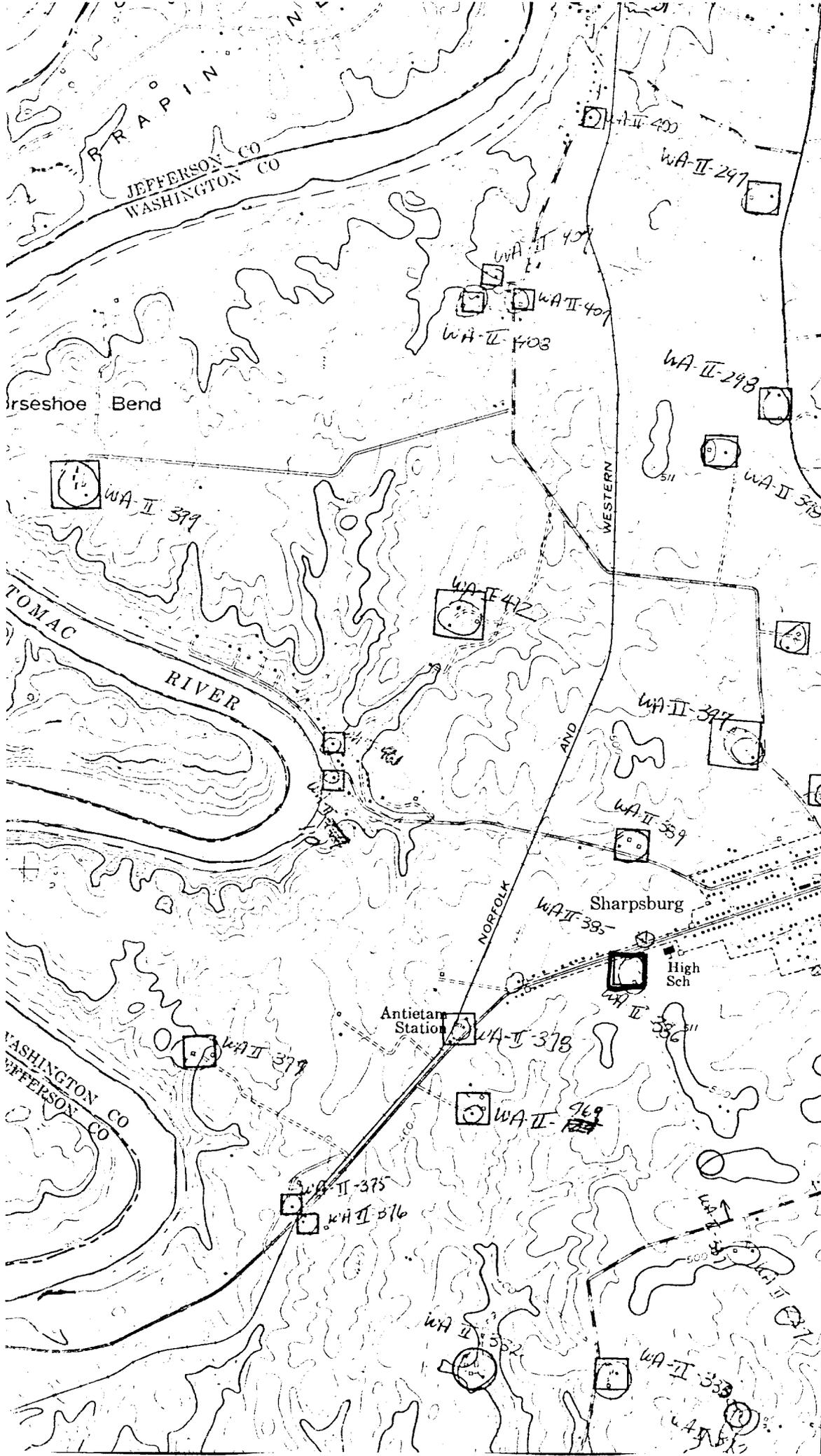
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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

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WA II-386



Shepherdstown  
Quad

(KEEDYSVILLE)  
5462 1 NW



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April, 1976

Marker Rifle Works

Md. Rt. 34, W. of  
Sharpsburg

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