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HISTORIC RESOURCES OF EVENING SHADE  
HARP COUNTY, ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Survey Number ES-6

Owner Dewey N. Sims

Property Name John W. Shaver House

Address Main Street

Location Main Street, Evening Shade

Evening Shade, AR 72532

Significant Date/s 1854

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

The John W. Shaver House sits on a large tree filled corner lot next to the commercial block. Built in 1854, the house is a one-and-one-half-story gable roofed structure with load bearing brick walls. The south (front) elevation of the gable roof contains three late-nineteenth-century cross gable dormers decorated with wooden shingles. A one-story wood frame addition is covered with a shed roof.

The front (south) facade features two windows flanking a central entry. This entry consists of a single door flanked by windows with diamond shaped panes. Above the door is a gable roof supported by brackets. Each of the two gable ends has returns and contains an exterior brick chimney.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The John W. Shaver House, built in 1854, is significant to the early settlement, commercial history, and architectural character of Evening Shade. Shaver came to the area in 1844 and established a fur trading business. In 1851 he took over the Cammack enterprise located on Plum Spring. Shaver was the first permanent settler and proprietor of the first enterprise in Evening Shade. Therefore, the John W. Shaver House, although altered, is the oldest and most historic structure in Evening Shade.

Verbal Boundary Description 3-16-6, Town Lot: east part of 2

Acreage less than one acre

Quadrangle Name Evening Shade

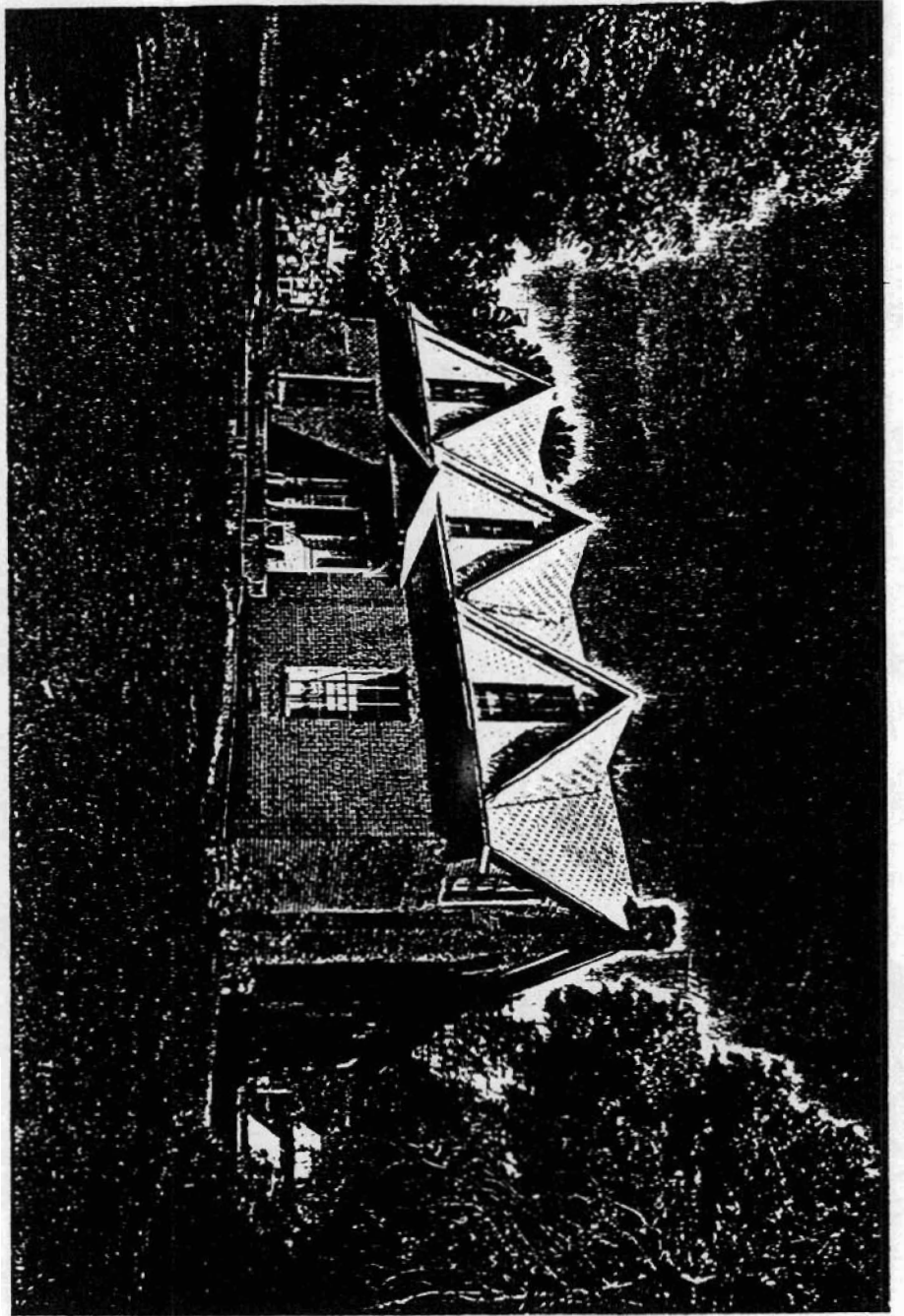
Quadrangle Scale 1:24000

UTM Reference

Zone 15 Easting 624320 Northing 3992600

Roll 20:16-19

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John W. Shaver House  
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View from the southeast  
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