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FORM B - BUILDING
assessor's # 5-23
USGS quad area Ayer Shaker Village

Massachusetts Historical Commission
80 Boylston Street

Sketch Map

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Organization: Harvard Historical Commission
Date: March 1994

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Town Harvard
Place Shaker Village
Address
84 Shaker Road
Historic Name:
Ministry

Use Present residence
Original offices

Date of construction: 1847

Source NR nomina.
Style Greek Revival
Form gable blocks 2 & 1.5
Architect N/A
Exterior Material:
Wall/Trim wood&brick
Roof slate
Foundation stone
Outbuildings barn, pool
Alterations addition
Condition good
Moved no
Acreage 2.6 acres
Setting village
INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

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Town

Property Address

Area(s) Form No.

1999
Architectural reason for inventorying: Because of style and detail, it is thought that the architect may have been Augustus Grosvenor, who designed and built the North Shaker Building later known as The Rural Home.

3. CONDITION Excellent (Good, Fair, Deteriorated, Moved, Altered, Added, Ell)

4. DESCRIPTION

FOUNDATION/BASEMENT: High, Regular, Low

WALL COVER: Wood, Brick, Stone, Other

ROOF: Ridge, Gambrel, Flat, Hip, Mansard, Tower, Cupola, Dormer windows, Balustrade, Grillwork

CHIMNEYS: 1, 2, 3, 4

STORIES: 1, 2, 3, 4

ATTACHMENTS: Wings, Ell, Shed

PORCHES: 1, 2, 3, 4

PORTICO: Balcony

FACADE: Gable end, Front/side, Ornament

Entrance: Side, Front, Center/Side, Details:

Windows: Spacing, Regular/Irregular, Identical/Varied

Corners: Plain, Pilasters, Quoins, Cornerboards

5. Indicate location of building in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings

6. Footage of structure from street 33 ft.

Property has feet frontage on street

Recorder

For

Photo # Date 1971

SEE REVERSE SII
RELATION OF SURROUNDING TO STRUCTURE

1. Outbuildings: Barn, Sunpit

2. Landscape Features: Agriculture (Open, Wooded, Garden, Formal, Informal)
   Predominant features: Swimming pool
   Landscape architect:

3. Neighboring Structures
   Style: Colonial, Federal, Greek Revival, Gothic Revival, Italian Villa, Lombard Rom., Venetian Gothic, Mansard, Richardsonian Modern
   Use: Residential, Commercial, Religious
   Conditions: Excellent, Good, Fair, Deteriorated

GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF HISTORIC IMPORTANCE OF SITE (Refer and elaborate on theme circled on front of form)

This was the home of the Elders of the Church who were the leaders of the Shaker Community. The original building (pictured) was added to in the form of a wing in 1936. The alterations and additions were made by Bruce Ellwell. Minor remodeling by Bayard Underwood in 1963.

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Photograph of 1916 included

RESTRICTIONS

Original Owner: 

Deed Information: Book Number _____ Page _____, Registry of Deeds