

HISTORIC RESOURCES OF DALLAS COUNTY  
DALLAS COUNTY, ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Survey Number DA-12

Owner James A. McMullin

Property Name Ed Knight House

Address Route 2, Box 322

Location Pine Grove

Bearden, AR 71720

Significant Date/s c. 1880

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

The Ed Knight House faces west on an unpaved county road near the community of Pine Grove. This gable roofed house, which appears to be a double pen structure was originally a log dog-trot resting on stone piers. In the late 19th century the passageway was enclosed, an ell was added to the south end of the rear facade, and the entire structure was clad in horizontal weatherboards. The front facade contains a pair of central six-over-six double-hung windows flanked by a door and a window on each side. Of particular note are the decorative facings surrounding the central windows, which extend beyond the top of the windows enclosing rectangular panels. Covering the front facade is the half hip porch roof supported by six turned posts with jigsaw cut brackets.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Ed Knight House is located just outside Pine Grove, a community settled in the 1840's. The Knights were a prominent 19th century farm family of the southwest portion of Dallas County. Built originally as a dog-trot, the house was converted into a finely crafted double pen structure with a rear ell near the turn of the century. The Ed Knight House is an outstanding example of the traditional evolution of the dog-trot plan in Dallas County. The enclosure of the dog-trot, in this case into a very unusual double pen plan, reflects an expression of rural affluence in the county.

Acreage: less than 1

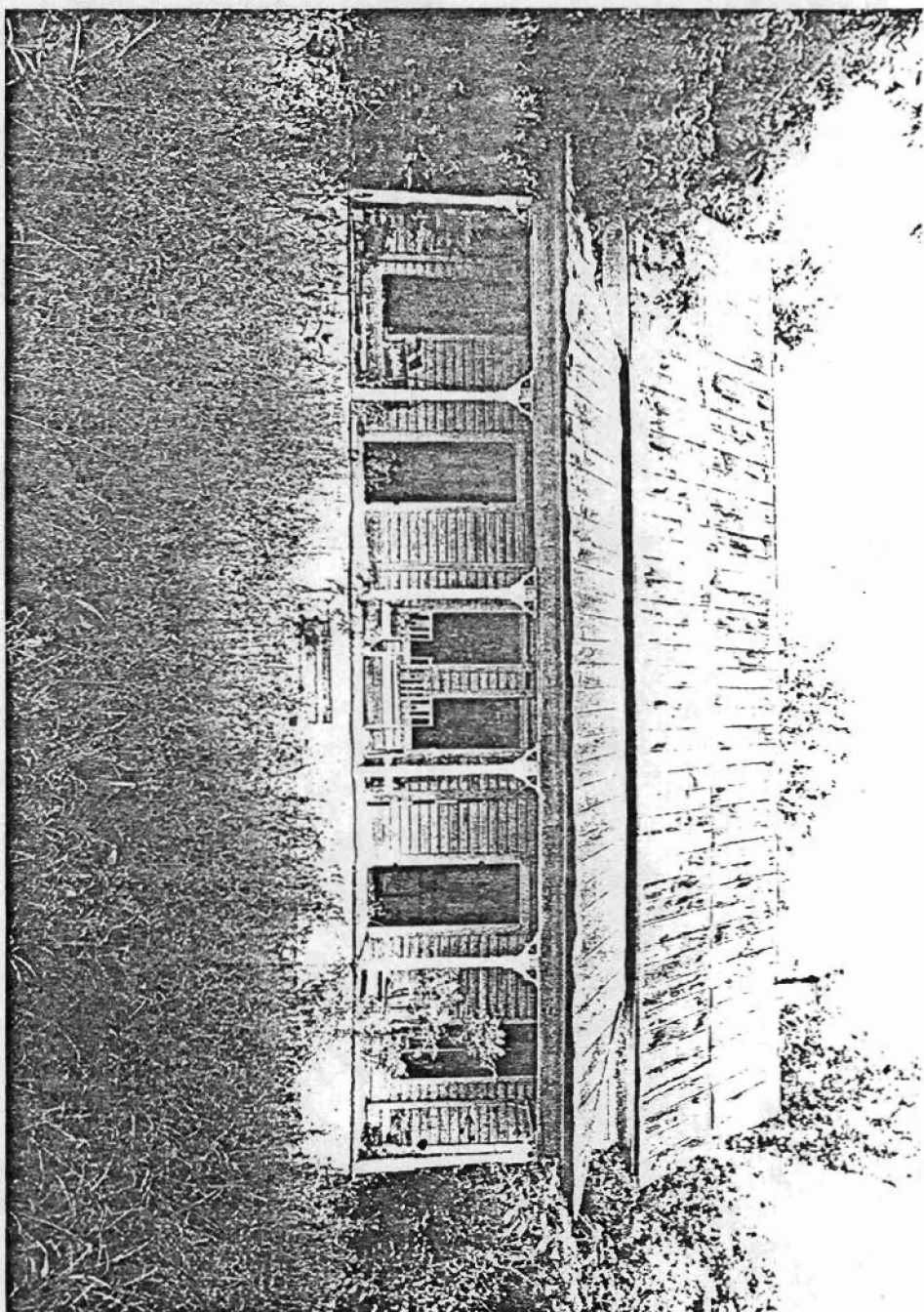
Quadrangle Name: Quachita

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000

UTM Reference: 15 S19460/3747050

Verbal Boundary Description:

The nominated property, located within the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of section 7, T10S R16W, is bounded on the north, south, east and west by lines running parallel to and 100' from each of the four major facades of the house.



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Knight House  
Sarah Brown, photographer  
May 28, 1982  
Negative on file at the AHPP  
View from the east