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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Sulietin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information, if an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable," For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property				
historic name "Storm Cellar," W	Villiam Howell Ho	ouse		
other names/site number WH0182				
2. Location			-	not for publication N/A
street & number County Road 47				not for publication N/A vicinity N/A
city, town Clay state Arkansas code	AR county	White code	ΔR	145 zlp code 72143
state Arkansas code A	AR county	White code	Pitt	140 ZID CUGU 12145
3. Classification				
Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of	Resou	irces within Property
X private	X building(s)	Contributing	g	Noncontributing
public-local	district	11	_	bulldings
public-State	site			sites
public-Federal	structure		_	structures
	Object		_	objects
		1		Total
Name of related multiple property listing:		Number of	contrit	outing resources previously
<u>Historic and Architectural Reso</u>	ources of	listed in the	Natio	onal Register <u>N/A</u>
White County, Arkansas				
4. State/Federal Agency Certificati	ion			
National Register of Historic Places at In My opinion, the property meets				ontinuation sheet.
Signature of Contifying official Arkansas Historic Preserva	tion Program			Date
State or Federal agency and bureau				
In my opinion, the property meets	does not meet the	National Register criteria.	See c	ontinuation sheet.
Signature of commenting or other official				Date
State or Federal agency and bureau				
5. National Park Service Certificati	lon		AND THE WALL	
i, hereby, certify that this property is:				
entered in the National Register.				
See continuation sheet.				
determined eligible for the National				
Register. See continuation sheet.				
determined not eligible for the				
National Register.				
removed from the National Register.				
other, (explain:)				
		Signature of the Keener		Date of Action

6. Function or Use	
Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions) Domestic/SecondaryStructure	Current Functions (enter categories from instructions) Domestic/Secondary Structure
7. Description	
Architectural Classification (enter categories from instructions)	Materials (enter categories from instructions)
Other: Rough-Hewn Fieldstone Masonry	foundation <u>Stone</u> walls <u>Stone</u>
	roof <u>Metal</u>

8. Statement of Significance Certifying official has considered the		nce of t		erty in r		to other		
Applicable National Register Criteria	ДΑ	□ 8	⊠c	E D				۵
Criteria Considerations (Exceptions)	□A	□в	□с	□₽	□E	□F	□G	
Areas of Significance (enter categorie Architecture	s from ir	nstructio	ons)		C.	of Signit 1930 Affiliati		 Significant Dates N/A
Significant Person N/A	1	,a2				et/Builde known		

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

9. Major Bibliographical References	
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See "Historic and Architectural Resources of	White County, Arkansas," Section H.
Previous documentation on file (NPS):	See continuation sheet
preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67)	Primary location of additional data:
has been requested	State historic preservation office
previously listed in the National Register	Other State agency
previously determined eligible by the National Register designated a National Historic Landmark	Federal agency
recorded by Historic American Buildings	Local government University
Survey #	Other
recorded by Historic American Engineering	Specify repository:
Record #	
10. Consending Pote	
10. Geographical Data	V 431 W 4 1
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UTM References	
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Verbal Boundary Description	
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	See continuation sheet
Boundary Justification	
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11. Form Prepared By	
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organization Arkansas Historic Preservation Program	n date 6/13/91
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The Storm Cellar at the William Howell House is a single story, stone masonry storm cellar. It is square in plan. Its metal gable roof and heavy, fieldstone walls are supported by a continuous fieldstone foundation. The southern wall is relieved only by a central, wood plank door. The three other elevations are blank.



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Significance

Criterion C, local significance

The "Storm Cellar" (so-called due to some doubt as to its original function: the local oral tradition maintains that it served the family as a storm cellar, and yet its overall form and design resembles a number of outbuildings around the state that have been documented as food storage buildings. Nevertheless, it is certainly a secondary structure associated with the house itself, and the locally common name has been retained) at the William Howell House is significant in the county as the best example of a fieldstone masonry storm cellar from this era of White County history (Boom and Bust: The War and Depression Years, 1914-1939; Section E,4) and as an unusual example of a protective shelter obviously overbuilt by the hand of a vernacular craftsman. Its heavy, spreading stone walls and low aspect lend it a rough-hewn, organic quality that is both appropriate to its purported purpose and aesthetically successful.



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Acreage of property: Less than one

UTM References:

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Verbal Boundary Description:

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of a line running parallel with the storm cellar's southern elevation and located 25 feet to the south thereof with a perpendicular line running parallel to the eastern elevation of the storm cellar and located 25 feet to the east thereof, proceed northerly along the latter line for a distance of approximately 100 feet to a point formed by its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel to the storm cellar's northern elevation; thence proceed westerly along said line for a distance of approximately 100 feet to a point formed by its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel to the storm cellar's western elevation; thence proceed southerly for a distance of approximately 100 feet along said line to a point formed by its intersection with a perpendicular line running parallel with the storm cellar's southern elevation; thence proceed easterly for a distance of approximately 100 feet along said line to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification:

This resource was constructed as part of a larger farmstead that has lost its integrity as such; thus, this boundary includes all the property known to be historically associated with this resource.





