

INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

Address 7785 Clement Rd

Governmental Unit Independence Township
County Oakland

USGS Map Title Clarkston
Area Map Independence Fire Department
Street Address Map - 2/14/96

Original Usage Farmstead
Present Usage Single-family residence

Ownership Francis J. & Kellie M. Guibord

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Site No. 31-04
Sidwell No. 08-31-151-002



Description Gable-front-and-wing house with a rubble stone foundation. According the owner, the original configuration of the house has changed, due to a fire in the kitchen twenty years ago and subsequent reconstruction. Hand hewn rafters are found within the original section of the house. Anachronistic features include the decorative shutters and the exterior siding.

Also located on the site is the foundation of an outhouse (front of house), a dump area (front of house) and a foundation of a barn (maybe on adjacent property).

Date of Construction house-1880 (WPA Rural Properties Inventory), 1934 (township tax records, probably a remodel date); foundations-unknown

Condition house-good; farm structures-ruins
Integrity house-poor; farm structures-poor

Ownership
History See Appendix B

Significance The site is significant as the location of the Miller farmstead. Paul Miller purchased the property as early as 1857 and the property remained in the Miller family for over seventy years.

Bibliographic Guibord, Kellie. Personal communication. 8/98
Reference Additional references: see Appendix A