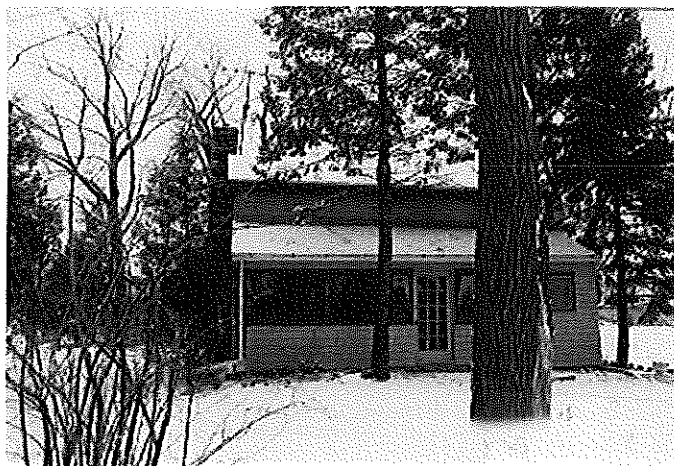


## INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

**Address** 9900 Darthmouth Rd  
**Governmental Unit** Independence Township  
**County** Oakland  
**USGS Map Title** Oxford  
**Area Map** Independence Fire Department  
Street Address Map - 2/14/96  
**Original Usage** Farmstead  
**Present Usage** Single-family residential  
**Ownership** Suzanne Ozinski  
**Photography**  
**Roll: Frame No.** 8:19A  
**View of Photo** E  
**Date of Photo** 8/98  
**Surveyor/Date** D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998  
**Recorder/Date** D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 27, 1998

**Site No.** 01-02  
**Sidwell No.** 08-01-301-001



**Description** One and one-half story side-gabled Greek Revival house with a rubble stone foundation. Changes to the structure include the enclosure of the original covered front porch and the anachronistic exterior siding. The gable end cornice lines still possess the wide band of trim typically found on Greek Revival buildings.

**Date of Construction** 1870 (WPA Rural Property Inventory) The actual date may be earlier- 1870 is late for Greek Revival houses.

**Condition** good  
**Integrity** fair

**Ownership History** See Appendix B

**Significance** Undetermined

**Bibliographic Reference** See Appendix A

**INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY**

**Address** 10410 Darthmouth Rd.

**Governmental Unit** Independence Township  
**County** Oakland

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

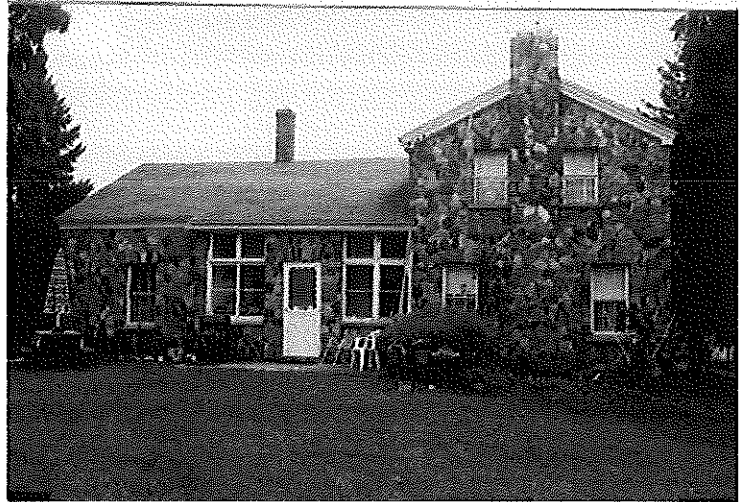
**Original Usage** Farmstead  
**Present Usage** Single-family residence  
 & tree farm

**Ownership** Donald L. Moran

**Photography**  
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**View of Photo** SE,NE,SW,E,W,NE,E  
**Date of Photo** 8/98

**Surveyor/Date** D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998  
**Recorder/Date** D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 27, 1998

**Site No.** 01-01  
**Sidwell No.** 08-01-100-003



28. Residence

**Description** Gable-front-and-wing Greek Revival house, with a rubble stone foundation. Anachronistic changes to the structure include the enclosure of the original small recessed front porch, the lost of the wide trim band which typically emphasizes the cornice lines of Greek Revival homes, the addition of an exterior chimney to the facade, and the covering of all but one of the exterior walls with anachronistic stone (facade) or aluminum siding (back and one side).

Farm structures include two large barns with gable roofs, a corn crib, and a stone well house. According to the current owners, one of the large barns (west) was moved onto the property by former owners from another farm on Indianwood Road. They also believe that the stone well house is very old; however, the WPA Rural Property Inventory (1939) indicates that it was built in 1936. The other large barn (east) still has its wooden roof shingles and may date from the 1850s (similar barn indicated on the WPA Rural Property Inventory). Also found on the property is a partial foundation from an additional barn, and an alley of sugar maple trees, which originally lined the entry drive to the property.

**Date of Construction** house-1850; barn (west) unknown; barn (east) possibly from 1850; corn crib-1900; pump house 1936  
**Condition** house-good; barn (west) fair; barn (east) poor; corn crib-fair; well house-good  
**Integrity** house-fair; barns-good; corncrib-fair; well house-good

**Ownership**  
**History** See Appendix B

**Significance** The property is significant as the home of Moses Case, the first treasurer of the Union Burying Grounds located just west of the Case farmstead. Today, the burying grounds is called the Case Cemetery. The property is also significant because it is one of the few properties left in the township with its original farm house and multiple farm structures.

**Bibliographic Reference** Oakland County Office of Deeds  
 Moran, Mr. & Mrs. Personal communication. 8/98  
 Everts, L. H. and Company, *History of Oakland County, Michigan*. Philadelphia: J.B. Lippincott and Company. 1877.

Additional references: see Appendix A



## INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP INVENTORY

**Address** 10415 Dartmouth (Case Cemetery)

**Site No.** 02-01  
**Sidwell No.** 08-02-200-001

**Governmental Unit** Independence Township  
**County** Oakland

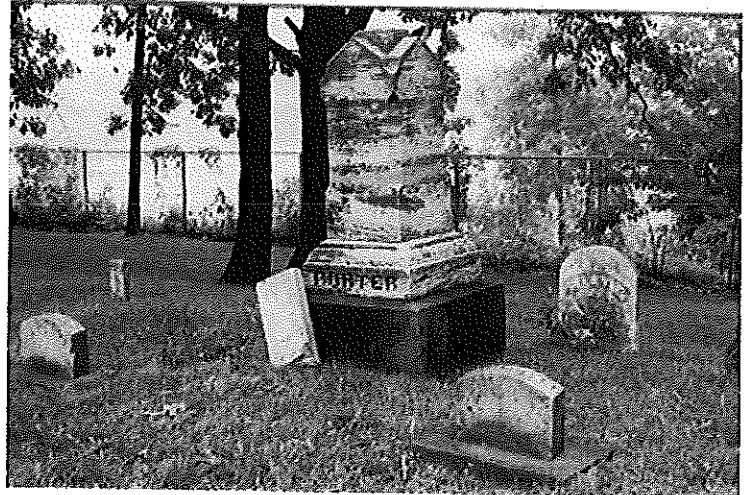
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**Area Map** Independence Fire Department  
Street Address Map - 2/14/96

**Original Usage** Cemetery  
**Present Usage** Cemetery

**Ownership** Independence Township

**Photography**  
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**View of Photo** SE  
**Date of Photo** 8/98

**Surveyor/Date** D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 8-12, 1998  
**Recorder/Date** D. Dietrich-Smith/Aug 28, 1998



**Description** Small rural cemetery enclosed in a six foot chain-linked fence with a locked gate. The majority of the stones date back to the early settlement period of the township.

**Date of Construction** ca. 1836  
**Condition** good  
**Integrity** good

**Ownership**  
**History** See Appendix B

**Significance** Case Cemetery, one of the earliest cemeteries in the township, is a significant historic landscape. Established in 1836, this half acre parcel was first known as the Union Burying-Grounds. The first interment was that of an infant. An association of men oversaw the maintenance of the cemetery, including the erection of a fence around its perimeter. The first treasurer of the association was Moses Case.

**Bibliographic Reference** Everts, L. H. and Company, *History of Oakland County, Michigan*. Philadelphia: J.B. Lippincott and Company. 1877.

Additional references: see Appendix A