

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

# 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 Bulletin 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 Meierhoffer House  
other names/site number 0-14

### 2. Location

street & number 120 East High Street N/A not for publication  
city, town Boonville N/A vicinity  
state Missouri code MO county Cooper code 053 zip code 65233

### 3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
		Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u> objects
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic Resources of Boonville, Mo.  
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

### 4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination  request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria.  See continuation sheet.

*G. Tracy Mehan III*  
Signature of certifying official: G. Tracy Mehan III, Director Date 3 August 85  
Department of Natural Resources and State Historic Preservation Officer  
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria.  See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
State or Federal agency and bureau \_\_\_\_\_

### 5. National Park Service Certification

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 Keeper

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Action

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

Dyer, Robert L. Boonville: An Illustrated History. Boonville, Missouri: Pekitanoui Publications, 1987.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Company Maps, Boonville, Missouri. 1900 and 1910.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # \_\_\_\_\_
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # \_\_\_\_\_

See continuation sheet

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: \_\_\_\_\_

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of property less than one acre

UTM References

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1	5
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5	2	1	6	2	5
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4	3	1	3	9	4	0
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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal Boundary Description

The property lies within Lot #108 of the Original Town plat for the city of Boonville, Mo.

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Boundary Justification

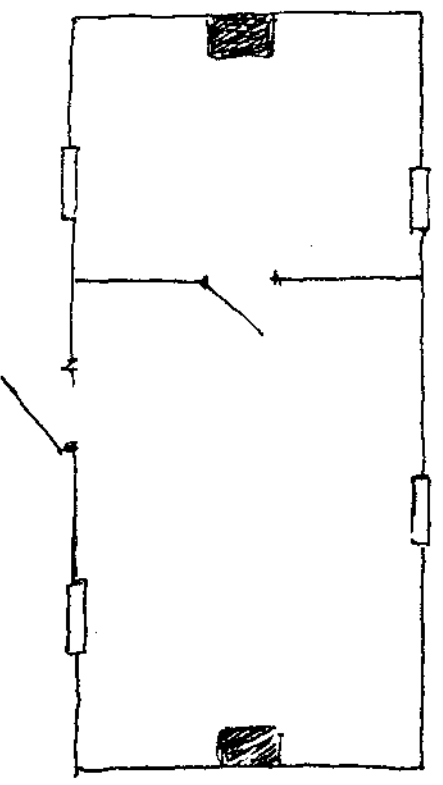
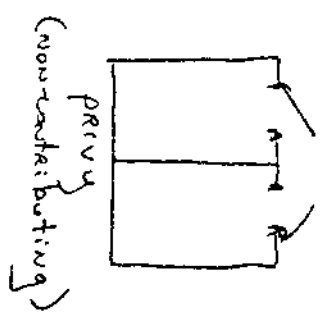
The boundary encompasses the single parcel of land that is occupied by the property and its immediate surroundings. The legally recorded lot lines that have been historically associated with the property retain integrity and form the limits of the boundary.

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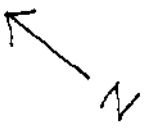
**11. Form Prepared By**

name/title Preservation Planning Section  
organization Missouri Historic Preservation Program date May 5, 1989  
street & number P. O. Box 176 telephone 314/751-5365  
city or town Jefferson City state Missouri zip code 65102

Meierhoffer House  
120 East High Street  
Boonville, Cooper County



East High Street



not to scale

## 6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic: Single dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Vacant: not in use

## 7. Description

Architectural Classification  
(enter categories from instructions)

Other: Vernacular brick building

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick

walls Brick

roof Metal

other \_\_\_\_\_

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

### MEIERHOFFER HOUSE

**SUMMARY:** The Meierhoffer House, 120 East High Street, is a rectangular, one-story with full basement, vernacular brick dwelling constructed on a central hall plan. Its load bearing brick walls are laid in a common bond variant with seven stretcher rows per header row. Its gable roof is sheathed with tin. Because the lot slopes roughly to the south, the basement of the rear, or south, elevation is partially exposed. All bays in the house are surmounted by segmentally arched rowlock headers, identified as a characteristic feature employed by Missouri-German craftsmen. Despite minor alterations, the Meierhoffer House retains sufficient physical characteristics to convey integrity of workmanship, materials, and design, in addition to its integrity of location and setting.

**ELABORATION:** The facade, or north-northwest elevation, is divided into three symmetrically arranged bays. A door with transom occupies the central bay, while the flanking bays house four-over-four, double hung sash, partially concealed by plywood. Interior end brick chimneys are set in the ridge at each gable end.

The east-northeast elevation contains a single window, identical to those on the facade, in a bay in the north end of the elevation. The main, or entry, level of the west-southwest elevation also contains an identical single bay, located on the south end of the elevation. The basement level of the east-northeast elevation is divided into two symmetrically arranged bays. The southernmost bay contains a door, while the remaining bay holds a window identical to those described on the other elevations.

The rear, or south-southeast elevation is symmetrically divided into two bays occupied by four-over-four, double hung sash. The partially exposed basement level also contains two identical windows, one located beneath the upper level's easternmost bay, while the second is located between the westernmost bay and the edge of the elevation.

A noncontributing shed roofed, concrete block structure to the east of the Meierhoffer House contained two privies and dates to a recent use of the house as a rental property. Two doors open in the south-southeast elevation.

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**8. Statement of Significance**

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally     statewide     locally

Applicable National Register Criteria     A     B     C     D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions)     A     B     C     D     E     F     G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

Period of Significance

c. 1900  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Significant Dates

c. 1900  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Cultural Affiliation

N/A  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Significant Person

N/A  
\_\_\_\_\_

Architect/Builder

Unknown  
\_\_\_\_\_

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

SUMMARY: The Meierhoffer House, 120 East High Street, is significant under Criterion C in the area of ARCHITECTURE. Constructed circa 1900, the Meierhoffer House is a substantially unaltered example of the Vernacular Brick Buildings property type (see "Historic Resources of Boonville, Missouri: Additional Architectural Contexts"). Its austere central hall plan, brick construction, and arched window and door headers are characteristic features of the property type.

ELABORATION: Constructed by 1900, according to a Sanborn Fire Insurance Company map of that year, the Meierhoffer House may have been the residence of Charles Meierhoffer, who operated the Meierhoffer Sand Company. The house, as well as the sand company office building, was built on the site of a cooperage shop operated originally by Jacob Meierhoffer, Charles's father, a German immigrant who settled in Boonville in the 1850s. Jacob later operated the cooperage shop in a partnership with his two sons, and, in 1887, Charles Meierhoffer bought his brother's interest in the business. The house was later maintained as a rental property. Presently it is vacant.

**Photo Log:**

Name of Property: **Meierhoffer House**

City or Vicinity: **Boonville**

County: **Cooper County** State: **MO**

Photographer: **S. Mitchell**

Date

Photographed: **April 1989**

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

- 1 of 3. Detail of window header, view from S
- 2 of 3. View from NW
- 3 of 3. Detail of window header, view from S





