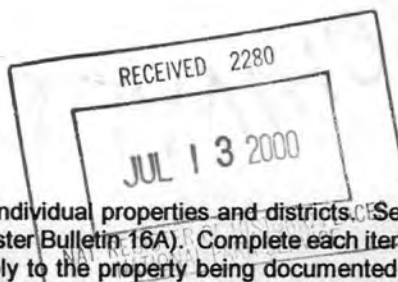


United States Department of the Interior  
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places  
Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.



## 1. Name of Property

historic name Chambers, C. Scott, House and Funeral Parlorother names/site number BE-861

## 2. Location

street & number 111 North Main Street not for publication N/Acity or town Walton vicinity N/Astate Kentucky code KY county Boone code 015 zip code 41094

## 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, as amended, I hereby certify that this X 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 X meets    does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant    nationally    statewide X locally. (    See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

David L. Morgan, SHPO and  
Executive Director, KHC

Date

6-5-2000

Signature of certifying official/Title

State Historic Preservation Office/Kentucky Heritage Council

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property    meets    does not meet the National Register criteria. (    See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

## 4. 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

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

☒ private  
☐ public-local  
☐ public-State  
☐ public-Federal

Category of Property

(Check only one box)

☒ building(s)  
☐ district  
☐ site  
☐ structure  
☐ object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously-listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	1	buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1	1	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

Historic Resources of Boone County, Kentucky

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

FUNERARY/mortuary

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

LATE 19<sup>TH</sup> & EARLY 20<sup>TH</sup> AMERICAN MOVEMENTS/Bungalow

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation CONCRETE

walls WOOD; STUCCO

roof ASPHALT

other \_\_\_\_\_

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets)

Refer to continuation sheets

**United States Department of the Interior**  
**National Park Service**

**National Register of Historic Places**  
**Continuation Sheet**

***Chambers, C. Scott House and Funeral Home***  
***(Historic Resources of Boone County, Kentucky)***

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**Description**

The C. Scott Chambers House and Funeral Parlor (BE-861) is a c. 1920 stuccoed Bungalow of one and one-half stories, meeting the definition of a "semi-bungalow" as described by Clay Lancaster in **The American Bungalow**<sup>1</sup>. As noted in the National Register of Historic Places Multiple Property Documentation Form, "Historic Resources of Boone County, Kentucky," "the Bungalow became a leading American house type during the years between the World Wars and was the predominate Boone County house type of this era." The Chambers House is located in a mixed-use residential/commercial area of Walton, in southeastern Boone County, only a few blocks west of the Boone-Kenton County line. The Chambers House is a representative example of Property Type IN, *domestic architecture/Bungalow*, as defined in the Boone County MPDF. The property is little altered from the original and retains integrity.

The Chambers House has an exterior finish of stucco (Photo 1) with a symmetrical three-bay facade with a centered entry. The house features a lateral gable roof is oriented on a north-south axis and is punctuated by a gabled dormer centered on the facade, incorporating a three-unit window assembly; a matching dormer, with a four-unit window, is located on the rear (Photo 2). Brick chimneys also rise from the front slopes of the roof. Typical of the style, the front slope of the roof sweeps forward and overhangs a recessed front porch, which is supported by four brick pillars. A similar recessed porch, screened-in, extends across the rear of the house (Photo 2). The screening of the rear porch was accomplished without any adverse impact upon historic fabric and does not impair the overall integrity of the house. On the north elevation is a one-story oriel with a shed roof (Photo 3). All openings are flat-topped. Windows have vertical lights in the upper sash and a single light in the lower, with no architectural embellishment.

The interior of the Chambers House is essentially original and remarkably unaltered from the original. It includes a centered entry hall with a double-run wood stair (Photo 4). Front parlors are on either side of the central hall (Photo 5) and a diningroom and kitchen are at the rear of the house. The woodwork of the house is of varnished pine and golden oak, in an original and unpainted condition. Some 1920s history lighting fixtures have been retained.

The Chambers House sits back from the right-of-way of Main Street, with a sidewalk extending north-south at curbside, and a concrete sidewalk leading westward from the public sidewalk to the front porch. A concrete-paved driveway is along the south property line, leading to a c. 1975 one-story, two-car garage with a gable roof and gable-end orientation to the street (Photo 6); built outside the Period of Significance for the property, the garage is a non-contributing feature within the context of the nomination. Directly behind the house is a hand pump plumbed into a water well; this feature is an uncounted landscape feature within the context of the nomination.

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<sup>1</sup>(New York: Abbeville Press, 1985), p. 192.



## 8. Statement of Significance

### Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "X" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- ☐ **A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- ☐ **B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- ☒ **C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- ☐ **D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

### Criteria Considerations

Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- ☐ **A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- ☐ **B** removed from its original location.
- ☐ **C** a birthplace or a grave.
- ☐ **D** a cemetery.
- ☐ **E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- ☐ **F** a commemorative property.
- ☐ **G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years

### Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

### Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

#### ARCHITECTURE

### Period of Significance

c. 1920

### Significant Dates

c. 1920

### Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

### Cultural Affiliation

N/A

### Architect/Builder

unidentified

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

### Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

#### 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 # \_\_\_\_\_

#### Primary location of additional data:

- ☐ State Historic Preservation Office
- ☐ Other state agency
- ☐ Federal agency
- ☐ Local government
- ☐ University
- ☐ Other

Name of repository:

**United States Department of the Interior**

National Park Service

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(Historic Resources of Boone County, Kentucky)***

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**Significance**

The c. 1920 C. Scott Chambers House and Funeral Parlor (BE-861) meets National Register Criterion C and is significant for its architectural design, as a locally-distinctive, well-preserved example of the Bungalow style which was popular in America during the second three decades of the twentieth century. With reference to the Boone County MPDF, the property is significant within historic contexts I and V, "Settlement, Growth, and Maturity of Boone County, 1789-1950," and "Domestic Architecture in Boone County, 1789-1950," respectively. The nominated property retains integrity and meets fully the Registration Requirements for Property Type I resources as set forth in Section F of the MPDF.

Walton was the largest community in Boone County at the time of construction of the Chambers house. Described in a 1914 edition of the *Walton Advertiser* as, "the metropolis of Boone County,"<sup>2</sup> the settlement initially grew along the Covington-Lexington Turnpike (later U. S. Route 25). The location of the village, along both the Louisville & Nashville and the Cincinnati and Southern Railroads, became a major factor in the early twentieth-century growth of the settlement.

The nominated property was built for C. Scott Chambers, a leading Walton businessman and proprietor of his own undertaking establishment. Chambers (1871-1943) was born in Petersburg, Boone County, and moved to Walton in 1900 to establish his highly successful business. Describing Scott Chambers, the 1930 "Historical Edition" of the *Boone County Recorder* wrote, "by industry, courtesy, and kind consideration of his fellow men, he has built up a large patronage not only in his own community but in the adjoining counties as well." Chambers' daughter, Mary Scott Chambers, followed in her father's footsteps. She conducted her first graveside service at the age of thirteen and following her graduation from high school three years later, she entered the Cincinnati College of Embalming, traveling daily from Walton to Cincinnati by train. Following her graduation, she had to wait until she became twenty-one before she could receive her license. When she did become licensed, Mary Scott Chambers became the first woman to be licensed in that profession in the state. The business continued under the management of Mary and her husband, Wallace K. Grubbs, trading as the Chambers-Grubbs Funeral Home. Mary Chambers Grubbs became a respected community leader, reflected in the fact that the highway connecting Interstate 75 with U. S. 25 in Walton is named in her honor.

The house served as Chambers' residence as well as his funeral home. He lived here until his death in 1943. The property ceased to serve as a funeral home in 1936 and was sold out of the family. In 1996, Chambers' grandson acquired the property and it remains in his ownership at the time of writing.

The Chambers House is significant under Criterion C, as an example of the Bungalow style of architectural design. The Bungalow became a leading American house type in American during the years between the World Wars and was the predominant Boone County house type of its era; more than one hundred of the houses were surveyed during the 1993 and 1996 county-wide surveys. Seen in town and country alike, they were constructed in large numbers during the 1920s and 1930s, with a few built as late as the mid-1940s. Boone County's richest and most varied collection of Bungalows is in Walton and includes many distinctive

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<sup>2</sup>Reprinted in **150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary City of Walton 1840-1990** (Walton, 1990), p. 30.

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**Significance, continued**

examples, including the Chambers House. Boone County Bungalows are somewhat less avant-garde than those in the immediate Cincinnati suburbs of Covington and Newport. The vast majority of Boone County Bungalows are comparatively modestly-scaled and were built for the middle class. In general, they are simple and straightforward in design and boxlike in form, utilizing readily available building materials. Some Bungalows include subdued stylistic references to the Arts and Crafts movement, such as exposed rafter tails, vertical window muntins, and battered porch support posts.

Three major bungalow subtypes have been identified in Boone County. The predominant bungalow subtype is the semi-bungalow, as described by Clay Lancaster in his study of the house type. The Chambers House is an example of this type. As noted in the MPDF, these buildings are one and-one half stories in height and have gently-pitched, lateral-gabled roofs. The facades usually are of three bays, arranged more or less symmetrically, with centered doorways. The Chambers House completely meets this description.

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National Park Service

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Oral interview with owners, 1999, incorporated into text of nomination.

Warminski, Margo. Kentucky Historic Resources Survey Form BE-861 ("C. Scott Chambers House"), filed at Kentucky Heritage Council, Frankfort, Kentucky.



Chamber, C. Scott, House and Funeral Parlor  
Name of Property

Boone County, KY  
County and State

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 0.33 acres

### UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
1	16	707 020	4304 900	3			
2				4			

N/A See continuation sheet.

### Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

### Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title David L. Taylor, Principal

organization Taylor & Taylor Associates, Inc. date November, 1999

street & number 9 Walnut Street telephone 814-849-4900

city or town Brookville state PA zip code 15825

### Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

#### Continuation Sheets

#### Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

#### Photographs

Representative **black and white** photographs of the property.

#### Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

### Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Buddy and Linda Grubbs

street & number 111 North Main Street telephone \_\_\_\_\_

city or town Walton state KY zip code 41094

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**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

Being that property described in Boone County, Kentucky Deed Book 610, Page 274 and Property Pax Parcel Map No. W1-9-10, more particularly shown on the attached map prepared by the Boone County Planning Commission.

**JUSTIFICATION**

The boundaries for this nomination consist only of the building lot occupied by the Chambers House, which has historically been a part of this property and retains its architectural integrity and significance.

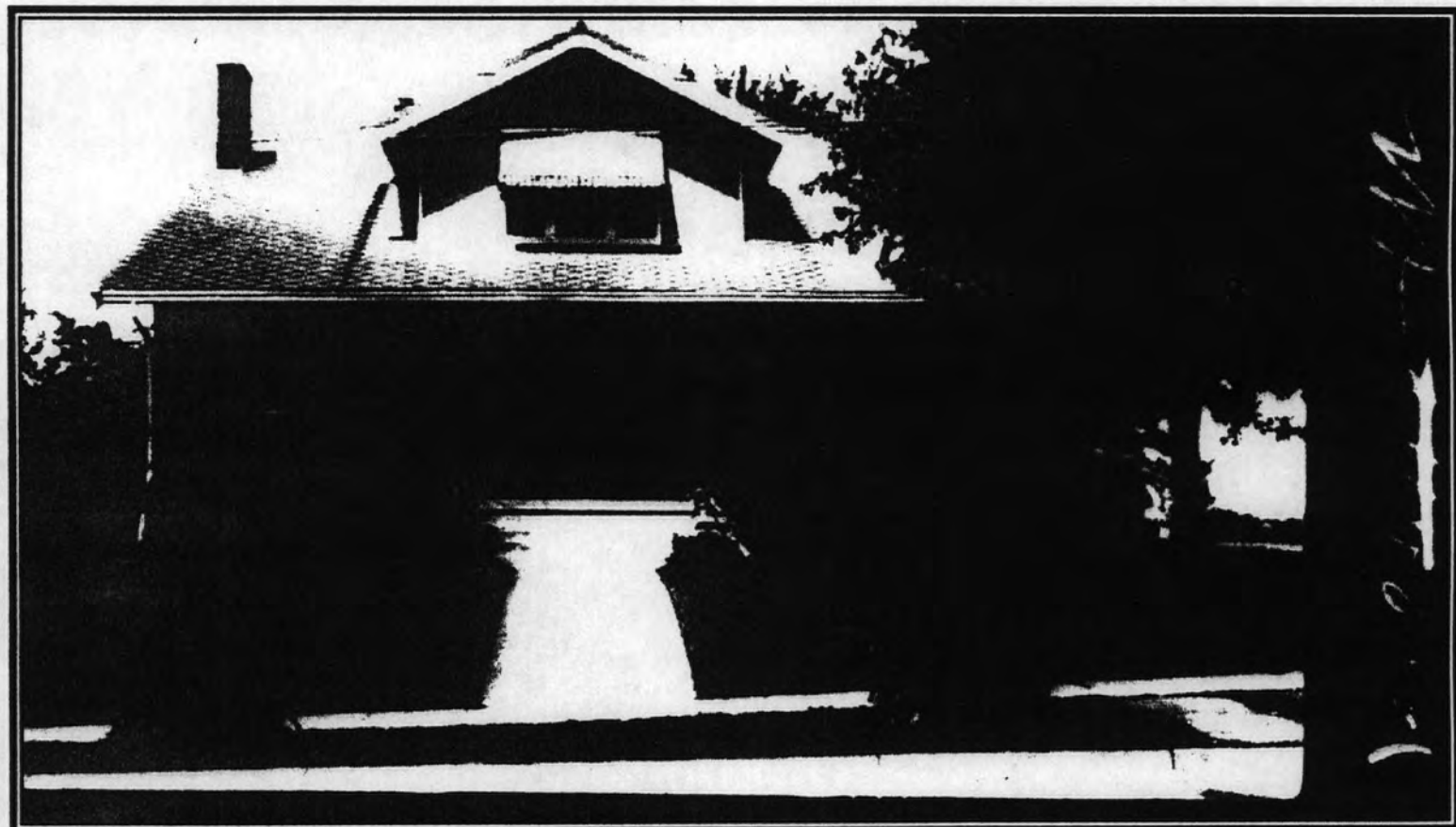
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**Fig. 1** This c. 1930 view shows the Chambers House and Funeral Home as it existed at that time, and demonstrates the lack of change to the property since its original construction.





**A - House**  
**B - Garage - Non-Contributing**  
**Area = 0.33 Acres**

**Historic Resources of Boone County, KY**

**C. Scott Chambers**

**BE - 861**

200 0 200 Feet

1 inch equals 200 feet

Produced by the  
 Boone County Planning Commission  
 GIS Services Division  
 March 23, 2000



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Chambers, C. Scott, House and Funeral Parlor  
NAME:

MULTIPLE Boone County, Kentucky MPS  
NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: KENTUCKY, Boone

DATE RECEIVED: 7/13/00 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 7/25/00  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 8/10/00 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 8/27/00  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 00000911

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 8/24/00 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

**Entered in the  
National Register**

RECOM./CRITERIA \_\_\_\_\_

REVIEWER \_\_\_\_\_ DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

















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(UNION)

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

STATE OF  
KENTUCKY  
UNIVERSITY

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C. Scott Chamber Hse.  
Boone County, Ky  
Zone 16  
Easting - 707020  
Northing - 4304900



Please refer to the map in the  
Boone County MRA Cover  
Sheet for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000206





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SHPO

June 1, 2000



Ms. Carol Shull, Chief  
National Register of Historic Places  
National Park Service, U. S. Department of Interior  
1849 C St. NW Room NC 400  
Washington, D. C. 20240

Dear Ms. Shull:

Enclosed is documentation for Kentucky properties recommended by the Review Board to meet the National Register eligibility criteria at their May 18, 2000 meeting. The properties include:

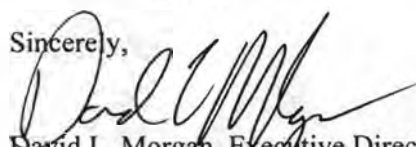
**Irvine Grade School, Estill County, KY**  
**Irvine Historic Business District, Estill County, KY**  
**Lakes, Arthur, Log House, Jackson County, KY**  
**Lee, Addison, House, Jefferson County, KY**  
**Wirth, Lang & Company/ The Louisville Leather Company Tanning Building, Jefferson Co, KY**  
**Camp Nelson, Jessamine County, KY**  
**Moser Houses, Kenton County, KY**  
**Home of the Friendless, McCracken County, KY**  
**Shake Rag Historic District, Warren County, KY**

Also included is the Multiple Property Submission, **Historic and Architectural Resources of the County of Boone, Kentucky, 1789-1950**. The nominations supported by this cover include:

<b>Jenkins-Berkshire House,</b>	<b>Verona High School</b>	<b>Rogers, Boone Fowler, Barn</b>
<b>Clore, Jonas Log House</b>	<b>Stevenson, Dr. John E., House</b>	<b>Huey, Thomas, Farm</b>
<b>Blankenbecker-Riley Farm</b>	<b>Williams, Caroline, Log House</b>	<b>Goodridge, Virginia Corey, House</b>
<b>George-Vest House</b>	<b>Gregory, Peter House</b>	<b>Glore, William Milburn, House</b>
<b>Chambers, Robert, House</b>	<b>Chambers, C. Scott, House and Funeral Parlor</b>	

As State Historic Preservation Officer, I conclude that these properties meet the National Register eligibility criteria. I request that they be entered in the National Register of Historic Places. Thank you for considering the historic significance of these Kentucky properties.

Sincerely,

  
David L. Morgan, Executive Director  
Kentucky Heritage Council and  
State Historic Preservation Officer