

COUNTY: **Brooks**

NO. **259**

GEORGIA ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES SURVEY-INVENTORY FORM

<p>I. IDENTIFICATION</p>	<p>F-33 PROPERTY NAME: James MacMullen Home</p> <p>STREET ADDRESS: Southwestern section of County - Old Thomasville - Madison Road</p> <p>PRESENT OWNER: James Redding Ramsey</p> <p>CITY: Quitman</p> <p>CURRENT USE: Residence</p> <p>U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE Groouerville</p> <p>V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER:</p>	<p>HISTORIC NAME: Same</p> <p>CITY: Rural</p> <p>MAILING ADDRESS:</p> <p>STATE: Ga. ZIP CODE: 31643</p> <p>ACREAGE:</p> <p>U.T.M. REFERENCE:</p> <p>(see photo on reverse)</p>
<p>II. DESCRIPTION</p>	<p>ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION:</p> <p>Two story rectangular plan house with hipped, gabled roof. Clapboard siding. Shed porch with square posts. sash windows with 2/2 lights. Transom. Brick piers. Double front doors. Good condition. Interior: Twelve rooms, entrance hall, 2 baths, wide halls, and porches.</p>	
<p>III. HISTORY</p>	<p>ORIGINAL OWNER: James & Harriet McMullen</p> <p>ARCHITECT/BUILDER:</p> <p>DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c. 1840</p> <p>HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT):</p>	<p>ORIGINAL USE: Residence</p> <p>HISTORIC ACREAGE:</p> <p>DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS:</p> <p>Has belonged in the same family since construction, and the present owner is the fifth generation of the McMullens. Main part of house built with hand hewn logs and hand planed wide boards. Bricks used were made at the old brick pond on the place. James McMullen was one of the first justices of the Inferior Court of Brooks Co. (from 1859-1861). He and his brother, John McMullen were stockholders in the old Atlantic and Gulf (see reverse)</p>
<p>IV. SIGNIFICANCE</p>	<p>N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecturally & Historically LEVEL:</p> <p>STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL):</p> <p>This home represents the early American pioneer home style, of which there are <u>very</u> few remaining. Also, the McMullen family was an integral part of the agricultural and economic development of Brooks County.</p>	
<p>V. SOURCES</p>	<p>FORM PREPARED BY: Smith, Bartholomew</p> <p>ADDRESS: 327 Savannah Ave. Valdosta, Ga. 31601</p> <p>REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS:</p> <p>SOURCES OF INFORMATION: A Treasury of Brooks County</p>	<p>ORGANIZATION: South Georgia Area Planning and Development Commission</p> <p>TELEPHONE NUMBER: 912-247-3454 or 3494</p>

Freda Smith - Roll 33 - March '81

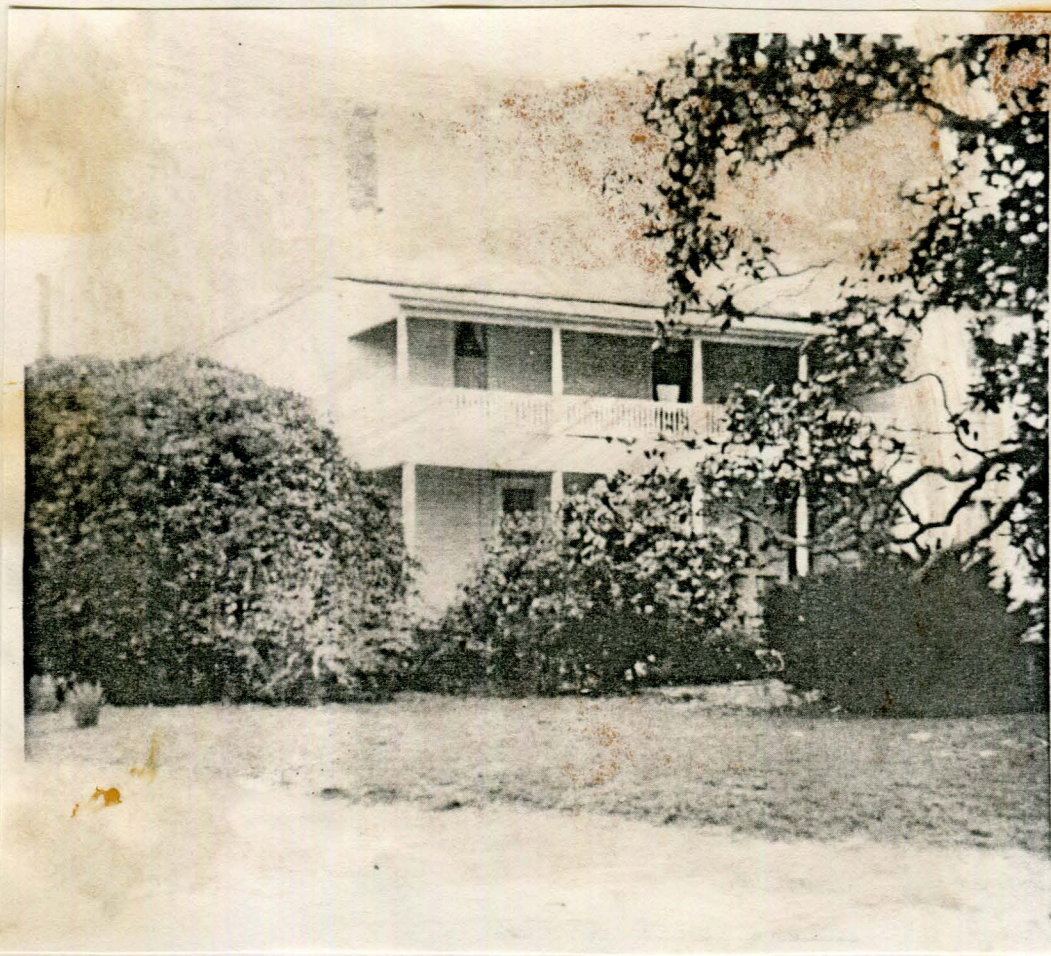


Photo taken from the Historical Treasures of Brooks County

Railroads - now the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad. Both were large landowners.

In 1865. Jacob Moody - a son-in-law, owned lands

1875 - Francis and Josephine Groover

1900 - Clayton and Henrietta Ramsey (granddaughter of James and Harriet McMullen)

- In 1909, the Ramseys remodeled the house. The main part of the home was retained upstairs and downstairs.

1938, James Redding Ramsey, (son of Clayton) occupied the house after his father's death.

The Ramseys have kept the home in excellent condition. They live in the house and continue to operate the farm and raise livestock.

