

COUNTY: Brooks

NO. 226

GEORGIA ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES SURVEY-INVENTORY FORM

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I. IDENTIFICATION

PROPERTY NAME: Grooverville Methodist HISTORIC NAME: Grooverville Methodist
STREET ADDRESS: South western section of the county CITY: Rural (Grooverville)
PRESENT OWNER: MAILING ADDRESS:
CITY: STATE: ZIP CODE:
CURRENT USE: Rechurch ACREAGE:
U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE Grooverville U.T.M. REFERENCE:
V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER:

II. DESCRIPTION

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION:
a one story rectangular plan with gabled tin roof and clapboard siding. Sash windows with 9/9 lights and shutters. Brick piers. Square bell towers without spires. Good condition.

III. HISTORY

ORIGINAL OWNER of the land: Malachi Groover ORIGINAL USE: Church
ARCHITECT/BUILDER: HISTORIC ACREAGE:
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1856 DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS:
HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT):
In 1856, Grooverville was a trading center on the road from Tallahassee to Troupville. Many families lived here. Until this time, the town was known as station No. 18, then Key, Ga. The Lebanon Church, organized in 1832 with help from the William H. Ramsey family, was moved here in 1856 and became known as Groover.

IV. SIGNIFICANCE

N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Historic LEVEL: (see reverse)
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL):
According to the History of Brooks County, Ga., this is the oldest church edifice in the county; this makes Grooverville Methodist very significant.

V. SOURCES

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