

FORM C - MONUMENTS  
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Office of the Secretary, State House, Boston

STATUE  
BUST  
MARKER  
RELIGIOUS SHRINE  
GROUP COMPOSITION

MONUMENT  
FOUNTAIN  
MILESTONE  
BOUNDARY MARKER

Town Barnstable (Marstons Mills Center)  
Street River Rd. and Lovell's Lane  
Name James Ke. Baker Square  
Original Owner Town of Barnstable  
Present Owner same  
Date Constructed 1956  
Date Dedicated 1956  
Source of Date Town Records  
Designer or Sculptor none  
Individual or group responsible for monument if other than owner \_\_\_\_\_

Monument has historical connection with the following themes: (See also reverse side)

Agriculture  
Architecture  
Art/Sculpture  
Education  
Literature  
Music  
Government

Commerce/Industry  
Science/Invention  
Travel/Communication  
Military Affairs  
Indians  
Development of Town/City  
Religion/Philosophy

CONDITION: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Moved\* Altered \_\_\_\_\_  
IMPORTANCE of monument to area: Great Moderate None \_\_\_\_\_  
MONUMENT endangered by: possible road widening

LOCATION OF INSCRIPTION: Plaque on wall, house, post; base of monument; other \_\_\_\_\_  
plaque on boulder

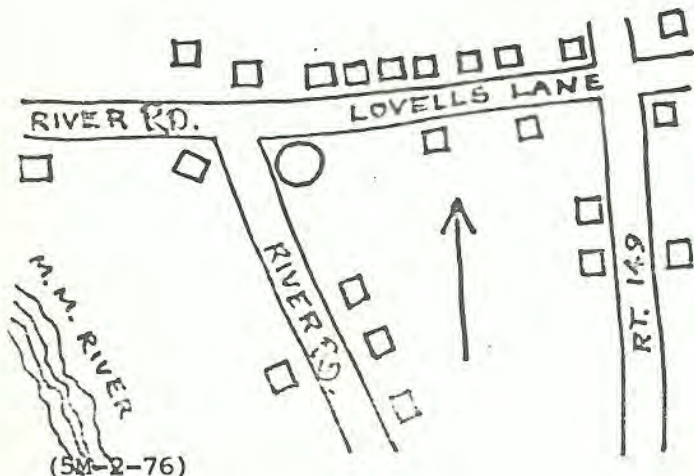
ENTIRE INSCRIPTION on monument: \_\_\_\_\_  
James K. Baker Square

DESCRIPTION\*\*

Foundation: Pedestal Base None Material granite  
Material: Bronze Stone Marble Granite Wood Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Setting (surroundings) small grassy plot at junction of roads  
Size (approximate) 30"x30"x24"

Indicate location of monument on map below

Recorder Barbara Arnold  
For Barnstable Historical Comm.  
(Name of Organization)  
86-7-A905  
Photo \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received July 1985



\* If the monument has been moved, indicate the original location on the reverse side.  
\*\* Describe the monument on the reverse side.



**GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT MATTER AND/OR DESIGN OF MONUMENT**

The monument is an undressed granite boulder bearing a bronze plaque with the name "James K. Baker Square". It is situated on a small grassy plot at the junction of River Rd. and Lovell's Ln. There are trees behind the boulder and American flags in standards at either side. The memorial is across the street from a small house where Baker's father lived.

**GIVE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF HISTORIC IMPORTANCE OF MONUMENT. (Refer to the theme circled on front of form. What happened? Who was important? Comment)**

James Baker was killed in the Korean War in an accident when the convoy truck in which he was riding overturned, throwing him out. He died August 13, 1954. He was married to a New York girl shortly before going overseas and was buried in New York.

**REFERENCE: (Where was this information obtained? What book, records, etc.)**

Oral history: Mrs. Mabel Baker Roderick (half sister to James) River Rd. MM