

B - BUILDING

AREA	FORM NO.
MM C	48

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108



Barnstable (Marstons Mills -- The Plains)  
Address 133 Evergreen Drive (off Race Ln.)

Historic Name Shubael Hamblin  
Homestead

Present Residence

Original Residence/Farm

DESCRIPTION:

Circa 1767

Source Barnstable County Probate

Style Cape Cod storey and half

Architect

Exterior wall fabric Wooden shingle

Outbuildings Two car garage

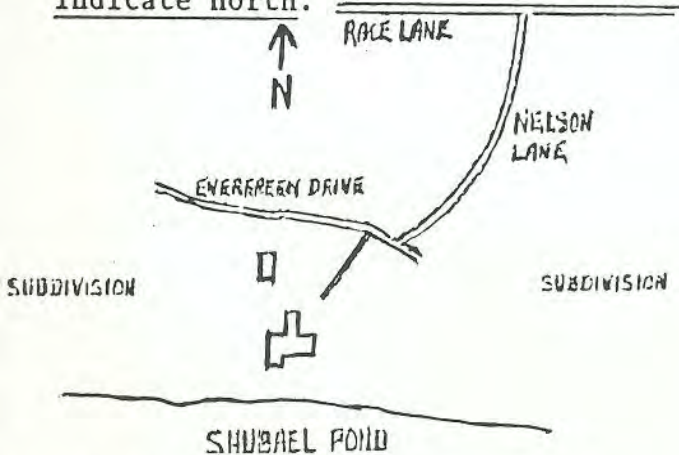
Major alterations (with dates) Three dormers added on south roof. Date unknown. Ell added on middle of north facade in 1985.

Moved \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approx. acreage 1.58

Setting Residential; north shore of  
Shubael Pond

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.



Recorded by Martin E. Wirtanen

Organization Barnstable Historical Comm.

Date October 26, 1990

Map 125  
Parcel 064

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### HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (cont.)

The Osterville-West Barnstable Road on the east, and Crockers Road on the west at the head of Mystic Lake (over 500 acres). The Crocker family, west abutters, owned to Crooked Cartway and Old Mill Road since Deacon William Crocker's first land grants after 1643 and the Parker family, east abutters, became owners by the 1700's of land to Oak Street and Old Stage Road.

Shubael's<sup>4</sup> (1724-1775) first wife, of three, was Martha Lombard. They married in 1751 and through her acquired the house and farm of Capt. Jonathan Lombard on the east side of Mary Dunn Road, Barnstable, and the legend, in part, states "he and his children lugged their water half a mile up hill and their life from (Lombard's Pond)", now Israel's Pond named for Israel Hamblin. Martha died by 1760 and he married his second wife Sarah Crocker<sup>5</sup> (1726-1766) in 1761. She was the daughter of Samuel<sup>4</sup> and Ruth (Hamblin) Crocker and her father was of the Crocker line-Samuel<sup>3</sup> Job<sup>2</sup> and William<sup>1</sup>-that were west abutters of the Hamblin holdings as previously mentioned.

With both having family connections in the area of Shubael Pond (which was named after Shubael<sup>3</sup> or <sup>4</sup>, it is possible that the house was built soon after 1761 by Shubael Pond which also eliminated a half mile walk up hill with water which perhaps either his second wife (she died after five years of marriage) or third wife refused to do (in spite of the legend.)

Sarah<sup>5</sup> died in 1765 and he married Ruth Cannon (1738-1802), his third wife, in 1766. Shubael<sup>4</sup> died without probate in 1775 and the house is included in the real estate inventory which gives a possible building date between 1761-1774. The court appointed committee of Major Micah Hamblin, Francis Wood and Nathan Jenkins made a division of the real estate, in part, as follows: Widow Ruth Hamblin was set off her dower and one third of estate, and eldest son Joshua and son Timothy already had their shares set off to them. The remainder was divided equally between Shubael<sup>5</sup>, Sarah, Martha, Susanna, Ruth, Mercy and Hopedstill Hamblin. In part, each was allotted a strip of land 13 rods wide at Race Lane, southwest to end at Shubaels Pond, 7 1/2 rods wide adjoining each other except Hopedstill's whose strip ran from Race Lane to the Pond within the fence.

The 1802 probate of widow Ruth Hamblin, Bk. 31.371, willed the remainder of her real and personal estate to be divided equally among daughters Ruth, Mercy and Hopedstill Hamblin with no real estate schedule filed; and in 1802 Shubael Hamblin<sup>5</sup>, deed Bk.1.295, purchased all rights and interest in homestead land of 30 acres and dwelling house that was set off to mother Ruth Hamblin from heirs Joshua and Elizabeth Hamblin, Barnabas and Sarah Downes, Jr., Allen and Ruth Goodspeed, Mercy Hamblin and Hopedstill Hamblin.

In the 1846 probate of Shubael Hamblin<sup>5</sup>, case No. 2094, he willed son Nathan<sup>6</sup> the house, barn and other buildings on the land willed him. Son Joel<sup>6</sup> was will the rest of the real estate and in 1849 Nathan Hamblin<sup>6</sup>, deed Bk. 46.125, purchased 20 acres from Joel<sup>6</sup> and Phebe Hamblin adjoining Nathan's land on the west which increased his parcel to 50 acres.

In 1883 Daniel W. Hamblin<sup>7</sup>, deed Bk. 158.210-211, purchased the 50 acres parcel from his father Nathan<sup>6</sup> and in 1888 the property was purchased by Josiah W. Spring from Daniel W. Hamblin<sup>7</sup> (last known Hamblin to own the property) deed Bk. 179.588.

See attached list for all owners to present time.

## ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (cont.)

On both interior floor levels, the house features exposed beams and collar ties of the original house framing with pegged construction; wide floor boards and three working fireplaces. The original logs used for floor joists can be seen in the cellar which runs the length of the north half of the house. Toured by Barbara Hill and Martin E. Wirtanen.

The house on the south side of Shubael Pond is listed as J. Hamblin, probably Joel on the 1858 map.

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1893-1906	Henry E. Crocker	50 acres	
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1906-1911	James A. Stevens	50 acres	
1911	Andrew W. Lawrence	50 acres	
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