

**United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service  
National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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Site No. 106

**NAME** John H. Shoaf House **COUNTY** Harris **BLOCK** 68  
**ADDRESS** 2030 Arlington **CITY** Houston **LOT** N 15' 19, 20, 21  
**ARCHITECT/BUILDER** Unknown **DATE** c. 1912 **PERIOD** 1900-  
**OWNER** Ophelia Ann Motley Wilkening **STYLE** Craftsman w/ Colonial Revival Influence  
2030 Arlington, Houston, TX 77008 **THEME** \_\_\_\_\_

**DESCRIPTION** One-story, frame dwelling faces west; rests on brick piers with side-gabled roof; rectangular main block with extensions to the south gives irregular shape; 3-bay principal facade defined by inset, open front porch over two bays with four Doric columns supporting sloping, flared roof over exposed rafter ends; shed roof dormer with paired multi-light windows is centered on western roof slope; first bay occupied by double, French doors at northwest corner; triple windows in second; third bay with double windows; wood-sash double-hung, 20-over-1 windows throughout; south facade marked with

**Building material:** wall frame, clap- roof composition

**Physical condition** good **board** site: original X or moved **date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Alterations** Two front porch columns replaced in 1968 identical to original;

**SIGNIFICANCE** The Shoaf House is an early-20th-century house typical of the middle-income houses built in Houston Heights during this period. It is noteworthy because of the builder's attention to detail, e.g. flared gable eaves, 20-over-1 windows, corner eave brackets. Strong Craftsman details with some Colonial Revival influence further strengthen its otherwise simple domestic architectural features. Retired cotton planter, John H. Shoaf, and his wife, both from Caldwell County, Texas purchased this tract in 1910 and are believed to have built the house around 1912. In 1919, the property was sold

**Area of significance** architecture **Level of significance** local

**DESIGNATION:** NR NHL RTHL HABS HAER HESI HSI OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

**ORIGINAL USE** residence **PRESENT USE** residence

**RELATIONSHIP TO SURROUNDINGS** Middle of east side of block of similar type houses; rear modern garage is not contributing and accessed by driveway on south side of the lot.

**ACREAGE/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION** less than one acre

**BIBLIOGRAPHY** Tax Rolls; Sanborn Maps

**RECORDED BY** Holly A. Johnson

**INFORMANT** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** August 1987

**PHOTO DATA** 35mm b&w and slides (6), THC

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**CONTINUATIONS:**

Description cont. -

triple gables supporting corner eave brackets; one interior central brick chimney.

Alterations cont. -

removed porch railings of questionable authenticity.

Significance cont. - Southern Motor Manufacturers Association, Ltd.

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Houston Heights MRA  
State Harris County, TEXAS

Nomination/Type of Review \_\_\_\_\_ Date/Signature \_\_\_\_\_

120. Nairn, Forest A., House Keeper 11/12/91 S

*Substantive Review*

Attest \_\_\_\_\_

121. Roessler, Charles House Keeper Melvin Byrum 1/15/88

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National Register

Attest \_\_\_\_\_

122. Shoaf, John H., House Keeper Laura M. Cleveland 1/15/88

*Substantive Review*

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123. Carden, David A., House Keeper Melvin Byrum 7/17/90

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124. Clanton, Moses A., House Keeper Melvin Byrum 7/17/90

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125. Coombs, Charles E., House Keeper Melvin Byrum 7/17/90

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National Register

126. Doughty, Lula J., House Keeper Melvin Byrum 7/17/90

Entered in the  
National Register

127. Gerloff House Keeper Melvin Byrum 7/17/90

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National Register

128. House at 1222 Harvard St. Keeper Melvin Byrum 7/17/90

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129. Jensen, James L., House Keeper Melvin Byrum 7/17/90

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130. Lowry, Fayette C., House Keeper Melvin Byrum 7/19/90

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National Register

131. McCollum, D. C., House Keeper Autawith Lee 7/19/90

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132. Morris, Glenn W., House Keeper Melvin Byrum 7/17/90

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133. Reed, Thomas B., House Keeper Melvin Byrum 7/17/90

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134. Rogers, Ghent W., House Keeper Melvin Byrum 7/17/90

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ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION TO COVER Keeper Autawith Lee 7/13/90

*Substantive Review*

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Shoaf, John H., House (Houston Heights MRA)  
Harris County  
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*Substantive Review*

Working No. DEC 2 1987

Fed. Reg. Date: 2/7/89

Date Due: 12/31/87 - 1/10/88

Action:  ACCEPT 1-15-88

RETURN

REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

*This house exhibits Craftsmen details and Colonial Revival influences and typifies the middle-income homes constructed in Houston Heights during the early 20th century.*

*~~This property had previously been returned for info. about park.~~*

Recom./Criteria Accept - C

Reviewer Noble

Discipline Historian

Date 1/15/88

\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for:  technical corrections cited below  
 substantive reasons discussed below

*~~New form indicates replacement porch posts/columns to be identical to original ones.~~*

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

*Appears in archives finally okay*

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	
	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	
	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

**8. Significance**

Period      Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates                      Builder/Architect  
Statement of Significance *(in one paragraph)*

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

**11. Form Prepared By**

**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title                      date

**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



Historic Resources of Houston Heights  
Site No. 106, Shoaf House, 2030 Rutland  
Houston, Harris County, Texas

Photo by Holly A. Johnson, 1987, neg.  
with photographer, Houston, Texas.

Front facade; camera looking east

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Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000847