

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY FORM
For Buildings and Structures

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY			
TOWN NO.:	SITE NO.:		
UTM: 18/	/	/	/
QUAD:			
DISTRICT:	S	NR:	ACTUAL POTENTIAL

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. BUILDING NAME: Common: Daniels Farm Dairy Historic: same
- 2. TOWN/CITY: Middletown VILLAGE: _____ COUNTY: Middlesex
- 3. STREET & NUMBER (and/or location): Millbrook Rd.; east side between Lyceum St. & Livingston Rd.
- 4. OWNER(S): Elizabeth R. Daniels et al. PUBLIC PRIVATE
- 5. USE: Present: Dairy Farm Historic: same
- 6. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: yes no
Interior accessible: yes, explain with permission no

DESCRIPTION

- 7. STYLE OF BUILDING: Late 19th Century Domestic; Shingle Detail DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: c. 1900

- 8. MATERIAL(S) (indicate use of location when appropriate):
 clapboard asbestos siding brick foundation
 wood shingle asphalt siding fieldstone
 board & batten stucco cobblestone
 aluminum siding concrete: type: _____ cut stone: type: _____
 other: _____

- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM:
 wood frame: post and beam balloon
 load bearing masonry structural iron or steel
 other: _____

- 10. ROOF: type:
 gable crossed flat mansard monitor sawtooth
 gambrel shed hip round other _____
material:
 wood shingle roll asphalt tin slate
 asphalt shingle built up tile other: _____

- 11. NUMBER OF STORIES: 2 1/2 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 29'x34'

- 12. CONDITION: Structural: excellent good fair deteriorated
Exterior: excellent good fair deteriorated

- 13. INTEGRITY: Location: on original site moved, when: _____
Alterations: no yes, explain: Porches enclosed

- 14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES:
 barns (4) shed garage other landscape features or buildings: _____
 carriage house shop garden

- 15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:
 open land woodland residential scattered buildings visible from site
 commercial industrial rural high building density

16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS: Daniels Farm occupies a large plot of land on the east side of Millbrook Road. The house sits on a small rise of ground with barns and fields clustered below to its rear. Daniels Farm is the most substantial farm in this generally rural area.

17. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING OR SITE (interior and/or exterior):

"H.O.F." cast in concrete step at roadside

SIGNIFICANCE

Architect: _____ Builder: _____

18. HISTORICAL OR ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE: Samuel Daniels began operations of this farm in the mid-1800s. The farm was located one mile south of its current location. After a devastating fire the business removed to its present site in 1913. In 1918 Lewis Daniels started a retail milk business, in addition to the farm. The milk was delivered by horse drawn buckboards and was a familiar site to local residents. Daniels Farm still functions as a dairy farm, and serves most of Middlesex County.

The well-kept house marks the terminus of the farm. It is a typical farmhouse of the late 19th century; clapboarded and cross-gabled. The gables are decorated by intricate stick work. Small decorative brackets protrude from under the eaves. Behind the house are extensive barns.

Four generations of the Daniels family have operated this farm, well-known in Middletown for over a century. It continues in productive use, while maintaining to a large degree its turn-of-the-century character.

PHOTOGRAPH

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19. SOURCES: Middletown Tax Assessors; Information Sheet, Daniels Farm Open House (July 1978)



20. SUBSEQUENT FIELD EVALUATIONS:

21. THREATS TO BUILDING OR SITE:

none known highways vandalism developers other: _____
 renewal private deterioration zoning explanation: _____