

A. HISTORIC NAME Masonic Temple B. COUNTY Vanderburgh C. NUMBER 163 - 196 - 00667
D. ADDRESS 301 Chestnut Street E. TWP/CITY Pigeon/Evansville F. QUAD NAME Evansville, Ind. - Ky.
SR _____ NR _____ NHL _____ HABS _____ HAER _____ UTM REFERENCES 16

STATE OF INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES INDIANA HISTORIC SITES AND STRUCTURES INVENTORY

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1. COMMON NAME _____	4. PROPERTY'S MAILING ADDRESS <u>301 Chestnut Street</u> <u>Evansville, Indiana 47713</u>	5. LOCATION NOTES <u>Eastern Enlargement Blk. 10</u> <u>lots 1-3</u> <u>SW 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec 30 T6S R10W</u>
2. OWNERSHIP _____ Public ☒ Private		
3. VISIBLE ☒ Yes _____ No		

6. USE	PRESENT	PAST		PRESENT	PAST	7. ENDANGERED	8. CATEGORY	9. LOCAL LEGAL PROTECTIONS
Residence	☐	☐	Military	☐	☐	☐ Vacant	☐ District	☐ Historic District
Govt./Pol.	☐	☐	Entertainment	☐	☐	☐ Neglected	☒ Building(s)	☐ Landmark
Commerce	☐	☐	Scientific	☐	☐	☐ Encroachment	☐ Structure	☐ Deed Restriction
Industrial	☐	☐	Religious	☐	☐	☐ Other _____	☐ Site	☐ Other _____
Agriculture	☐	☐	Park	☐	☐		☐ Object	
Transportation	☐	☐	Museum	☐	☐			
Organization	☒	☒	Educational	☐	☐			
Other _____				☐	☐			

10. CONDITION ____ Excellent ☒ Good ____ Fair ____ Deteriorated ____ Ruins	11. BUILDING INTEGRITY ☒ Unaltered ____ Altered ____ Moved Date _____	11a. Specify Alterations Removals _____ Structural _____ Replacement _____ Additions _____
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12. DATE 1913 13. STYLE Neo=Classic 14. ARCHITECT/BUILDER Clifford Shopbell & Co.

15. DESCRIPTION 4-Story; brick/stone; black masonry; Chestnut - 2nd St.
elevations "mott-brick" resembling stone; new / east elevations red brick;
6 bays wide, 11 deep; pilasters w. stone bases & capitals alternating w. small
decorative windows across 2-3rd stors.
Facing Material Brick/limestone

17. SITE PLAN

18. ENVIRONMENT Urban environment

16. CUTBUILDINGS

single & multi-family housing,
modern office bldgs. and an 1860's
church.

19. AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE

- | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|
| ☐ Aboriginal | ☐ Community Planning | ☐ Humanities | ☐ Religion |
| ☐ Arts | ☐ Education | ☐ Indian | ☐ Science/Technology |
| ☒ Architecture | ☐ Engineering | ☐ Landscape Architecture | ☐ Social/Ethnicity |
| ☐ Commerce | ☐ Environs/Neighborhoods | ☐ Military | ☐ Transportation |
| ☐ Communications | ☐ Exploration/Settlement | ☐ Politics/Government | ☐ Vernacular/Construction |
| ☐ Other | | | |

Specify the significance for each area checked: No perceptible modifications have been made to the Masonic Temple since its construction in 1913. The edifice bears a remarkable resemblance to the YMCA building at 5th & Vine Streets which was erected in the following year and was one of a half-dozen Masonic buildings designed by Shoppell in the region during this period.

20. INFORMATION SOURCES Various newspaper articles21. SURVEYOR Joan Marchand/form by Pat Sides22. DATE Surveyed 8/80; Photo'd 3/81

ATTACH
NEGATIVE
ENVELOPE
HERE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

EVALUATION / RETURN SHEET

Property: Massie Temple Downtown Evansville MRA
State, County: IN, Vanderburgh
Federal Agency: _____

Working No. 56082-1586
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.1.83
Date Due: 6/17/82 - 7/14/82

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

Action: ACCEPT 7/1/82
Entered in the _____
National Register _____
REJECT _____
photos _____
maps _____

Substantive Review: _____ sample _____ request _____ appeal _____ NR decision

Reviewer's comments: _____

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: 1 technical corrections cited below
____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

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
____ excellent	____ deteriorated	____ unaltered
____ good	____ ruins	____ altered
____ fair	____ unexposed	____ moved
		date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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

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

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

USFZ References _____

Proctor Avenue

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: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



DOWNTOWN EVANSVILLE RESOURCES
Vanderburgh County, Indiana
N. Long, DMD 1977

~~#67:~~ view southeast of

#63 301 Chestnut Street

Masonic Temple

DOWNTOWN EVANSVILLE RESOURCES

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000186