

DOWNTOWN MARYSVILLE

HISTORIC SURVEY REPORT



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This historic survey project was designed to assess Marysville’s historic resources toward the goal of developing a downtown historic district. Without question, Marysville retains a great deal of historic character in their downtown area from brick streets to early 1870s-1880s buildings that feature distinctive wood cornices and detailing in contrast to the more common metal cornices. Also prominent is a wide collection of Commercial Style buildings, the common red brick one- and two-story buildings built during the Progressive Era in the teens and twenties. These buildings typically feature storefronts on the ground floor with ornamentation taking the form of brick corbeling on the upper facade. Marysville also boasts a variety of Modern buildings reflecting mid-twentieth-century construction. The town’s built environment continues to reflect the community’s development over more than sixteen decades - from its founding to current day. These buildings are valuable historic resources that should be preserved and this survey project should prove to be a valuable tool for information on individual buildings as well as the first step in developing a downtown historic district.

OVERVIEW OF SURVEY PROJECT

Spencer Preservation was hired in September 2023 and a site visit/kick-off meeting was scheduled for October 13. Marysville Main Street administered the project and assisted in establishing the boundary for the survey area which generally spans from 5th to 14th Street along Center, Broadway and Elm encompassing 117 buildings. In addition to surveying historic resources in the downtown business district, Spencer also surveyed the Marysville Cemetery and WPA Chapel.

Brenda Spencer was in Marysville October 20-21 and 25-26th to conduct photographic documentation and begin research on individual properties. A public meeting was held November 14 for Spencer to meet with City of Marysville representatives, and downtown business and property owners regarding the survey project.

Spencer worked on compiling basic property data on each resource utilizing the Marshall County Appraiser’s website and available GIS maps through ORKA (Open Records for Kansas Appraisers) at: www.kansasgis.org/orka/map.cfm. Research began on the history of individual properties utilizing Sanborn Fire Insurance Company Maps to



date the construction and alterations of existing buildings. Maps of Marysville were published in 1885, 1889, 1896, 1901, 1911, 1925, and a 1942 update of the 1925 map.

Spencer returned to Marysville several times to do research on the history of buildings in the survey area. The primary local source for historic data on the individual properties was the Marshall County Historical Museum. Museum staff Diane Sibley assisted Spencer in reviewing museum photo collection and files. The museum then provided digital images of the selected photographs. Local newspapers were searched for historical information on buildings and businesses in the downtown area. Michelle Spencer conducted online research on individual buildings, confirming dates of construction and alterations, and prepared a brief summary of each building's history. Thanks to several local residents who assisted with the history of individual buildings. Research sources are provided at the end of this report.

The repository of the survey data is the Kansas State Historical Society's (KSHS) on-line database called the Kansas Historic Resource Inventory or khri (accessed at <https://khri.kansasgis.org/index.cfm>). Fourteen of the 119 resources had previously been surveyed including the nine resources that are already listed in the National Register of Historical Place. A majority were gas stations that had been surveyed in the statewide 'Roadside Kansas' project.

The survey data on each property, including brief historical summary and physical description, was entered into a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet. The survey data was then uploaded to the Kansas State Historical Society's on-line database, along with current and historic photos, and site plans. Once approved by KSHS staff, the survey records will be available to the public at <http://khri.kansasgis.org>. The properties in the survey area can be viewed as a group by searching under "Marysville Downtown Survey (2023)" as the survey project name, or records of individual buildings can be retrieved searching by the building address or historic name.

In addition to providing basic information on individual properties in the survey area, the primary purpose of a survey project is to identify existing historic resources. The threshold criteria is the age of the property, which must generally exceed fifty years to be considered historic. Among those properties that are over fifty years old, buildings are examined to determine the level of historic integrity – how well the existing property portrays its historic character. It is that level of historic integrity that determines whether a property is eligible for individual listing in the National Register, whether it would be a contributing resource to a potential historic district, or if the building has been so compromised by former alterations that it no longer portrays its historic character and therefore, would likely not be eligible for any type of listing. Each property was surveyed and a preliminary determination made regarding its potential eligibility for listing in the National Register. KSHS will review and approve the determinations of eligibility as part of their approval of the online survey records.

Spencer met with Kansas State Historical Society Cultural Resources staff to review the potential boundaries for the proposed downtown historic district. The recommendations in this report are based on the input from KSHS. Following is a summary of the survey data including a list of surveyed properties and a map of the survey area. The primary product of the survey project is the online records for each property that will be available to the public as part of the Kansas Historic Resource Inventory database.

B. SURVEY RESULTS

The current project involved survey of 119 resources located in a 13-1/2 block area in downtown Marysville. Properties in the



survey area span 164 years of Marysville development from the Pony Express Barn built in 1859 to the County Health Department completed this year. One quarter of the surveyed properties were built before 1900 and many of those buildings reflect Victorian and Revival-style designs and detailing. Thirty-two percent of the buildings were built in the post WWI boom prior to the Great Depression. Fourteen percent of the properties were built between 1945-1975 in the middle of the twentieth century. New development has slowed in the past fifty years with eleven percent of the existing resources constructed since 1975. These numbers are typical of rural communities where their downtown buildings are representative of the boom and bust cycles of their early development. The buildings in downtown Marysville are classified by two dominant architectural styles: thirty-one percent being Commercial Style/Progressive Era buildings and eleven percent being Modern/Modern Movement buildings.

Four of the properties surveyed were formerly individually listed in the National Register of Historic Places – the Pony Express Barn, the Marshall County Courthouse, the Koester House and the Pusch-Randall House. The Koester Block Historic District includes an additional five contributing resources for a total of nine National Register properties. A majority of the resources surveyed were determined to be potentially eligible for listing in the National or Kansas Registers of Historic Places or contributing to a state/national historic district. Seventy-six of the 119 properties in the survey area, a total of sixty-four percent were deemed to be contributing to a potential historic district. These properties include the nine resources already listed on the national register and properties deemed potentially eligible for individual listing.

The preliminary determination of eligibility for listing was made based on exterior site investigation and research on the history of the individual properties. Interior inspection and additional research may be required, particularly involving those properties that were preliminarily deemed potentially eligible for individual listing, generally those buildings located outside the proposed district boundary.

C. SUMMARY

The resources surveyed reflect the evolution of commercial development in Marysville and serve as a physical reflection of the town's history. A total of seventy-six of the properties surveyed were preliminarily determined to be eligible for listing or would be contributors to a historic district, including the nine properties already listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

While the requirement for district eligibility is a simple majority, the contributing status of properties, as well as the use of properties, was used to define boundaries for a downtown historic district. The proposed district boundary was determined by Marysville Main Street and Brenda Spencer in consultation with the Kansas State Historical Society. The proposed district is a 9-1/2 block area that generally spans from 5th to 11th Streets along Broadway and includes the 600, 700, and 800 blocks of Center Street and the 800 and 900 blocks of Elm Street. This area includes eighty-six resources, seven of which are already listed in the National Register and therefore not included in percentage of contributors. Fifty-three of the seventy-nine remaining resources are contributors to the significance of the historic district, a total of sixty-seven percent contributing resources.

In addition to the downtown historic district, it is recommended that the City consider listing the Marysville Cemetery and Chapel in the National Register of Historic Places. This would be a separate nomination from the downtown district but could be done at the same time.

The group of residences in the 1000 and 1100 blocks of Elm Street were surveyed but were not included in the proposed downtown



historic district. Once the commercial district is in place, consideration should be given to preparing a Multiple Property Documentation form (MPDF - a type of National Register nomination) for Residential Resources of Marysville. This umbrella document would allow listing of individual historic homes in Marysville regardless of geographic location with the primary historic context already developed in the MPDF making it easier for individual owners to list their homes. Home owners would have to choose to list their own home under the MPDF rather than all homes in a block being included in a district boundary. This approach also allows individual homes or small clusters in mixed-use areas to be listed as well. Although two churches are included in the proposed district boundary, there are several other historic churches in Marysville that would likely be eligible for individual listing in the Register of Kansas Historic Places. Listing in the state register for churches and residential homes would allow those owners to take advantage of the 40% Kansas Historic Tax Credit for rehabilitation projects.

The Kansas State Historic Society has a grant program called the Historic Preservation Fund to assist communities in paying for district nominations. The City of Marysville and Marysville Main Street can apply for up to sixty percent of the costs of preparing the downtown district nomination and the cemetery nomination. Future projects might include the Residential Resources MPDF. Historic listings in the state or national historic register help to expand recognition and protection of downtown Marysville's buildings as a reflection of the town's rich history and enable property owners to take advantage of the incentive programs available for listed properties through the Kansas State Historical Society.



The following map illustrates the proposed boundaries of a Marysville Downtown Historic District and the table includes a listing of the properties surveyed and a list of properties in the proposed district.

Survey Research Sources

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DOWNTOWN MARYSVILLE HISTORIC SURVEY & PROPOSED HISTORIC DISTRICT MAP

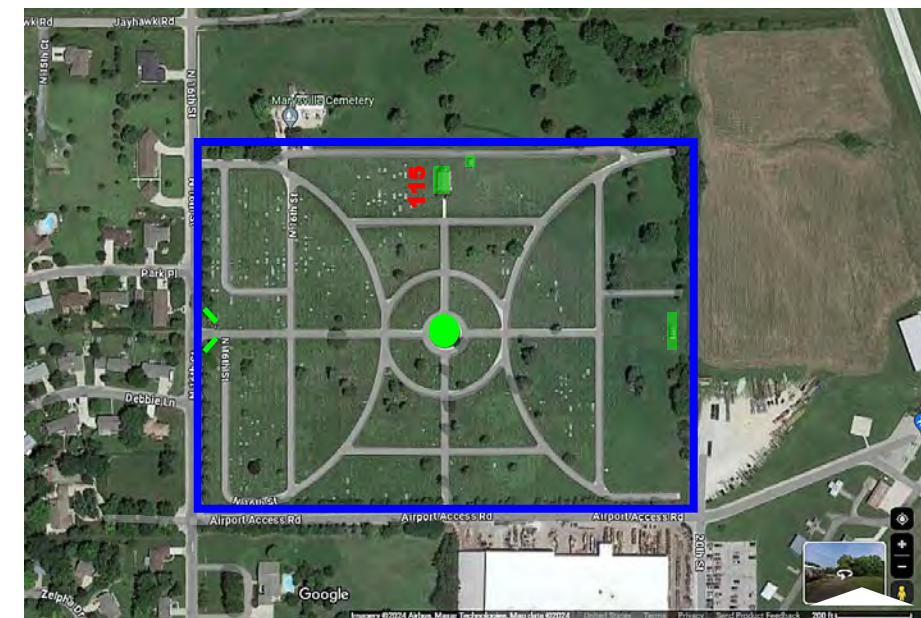


Open Records for Kansas Appraisers (ORKA) Marshall County 2021 Aerial Map printed online 10-28-2023



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CITY OF MARYSVILLE CEMETERY



KEY

- 101 Addresses
- Parcel Lines
- Historic Survey Boundary
- 77 Survey #
- Proposed Historic District Boundary
- Contributing Resources
- Non-Contributing Resources
- Existing National Register Listed Properties
- Brick Streets (contributing resource in district)
- Old Red Granite Curbs

86 resources in proposed district, 7 already listed
53 of 79 (67%) of the remaining resources are contributors
(based on historic survey-preliminary assessment)

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Survey #	Address Number	Historic Name	Present Function	Date	Eligibility
030	718	Price Hardware	Sarge's Sports Bar w/ residential above	1880	NC
031	720	Wolff-Schulte Building	Frese CPA w/ offices above	1880	C
032	800	Citizens State Bank	Citizens State Bank	1975	C
032B	808		Citizen's State Bank-West Building	1999	NC
033	810	Rice, C.W., Building	Ott Electric	1911	C
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035	818 (816)	Welton Jewelry	Platinum Dance Co.	1901	C
035B	818	McKee Hardware	Platinum Dance Co.	1917	C
036	820	Ackerman Jewelry	Serene Wellness	1901	C
037	822	Hutchinson, Frank, Building	Bruna Accounting	1895	NC
038	902	Arand & Son Building	First Commerce Bank	1890	C
039	904	Martin, Robert, Building	Salon M	1887	C
040	906	Grimm & Reifel's Furniture Store	Massage & Bodywork	1886	C
041	908	Dargatz Building	SGA Associates (CPA)	1886	C
042	910	Smith, John P., Building	Edward Jones Investments	1895	C
043	912-914	Smith's Post Office Book Store	The Trust Company/Farmer and Florist/residential above	1898	C
044	916	The Option Store-HGF Supermarket	Bolton & McNish Attorneys	1951	NC
045	918	Bell's Conoco	Visitor Center	1965	NC
046	1000	US Post Office	Frese & Kickhaefer CPAs	1917	C
047	1006	Guthrie Funeral Home	Kinsley Mortuary	1928	C
048	1016		United Bank & Trust (1985)	1985	NC
049	1022	Plegge, Ernest, Building	Banister, John, Insurance Agency, Inc. (1973)	1973	NC
050	1100	McClure Auto Sales	Kickhaefer & Busing PA	1920	No
051	1106		Arbor Ink Commercial Printing	2016	No
052	1110	Medattab Office Building	Marshall Co Abstract & Title Co.	1967	No
053	1114		Galloway, Wieggers & Brinegar Attorneys	2006	No
054	1301	Herda Motor Company	Nordhus Motor Co.	1947	No
055	1207	Marshall County Courthouse	Marshall County Historical Society	1892	NR
056A	107 S		Marshall County Jail (1979)	1979	No
056B	1201		Marshall County Courthouse (1979)	1979	No
057	1119		Kracht Family Insurance	2020	No
058	1109	Andrus/Koppes Residence	Residence	1892	State
059	1107	Lorke Residence	Residence	1892	State
060	1101	Johannes Building	Mason Tax & Accounting	1956	No
061	104 S	Marysville Clinic	Marysville Chiropractic Clinic	1943	No
062	1021	Professional Building	Office Building/Mini Mall: Heartland Hearing	1954	C
063	1009		Marshall County Public Library	1994	NC
064	1001	Pusch, Chas F., Cigar Factory	Marysville Mutual Insurance Co.	1892	NC
065	919	Koester, Charles, House	Museum	1873	NR
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069	901	BROADWAY	Koester Building/Montgomery Ward	Reflections/upper floor vacant	1929	NR
070	908	ELM	Koester, Charles J.D., House	Property for lease/former restaurant	1904	NR
071	109	S 9TH	Marysville Post Office	US Post Office	1935	C
072	107	S 9TH	United Telephone Co.	Marysville Advocate Newspaper	1921	C
073	823	BROADWAY	Exchange Bank of Schmidt & Koester	United Bank & Trust	1955	NC
074	815	BROADWAY	Scaman Drug Store	Reed Insurance	1880	C
075	813	BROADWAY	Broughton Building	To be Minnie's Kitchen	1897	C
076	811	BROADWAY	Fischer Restaurant and Bakery	Farm Bureau Financial Services	1889	C
077	809	BROADWAY	Schmitt Boot & Shoe	Under rehab (2023)	1888	C
078	805	BROADWAY	White Brothers Building	Community Medical Equipment	1906	C
079	801-803	BROADWAY	Draheim, E.G., & Sons Dry Goods	Health Mart	1896	C
080	106-108	S 8TH	Marysville Pony Express Barn	Pony Express Museum	1859	NR
081	110	S 8TH	Marshall, Mary, Hospital	Apartments	1920	NC
082	111	S 8TH		Helvering, R.L & Elsa Community Center	1989	No
083	109	S 8TH	Ungerer Building	1st floor appears vacant/ 2nd may be occupied apartments	1955	No
084	107	S 8TH	Eddington Photography Studio	Sunflower Medical Clinic	1905	No
085	105	S 8TH	Degnan's High Grade Food Store	The Look Salon	1930	NC
086	723	BROADWAY	Barlow, Michael, & Co. Cash Store	Empty Cup	1881	C
087	721	BROADWAY	Ewart Building	Mindful Nutrition	1917	C
088	719	BROADWAY	Price, Bayless, Building	Ryans Barber Shop	1917	C
089	717	BROADWAY	Smith, A.C., Shoe Building	Garden of Eden	1917	C
090	715	BROADWAY	Temple, Joseph, Building	Blue River Eye Care	1917	C
091	709	BROADWAY	Travelute & Son Garage	Alliance Insurance	1917	C
092	707	BROADWAY	Potter's Barber Shop	Eddies Barber Shop, apts above	1887	C
093	703	BROADWAY	Carl's Café	Wagon Wheel Restaurant	1928	NC
094	701	BROADWAY	Henry Garage	Wagon Wheel Restaurant	1910	NC
095	617	BROADWAY	Marysville Police Station	Marysville Chamber/Main Street	1959	NC
096	605	BROADWAY		CropX	1985	NC
097	519	BROADWAY	Crescent Service Station	Blue Valley Insurance	1930	C
098	517	BROADWAY	Wassenberg Garage	US Cellular/Dingers Hitting & Pitching	1928	C
099	505	BROADWAY	Baker-Cumro Garage	Idnfitiez	1921	C
100	503	BROADWAY	Dryer's, Henry, Grocery	Laundry Lounge	1896	NC
101	608	ELM	Farrell Warehouse	Warehouse	1949	No
102	201	S 9TH	Methodist and Episcopal Church	Dam, Lee, Center for Fine Arts	1903	C
103	901	ELM	Southwestern Bell Telephone	AT&T	1959	C
104	205	S 10TH	German Evangelical Lutheran Church	Evangelical United Church of Christ	1927	C
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108	1102	ELM	Lake, William & Jessie, House	Residence	1953	State
109	1106	ELM	Hammitt, Charles Austin, House	Residence	1922	State
110	1108	ELM	Cole, Leonard, House	Residence	1928	State
111	1110	ELM	Beveridge, J.A., House	Residence	1929	State
112	803	ELM	Reifel, Paul, House	Residence	1920	C
113	801	ELM	Reifel, Charles, House	Residence	1883	C
114			Downtown Brick Streets	Brick Streets	1919	C
115	1410 N	16TH	Marysville Cemetery/Chapel	Marysville Cemetery/Chapel	1939	Yes

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001	CENTER 600	Krug Auto Co.	Pepsi Cola Bottling Co.	1920	C
002	CENTER 604	Blue Ribbon Auto Laundry/Storage	Pepsi Cola Bottling Co.	1927	C
003	CENTER 606-608	Pepsi Cola Bottling Co.	Pepsi Cola Bottling Co.	1977	NC
004	N 203 7TH	Blue Ribbon Distributing Co.	MarKan Sales	1945	C
005	CENTER 704	Lipscomb-Blocker Motor Co.	NAPA Automotive	1929	C
006	CENTER 708	Thompson Bros. Implements & Coal	Iron Horse Training	1915	NC
007	CENTER 712	Thompson Bros. Butter, Eggs, Poultry	Vacant	1929	C
008	CENTER 714	Wiedemeyer, Henry E., Cigars & Tobacco	Potter's Jewelry w/ residential above	1918	C
009	N 203 8TH	Latimer Sinclair Station	Slup's Auto Repair	1975	NC
010	CENTER 800	People's Savings and Loan Assn.	Citizens State Bank	1973	NC
011	CENTER 816		Marysville Fitness Center	1991	NC
012	CENTER 820	Christian Athletic Hall	Astro Theater	1912	C
012B	N 201 9th	Fenwick, G.L., Building	Astro Theater	1912	NC
021	BROADWAY 500	Ott, Dr. C.A. & Bertha, House	Vacant Residence	1912	C
022	BROADWAY 520(?)	Fenwick Oil Co. Office	Pepsi Cola Bottling Co.	1930	C
023	BROADWAY 522	Fenwick Oil Co. Gas Station	Pepsi Cola Bottling Co.	1923	C
024	BROADWAY 600		Marshall County Health Department	2023	NC
025	BROADWAY 706	Fleischman Building	Backroads Bicycle, Barber Shop & residences	1880	C
026	BROADWAY 708	Bickel Barber Shop	Marshall Co. Sports & Rec & Meadowlark Travel	1905	C
027	BROADWAY 710-714	Wall, A.E., Building	Farmers Ins./Marshall Co.Realty/New China Buffet/C&C Hair	1948	C
028	BROADWAY 716A	Midwest Refrigeration	Impulse Archery & Arms	1960	NC
029	BROADWAY 716	Barlow, Michael, Building	Midwest Regional Agency	1880	NC
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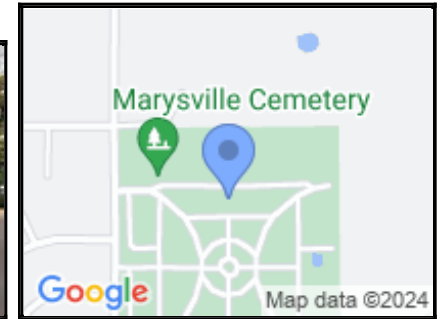
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113	801 ELM	Reifel, Charles, House	Residence	1883	C
114		Downtown Brick Streets	Brick Streets	1919	C
115	1410 N 16TH	Marysville Cemetery/Chapel	Marysville Cemetery/Chapel	1939	Yes

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Marysville Cemetery/Chapel
1410 N 16TH ST
Marysville



LOCATION:

County: Marshall

Address: 1410 N 16TH ST

Address Remarks: Marysville Cemetery

City: Marysville

Zip: 66508

Parcel ID: 078-27-0-00-00-004.00-0

Legal Description:

Legal Description Remarks: S27, T02, R07, ACRES 37, NW4 NW4 LESS R/W

Latitude, Longitude 1: 39.855354 -96.636169

Latitude, Longitude 2:

Latitude, Longitude 3:

Latitude, Longitude 4:

Datum: WGS84

DESCRIPTION:

Historic Name: Marysville Cemetery/Chapel

Alternate Name:

Historic Function: Funerary

Subcategory: Cemetery

Historic Function Remarks: The Marysville Cemetery was established in 1879 on forty acres. One year earlier, a group of citizens founded the Marysville Cemetery Association with Cal. T. Mann elected as the first chairman and T. Hughes, as secretary. At that time, the list of initial subscribers included Judge Thomas Waterson, J.S. Magill, W.H. Smith, J.A. Griffes, August Hohn, T. Hughes, Alvin Arand, William Lofinck, James A. Griffin, H.H. Barkmann, Percy Hutchinson and W. H. Smith. (MCN 14 & 28 Sep 1878). One hundred thirteen subscribers had bought shares for \$10. In March 1879 the association bought forty acres of land adjoining the town. The following year the land was surveyed, fenced, and lots were sold. Businessmen Thomas Waterson, R.R. Edwards, and Charles Koester bought some of the earliest plots. (MCN 28 Aug 1880, 2). A 16 x 30' sexton house was completed in September 1881. Privately owned until 1927, Marysville City Cemetery, became a grand municipal cemetery under the leadership of Mayors Leonard Cole and G.M. Ware. Cole founded an endowment to fund the maintenance of the grounds, which upon his death in 1933 totaled \$9,000. (MA 23 Feb 1933). In 1937, the city council approved a WPA beautification project at the Marysville Cemetery costing \$26,945 which included construction of a chapel, improvements to the park, addition of driveways, four monuments, and gas & water facilities. (MCN 30 Dec 1937). Construction on the chapel began in 1939 following the completion of other WPA projects in town including the city park, a bridge over North Elm creek, and street improvements, as well as other work at the cemetery. (MA 19 Jan 1939). The rock for the chapel was to be quarried locally until the

Beattie Opera House burned on Dec 22, 1938 and it was decided the stone from that building could be used. (MA 2 Mar 1939). Marysville agreed to raze the opera house (Hall Bros Construction) with WPA workers to complete the remainder of the project. Local funds were raised to buy the 13 stained glass windows costing \$100 each. St. Joseph Art Glass Co. installed the windows in July 1940. Even though the Chapel was completed in 1940, it was dedicated in October 1942 by the Ministers' Alliance of Marysville. (MCN 15 Oct 1942). The chapel was never used.

Present Function: Funerary

Subcategory: Cemetery

Present Function Remarks: Marysville Cemetery Chapel unused

Residential/Commercial/Religious Style: Gothic Revival

Secondary Style:

Barn Type: Not Applicable

Bridge Type: Not Applicable

Landscape Type: Cemetery

Physical Description/Remarks:

Plan Form: Rectangle

Commercial Building Type: Not Applicable

Roof Form: Gable-Front

Stories: 1

Condition: Fair

Principal Material: Stone

Condition Remarks: Stone buttresses on east and west elevations, with semi-circular apse on north elevation. Windows are boarded; those stained glass windows not boarded have been broken. Interior condition unknown but undoubtedly deteriorated.

Architect/Designer/Builder: WPA

Year of Construction: 1939

Certainty: Documented

Date Notes: Date on WPA marker on the Chapel

General Remarks: Located on North 16th Street, the Marysville City Cemetery was established in 1879 on 40 acres of land. The rectangular plot has a unique plan form with two half circles open to the east and west sides are joined in the center with two small concentric circles that serve as a local veteran's memorial. Parallel and perpendicular roads connect up to the circle drives. A stone chapel and restroom structure are located at the north end of the cemetery on the axis of the center circle. The cemetery shop is located in the northeast corner off of the west half circle drive. A chapel was built in 1939 through the WPA program using local labor and reclaimed limestone in the Gothic Revival style distinguished by the pointed arch windows and buttresses along the side walls. The resulting gable-front structure has tapered walls with limestone buttresses along the east and west sides. The front/south side features an arched entryway with a pair of arched wood doors. Above the door are three tall and narrow stained glass windows with pointed arch stone lintels. The plan form is generally rectangular but the bay extends slightly wider on the south end creating small storage areas at the southwest and southeast corners of the nave. The east and west sides of the nave are three bays wide defined by two-tier stone buttresses with large full-height gothic-arched stained glass windows. Inset on the north side is the half-round apse with a half-conical roof, slightly shorter and narrower than the original gabled form. The apse has three narrow Gothic-arched stained glass windows around the west wall. The WPA project involved a second structure – a small rectangular form with side-facing gabled roof and L-shaped stem walls on each end for entrance into men's and woman's restrooms. Most of the stained glass windows have been boarded due to vandalism that resulted in most windows being broken. A film was applied to the exterior of the covering to simulate the look of stained glass. Inspection revealed that the panels are extant, with extensive broken glass. In addition to the chapel and restrooms, other prominent features are stone columns at the front/west entrance to the cemetery, the veteran's circle with center statue in the center of the cemetery, and the WWI memorial comprised of four obelisks at the east end

of the cemetery representing the United States allies: England, France, Italy & Russia.

Ancillary Structures: Outhouse , Other

Ancillary Structure Remarks: Stone two-room outhouse, located NE of the Chapel, has small Gothic windows above east and west elevation entrances for added ventilation. Cemetery includes hundreds of grave markers, a central statue and WWI memorial

REGISTER STATUS:

Listed in State Register: No

Date of State Listing:

Listed in National Register: No

Date of National Listing:

Historic District:

Demolished:

Date Demolished (if applicable):

Potentially Eligible for National Register: Yes

Register Status Remarks: The cemetery and chapel are important historic features of Marysville. The cemetery would be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places and/or Register of Kansas Historic Places, including the chapel and other primary features, or the chapel and restroom structure would be eligible for listing under the New Deal-era Resources of Kansas Multiple Property nomination.

Thematic Nomination (MPDF):

National Historic Landmark:

SURVEY INFORMATION:

Survey 1

Survey Project Name: Marysville Downtown Survey (2023)

Sequence Number: 115

Surveyed By: Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda

Survey Date: 10/31/2023

IMAGES & DOCUMENTS



Marysville Cemetery Chapel.
Marysville, Marshall County, Kansas.
West and South Elevations. Photo by
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Marysville Cemetery Chapel.
Marysville, Marshall County, Kansas.
East Elevation. Photo by William E.
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Marysville Cemetery Chapel.
Marysville, Marshall County, Kansas.
South Elevation Entrance. Photo by
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Marysville Cemetery Chapel. Marysville, Marshall County, Kansas. South Elevation Windows Over Entrance. Photo by William E. Fischer, Jr., 9/1/2014



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. Marysville, Marshall County, Kansas. WPA marker on SW corner. Photo by William E. Fischer, Jr., 9/1/2014



Marysville Cemetery Chapel Outhouse. Marysville, Marshall County, Kansas. South and East Elevations. Photo by William E. Fischer, Jr., 9/1/2014



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. Main Cemetery entrance off 16th Street. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. Looking east inside main entrance. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. Veterans' circle. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. Veterans' memorial statue. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. Base of veterans' statue. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. Looking south from Veterans' circle. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410



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N. 16th Street. Looking north from Veterans' circle. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



N. 16th Street. WWI Memorial at east end of cemetery. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



N. 16th Street. Looking north from Veterans' circle toward chapel. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. North cemetery entrance off 16th Street. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. WPA Chapel and outhouse looking N. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. WPA Chapel and outhouse looking W. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. Detail of outhouse. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. WPA Chapel looking SW. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



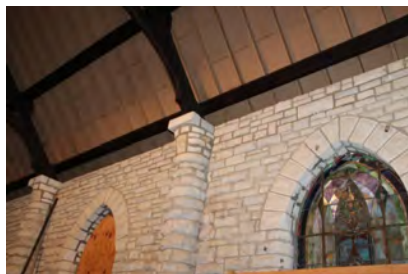
Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. WPA Chapel looking NE. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. Front/south facade of chapel. 10/25/2023. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. Detail of hardware on chapel doors. 01/11/2024. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. Interior view of chapel looking N. 01/11/2024. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



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Marysville Cemetery Chapel. 1410 N. 16th Street. Detail of interior stone walls and timbered ceiling. 01/11/2024. Spencer Preservation/Spencer, Brenda.



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