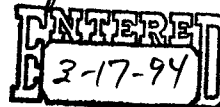


RJ #94000228



# National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

## 1. Name of Property

historic name Viall Lodge

other names/site number Gate House of the East Akron Cemetery

## 2. Location

street & number 1135 East Market Street N/A  not for publication

city or town Akron N/A  vicinity

state Ohio code OH county Summit code 153 zip code 44305

## 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination  request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant  nationally  statewide  locally. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Barbara Power, Dept. Head, Planning, 2-7-94  
Signature of certifying official/Title Inventory & Registration Date

Ohio Historic Preservation Office  
State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria. ( See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

State or Federal agency and bureau \_\_\_\_\_

## 4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

- entered in the National Register.  
 See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register  
 See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

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Viall Lodge  
Name of Property

Summit Co., Ohio  
County and State

**5. Classification**

**Ownership of Property**  
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

**Category of Property**  
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

**Number of Resources within Property**  
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1		buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1	0	Total

**Name of related multiple property listing**  
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

N/A

**Number of contributing resources previously listed  
in the National Register**

0

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

FUNERARY

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**Current Functions**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

FUNERARY

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**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

Tudor Revival

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**Materials**  
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation brick

walls brick

stone

roof asphalt

other N/A

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**Narrative Description**

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
B removed from its original location.
C a birthplace or grave.
D a cemetery.
E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
F a commemorative property.
G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1912

Significant Dates

1912

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Fitcher, J. Adam (architect)

Courtiss & Gill Construction Co. (builder)

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
previously listed in the National Register
previously determined eligible by the National Register
designated a National Historic Landmark
recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey
recorded by Historic American Engineering Record

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
Other State agency
Federal agency
Local government
University
Other

Name of repository:

Viall Lodge  
Name of Property

Summit Co., Ohio  
County and State

**10. Geographical Data**

**Acreage of Property** less than one acre

**UTM References**

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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3			
	Zone	Easting	Northing
4			

See continuation sheet

**Verbal Boundary Description**

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

**Boundary Justification**

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

**11. Form Prepared By**

name/title Mrs. Elizabeth A. Bosecker/Secretary ; and Jeffrey D. Brown/Regional Coordin.

organization East Akron Cemetery Company date July 14, 1993

street & number 1135 E. Market Street telephone 216-784-7238

city or town Akron state Ohio zip code 44305

**Additional Documentation**

Submit the following items with the completed form:

**Continuation Sheets**

**Maps**

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

**Photographs**

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

**Additional Items**

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

**Property Owner**

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name East Akron Cemetery Company

street & number 1135 E. Market Street telephone 216-784-7238

city or town Akron state Ohio zip code 44305-3226

**Paperwork Reduction Act Statement:** This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470 *et seq.*).

**Estimated Burden Statement:** Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 18.1 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Chief, Administrative Services Division, National Park Service, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, DC 20013-7127; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reductions Projects (1024-0018), Washington, DC 20503.

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Viall Lodge, Summit County, Ohio

Viall Lodge was constructed in 1912 as the superintendent's home and office for the East Akron Cemetery. Designed in the Tudor Revival style, it rests on a slightly raised brick foundation accented by a stone watertable. The brick walls of the 2 1/2 story house are laid in a running bond pattern, and the three-bay front facade is dominated by a prominent central entry porch, a 2 1/2 story wall dormer, and a tall brick chimney. The portico has arched openings, small stone-capped corner buttresses, and a front gable with a carved stone panel displaying the name "Viall Lodge" and the date "1912". A total of eight stone shields are inlaid at various locations in the exterior walls. Windows in the front facade are clustered in groups of three, and stone trim is employed around windows and doors. A large gabled port-cochere, extending off the east side of the house, displays Craftsman influence in its exposed rafters and open timberwork under the gable. The steeply pitched hip roof has a lower, parapeted gable on the east facade. Stone-capped parapets on the side gable, the entry gable, and the front portico are Jacobethan elements in the building's design.

The interior of Viall Lodge still exhibits its oak staircase and doors. The fireplace has been altered, but the mantel was retained, and the bathroom still has its original wall tile, tub, and wood towel closets. Many of the other interior walls, however, have been paneled more recently (date unknown). The only other notable alteration to the building has been the replacement of the multipane first-floor windows with double-hung 1/1 wood sash windows (date unknown).

Viall Lodge's setting displays a high degree of integrity, with mature trees, surrounding lawns, and metal fences supported by stone columns.

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Viall Lodge, Summit County, Ohio

Viall Lodge is nominated under Criterion C as a significant example of Tudor Revival style architecture, exhibiting many of the design elements that distinguish this style.

The Tudor Revival style, based on English vernacular architecture of the late Medieval period, gained popularity in the United States by the end of the 19th Century. Sometimes combined with subtle elements of other contemporaneous styles, including Colonial Revival, Arts and Crafts, and Craftsman, it continued to be used for a variety of commercial, domestic, and institutional buildings through the late 1930s. Specimens of both high style and vernacular Tudor Revival are found throughout Ohio, largely in urban or suburban settings. Viall Lodge in many ways exemplifies Tudor Revival design. Its asymmetrical plan and roofline, and its masonry construction with extensive use of stone trim, especially around doors and windows, is representative of Tudor Revival designs. The prominent front entry gable and gabled portico with inlaid shields are also typical. The tall front chimney, multipane windows, parapeted gables, Tudor arch front entry, and oak interior woodwork, are additional elements reflecting the Tudor Revival design of this building.

This building was used as the home and office of the East Akron Cemetery superintendents until 1990, when the last superintendent retired. The office portion continues in its original use, but the remainder of the house is now a rental unit, and the cemetery is overseen by a general manager.

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Verbal Boundary Description

Lot numbers 33 and 34, in Lot No. 5 Tract No. 13 of Tallmadge Township, now in the City of Akron.

Boundary Justification

Boundary includes the two legally recorded city lots that have historically been associated with the nominated property.

United States Department of the Interior  
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## Major Bibliographic References

Minutes of meetings of the East Akron Cemetery Co., July through November, 1911.

A Centennial History of Akron, 1825-1925, by Herman Fetzer, 1925.



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National Park Service**

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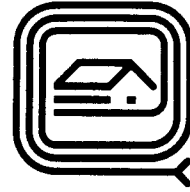
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Address: 1135 E. Market Street, Akron, Summit County, Ohio.  
Name of Photographer: William Wigley  
Location of Negatives: East Akron Cemetery Co., 1135 E. Market Street  
Date of Photograph: 1993



**Ohio Historic Preservation Office**

Ohio Historical Center  
1982 Velma Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43211-2497  
614/297-2470  
Fax: 297-2546



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SINCE 1885

April 13, 1994

East Akron Cemetery Company  
1135 East Market Street  
Akron, OH 44305-3226

Dear Madam/Sir:

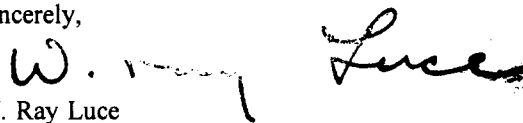
Re: Viall Lodge, 1135 E. Market St., Akron, Summit Co., Ohio

This is to inform you that the above has been entered into the National Register of Historic Places by the National Park Service, Department of the Interior (listed 3/17/94).

The nomination was made in connection with a state plan to identify and document prehistoric and historic places in Ohio which qualify for National Register status under provisions of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 as amended. All nominations are approved by the Ohio Historic Site Preservation Advisory Board.

Enclosed is information about the programs and services offered by the Ohio Historic Preservation Office.

Sincerely,

  
W. Ray Luce  
State Historic Preservation Officer

WRL/JER:tls

Enclosure

xc: Jeff Brown, Regional Coordinator  
NEFCO  
Mayor Donald L. Plusquellic  
State Senator Robert Nettle  
State Representative Vernon Sykes  
ODOT

# Ohio Historic Preservation Office

## National Register of Historic Places File Checklist

The following materials are contained in this file of the National Register form for:

Name: Viall Lodge

County: Summit

Original National Register of Historic Places nomination form

Multiple Property Nomination form

Photograph(s)

Photograph(s) (copies)

USGS map(s)

USGS map(s) (copies)

Sketch map(s)/figure(s)/exhibit(s)

Correspondence

Other \_\_\_\_\_

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