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DATA SHEET

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
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INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

## 1 NAME

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HISTORIC William A. Graham, Jr., Farm

AND/OR COMMON

## 2 LOCATION

5 of DenmeSTREET & NUMBER On SR 1360, 1.2 mi. South of jct. with SR 1382

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN Denme  
Kidville vic.CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
9thSTATE N.C.VICINITY OF  
CODE  
37COUNTY Lincoln CODE  
109

## 3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

## 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME David Clark

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Route 1

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Iron Station

North Carolina 28080

## 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.Lincoln County Courthouse

STREET &amp; NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Lincolnton

North Carolina

## 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

 FEDERAL  STATE  COUNTY  LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

## 7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED
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### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

W. A. Graham, Jr.'s farm in eastern Lincoln County is a complex consisting of a large, frame farm house of the 1890s; a most interesting wooden "round barn" of undetermined but probably nineteenth century; a board-and-batten smokehouse; and a small log outbuilding.

Placed on a slight knoll near the road, the two-story, rectangular frame house is well shaded by large trees. The finish of the house is simple, except for the typical late nineteenth century wooden ornament of the main roofline and the porch. The three-bay front facade features a large central gable with ornate gable ornaments; the ornament recurs in the two end gables. The gables, each pierced by a diamond shaped vent, are covered by pointed shingles. Drop pendant brackets mark the ends of the molded cornice and define the windows. A double window with one-over-one sash is in the center bay of the second floor, main facade. It is flanked by single windows with two-over-two sash which is the most common sash in the house. A hip roof porch, carrying across the front features a central gable with an elaborate gable ornament. The porch, now screened, has a simple open-work frieze. Double front doors have large glazed panels with two small square panels above and two rectangular panels below.

There are two projecting bays on the west side of the house and a second-floor porch in the west rear wing. The rear half of the front block roof is pierced by interior brick chimneys. Two wings project from the rear elevation.

The interior follows a center-hall plan, two rooms deep. It is distinguished by interesting machine made mantels and the use of alternating light and dark woods in the floor, wainscot and ceiling. The wainscot and ceiling are made of narrow beaded boards, diagonally set and in some cases forming chevron-like patterns. The floor boards are about three inches wide and are laid in the usual manner. The right front (northwest) room has double folding doors on either side of the chimney breast. When they are thrown open, there is free access from the parlor to the dining room.

Though the house is interesting, the outstanding feature of the farm complex is the "round barn", which is in fact a sixteen-sided structure. Resting on a low stone foundation, the barn is a two-story, frame building, its walls covered with vertical sheathing. A low, polygonal roof radiates from an eight-sided blind cupola. On the east and west sides, directly opposite each other, are large openings which gave access to the interior. These openings occupy the entire face of one surface plane of the first level and part of the second on the west side. The other planes of the first level are sheathed with board-and-batten with one square, open window in each facet on the north side and no windows on the south side. The second level or loft is sheathed with vertical boards having a breathing space between each. There are no windows in the loft. The cupola, also vertically sheathed, has a narrow, horizontally louvered air space at its eaves. The interior area beneath the cupola is square in plan and open to the floor level. The loft is arranged around this open square area and is raised several feet over the east entrance. It is open over the west entrance and there is a large, square platform resting above the south side of the loft. The first floor has small stalls and storage rooms arranged along the wall with a large open area in the center. The large supporting beams are hewn and the lesser ones are sawn.

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Between the house and barn, set back slightly, is a small, rectangular log out building of dovetailed construction under a gable roof. Its use is unknown. To the other side of the back yard is a square, tall smokehouse with board-and-batten sheathing protected by a gable roof with wooden shingles.

## 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

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### SPECIFIC DATES

### BUILDER/ARCHITECT

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### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The William A. Graham, Jr., Farm was the working experimental farmstead after the Civil War of William A. Graham, Jr., son of the governor and statesman of the same name. The younger Graham, avidly interested in agriculture and farmers' welfare, was active in this area in the state legislature, served on the state board of agriculture, and was commissioner of agriculture from 1908 until 1923. Traditional politically, he was innovative in farming techniques, which he employed on this farm. Surviving from Graham's period of ownership are the well-built, representative post-War farmhouse, some small outbuildings, and an imposing and unusual sixteen-sided "round barn" said to be an example of innovative agricultural design.

In his will probated in 1883 William A. Graham, a former governor of North Carolina (1845-1849) and renowned national statesman, left to his son, William A. Graham, Jr., a portion of land in Lincoln County. Graham specified that his son was to receive a "tract of land in Lincoln North Carolina on which he now resides comprising about 1614 acres<sup>7</sup>. . . together with all buildings, Machinery which he has erected at his own expense, horses, mules, hogs, wagons, and plantation implements. . . ." It was on this land that the younger Graham built a new house in 1894 after the old Graham house, which had been his grandfather's, had burned. The tract also was the <sup>1</sup> site where during the 1890s he completed and maintained a large and successful farm.

William A. Graham, Jr., was born in Hillsborough in 1839. He attended the University of North Carolina for three years (1856-1859) but completed his education at Princeton, receiving the A. B. degree there in 1860. Following his graduation he taught school in Hillsborough for a year until the outbreak of the Civil War. Like his famous father, he initially opposed secession, but at the advent of the sectional conflict, he joined the Confederate Army and was commissioned a lieutenant. In 1862 he was promoted to captain and subsequently wounded at Gettysburg in 1863. He submitted his resignation to his regiment in November, 1863, when he was appointed as Assistant Adjutant General of North Carolina with the rank of major.<sup>2</sup>

Following the war Graham settled on his family's property in Lincoln County near the community of Machpelah and began farming. He was active in state politics and served in the state senate in the 1870s where he lent his support to North Carolina agriculture. When the state legislature adjourned in 1875, General D. H. Hill praised Graham's efforts to support farming interests in the past session. He insisted that "the able, efficient, and hardworking Senator" took a leading role in watching over farm legislation. With Graham in state government, Hill declared, "the agricultural interest was protected as it never was before."<sup>3</sup>

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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 9.9 acres

UTM REFERENCES

A	1,7	4,9,13	8,2,0	3,9,2,5	9,3,5
ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING			

B					
ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING			
D					

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

## LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME/TITLE Description prepared by C. Greer Suttlemyre, Survey Specialist  
Significance prepared by Joe Mobley, Survey Specialist

ORGANIZATION \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Division of Archives and History

STREET & NUMBER TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

109 East Jones Street 733-4763

CITY OR TOWN STATE \_\_\_\_\_

Raleigh North Carolina 27611

## 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL \_\_\_\_\_

STATE X

LOCAL \_\_\_\_\_

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665). I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE State Historic Preservation Officer

DATE March 10, 1977

### FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

*Attest*

*John Brumley*

DATE

*5/6/77*

ATTEST:

*Charles Abney*

DATE

*5-6-77*

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

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Graham also served on the state board of agriculture from 1899 to 1908 and as Commissioner of Agriculture from 1908 until his death in 1923. In 1908 The Progressive Farmer described him as "a farmer who lives upon his farm, actively serves his party in political campaigns, yet when elected acts for the welfare of the whole people." During his years as Commissioner, the total value of North Carolina's crops rose from twenty-third to fifth in the United States.<sup>4</sup>

Steeped in the customs and traditions of the antebellum South, Graham was in all matters--public and private, social and political--a conservative. While at Princeton he apparently adhered strictly to the wishes and instructions of his parents and made no decision without consulting them. For example, in April, 1859, he wrote to his father from Princeton requesting money and permission to buy more clothes. "It will take more money for me here than at Chapel Hill," he wrote, "but as I buy my clothes here I don't think it will be any dearer for a year." He wanted to be in the fashion at Princeton, and he noted that "the boys dress more here than at the Hill." Nevertheless, he would follow his father's advice: "I suppose you are the best judge of what the cost of my clothes should be," he conceded.<sup>5</sup>

At the age of twenty-five while serving in the Confederate Army, Graham met and fell in love with a young woman, and although he wished to marry her he would not do so without his mother's consent. In 1864 he wrote to his mother requesting her permission:

I have come across a young lady over here whom I desire to address but would like to get your permission first. I certainly like her better than anyone I ever saw but would like to get your permission first.

She has a sweet amiable disposition and a splendid character. It is true she is an Episcopalian but then she is low church and goes to all the churches. She went with me to the Baptist Church last Sunday and I believe would be a Baptist before we were married two years. She is a pious good girl. As you have always said I ought to marry a girl raised on a farm.

She is quite pretty but does not know it (which ruins beauty of a great many) & has the sweetest disposition imaginable and would make a capital farmer's wife. . . Please let me hear from you sometime this month, as I do not wish to engage myself to her without your consent and I know you would consent if you only knew her.<sup>6</sup>

The young lady, Miss Julia B. Lane of Virginia, married Graham in 1864. They subsequently had nine daughters and two sons, and their home in Lincoln County was reported to have been "noted for its open-hearted hospitality and welcome--a happy survival of ante-

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bellum days." Julia Graham died in 1909 and was buried in the family cemetery. In his will Graham requested to be buried beside her.

Besides his allegiance to traditional custom in his private life, Graham was not a man receptive to social or political change but preferred to cling to the old and tried ways of the past. He was nominated in 1867 to serve as the Conservative candidate to North Carolina's Reconstruction Convention, and during this period he was strongly opposed to suffrage and civil rights for blacks. He was also an earnest worker for white supremacy in 1900, and although he was a member of the Farmer's Alliance, he would not support its efforts to gain concessions for farmers through political action in the 1890s.

He was, however, innovative in his use of new agricultural methods and devices at his Lincoln County farm. In fact, he owned the first double footed plow used in the county, the first cotton gin with condenser west of the Catawba River, and the first separator, weeder, and reaper in the county. Local tradition claims that the round barn on his farm was part of his experimental farming effort. He also made some contributions in the writing of North Carolina history, including a history of his Confederate cavalry regiment and his most noted work, "General Joseph Graham and his Revolutionary Papers," an account of his ancestor's role in the American Revolution.<sup>9</sup>

When he died in 1923, William A. Graham, Jr., left "eight hundred acres of land more or less, situated in Lincoln County" and known as his "home place" to his children. The portion of the land containing the "residence. . . and all buildings of every kind connected or used therewith. . ." went to his oldest son, William, who was appointed by Governor Morrison<sup>10</sup> to succeed his father as Commissioner of Agriculture in 1923. He served until 1936. In 1943 William A. Graham (III) left the "home tract" to his son, Joseph. Since that year the property has been transferred to Mr. David Clark of Lincoln County who is the present owner of the Graham farm, and the grandson of Justice Walter Clark,<sup>11</sup> a member of the General Assembly, and a promoter of North Carolina agriculture.

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<sup>2</sup> J. G. DeRouhlac Hamilton and Max R. Williams, eds., The Papers of William Alexander Graham (Raleigh: Division of Archives and History, 1973) V, pp. 86-87; Louis H. Manarin, comp., North Carolina Troops, 1861-1865: A Roster (Raleigh: Division of Archives and History, 1968) II, p. 170.

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Graham (Jr.) William A., Farm

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Lincoln

State

North Carolina

Working Number

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**TECHNICAL**

Photos 5

Maps \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTROL**

OK <sup>pl</sup> 3.31.77

**HISTORIAN**

Accept  
W. R. Luce  
4/3/77

**ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN**

Accept  
Lebowich  
4.4.77

**ARCHEOLOGIST**

**OTHER**

**HAER**

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_

Review \_\_\_\_\_

**REVIEW UNIT CHIEF**

Accept  
Cole  
4-13-77

**BRANCH CHIEF**

*Kirby*  
5-6-77

**KEEPER**

*Wm*  
5/6/77

National Register Write-up

6.7.77

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Federal Register Entry

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SUBJECT William A. GRAHAM, JR. FARM

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House looking SE

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Spokehouse looking SW

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
Department of Cultural Resources  
Raleigh 27611



James B. Hunt, Jr.  
Governor

Sara Hodgkins  
Secretary

~~XXXXXX~~ M. C. B. T. E. R.  
~~XXXXXX~~ Assistant Secretary

March 14, 1977

Dr. William J. Murtagh  
National Register of Historic Places  
Department of the Interior  
National Park Service  
18th and C Streets, NW  
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Dr. Murtagh:

We are enclosing a nomination for the William A. Graham, Jr., Farm in Lincoln County, North Carolina, to be entered in the National Register of Historic Places.

We trust you will find this nomination in order. If there are any questions, please call us.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that appears to read "Larry E. Tise".

Larry E. Tise  
State Historic Preservation Officer

LET/dk

cc: Hon. Robert Morgan  
Hon. Jesse Helms  
Hon. James G. Martin

JAMES G. MARTIN  
9TH DISTRICT, NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTIES:  
IREDELL  
LINCOLN  
MECKLENBURG

COMMITTEE:  
WAYS AND MEANS

WASHINGTON OFFICE:  
115 CANNON HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515  
TELEPHONE: (202) 225-1976

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, D.C. 20515**

March 25, 1977

Dr. William J. Murtagh  
National Register of Historic Places  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Dr. Murtagh:

This is with reference to a March 14th letter sent to you by the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Officer, Mr. Larry Tise.

I hope that the William A. Graham, Jr., Farm in Lincoln County will soon be entered in the National Register of Historic Places. If I can be of any assistance in this matter, please let me know.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

*Jim Martin*  
James G. Martin  
Member of Congress

*Received  
3/28/77*

*notice provided  
4/1/77*

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K. Cole  
Herrington  
Mustagh  
Rogers  
T. Wood  
Whitney

Honorable James G. Martin  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Martin:

Thank you for your letter of March 25 concerning the nomination of the Graham Farm, Lincoln County, North Carolina, to the National Register of Historic Places.

The nomination for Graham Farm was received in the National Register office on March 28, 1977. Due to the significant new meaning the Tax Reform Act of 1976 has given properties listed in the National Register, we are notifying each property owner of the implications of the act. We will expedite review of the nomination after the owners have been allowed 30 days to comment or have waived the commenting period on the notice which was provided by letter dated April 1, 1977. We will advise you immediately with the usual form notification if the Graham Farm is listed in the National Register.

Sincerely yours,

~~4/26/77 Jerry L. Rogers~~  
/Sgd/ Jerry L. Rogers  
Acting Associate  
Director

bcc:

Dr. Larry E. Tise  
Director  
Division of Archives and History  
Department of Cultural Resources  
109 East Jones Street  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27611)

Regional Director-Southeast Region )

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STATE NORTH CAROLINA

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Name

Location

Capehart, Thomas, House

Kittrell vicinity  
Vance County

Graham, William A. Jr., Farm

Denver vicinity  
Lincoln County

Also Notified

Hon. Jesse A. Helms  
Hon. Robert B. Morgan  
Hon. L. H. Fountain  
Hon. James G. Martin  
Regional Director, Southeast  
Region

State Historic Preservation Officer  
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