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Inventory No:	SWN.108
Historic Name:	Luther, Upham Farm
Common Name:	
Address:	405 Milford Rd
City/Town:	Swansea
Village/Neighborhood:	
Local No:	
Year Constructed:	C 1786
Architectural Style(s):	Colonial;
Use(s):	Agricultural; Single Family Dwelling House;
Significance:	Agriculture; Architecture;
Area(s):	
Designation(s):	
Building Materials:	Roof: Asphalt Shingle; Wall: Wood Shingle;
Demolished	No



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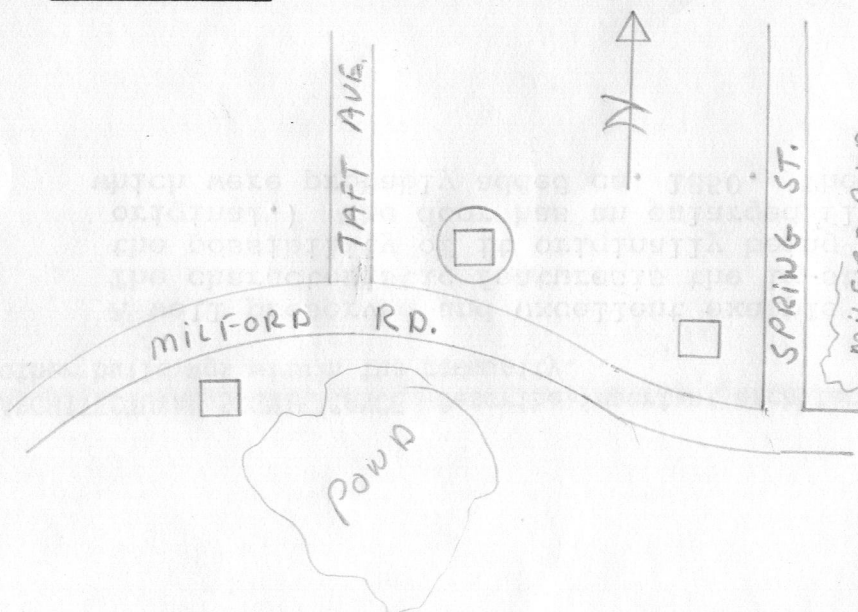
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USGS - SOMERSET

AREA FORM NO. 108



Indicate north



Town SWANSEA

Address 405 Milford Road

Historic Name Upham Luther Farm

Use: Present Residence

Original Farmstead

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1786

Source "Plaque" and visual analysis

Style Colonial cottage

Architect

Exterior Wall Fabric Painted shingle

Outbuildings Modern garage

Major Alterations (with dates) Large 1½-

story ell added to back

Condition Excellent, well maintained

Moved No Date

Acreage Less than two acres

Setting Situated on the corner of Mil-

ford and Taft and across from Mil-

ford Pond. A well traveled road

presently sandwiched by development

with Stuarts and Swansea Mall.

Recorded by Kay Flynn/Kim Valente

Organization Swansea Historical

Commission

Date May, 1986

UTM REFERENCE

USGS QUADRANGLE SOMERSET, MA 1967/79

SCALE

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

A well preserved and excellent example of Swansea's many Colonial Cottages. The characteristic feature is the $1\frac{1}{2}$ -story-however, it is only 4-bay with the possibility of it originally being a $\frac{1}{2}$ -story house (west portion original.) The door has an enlarged flat lintel and there are sidelights, which were probably added ca. 1850. The windows are 2 over 2.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

According to the 1853 walling map, this land belonged to N. Wood, to the west of the property was a grist mill and to the east land owned by W. Monroe. On the towns 1895 map, house was then owned by Durfee. The name Uphem Luther Farm on the mailbox is not mentioned on either of the maps.

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