

# FORM B – BUILDING

Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

**Town:** Dartmouth

**Place:** (*neighborhood or village*) Smith Mills

## Photograph



**Address:** 93 Old Westport Road

**Historic Name:** Leander C. King House

**Uses: Present:** Single-Family Residential

**Original:** Single-Family Residential

**Date of Construction:** c 1860

**Source:** Style and Historic Maps

**Style/Form:** Gothic Revival

**Architect/Builder:**

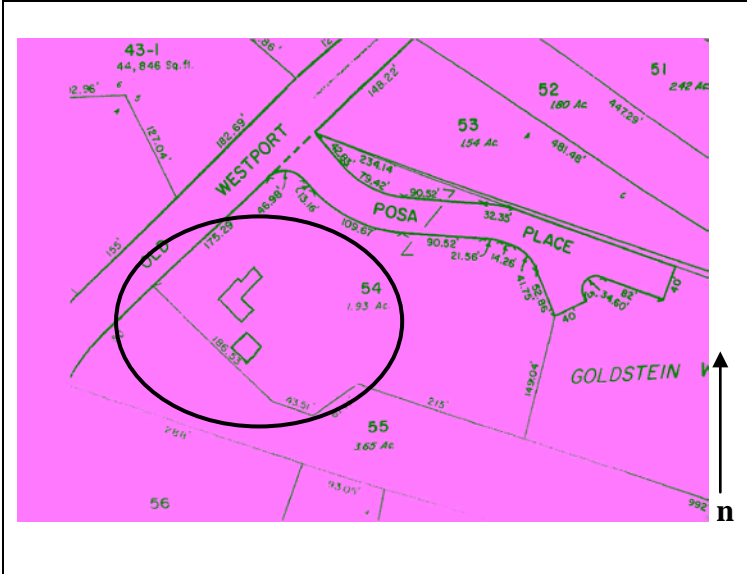
**Exterior Material:**

Foundation: Granite

Wall/Trim: Vinyl Siding

Roof: Asphalt Shingles

## Topographic or Assessor's Map



## Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

A one-story, one-car garage is located southwest of the residence.

## Major Alterations (*with dates*):

Rear and side additions – late nineteenth century

Dormers – mid- twentieth century

Vinyl Siding and Replacement Windows – Late twentieth century.

**Condition:** Fair

**Moved:** no | x | yes | | **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Acreage:** 1.94 acres

**Setting:** The building faces west and is set back approximately forty-five feet from the edge of the road.

**Recorded by:** Geoffrey E. Melhuish, ttl-architects

**Organization:** Town of Dartmouth

**Date (month / year):** January 2010

**INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET**

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DARTMOUTH

93 Old Westport Road

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\_\_\_ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

*If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*

*Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.*

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:**

*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.*

93 Old Westport Road (DAR.147) is a two-and-one-half story wood-frame Gothic Revival residence. The three-by-five bay building faces west and is set back approximately forty-five feet from the edge of Old Westport Road. The property is located north of the intersection of Old Westport Road and Chase Road. The building terminates in a front gable roof sheathed with asphalt shingles. Typical of the Gothic Revival style, a large cross gable is centered on the north and south roof planes. Paired pointed arch windows crowned by a pointed-arch motif are centered in each gable. An interior brick chimney pierces the east roof plane and an exterior brick chimney is featured on the south elevation of the principal block. The residence is clad with vinyl siding. The window and door fenestration of the building is symmetrical. A paired entry below a gable roof entry porch provides access to the building. The opening is framed by a simple wood surround. Two 2/2 double-hung sash windows are located south of the entry. Each window opening is framed by a simple wood surround capped by a horizontal hood mould. Three 2/2 double-hung wood sash windows are located above. A one-story bay window is located on the south elevation. A two-story addition has been added to the east elevation. A one-and-one half story barn with attached two-car garage is located east of the residence. Although slightly modified by replacement windows, vinyl siding and additions, 93 Old Westport Road maintains the form and details of a Gothic Revival residence constructed in Dartmouth during the late nineteenth century.

**HISTORICAL NARRATIVE**

*Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.*

The Gothic Revival massing and style of 93 Old Westport Road DAR.147 is typical of properties constructed during the mid to late nineteenth century. The property first appears on the 1895 map as the residence of Leander C. King (b 1833), a blacksmith, and his wife Abbey (b 1838). Town records indicate that the property was owned by Janice Silva Worden during the mid twentieth century; however, no date is given. In 1958, the property was acquired by Howard and Ruth Young. The current owners purchased the property in 1980.

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