

Sam Houston, Home of

A marker was placed during the 1936 Texas Centennial. Neither the Texas Historical Commission nor the Harris County Historical Commission has any file on this. The information below has been compiled for the use of future researchers.

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Harris County Historical Commission (1995 -)
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Marker Number: 15008

Marker Title: Home of Sam Houston

Index Entry: Houston, Sam, Home of

Address:

City: Baytown [5712 Cedar Point Road, Baytown 77521]

County: Harris [Chambers County]

UTM Zone:

UTM Easting:

UTM Northing:

Subject Codes:

Year Marker Erected: 1936

Designations: na

Marker Location: Near Goose Creek

Marker Size: C

Marker Text: Site of the Home of General Sam Houston, Constructed in About 1860, Occupied by Him as a Residence During a Part of 1861 and a Part of 1862.

Directions:

Old Hwy 146, right on Spur 55/TX 99 North; 4.8 miles to FM1405, right on 1405 to intersection with FM2354, left 6 tenths mile to Cedar Point Rd., right 3 tenths mile to property entrance on left

Notes:

Louis Lenz Inventory # 68 of 71; this marker is a Chambers County Marker, erroneously listed as Harris County, on grounds of Sam Houston Estates at Cedar Point

From *The Handbook of Texas Online*: <http://www.tshaonline.org/handbook/online>

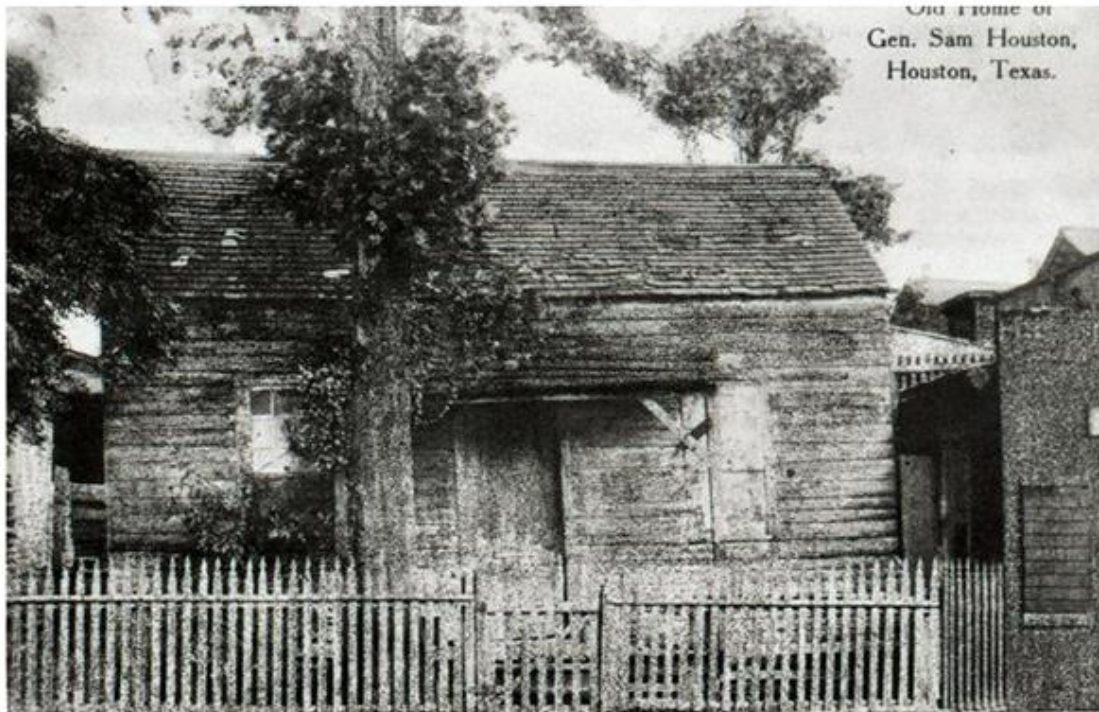
HOUSTON, SAMUEL (1793–1863). Sam Houston, one of the most illustrious political figures of Texas, was born on March 2, 1793, the fifth child (and fifth son) of Samuel and Elizabeth (Paxton) Houston, on their plantation in sight of Timber Ridge Church, Rockbridge County, Virginia. He was of Scots-Irish ancestry and reared Presbyterian. He acquired rudimentary education during his boyhood by attending a local school for no more than six months. When he was thirteen years old, his father died; some months later, in the spring of 1807, he emigrated with his mother, five brothers, and three sisters to Blount County in Eastern Tennessee, where the family established a farm near Maryville on a tributary of Baker's Creek.

Houston went to a nearby academy for a time and reportedly fed his fertile imagination by reading classical literature, especially the Iliad. more

Selected References:

The History of Baytown by Margaret Swett Henson (Baytown: Bay Area Heritage Society, 1986).

Chambers County. A Pictorial History by Margaret Henson and Kevin Ladd (Wallisville Heritage Park, 1988).



Old home of General Sam Houston

Copy of postcard from Houston, Texas. This and other postcard scenes were loaned to George Fuerman, Houston Post, Post card columnist to use in his books on Houston.

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