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Spring Place is located on the West Carter's Valley Road which was a buffalo trail and the route of numerous explorers. The name is derived from the spring which flows behind the house.

Spring Place is a <u>double</u> log dwelling with a two-story section and a one-story wing built against the brick chimney. Window and door openings are in original locations, although the framing may have been replaced; however, it has not been replaced recently. To the back of the building is a small modern kitchen wing.

On the first floor of the main section there are two rooms with a central hall. The stair in the hall leads to two upper rooms. The walls are covered with beaded planks, presently covered with wall paper, but neither painted nor plastered. Practically all interior woodwork, hardware, and flooring are original. The wing could not be examined because it is used for storage.

Spring Place is located near the bridge crossing the North Fork of the Holston River in an area which is being developed. A rural atmosphere still lingers but it will be replaced rapidly. Spring Place is on a sizable lot, which, if it can be retained by the present and subsequent owners, will provide some protection for the property.



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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Methodism was a major force in East Tennessee through the nineteenth century, and one of its strongest supporters was the Rev. Samuel Patton. Born in South Carolina in 1797, Patton came to Tennessee with his parents in 1819, five years after he had "embraced religion." He was licensed to preach in the Tennessee Conference in 1819, and as noted by one biographer, "elevation was rapid." In 1821, he was transferred to the Mississippi Conference, but due to bad health, returned to Tennessee to be readmitted to the Holston Conference in 1825 where he became one of its most successful and dedicated circuit riders.

In addition to his district work, Patton served as editor of two church publications. He became the champion of "Holston Methodism" against attacks by other denominations during the religious fervor of the mid-nineteenth century. From 1828-1844, he participated in the General Conference of the undivided church. He was a delegate to the Louisville Conference in 1845, where steps were taken for organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, in which he became active. The same year, 1845, Patton went to Knoxville to take charge of the First Methodist Church, and in 1850, the Doctor of Divinity degree was conferred on him by Emory and Henry College.

Patton had married a Sullivan County girl, Nancy Morrison, in 1823. Five year later, Nancy's father, Jonathan Morrison, gave the Pattons "Spring Place," which was "the only place they ever regarded as home," according to M'Anally. The date when the dwelling was built is unknown, although the house was on the land when Morrison purchased it from the heirs of Jacob Wills in 1825. Wills had obtained the property through a land grant in 1790.

During Patton's long and frequent absences from home, his wife cared for their children, who eventually numbered eight. Apparently the family did join Patton in Knoxville after 1845, but "resettled at their own 'Spring Place' home" in 1853. Patton remained in Knoxville where he died the following year at the home of his close friend, the Rev. William G. Brownlow.

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	As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is: National State Local X Name Michael J. Smith Executive Director Title Tennessee Historical Commission					I hereby certify that this property National Register. Chief, Office of Archeology Date 4/11/33 ATTEST:	Utley		
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