**BALLARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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<th>LANDMARK NUMBER:</th>
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<td>KNOWN AS:</td>
<td>Ballard Country Church aka Lopez Funeral Home</td>
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<td>PHYSICAL ADDRESS:</td>
<td>2465 Baseline Ave., Solvang</td>
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<td>LOCATION:</td>
<td>Corner of Baseline Avenue and Cottonwood Street, Ballard</td>
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<td>TYPE OF SITE:</td>
<td>Church</td>
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<td>RESOLUTION NUMBER:</td>
<td>66-488</td>
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<td>LANDMARK DATE:</td>
<td>September 12, 1966</td>
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<td>DESIGNATION OBTAINED BY:</td>
<td>Nomination submitted by Santa Ynez Valley Historical Society</td>
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| PAST OWNERS:     | Santa Ynez Presbyterian Church  
|                  | Raymond and Edna Paaske |
| CURRENT OWNER:   | Ruth Loper  
|                  | 2465 Baseline Ave.  
|                  | Solvang, CA 93463 |
| CHANGES/ALTERATIONS: | Designation change from church to mortuary |
CONDITION: Good

DESCRIPTION:
This church was designed by Samuel Lyons, a local resident and justice of the peace, and constructed under his supervision in 1898 by local members of the congregation. It included the sanctuary, the chancel, choir and narthex. The stained glass windows were donated in memory of early settlers to the valley.

Before the church was constructed, services were held first in the local saloon and then in the schoolhouse. Drought hit in 1898 and with little rain, there were no crops to tend and no work for the men. Time was used to construct the church. Lumber at a cost of just over $300 was shipped by boat to Gaviota and then brought by wagon drawn by a six-horse team. To support the effort, people gave what they could; even the Chinese cook at Mattei’s Tavern contributed 50 cents, a fair sum in those days. Construction was done by volunteer labor.

The church bell was purchased from Montgomery Ward. The pews came from an Episcopal church destroyed in the 1925 Santa Barbara earthquake. Other additions (and not part of the landmarked portion of the church) included the Friendship Hall, kitchen, fireside room, bathroom, and study.

A bronze plaque was installed in 1983 and inscribed as:
Ballard
Presbyterian Church
1898
Santa Barbara County
Historical Landmark #4

Resources:
An undated letter supporting the nomination of the church written by Mrs. Grace L. Davison who had lived in Ballard since 1882
A letter written by Royce Lewellen, attorney at law, to Mr. Dana Smith, assistant county counsel dated February 22, 1967
Undated floor plan which accompanied Royce Lewellen’s letter
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT THE BALLARD
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IS AN HISTORICAL
LANDMARK WORTHY OF PROTECTION UNDER
ORDINANCE NO. 1716, AND PRESCRIBING
CONDITIONS TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE THE
BALLARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

WHEREAS, the Ballard Presbyterian Church, also known as the
Santa Ynez Valley Presbyterian Church in Ballard, located in the
community of Ballard in Santa Barbara County has great historical
significance and interest to the general public as a landmark and
reminder of pioneer days in Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, on August 11, 1966, the Santa Barbara County
Advisory Landmark Committee declared the Ballard Presbyterian Church
to be an historical landmark pursuant to the provisions of
Ordinance No. 1716 of the County of Santa Barbara; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa
Barbara deems the Ballard Presbyterian Church to be worthy of
protection and preservation as such historical landmark;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Board of Supervisors, having duly set a public
hearing for September 12, 1966, has heard all interested parties
and has closed said public hearing, adopting the conditions set
out in paragraph 2 of this Resolution.

2. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares the Ballard
Presbyterian Church to be an historical monument pursuant to
Ordinance No. 1716 and hereby imposes the following conditions on
the Ballard Presbyterian Church pursuant to said Ordinance:

Demolition or destruction, partially or entirely, is
prohibited unless express consent in writing is first had and
obtained from the Santa Barbara County Advisory Landmark Committee.
Such consent may impose all reasonable conditions deemed appropriate
by the Committee to accomplish the purposes of Ordinance No. 1716.
Demolition or destruction shall not be deemed to include removal of portions of the building added after initial construction.

2. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Santa Ynez Valley Historical Society.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this 12th day of September, 1966, by the following vote:

Ayes: George H. Clyde, Joe J. Callahan, Daniel G. Grant, F. H. Beattie and Curtis Tunnell

Noes: None

Absent: None

Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Clerk