

Miller-Anderson-Roesler House

8636 Old Channel Trail, Montague, MI 49437



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It was reported in the Montague Observer that "Carpenters and masons are very busy in Montague. George Miller will build a residence across the street from the Presbyterian Church for himself and his family.

From September 21, 1905, Montague Observer - A New Residence

The cement foundation of George Miller's new house was commenced yesterday by Thleman & Son who have the contract for all the mason work. The plans and specifications were perfected by Ernest Hulbert and the house will be modern in both architecture and interior arrangement. The building will be 30x36 feet, two story, with two large gables and six smaller ones.

A 50 ft. veranda 8 feet wide will extend on three sides of the house and a seven foot porch will grace the rear at the lake front. The veranda is designed to be a very handsome affair, cement being the chief material used in its construction. Cement block will extend above the porch floor which will also be cement. Short columns will extend from the cement work to the roof and the semicircle corners will add beauty to the plans.

The house will contain twelve rooms besides a commodious cellar. Mr. Miller has a considerable amount of lumber on hand, which he manufactured himself, including ash and oak for the interior finish.

From April 19, 1906, Montague Observer

The interior of Geo. Miller's fine residence is being finished this week in handsome woods. The floors are being laid in alternating maple and cherry; doors and casings are finished in select ash from MR. Millers own timber lands. This house will be thoroughly modern, being equipped with a steam heating plant.

Mr. & Mrs. Miller expect to occupy their new home this week - April 26, 1906
It's unclear exactly when the house changed hands, but Adolph Anderson was the next one to occupy the house.

Adolph married Helen Ripley in the bay window of the Ripley house on June 10, 1914. At some point after that, while working for the bank, he acquired the Miller house on default. The Andersons lived there until the early 1960s.

Henry Roesler then acquired the house and conducted a "House Blessing" in January 1963.



