

SHAW HOUSE

Short History & Directions

Open Saturday, September 29th, 4-6 pm

The Shaw House is a historic site (National Register of Historic Places), located near downtown Southern Pines, NC, and although not normally open on weekends, has been made especially available to members of the Blue Family on Saturday, September 29, between 4 and 6 pm. As the Shaw House is located just off of Highway 1 in Southern Pines, (near area hotels and restaurants) it is easy to visit Shaw House on the way to dinner Saturday evening.

The Shaw House was built by Charles C. Shaw, a first generation Scottish settler, who acquired 2,500 acres and built the house around 1820. The Shaw House is of interest to the Blues because it is characteristic of the homes built by early Scottish settlers like the Blues. It is owned by the Moore County Historical Association and is furnished in keeping with its era.

The Shaw House is of further interest to our family because Charles Washington "Squire" Shaw (son of Charles C. Shaw), married the widowed Kate Bethune Blue and raised her children by Daniel Smith Blue. Daniel Smith Blue was the oldest son of Archibald McMillan Blue (who was the grandson of Duncan Blue of Lakeview.) Daniel was a member of a Cumberland County cavalry regiment during the Civil War. He died at home of pneumonia while on furlough in 1864. As a result of his death, his surviving children grew up in the Shaw House, raised by Kate and Squire Shaw.