

Ransom Loveless Barn
SW Whiskey Hill & Fish Rds
Lot 191
1853, 1858, 1874: "R Loveless", 1904: "W Loveless"
Circa: Unk; Razed early 1990's

Glen Loveless' picture shows a section of a small 1½-story barn constructed of multi-everything field cobbles in neat rows. Horizontal joints were V'd and verticals were pyramided. It had a center door and one window on each side; no openings above. This is the part of the barn that faced Whiskey Hill Rd. No lintels or sills were used, just a wood frame into which the window panes and door were placed. The windows were small, maybe 18" high; the door, too, was small. The horse standing just in front of it stood taller than the door opening.

This barn was pictured in McIntosh's 1877 "History of Wayne County NY"¹—probably a lithograph. It appears to have had stone quoins and have had a large 2-story frame wing attached to its south end, dwarfing the original cobblestone barn.

Local historians Jim and Ruth Chatfield provided information and the Glen Loveless picture.

Chatfield email dtd 12/16/2013:

"There was a cobblestone barn on the Ransom Loveless /Washington Loveless farm located on Whiskey Hill road just beyond Fish Road. It was torn down in the early 1990's and the stone was hauled away and used for a driveway fill.

Also there is still standing a stone smoke house located on the Whiskey Hill Road about a half mile north of the four corners where Burdette Colvin lived in the 1920-1950's."

Chatfield email dtd 12/23/2013:

"Glen Loveless came and gave us a photo of the Loveless home and barn that was in question. Ransom Sr. was the person that built the buildings and the house; and Washington, Glen's grandfather, lived there in 1934 when the photo (enclosed) was taken. Washington was a good farmer and he used oxen sometimes on the farm."

Chatfield email dtd 3/21/2014:

"Ruth remembered that Vesta Taylor Loveless's Mother was Martha Bishop, sister of Benjamin. She was the wife of Washington Loveless, owner of the cobblestone barn."

¹ http://www.libraryweb.org/~digitized/books/History_of_Wayne_County_1877.pdf
(unnumbered page before pg 81)