

Historical Marker - S375 - Marshall (Marker ID#:S375)



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Marshall

Founded in 1831 by Sidney Ketchum and settlers from New York and New England, the town was named in honor of Chief Justice John Marshall. Townsmen Isaac Cray and the Reverend John Pierce planned in 1834 the innovative Michigan public school system. Marshall's early hopes of becoming state capital were not rewarded, but the coming of the Michigan Central Railroad in 1844 increased prosperity, and the town remained a rail center until the 1870s. In 1863 the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers was founded here. Many of the citizens held strong abolitionist views, and in 1847 they prevented the return of fugitive slave Adam Crosswhite to Kentucky. The architectural excellence of Marshall's homes is known through the Midwest.

Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1972 **Erected Date:** 1972

Marker Location

Address: Town Square, West Michigan Ave

City: Marshall

State: MI **ZipCode:**

County: Calhoun

Township: Marshall

Lat: 42.27178300 / **Long:** -84.96405500

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