

Historical Marker - L1877C - Burnham's Landing (Marker ID#:L1877C)



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Burnham's Landing

Frederick Burnham settled in Michigan in the 1840s. In 1850 he married Julia Clark in Ann Arbor. Beginning in the 1850s, the Burnhams acquired large tracts of Presque Isle County's rich timberlands. Among their holdings was the land purchased in 1868 by the U.S. government, where the Presque Isle Harbor Range Lights were constructed. In the mid-to-late nineteenth century Burnham developed a prosperous mercantile and lumber business here. He constructed two large docks and the roads needed to transport wood to the boat landing, which stood near this site. The harbor, known as Burnham's Landing, provided shelter to ships during foul weather. When Burnham died in 1880, Julia and their son Frederick II assumed management of the family's business. The Burnham home, store, and lumber camps were destroyed by the 1908 Metz fire.

Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1992 **Erected Date:** 1993

Marker Location

Address: Grand Lake Road @ foot of Pine View St.

City: Presque Isle

State: MI **ZipCode:**

County: Presque Isle

Township: Presque Isle

Lat: 45.33000200 / **Long:** -83.48693600

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