

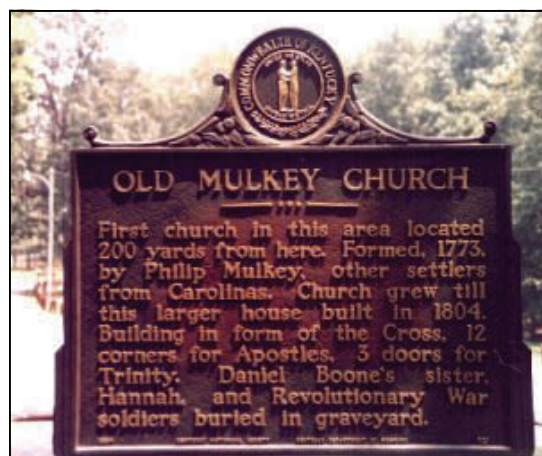


**The Old Mulkey Meetinghouse**

The second oldest log meeting house in Kentucky was built in 1804 during a period of religious revival. Many Revolutionary War soldiers and pioneers, including Daniel Boone's sister, Hannah, are buried here. The structure has twelve corners in the shape of a cross and three doors, symbolic of the Holy Trinity.

The Old Mulkey Church was originally called the Mill Creek Baptist Church, established by a small band of pioneer Baptists from North and South Carolina led by Philip Mulkey. John Mulkey was the first preacher of record. In April 1804 the growing congregation commissioned the building of a meeting house.

This crude log structure, with puncheon floor, peg leg seats, chinked and daubed walls, clapboard shutters and handrived shingles was built with 12 corners and in the shape of a cross with three doors. Many historians believe that the 12 corners represent the 12 apostles, while others believe that they represent the 12 tribes of Israel. The three doors are symbolic of the Holy Trinity.



**This quest is in Monroe County. From Tompkinsville Center...proceed west on Magnolia St. /Old Mulkey Road approximately 2 miles to park entrance on right. Quest begins at the Park Shelter.**



Kentucky Questing sites can be found across the Commonwealth. Go to <http://eeinkentucky.org> to find one near you.

## A Primary Student's View

### From the Pulpit

Old Mulkey Meetinghouse  
State Historic Site in cooperation  
with the Monroe County  
Tourism Commission

**Approximate time for Quest:** 45 minutes  
**Difficulty level:** Easy (not wheelchair accessible)

**Type and length of trail:** Combination of paved and grass. Indoor and outdoor. Less than one mile.

**Type of Quest:** Historical



# A Primary Student's View from the Pulpit

## A quest at Old Mulkey Meetinghouse State Historic Site

When Daniel Boone was exploring Kentucky  
He considered the sun a very good buddy.  
It helped him to know,  
North, south, east and west.  
You must know it also to complete this quest.  
Start at the shelter turn round and round  
Pat yourself on the head, now touch the ground.  
Look to the east, a playground you'll see  
Go there and count the green posts for me.

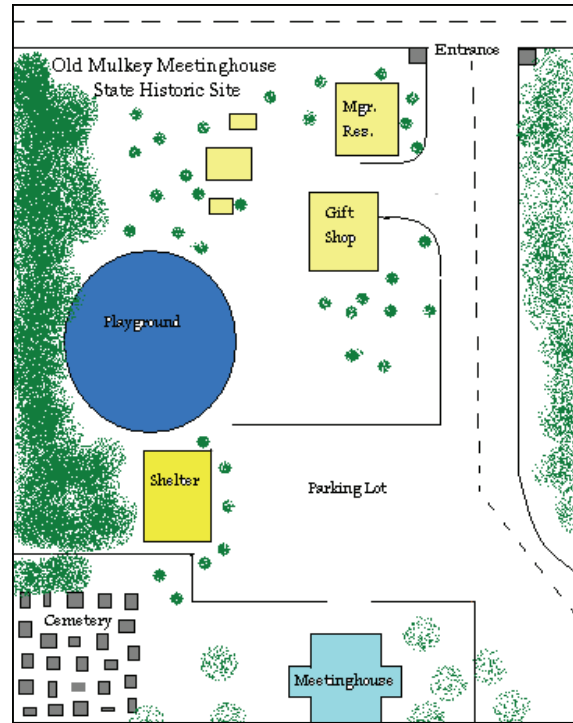
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A bit further east I'm sure you can see  
A sandbox with diggers, two I believe.  
Look north to the blacktop, it's not far away.  
What's a game that here you can play?

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Now get your bearings,  
You must know where you are!  
Walk to the west... watch out for the cars.  
Imagine carrying your shoes and your socks  
So they won't get dirty or scuffed by the rocks.  
Imagine walking through the woods on Sunday  
To come to this place where they sing and pray  
Imagine walking home when it's after dark  
And a time when this place wasn't a park.  
Look around, read the signs until you see  
What this special old building used to be.

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To the north of the church or  
Meetinghouse as it is called  
There's a place where it would be easy to fall  
Rocks placed in rows or made into walls  
Can you tell me what this place might be called?

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There is a newer tombstone in the graveyard.  
To find it really isn't that hard.  
He was a brave soldier in our first war  
And he was wounded with a sword.  
He was a PVT in the Culpeper Militia  
Let's give his name here a mention.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_

We need to talk though your face I can't see.  
Talk here and now, quite honestly.  
I want you to know how sad it makes me  
For people to treat this building disrespectfully.  
You should **NEVER** write your name on a wall  
Names do not go there, no not at all!  
There are places for names, as you well know  
Add enough blanks to write yours below!

\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
John Mulkey preached here a long time ago  
His picture is here so his face you can know.  
A picture of his wife is also on display  
And a list of church members from that day.  
Look at the list and write below  
The very last name in the very last row.

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When they built this church so long ago  
They made twelve corners as we all know.  
There are some people that have their doubts  
But I quickly show them the "ins" and the  
"outs"  
Enough about corners time to get booking  
Out how many windows could you be looking?

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What a great job of completing this quest  
I am so glad; you've been a great guest!  
Fill in the blanks with letters from above  
If done correctly they will fit like a glove.  
Then you will know whom you must see  
To get your quest stamped before you leave.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_ 7 \_\_\_\_\_ 8 \_\_\_\_\_ 9 \_\_\_\_\_ 10 \_\_\_\_\_ 11 \_\_\_\_\_ 12 \_\_\_\_\_ 13 \_\_\_\_\_