

The Knight Farm Home Restoration

In 2004, a group of friends, Raphael and Shari Mecham, Steve and Pat Glenn, and Paul and Ann Painter learned that the old Knight Farm Home in Colesville was up for sale. Together they decided to purchase the home and restore it as a fun place their families could visit. That purpose soon changed to a labor of love to restore this important Church historic landmark.

The local residents of Nineveh (formerly known as Colesville) assured the family it was the home lived in by Polly and Joseph Knight, Sr. family from 1815 to 1831. The three couples purchased the home with nine acres of land surrounding it and began task of restoration work.



These photos are from the Colesville Restoration website and Gordon Knight.



The original post and beam construction was revealed, and the pegs used in construction were found.



The work that needed to be done was enormous.



As much as possible the families tried to restore rather than renovate. Over the years they brought in furnishings that would accurately reflect the time period when the Knight Family lived in the home. Items like rope beds were purchase in local antique shops.



The restoration work was a huge endeavor for the three families who were donating a great deal of time and money. The Knight Family Organization made donations to help cover some of the costs of restoring the Knight home.

In 2010, the ownership of the home was transferred from the personal names of the Painters, Glens and Mechams, to the Colesville Branch Restoration LLC, an Arizona Corporation. In 2012, they received 501(c) (3) status.

In September of 2016, the home was finished and a dedication was held, and the home was opened for tours. Docents volunteered to stay in the home summer months to guide tours and help with the home maintenance. To take a tour of the home, or read more about the history and restoration of the home, go to the website, <http://www.colesville-restoration.com>.



The Painters, the Mechams, and Glens, the people who restored the Knight Home.

