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Significant Date:

Statehood Era (1815-1860)

Registry Year: 1982 Erected Date: 1983

Marker Location

Address: 14551 Wuoksi Avenue

City: Kaleva

State: MI ZipCode:

County: Manistee

Township: Maple Grove

Lat: 44.37341300 / Long: -86.00863400

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The Bottle House

John J. Makinen Sr. (1871-1942) built this house out of over sixty thousand pop bottles, most of which came from his business, the Northwestern Bottling Works. The bottles were laid on their sides with the bottom ends to the exterior. A native of Finland, Makinen moved to the area in 1903. He completed the house in 1941 but died before his family moved into it. In 1980 the building was purchased by the Kaleva Historical Society, which renovated it to house the Kaleva Historical Museum.

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