



William S. Hoyt, a builder-joiner, and Franklin E. Hoyt, a mason, father and son, came to Wisconsin from Cabot, Vermont in 1841 and together built their homestead. The Queen Anne-Eastlake country estate home was built for two generations with many details such as the Mariner's, Tree of Life and Harvest porches. Franklin E. Hoyt served many years on the Rochester Town Board, Racine County Board and two years as State Assemblyman. The Hoyts, now Pattersons, continue with the sixth generation in Illinois, Kentucky and Missouri. In the Rochester Cemetery, notice the family monument and surrounding circle of

descendants. The sister house, built by the third generation William Hoyt, a Racine County Judge, and the Hoyt barn with a new home are now private residences.

The Historic Hoyt House hosts Designer Showhouses and Gardens, bringing awareness to historic preservation, showcasing artists, designers and local businesses and raising dollars for local projects. "Autumn In The Country" in October, 1997, "Gardens and Galleries" in May, 1998 and "Christmas At The Hoyt House" in October, 1998 have brought thousands of people to this lovely home and its Holland-inspired gardens.