

Baseline

Baseline is in the southern area of Warren Michigan, located along both sides of Van Dyke from Wood Street going south to Eight Mile Road and between Mound and Hoover Roads. The name was taken from Eight Mile Road which is the Michigan Baseline. From 1900 until 1930 the trolleys ran along Van Dyke. Mr Piper a land speculator subdivided the farms and sold 65 foot wide lots to people even though at the time there was no piped water or sewers. The post office for that area was called Van Dyke and the area is also known as Van Dyke. Garland was a trendy name for the 9 mile and Van Dyke area. It is mostly residential with industrial at the East and West edges. The oldest business there is the Baseline Feed store, Ed and Lill's Florist, with some churches, barber shops, and bars lasting over 50 years. We need a volunteer historian to write this history. That person will get full credit for their work. Singing Sams, Motor City Theatre, Gills Army Surplus, Weigand's RV Sales, Big Boy Restaurant and Drive In, A&W Drive In. During prohibition there were several speakeasys there. I will only mention Rosie's Red Light. I heard it was next to the Ice house :-) joke. Yes there was an ice house on Van Dyke I have been to the ice house with my grandfather because we were too poor to have a refrigerator only an ice box.. We need pictures of old businesses. You can be put down as the source.



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The place still looks like this it is like going back 70 years. He mostly has pet food now.



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