

Iowa Site Inventory Form

State Historic Preservation Office

(July 2014)

State Inventory Number: 92-00749 New Supplemental

9-Digit SHPO Review & Compliance (R&C) Number _____

Non-extant Year: _____

Read the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions carefully, to ensure accuracy and completeness before completing this form. The instructions are available on our website: <http://www.iowahistory.org/historic-preservation/statewide-inventory-and-collections/iowa-site-inventory-form.html>

• Property Name

A) Historic name George and Mary Howe House

B) Other names: West side survey map #WS-035

• Location

A) Street address: 620 W Jefferson Street

B) City or town: Washington (Vicinity) County Washington

C) Legal Description:

Rural: Township Name: _____ Township No.: _____ Range No.: _____ Section: _____ Quarter: _____ of Quarter: _____

Urban: Subdivision: Southwest Washington Block(s): 1 Lot(s): 10

• Classification

A) Property category: *Check only one*

- Building(s)
- District
- Site
- Structure
- Object

B) Number of Resources (within property)

If eligible property, enter number of:		If non-eligible property, enter number of:	
Contributing	Noncontributing		
<u>1</u>	Buildings	<u>1</u>	Buildings
	Sites	—	Sites
—	Structures	—	Structures
	Objects	—	Objects
<u>1</u>	Total	<u>1</u>	Total

C) For properties listed in the National Register:

National Register status: Listed De-listed NHL NPS DOE

D) For properties within a historic district:

- Property contributes to a National Register or local certified historic district.
- Property contributes to a potential historic district, based on professional historic/architectural survey and evaluation.
- Property *does not* contribute to the historic district in which it is located.

Historic district name: West side residential historic district Historic district site inventory number: 92-00350

Name of related project report or multiple property study, if applicable:

MPD Title

Historical Architectural Data Base #

Architectural and Historical Survey of the "west side" residential neighborhood in Washington 92-013

• **Function or Use** *Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions*

A) Historic functions

01A01: Domestic / residence

B) Current functions

01A01: Domestic / residence

01C05: Domestic / garage

• **Description** *Enter categories (codes and terms) from the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions*

A) Architectural Classification

09A01 Front-gabled Roof

B) Materials

Foundation (visible exterior): 04: Stone

walls (visible exterior): 15E: Wood Fiberboard

Roof: 08A: Asphalt shingles

Other: _____

C) Narrative Description **SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED**

● **Statement of Significance**

A) Applicable National Register Criteria: *Mark your opinion of eligibility after applying relevant National Register criteria*

- Criterion A: Property is associated with significant events. Yes No More research recommended
 Criterion B: Property is associated with the lives of significant persons. Yes No More Research Recommended
 Criterion C: Property has distinctive architectural characteristics. Yes No More Research Recommended
 Criterion D: Property yields significant information in archeology/history. Yes No More Research Recommended

B) Special criteria considerations: *Mark any special considerations; leave blank if none*

- A Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes. E A reconstructed building, object, or structure.
 B Removed from its original location. F A commemorative property.
 C A birthplace or grave. G Less than 50 years of age or
 D A cemetery achieved significance within the past 50 years.

C) Areas of Significance

Enter categories from instructions

Community planning and development

D) Period(s) of significance

E) Significant dates

Construction date

1873 *check if circa or estimated date*

Other dates, including renovations

F) Significant person

Complete if Criterion B is marked above

G) Cultural affiliation

Complete if Criterion D is marked above

H) Architect/Builder

Architect

Builder/contractor

I) Narrative statement of significance **SEE CONTINUATION SHEETS, WHICH MUST BE COMPLETED**

● **Bibliography** *See continuation sheet for the list of research sources used in preparing this form*

● **Geographic Data** *Optional UTM references* *See continuation sheet for additional UTM references or comments*

UTM References (OPTIONAL)

Zone	Easting	Northing	NAD	Zone	Easting	Northing	NAD
1	_____	_____	_____	2	_____	_____	_____
3	_____	_____	_____	4	_____	_____	_____

● **Form Preparation**

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City or Town: Washington State: Iowa Zip code: 52353

● **ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION** *Submit the following items with the completed form*

A) For all properties, attach the following, as specified in the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions:

- 1. Map** of property's location within the community.
- 2. Glossy color 4x6 photos labeled** on back with property/building name, address, date taken, view shown, and unique photo number.
- 3. Photo key showing each photo number on a map and/or floor plan, using arrows next to each photo number to indicate the location and directional view of each photograph.**
- 4. Site plan** of buildings/structures on site, identifying boundaries, public roads, and building/structure footprints.

B) For State Historic Tax Credit Part 1 Applications, historic districts and farmsteads, and barns:

See lists of special requirements and attachments in the Iowa Site Inventory Form Instructions.

State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) Use Only Below This Line

The SHPO has reviewed the Site Inventory and concurs with above survey opinion on National Register eligibility:

- Yes No More Research Recommended
 This is a locally designated property or part of a locally designated district.

Comments: _____

SHPO authorized signature: _____ Date: _____

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Narrative Description

This is a one-and-one-half-story frame gable-front house on the north side of W. Jefferson Street. It sits on a stone foundation clad in stucco, and the walls are clad with wide composite siding. The roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The windows are vinyl replacements. There is a small concrete stoop at the front entry, with another entry on the east side of the house, near the garage. The single-car detached garage sits to the east of the house and faces W. Jefferson Street to the south.

The façade, the south elevation, has a gable-roof entry porch on the right/east. The gable roof is supported by two turned wood columns with square tops and bottoms. The entry has a historic wood door with a window in the top half of the door. There is also a full light aluminum storm / screen door. To the left/west, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window with an aluminum storm / screen. This is the only storm / screen window on the house. The window appears smaller than likely here historically. On the second story, centered under the peak of the gable, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window.

The east elevation has a side entry with a gable-roof hood supported by wood braces. The wood door has a window in the upper portion and an aluminum storm / screen door. Historic maps show a one-story side wing on the east side, and this door may have led into this demolished section. The date of demolition is unknown, but based on the siding, it appears to have occurred in the 1950s and then the whole house resided.

The west elevation has two bays. On the right/front/south, there is a pair of one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl windows with slightly higher sills than a typical window in this house. On the left/north/rear, there is a typical size one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window.

The north elevation, the rear of the house, has a small one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window on the far left/east side of the wall. On the second story, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung vinyl window centered below the peak of the gable.

The single-car frame garage is located off the northeast corner of the house, with a concrete driveway leading south to W. Jefferson Street. Interestingly, Sanborn maps show a building in this location on the 1931 and 1943 maps, behind the side wing. This current building appears to date to the 1970s, though may be an earlier building clad in later siding. The garage sits on a concrete slab foundation, and it is clad with vertical T-111 wood siding. The gable-front roof is covered with asphalt shingles. The south elevation has a single-car aluminum garage door. The east elevation has a single-light fixed wood window centered on the wall. The west elevation has an entry on the right/south, near the house, and single-light fixed window centered on the wall. There is no fenestration on the north elevation.

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Narrative Statement of Significance

The George and Mary Howe House appears to contribute historically to the potential “west side” residential historic district in Washington. The house was built during the initial period of development of the neighborhood, during the phase when small gable-front houses were built throughout the area. The house clearly reflects its early origins. It was interestingly built by a young lawyer for his family likely as their first house. The demolition of the side wing appears to have occurred during the period of significance for the historic district and thus does not detract from the integrity of the house.

History / research summary of property

On August 7, 1868, Henry S. Clark purchased Lot 10 from S. Farnsworth. There is no house on the north side of W. Jefferson Street on the 1869 Birds' Eye View of Washington. Lot 10 was sold again on August 29, 1873 to M.D. Howe, and a year later, the 1874 Atlas of Washington shows a house on Lot 10. That house has an ell shaped footprint, with the wing of the ell going east. The 1880 census lists Mary D. Howe (42) as the wife of lawyer George W. Howe (39). They had children Charles (6) and Mercy (1). They had then moved to Iowa Street.

On October 23, 1876, M.D. Howe and husband sold the property to Mrs. Frances Crawford, a widow living in Dutch Creek Township in the 1870 census. Less than three years later, on February 17, 1879, Mrs. Crawford transferred the property to her daughter Martha Jane Crawford. Frances, age 67, and Martha Crawford, age 37, appear on the 1880 census living on Jefferson Street, and are there again in the 1885 Iowa census. By 1900, Martha J. Crawford is head of the household at age 56. She is listed in the 1903 city directory as Miss M.J. Crawford, nurse. In the 1910 census, Martha's address is given as 626, but the street is S. Avenue F (at the west end of the block), probably an error. The 1910-11 city directory lists her as Miss Martha J. Crawford living at 626 W. Jefferson. The 1909, 1917, and 1931 Sanborn maps show a similar footprint as the 1874 and 1894, a gable-front house facing Jefferson Street to the south with a one-story wing to the east.

On December 21, 1925, W.J. Masson, administrator of the Crawford estate, sold the property to Marsh W. Bailey (lawyer) via an administrator's deed. He operated the property as a rental. The 1930 census lists the occupants as Marquis Turbott, a renter and a carpenter, age 69, and his brother John C. Turbott, age 81, single and retired. The 1932 telephone directory lists Lloyd V. Goodwin at 620 W. Jefferson. The 1940 census identifies the occupants of 620 W. Jefferson as Lawrence Gier, age 45 and a laborer on the roads, his wife Hulda, age 37, and children Mary, age 18, and Howard, age 11. In the 1941 city directory, the residents are identified as Frank Rhodes, a barber at Brugge Barber Shop, and his wife Stella. The 1943 Sanborn map continues to show the house with a one-story wing to the east.

On September 15, 1945, Mary E. Bailey, widow, sold the property to Rose E. Lewis. No directories exist for the end of the 1940s to identify residents here.

The property was transferred to Mary B. Snider on September 14, 1949, and she is listed at this address in the 1954 city directory. She continues to be listed here in telephone directories through

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1958. She may have demolished the side wing and resided the house, or it may have been done when Clarence Goff owned it from 1961 to 1967.

On January 3, 1961, Snider sold the property to Ethel Smith, and she sold it to Clarence Goff, a real estate agent, on January 31, 1961. The 1964 city directory lists Robert L. Randall, a mechanic at the Chevrolet garage, his wife Betty, a proofreader at McCleery-Cumming Co. and their son Gene living at 620 W. Jefferson. The 1967 city directory lists Robert L. Randall again, and he now the body man at the Chevrolet garage. The rest of the household now consists of Mary, a maid at the Rose Motel, and children Randy and Carmen. Goff transferred the property to Robert Lee and Mary E. Randall on November 6, 1967. In 1969, the city directory again lists Robert Randall, but he is now working for Winter Seeds. Robert Randall and wife sold the property to Jon and Barbara Randall on July 6, 1970, and they sold it to Dorothy O. McCarthy on November 11, 1971. Randalls are living at 620 W. Jefferson in the 1972 city directory, listed as Jon Randall, a butcher at Rath Packing, his wife Barbara, and children Jon and Jason. The 1976 city directory listing is the same. Dorothy O. McCarthy, single, transferred the property to R. Dean and Shirley Garrett on March 29, 1978.

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Location map



2009 aerial photograph (Washington County) – line indicates survey/research area boundary

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Building plan (from assessor's website)

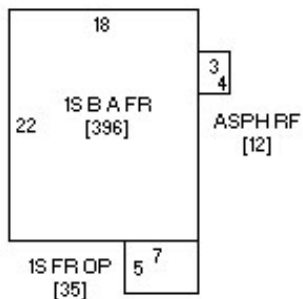


Photo from assessor's website



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Photograph 92-00749-002 - House, looking northeast (December 2014)

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Photograph 92-00749-003 - House, looking southeast (December 2014)