

# Iowa Site Inventory Form

State Historic Preservation Office

(July 2014)

State Inventory Number: 92-00390  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: Rose Gardner House

B) Other names: West side survey map #WS-066

## • Location

A) Street address: 510 W. Washington Blvd

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

C) Legal description:

Rural: Township Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Township No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Range No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Quarter: \_\_\_\_\_ of Quarter: \_\_\_\_\_

Urban: Subdivision: Keck's: W 33.5' of Lot 13 and E 16.5' of Lot 12 Block(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Lot(s): \_\_\_\_\_

## • 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>	<b>Total</b>	<u>1</u>	<b>Total</b>

**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

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

MPD title: Architectural and Historical Survey of the "west side" residential neighborhood in Washington Historical Architectural Data Base #: 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**

07E02: Craftsman  
09A01: Front-gabled roof  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**B) Materials**

Foundation (visible exterior): 10A: concrete block  
Walls (visible exterior): 02A: Weatherboard  
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 archaeology/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: Property less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.  
 D: A cemetery

**C) Areas of significance**

*Enter categories from instructions*

Community planning and development

**D) Period(s) of significance**

\_\_\_\_\_

**E) Significant dates**

*Construction date*

1914  *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 sheets for the list of research sources used in preparing this form*

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

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

• **Form Preparation**

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• **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 two-story frame gable-front house built around 1914 on the north side of West Washington Boulevard. The house sits on a rusticated concrete block foundation, and the walls are clad in wood weatherboard siding on the first story and wood shingles on the second story. The house also has wide eaves like other Craftsman style homes built in this period. The front gable roof is covered in asphalt shingles. All windows retain wood surrounds, wood sills, and wood sashes, and they have storms/screens on the windows. There is an open/screened, wood porch on the facade. A detached garage, built in 1995 per the assessor, is behind the house and is accessed from the alley.

The façade (south elevation) is spanned by an open/screened, frame porch. The porch is clad in weatherboard and has a shed roof. The foundation has decorative lattice that intersects with rusticated block corners. Wood stairs with vinyl hand railings lead up to a storm door. On the first story of the house, the west/left half (left) consists of the entry at the right and a one-over-one-light double-hung window to the left. The entry has a wood door with a larger window and a storm/screen door. The east half of the first story has a one-over-one-light double-hung window. The second story has two one-over-one-light double-hung windows with a smaller, single-light window in between them. At the attic level, there are paired one-over-one-light double-hung windows.

The west elevation has an entry with a solid wood door centered on this side, with a wood, gable-roof awning clad in asphalt shingles. Above the door, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung window at mid-story level, likely on interior stairs. To the right/front/south, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung window on each story. To the left/north/rear, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung window on each story, with a smaller, single-light window to the south of the second story window. The two two-light basement windows are found to either side of the entry as well.

The east elevation has an exterior red brick chimney extending from the rusticated block foundation, through the roof, to about eight feet above the roof in the center of the south half of this side. There are two-light basement windows on each side of the chimney that sit in the rusticated block foundation. On the first story, on each side of the chimney, are smaller single-light windows. On the second story, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung window on the south/left side of the chimney. The north half of the east elevation has a shed-roof oriel window on the first story, offset to the south/left. It has three one-over-one-light double-hung windows on the east side and an asphalt-shingled shed roof. Below this window are two two-light basement windows. On the second story, above the built-out, there is a small single-light window at the left and a one-over-one-light double-hung window at the right. Further to the right/north/rear, there are paired one-over-one-light double-hung windows on the second story.

On the rear of the house (north elevation), there is a built-out square section (about 2 feet) on the east side with a shed roof with asphalt shingles. On the first story there is an entry with a wood door with a single light window and a storm/screen door. On the first story on the remaining section, there is a one-over-one-light double-hung window in the center of the house and a single-light window to the west/right. On the second story, there are two one-over-one-light double-hung windows over the first story windows. In the gable at the attic level, there are paired one-over-one-light double-hung windows. There is a square wooden deck that extends from the east side to the middle of the house. There are vinyl railings around the deck and down the wooden steps.

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A two-car garage built in 1995 per the assessor is located behind the house along the rear alley. The garage is clad in vinyl siding, and it sits on a concrete foundation. The garage has a gable-front roof with asphalt shingles. There are two modern overhead single-car metal garage doors on the north side. A driveway runs from north side (garage doors) to the alley. The east side has a pedestrian door with a window. There is a small window on the south side.

**Narrative Statement of Significance**

The Rose Gardner House appears to contribute historically and architecturally to the potential residential historic district on the west side of Washington. The house was built in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century during the development of the neighborhood with additional houses/lots on formerly larger properties; in this case, Joseph Keck's property platted as most of Keck's Addition after his death in 1901. The house is a simplified Craftsman style, retaining wide gables, wood siding/shingles, front porch, and oriel window.

The house does not appear to be individually eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria A, B, or C. The house does not appear to have particular architectural or historical significance for individual listing.

*History / research summary of property*

This parcel is part of the larger Out Lot 1 that was platted in Western Addition for Joseph and Elizabeth Keck's house at 500 W. Washington Blvd. It is shown as part of that property on the 1874 and 1894 atlases of Washington. Joseph Keck died on July 16, 1901. Keck's Addition was then platted to subdivide the larger property (Out lots 1 with Keck's house and Out Lot 2 to the west with Dodds' house). Several lots transferred from the Keck's estate through Ira M. Sproull to Charles H. and Minnie Keck on September 26, 1902, including lot 14 with the Keck house, lots 12 and 13 to the west, and lots 1 and 2 to the north along W. Main. The Keck house was then rented and used for several years as a sanitarium. Lot 14 with the house and part of the lot 13 transferred from Charles Keck and wife to George Peck on February 2, 1910. Then, Charles Keck sold the west 33.5' of Lot 13 and the east 16.5 of Lot 12 to C.A. Roberts on April 14, 1910. The 1910-11 city directory lists Catherin A. Roberts as wife of William Roberts, a real estate agent, who worked at 110 W. Main and lived at 419 E. Main. Rose A. Gardner bought the Keck house next door on February 26, 1912, and she sold it on June 27, 1914 as she then bought this property from C.A. Roberts. This suggests that Roberts likely developed the lot with the house and then sold it to Gardner. This would also confirm the assessor date of 1914.

Per the 1915 Iowa census, Rose was 80 years old and a widow with a \$7,000 house in Ward 1 of Washington. The house is shown on the 1917 Sanborn maps as a two-story dwelling with a front porch. The 1917 county directory lists her living on W. Washington, with no number noted. Rose Gardner died on December 30, 1918 at her home on West Washington Street. According to her obituary, Rose Byers was born in 1835 in Madison County, Ohio to John and Sarah Byers. She married Porter Gardner on January 25, 1860 when she was 25 years old. The Gardners moved to Washington County about 1870 and settled on a farm near Lexington. In 1883 they moved to a house on N. Marion Avenue in Washington and then to house on the corner where Mr. Gardner died on April 29, 1897. The

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1920 census lists the house (518, should be 508) rented to Maxwell P. (28, bookkeeper for lumber co) and Elizabeth Miller (27), who lived here with son Maxwell Jr (1).

The property transferred from Jessie Martin (Rose Gardner's daughter) to M.C. and Elizabeth DeLong on February 23, 1921. The 1926 telephone directory lists M.C. DeLong at 510 W. Washington. The 1930 census lists M.C. DeLong (47, manager of lumber yard) with wife Elizabeth M. (54) and daughter Irene (22, teacher). The house is valued at \$8,000. The same house is shown with a garage on the Sanborn maps for 1931 and 1943. The 1935 city directory lists M.C. DeLong as postmaster, and he continues to be listed with this job in the 1941 city directory. The 1940 census lists Mack C. DeLong (postmaser) with wife Elizabeth M. at 510 W. Washington. Mack C. DeLong died on July 3, 1946. According to his obituary, he was born on January 12, 1883, in Conway, Iowa to Augustus and Ella Randall DeLong. He attended Washington and Des Moines schools and took a business course in Cedar Rapids. He and his mother operated farms in Washington and Crawfordsville, and he, his brother, and an uncle operated a lumber business in Crawfordsville. Mack married Elizabeth Maxwell on June 27, 1906. They lived on a farm in Crawfordsville from 1906 until 1918 when they moved to Washington. He managed the Farmers store for a number of years and was in charge of the Washington Lumber and Fuel Yard until he was appointed postmaster. He was an elder in the United Presbyterian church for 28 years. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce and active in Democratic Party politics. Elizabeth DeLong (widow) continued to be listed at 510 W. Washington in city directories through 1960. Elizabeth DeLong died on June 5, 1962. According to her obituary, Elizabeth Maxwell DeLong was born on June 18, 1875 in Crawfordsville to James and Esther Cunningham Maxwell. She was active in women's clubs over 41 years and was a member of the United Presbyterian Church.

The property transferred from Irene A. (DeLong) Caviness to Raymond E. and Clara J. Carter in March 1963. Raymond E. and Carla J. Carter were listed at 510 W. Washington in the Washington city directories from 1964 to 1976. Raymond is listed as an insurance salesman for Sellers Insurance Agency and vice president of the Credit Bureau. Carla is listed as an RN working for the Washington City Hospital and Doctors Nemmers and Ahart. According to his obituary, Raymond was born August 9, 1931 in Washington to LeRoy and Helen (Dittmer) Carter. Raymond graduated from Washington High School and served in the Army Reserves for 8 years. Raymond married Carla Guthier on June 14, 1953 in Des Moines. He farmed north of Washington and worked as a salesman at Marshall Furniture Company until 1993. He was a member of the United Methodist Church, the Masonic Lodge, The Bethlehem Commandery and the KAABA Shrine. Mr. Carter served on the Washington City Council, was a member of the Noon Kiwanis and volunteered on the Washington County Cancer Board for 18 years.

The property transferred from the Carters to Danny L. and Cathi R. Hill on Sept 13, 1985. Cathi Hill is the daughter of Raymond and Carla Carter. The Hills are still listed as property owners (2015).

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**Location map**



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

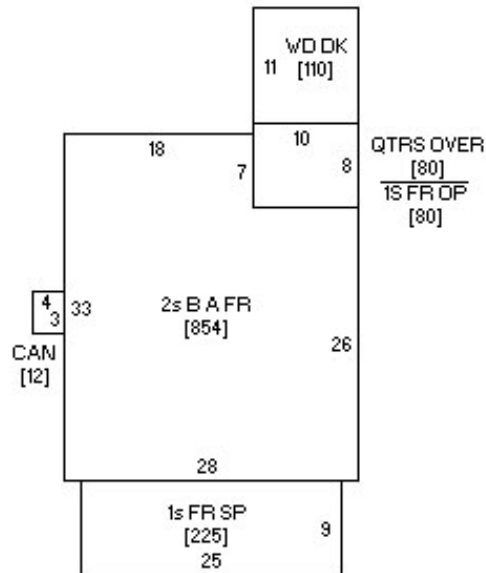
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**Building plan (from assessor's website)**



**Photo from assessor's website**





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**Digital photographs**



**Photograph 92-00390-001 - House, looking northeast (December 2014)**



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**Photograph 92-00390-002 - House, looking northwest (December 2014)**

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**Photograph 92-00390-003 – House and garage, looking southwest (December 2014)**