

# HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: Stacey Vairo, National Register and State Register Coordinator,  
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2nd Floor, Hartford, CT 06103

\* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) 277 Boston Street  
 Building Name (Historic) Daniel Smith House  
 Street Address or Location 277 Boston Street  
 Town/City Guilford Village \_\_\_\_\_ County New Haven  
 Owner(s) Suzanne and David Dudley  Public  Private

## PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Residential: single dwelling  
 Historic Use: Residential: single dwelling

Accessibility to public: Exterior visible from public road?  Yes  No

Interior accessible?  Yes  No If yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

Style of building vernacular Date of Construction c. 1830 (Helander)

Material(s) (Indicate use or location when appropriate):

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|--|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard  | <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brick | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone            | <input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco           | <input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone  | <input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete (Type _____) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cut Stone (Type _____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____      |                                       |  |

### Structural System

- Wood Frame  Post & Beam  Balloon  Load bearing masonry  Structural iron or steel  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Roof (Type)

- Gable  Flat  Mansard  Monitor  Sawtooth  
 Gambrel  Shed  Hip  Round  Other \_\_\_\_\_

(Material)

- Wood Shingle  Roll Asphalt  Tin  Slate  Asphalt Shingle  
 Built up  Tile  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Stories: 2 Approximate Dimensions 25' x 60'

Structural Condition:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Deteriorated

Exterior Condition:  Excellent  Good  Fair  Deteriorated

Location Integrity: On original site  Moved  When? \_\_\_\_\_

Alterations?  Yes  No  If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR OFFICE USE:** Town # \_\_\_\_\_ Site # \_\_\_\_\_ UTM \_\_\_\_\_

District:  S  NR  If NR, Specify:  Actual  Potential

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**PROPERTY INFORMATION (CONT'D)****Related outbuildings or landscape features:**

- Barn       Shed       Garage       Carriage House       Shop       Garden  
 Other landscape features or buildings: \_\_\_\_\_

**Surrounding Environment:**

- Open land       Woodland       Residential       Commercial       Industrial       Rural  
 High building density       Scattered buildings visible from site

- Interrelationship of building and surroundings:

This property consists of 0.57 acres of land on the south side of Boston Street. A short driveway extends to the southeast off the road and terminates at a parking area just to the west of the house. The property is to the southwest of the intersection of Boston Street and Preble Drive. Approximately a mile to the west is the Guilford Green. Surrounding the property are nineteenth and early twentieth century single-family dwellings.

- Other notable features of building or site (Interior and/or Exterior)

This is a vernacular two-story dwelling with a front-gable roof. It is sheathed in clapboard siding, with asphalt shingles on the roof and a stone foundation. The facade faces north and the main entry is on an addition on the east elevation. The entry is reached by stone steps. A large addition is attached to the south elevation and wraps around on the east and west elevations. Fenestration includes six-over-six double-hung windows.

Architect Unknown Builder Unknown

- Historical or Architectural importance:

This dwelling was originally owned by Daniel Smith and is thought to be a conversion from a moved outbuilding that was built c. 1830. Smith purchased this vacant lot in 1860. Daniel Smith was born c. 1816 and married Mary P. Benton in 1837. They had five children: George L. Smith, William H. Smith, Julia E. Smith, Jane M. Smith, and Helen Smith. After Mary Benton's death sometime after 1860, Smith married Eliza J. They had three children: Emma Smith, Ida "Carrie" Smith, and Daniel W. Smith. In the 1860 United States Federal Census of Guilford lists Daniel Smith (age 44) as a farm laborer living with his wife, Mary, and children. In 1864, Smith sold this property to Henry B. Dudley.

- Sources:

Guilford Tax Assessor property records accessed at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=2049> on October 31, 2015. Helander, Joel Eliot. "A Treasury of Guilford Places." Guilford, Connecticut: Joel Helander, 2008. Ancestry.com. 1860 United States Federal Census of Guilford. Email correspondence with Joel Helander on August 21, 2015.

Photographer Kristen Nietering Date 1/21/2015  
View North view of the house, camera facing south. Negative on File \_\_\_\_\_  
Name Kristen Nietering Date 10/31/2015  
Organization Guilford Preservation Alliance  
Address 199 PO Box Guilford, CT 06437

- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude and Longitude: 41.286268, -72.671088

**Threats to the building or site:**

- None known       Highways       Vandalism       Developers       Renewal       Private  
 Deterioration       Zoning       Other \_\_\_\_\_       Explanation \_\_\_\_\_

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**CONTINUATION SHEET**

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