

Town No.:

Site No. 55

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State of Connecticut
CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL COMMISSION
 59 South Prospect Street, Hartford 06106

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY:
 Buildings & Structures

SURVEY OF GUILFORD, NEW HAVEN COUNTY, 06437
 June-December 1981

IDENTIFICATION

1. **ADDRESS** 433 Boston Street
 (map 48, lot 53)
2. **NAME**
(historic) Joseph Testori
NAME
(common)
3. **USE**
(historic) 2 buildings: private
USE house with garage and
(present) apartment
4. **IF MOVED, WHEN AND FROM WHERE:**



DESCRIPTION

5. **ARCHITECT**
6. **DATE** House, 1931-32
 Garage, 1934-35
- BUILDER** Joseph Testori and
STYLE Edward, his son
7. **ALTERATIONS**

8. **NOTABLE FEATURES**

There are two buildings on the property, a small house and much larger two-story garage with apartment, both of masonry--a rarity in Guilford. Unique verandah of small white stones. On the garage, walls of random pattern defined by strong horizontals of lintels, sills, and steps of monolith granite.

9. **ARCHITECTURAL-HISTORICAL**

Built along bungalow lines, the house is distinguished by its novel stonework: fieldstone walls with a verandah of smallwhite cobble- or beachstones (pebble work). The garage walls are laid up in a random but intricate pattern, the stones (which mix grey and pink blocks with fieldstones) becoming bigger and more regular as they rise. An example of the personal work of a local mason. The Testoris also built the row of stone houses across the street.

SIGNIFICANCE

SOURCES

10. **SOURCES** Mrs. Edward Testori, interview.

In all categories below, check more than one box if applicable.
 If you have not actually made certain of the answer to a given question, either leave it blank or write "inferred" after the checked box; or, if drawn from a previous investigator, give source.

11. MATERIALS

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

12. STRUCTURE

- | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Frame: | <input type="checkbox"/> Masonry | <input type="checkbox"/> Iron or Steel | <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Post & Beam | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Balloon | | | | |

13. ROOF

- | | | | | |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| a. <input type="checkbox"/> Pitched | <input type="checkbox"/> Gable-front | <input type="checkbox"/> Hip | <input type="checkbox"/> Shed | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saltbox | <input type="checkbox"/> Cross-gable | <input type="checkbox"/> Flat Hip | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> False Dormer | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel | <input type="checkbox"/> Mansard | <input type="checkbox"/> Flat | <input type="checkbox"/> Sawtooth | |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> Tower(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Monitor | <input type="checkbox"/> Cupola | <input type="checkbox"/> Dormered Gable | <input type="checkbox"/> Dome |
| c. <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Slate | <input type="checkbox"/> Metal | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |

14. NUMBER OF STORIES: 1 1/2 APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: LOT SIZE: 1 ACRE (APPROX)

15. CONDITION: Exterior

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor | <input type="checkbox"/> Bad |
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16. CONDITION: Structure

- | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Poor | <input type="checkbox"/> Bad |
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17. OUTBUILDINGS (visible from public road)

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|--|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barn(s) <u>APT</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> Carriage House | <input type="checkbox"/> Garage | <input type="checkbox"/> Shed(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Shop(s) |
|--|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
- Other (well, stand, greenhouse, gazebo, privy, etc.):

18. LANDSCAPING (visible from public road)

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|--|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Planted Grounds | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Garden | <input type="checkbox"/> Terracing | <input type="checkbox"/> Plaza | <input type="checkbox"/> Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stone Wall(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Pickett Fence | <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Fence | <input type="checkbox"/> Post & Rail | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |

19. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| a. <input type="checkbox"/> Town Street | b. <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial | c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Open |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rural | <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial | <input type="checkbox"/> Wooded |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-rural | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural | <input type="checkbox"/> Lakefront |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clustered Growth | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residential | <input type="checkbox"/> Coastal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Vacation, now or originally | <input type="checkbox"/> Salt marsh |
- d. Of outstanding scenic/architectural value
 Of scenic/architectural value
 Of supportive value to contiguous scenic/architectural area
 Neutral
 Other:

20. ROLE OF BUILDING IN ENHANCING QUALITY OF ENVIRONMENT

- | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vital | <input type="checkbox"/> Important | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supportive | <input type="checkbox"/> Neutral | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|

21. OWNERSHIP

- | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private | <input type="checkbox"/> Interior accessible |
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22. Name D. PENAR

Date 11/9/81

Photographer D. PENAR

Date 11/9/81

Negative ROLL 20:15A

Organization: Guilford Preservation Alliance
P.O. Box 199, Guilford, Conn. 06437

20:16A
(HSE)

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23. THREATS TO BUILDING

- | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> None Known | <input type="checkbox"/> Highways | <input type="checkbox"/> Vandalism | <input type="checkbox"/> Developers | <input type="checkbox"/> Zoning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Owner | <input type="checkbox"/> Deterioration | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: | |

24. SUBSEQUENT EVALUATIONS

DESCRIPTION

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