

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: Stacey Vairo, National Register and State Register Coordinator,
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* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) 95 Boston Street
 Building Name (Historic) Edwin A. Leete House
 Street Address or Location 95 Boston Street
 Town/City Guilford Village _____ County New Haven
 Owner(s) John and Martha Maxwell 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 Greek Revival/Italianate Date of Construction c. 1850 (Helander)

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard | <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding | <input type="checkbox"/> Brick | <input checked="" 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 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 45' x 35'

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

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 parcel consists of 1.1 acres of land on the south side of Boston Street. A driveway extends to the south off the road, leads past the east side of the house to the garage and parking area. A walk way extends off the sidewalk and leads to the porch of the house. The property includes a grassy yard with trees. A sidewalk runs along the north border of the property. (see continuation sheet)

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

This is a two-story, hip-roof, Greek Revival style house. It is sheathed in wood shingles and the roof is covered in asphalt shingles. Wide, overhanging eaves and Doric columns holding up the porch roof are Greek Revival features of this house. The main facade faces north, and the wrap around porch wraps around the west elevation of the house. It is reached by stone steps. (See continuation sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder Unknown

- Historical or Architectural importance:

The original owner of this dwelling was Edwin A. Leete and was built c. 1850. Leete was born in 1822 to Captain Alvin Leete and Rebecca Palmer Butler. He was a direct descendent (8th generation) of Governor William Leete, one of the original settlers of Guilford and founder of the Leete family in the United States. As a young man, Edwin A. Leete was a cabinet maker, but at the time of his death he was know as the "oldest undertaker in Connecticut" (Shore Line Times 1911, 1). In 1847, Leete married Sarah Ellen Hotchkiss and had two children, Fanny Rebecca Leete and James Spencer Leete. Sarah Ellen Hotchkiss died in 1854. In 1855, Leete married Mary Ann Leete and had seven children: George Leete, Edward M. Leete, Catherine W. Leete, Elizabeth M. Leete, William H. Leete, Frank C. Leete, (See continuation sheet)

- Sources:

Guilford Tax Assessor property cards accessed at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=4242> on October 6, 2015. Helander, Joel Eliot. "A Treasury of Guilford Places." Guilford, Connecticut: Joel Helander, 2008. Shore Line Times. 1911. "Obituaries." August 8, pg. 1. Ancestry.com. 1900 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2004.

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View North view, camera facing south. Negative on File _____
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- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude & Longitude: 41.282717, -72.677861

Threats to the building or site:

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET

95 Boston Street

Interrelationship of building and surroundings

Less than a mile to the west is the Guilford Green, and less than a mile to the south of the property is the Guilford Fair Grounds.

Other notable features of building or site

Italianate features include the square form of the house and the hip roof. Two large double-hung sash windows with shutters are spaced evenly along the first story of the north façade. Just above the roof of the porch are an additional two large double-hung sash windows. It is assumed that the main entry to the house is on the west elevation.

Historical or Architectural importance

Earl B. Leete. Edwin A. Leete built this house on Boston Street before moving to Fair Street where he built an octagon shaped house. His son, Edward M. Leete, was born in 1858 in the octagon house. Edwin A. Leete served in the Civil War and fought in Antietam. He died in 1911 and is buried in Alderbrook Cemetery. A later owner of the house was A. H. Lombard.

