

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: _____
2. Historic name: William R. Pyle House
3. Street or rural address: 7405 Church Street
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 79900709
5. Present Owner: Nance Barker Address: 7405 Church Street
 City Gilroy Zip 95020 Ownership is: Public _____ Private X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION

- 7a. Architectural style: Classic Revival
- 7b. Briefly describe the present *physical appearance* of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This is a one story structure with medium pitch gable front. A recessed porch is supported by a rounded column. A canted square bay is projecting next to the porch. The gable has shingle in fill and a round window.



8. Construction date: Estimated _____ Factual 1901
9. Architect: Unknown
10. Builder: Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet)
 Frontage 75 Depth 140
 or approx. acreage _____
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
Mar. 1986

Condition: excellent ___ Good ^ Fair ___ Deteriorated ___ No longer in existence ___

14. Alterations: _____
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land ___ Scattered buildings ___ Densely built-up X
Residential X Industrial ___ Commercial ___ Other: _____
16. Threats to site: None known Y Private development X Zoning ___ Vandalism ___
Public Works project ___ Other: _____
17. Is the structure: On its original site? X Moved? ___ Unknown? ___
18. Related features: _____

SIGNIFICANCE

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

The home at 7405 Church Street in Gilroy was built in 1901 for the William R. Pyle family. Pyle arrived in Gilroy in 1876 when he established himself in the dairy ranching business. Pyle had had an interesting career prior to his coming to Gilroy. Pyle and his mother had joined his father in Yolo County via Panama in 1855. Pyle Sr., was at that time, running a ferry-boat for the miners near Sutterville. After attending the University of the Pacific in its original location in Santa Clara County, Pyle became a teacher and principal of the Aluisa School. At the same time, he served as clerk of the Board of Trustees and Assessor of the City of Santa Clara.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
Architecture 1 Arts & Leisure ___
Economic/Industrial 2 Exploration/Settlement ___
Government ___ Military ___
Religion ___ Social/Education ___

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).

A Field Guide to American Houses
McAlister

Sanborn Map 1888, 1908
History of Santa Clara County, Alley, Bowen 1881

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Locational sketch map (draw and label site and surrounding streets, roads, and prominent landmarks):

