

BUILDING, STRUCTURE, AND OBJECT RECORD

*NRHP Status Code 6Z

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*Resource Name or # (assigned by recorder) 1003 – 1013 Shetler Avenue

___ B1. Historic name: None
 ___ B2. Common name: None
 ___ B3. Original Use: Residential
 ___ B4. Present use: Residential
 ___ *B5. Architectural Style: Vernacular/Craftsman, Post-war vernacular

*B6. Construction History: (Construction date, alterations, and date of alterations)
 Duplexes constructed circa 1925. Single-family houses (2) constructed circa 1950.

*B7. Moved? No Yes Unknown Date: _____ Original Location: _____

*B8. Related Features: None

B9a. Architect: Unknown b. Builder: Unknown

*B10. Significance: Theme Residential development Area: Soscol Gateway/East Napa
 Period of Significance N/A Property Type Residential Applicable Criteria N/A
 (Discuss importance in terms of historical or architectural context as defined by theme, period, and geographic scope. Also address integrity)

The earliest known owner of 1003-1013 Shetler Avenue was B.E. and Marie Curry. The Currys appear to have lived in the house at 1007 Shetler Avenue. No biographical information was available for the Currys. In 1944, the Currys sold a portion of the property and entered into joint tenancy with Frank James and Minnie Gist. The Gists lived and farmed in Fresno, California, until at least 1930, and by 1942 had retired to Napa and were listed at 1007 Shetler Avenue. The two single-family houses at the front of the bungalow court complex were likely constructed around 1950 under the Curry/Gist ownership. In 1962, James D. and Stephanie M. Trumbo also entered into the joint tenancy, and were later joined by Bob R. and Irene F. Casteel in 1965. No biographical information was available for these owners. In 1967, it appears that the property was sold back, in whole, to Marie Curry, who promptly sold it to E.F. Henry. In 1969, Henry sold a portion to Moise and Alice M. Penning. Moise Penning was originally from Oregon, where he had worked as manager of a hotel in 1940. Penning was later an accountant/auditor, served in the Army in World War II, and lived in Hayward as late as 1957. In 1974, the Pennings shared joint tenancy at 1003-1013 Shetler Avenue with Guillermo and Olga Bustamante, who purchased the property outright in 1976 and continue to own it today.

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B11. Additional Resource Attributes: (List attributes and codes) HP3. Multiple family property

***B12. References:**

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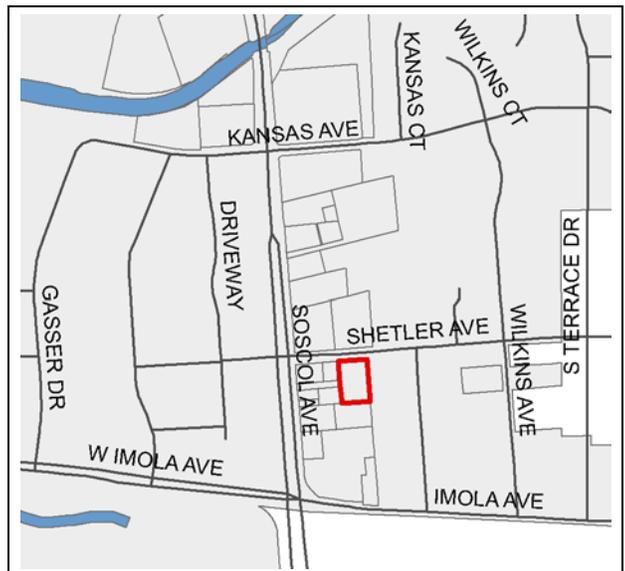
Obituary for Shirley Page, Napanews.com
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B13. Remarks:

*B14. Evaluator: Caitlin Harvey, Page & Turnbull, Inc.

*Date of Evaluation: 9 November 2009

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B10. Significance: (continued)

Evaluation:

1003 – 1013 Shetler Avenue was initially constructed circa 1925 as a bungalow court consisting of two duplex dwellings flanking a central drive. The complex was later expanded with the construction of two additional residences at the front of the lot around 1950. As a residential property, 1003 – 1013 Shetler Avenue is somewhat incongruous with other development within the Soscol Gateway/East Napa area, which does not contain many residences. Neither the 1920s duplexes nor the postwar era houses reflect any important trends in the area, which is largely commercial. This lack of connection to important events as well as deviation from historic development trends means that 1003 – 1013 Shetler Avenue does not appear to be significant under Criterion A/1 (Events) for association with important historic events or trends.

None of the owners or occupants of 1003 – 1013 Shetler Avenue appear to have contributed significantly to Napa's history or development. None of the property's owners appear to have been prominent citizens significantly associated with the development of the city, and no listing of tenants was available to indicate who else may have resided in the multiple dwelling units within the bungalow court. The subject property thus does not appear to be significant under Criterion B/2 (Persons).

The duplexes at 1003 – 1013 Shetler Avenue were designed in a vernacular cottage style typical of the 1920s and form what is commonly referred to as a bungalow court. The bungalow court form is unusual in the area, with only one other similar grouping of houses located nearby at 373 Silverado Trail. The duplex portion of the Shetler Avenue bungalow court appears to be a better example of the type than the Silverado Trail property, exhibiting more notable symmetry in building forms and placement around a central circular drive. The later addition of two mid-century houses diminishes the original design intent of the complex, although the symmetrical arrangement of the court remains intact. On the whole, the property is notable as an example of the bungalow court residential building form, but has diminished integrity and thus cannot claim to be a truly prime example of a type, period, or method of construction. The architect and builder are not known. Therefore, 1003 – 1013 Shetler Avenue does not appear to be significant under Criterion C/3 (Architecture) for architectural merit.

The property at 1003 – 1013 Shetler Avenue was not fully assessed under Criterion D/4 (Information Potential) for its potential to yield information important to prehistory or history in the form of archeological deposits or other features.

1003 – 1013 Shetler Avenue has never been moved and therefore retains integrity of location. Its integrity of setting is generally intact, as it continues to be located on a sparsely developed area on a side street off Soscol Avenue, with commercial uses nearby and low density residential uses to the east. The property retains integrity of association with its original function, as it continues to have a multiple-family residential use. Individually, the houses and duplexes have integrity of design, materials and workmanship from their original construction, but the later addition of the two 1950s houses has obscured the original design intent of the bungalow court. Because of this, the property lacks integrity of feeling as a bungalow court, and does not retain its ability to convey the aesthetic and historic sense of the era in which it was initially constructed.

1003 – 1013 Shetler Avenue is not currently listed on the National or California registers, nor is it listed in the City of Napa's Historic Resources Inventory (HRI). Based on this evaluation, 1003 – 1013 Shetler Avenue should be assigned a California Historic Resource Status Code of "6Z," which means that the property has been found ineligible for listing at the local, state or national level.

B12. References: (continued)

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