

CAPSULE SUMMARY

CT-266

Gray Bungalow

3460 Sixes Road

Prince Frederick, Calvert County

c1929

Private

Built circa 1929 by William A. Dorsey, the historic house at 3460 Sixes Road is said to have been built as a tenant house for the adjacent Luther Gray Farm. The house is an example of the bungalow form, a small-scale residential form that became popular nationally during the 1920s and 1930s. At the same time that the American foursquare was replacing the two-story cross-gable dwelling as the popular form for primary rural Calvert County residences in the 1920s, the bungalow replaced the one-and-a-half-story side-gable house in the late 19th century that had been the major form for small-scale tenant houses, such as the nearby Julius Gray Tenant House (CT-267). The house is also an example of a tenant house from the second quarter of the 20th century, when tenant farming was on the decline. The tenant farming system developed during the late 19th century to support the continued need for labor on the tobacco farms. The system continued to remain strong through the early 20th century until the 1930s when government programs and incentives aimed towards increasing homeownership resulted in more farm laborers being able to purchase their own homes.

The wood-frame, one-and-a-half-story dwelling is a bungalow with Craftsmen-style detailing. Set on a solid concrete-block foundation, the dwelling features asbestos shingle cladding, and a hipped asphalt-shingle roof. It has a rectangular footprint. The dwelling is detailed with overhanging eaves, a boxed wood cornice, an exterior-end shouldered brick chimney, and half-hipped dormers with paired six-light casement windows. The façade, which faces northeast, is dominated by an inset full-width screened porch. Paired 6/1 wood windows with square-edged surrounds and projecting sills are present on all elevations of the dwelling. Associated with the dwelling are a circa 1960 chicken coop and a well.

Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties Form

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic Gray Bungalow
 other _____

2. Location

street and number 3450 Sixes Road _____ not for publication
 city, town Prince Frederick _____ vicinity
 county Calvert

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Frances Lee Thibeault and Sylvia Lee Henry
 street and number 3450 Sixes Road telephone 703-492-7621
 city, town Pr. Frederick state MD zip code 20678-3371

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse tax map and parcel: 27:230
 city, town Pr. Frederick liber KPS 1658 folio 746

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

- Contributing Resource in National Register District
- Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
- Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
- Recorded by HABS/HAER
- Historic Structure Report or Research Report
- Other _____

6. Classification

Category		Ownership		Current Function		Resource Count	
						Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		buildings
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce/trade	<input type="checkbox"/> recreation/culture				sites
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> defense	<input type="checkbox"/> religion	<u>1</u>			structures
<input type="checkbox"/> site		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> domestic	<input type="checkbox"/> social				objects
<input type="checkbox"/> object		<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>		Total
		<input type="checkbox"/> funerary	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress				
		<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> unknown				
		<input type="checkbox"/> health care	<input type="checkbox"/> vacant/not in use				
		<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> other:				
						Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory	
						<u>1</u>	

7. Description

Inventory No. CT-266

Condition

- | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> altered |
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Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

SETTING. Located on a rural parcel at 3460 Sixes Road, the dwelling sits on a steeply sloping, grassy lot enhanced with mature trees and shrubs, foundation plantings, a gravel driveway, and a wood fence. The property sits close to the road and is oriented facing it. An historic chicken coop and well further improve the property. The property is said to have once been part of a larger parcel known as the Gray Farm.

PRIMARY RESOURCE. Constructed circa 1929, the wood-frame, one-and-a-half-story dwelling is a bungalow with Craftsmen-style detailing. Set on a solid concrete-block foundation, the dwelling features asbestos-shingle cladding, and a hipped asphalt-shingle roof. It has a rectangular footprint. The dwelling is detailed with overhanging eaves; a boxed, wood cornice; an exterior-end, shouldered, brick chimney; and half-hipped dormers with paired six-light casement windows. The façade, which faces northeast, is dominated by an inset full-width screened porch. The porch, supported by Tuscan columns, shelters a central single-leaf entry that is flanked by paired 6/1 wood windows. The rear elevation, features a basement-level garage with roll-up door. Paired 6/1 wood windows with square-edged surrounds and projecting sills are present on all elevations of the dwelling.

SECONDARY RESOURCES. Located southwest of the dwelling is a one-story wood-frame chicken coop constructed circa 1960. Clad in flush vertical board siding, the structure features a side-gabled corrugated metal roof. It has a shed porch on the southwest elevation with a half-hip roof sheathed in pressed metal shingles. Also located on the property is a well with a concrete cap dating to circa 1940.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> health/medicine	<input type="checkbox"/> performing arts
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> invention	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-1999	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment/ recreation	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 2000-	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> ethnic heritage	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/ settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> social history
	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning		<input type="checkbox"/> maritime industry	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation		<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

Specific dates	c1929	Architect/Builder	William A. Dorsey
Construction dates	c1929		

Evaluation for:

National Register Maryland Register not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance reports, complete evaluation on a DOE Form - see manual.)

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The house is also an example of a tenant house from the second quarter of the 20th century. The tenant farming system appeared in Calvert County following the Civil War (1861-1865) and the subsequent loss of the enslaved labor force. Tobacco, an extremely labor-intensive crop, remained the primary crop grown by Calvert County farmers after the war. The tenant farming system developed during the late 19th century to support the continued need for labor on the tobacco farms. Farm laborers were hired by a landowner whose property was large enough that it required more labor than the land-owning family to support. The landowner provided housing for the laborer on the land that they were hired to work. Farm laborers would be paid outright, receive free rent, or a percentage of the tobacco profits for the tobacco that they cultivated. They might also be given a certain amount of land to cultivate their own crop, for which they would retain the profits. The house at 3460 Sixes Road was built at a time when the tenant farming system was on the decline. Government programs and incentives aimed towards increasing homeownership beginning in the 1930s resulted in more farm laborers being able to purchase their own homes. Many former tenant houses such as this one were subdivided from the larger farm and sold to farm laborers or other individuals seeking to own their own homes.

ENDNOTES

(1) Stinson, Merry. "Gray Bungalow," CT-266. May 1978. Maryland Historical Trust Inventory Form for State Historic Sites Survey. Maryland Historic Trust, Crownsville, MD.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Inventory No. CT-266

See continuation sheet.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 2.75 AcresAcreage of historical setting UnknownQuadrangle name Broomes IslandQuadrangle scale 1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The historic house is located at 3450 Sixes Road in Prince Frederick, Maryland. The house has been associated with Tax Map 27, Parcel 230 since its construction circa 1929. The current deed to the property can be found in the land records of Calvert County in the Calvert County Courthouse in Prince Frederick: Deed Book KPS 1658, Page 746.

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Carrie E. Albee and Jennifer B. Hallock, Architectural Historiansorganization EHT Tracerics, Inc.date 2/3/03street and number 1121 5th Street, NWtelephone 202-393-1199city or town Washingtonstate DC zip code 20001

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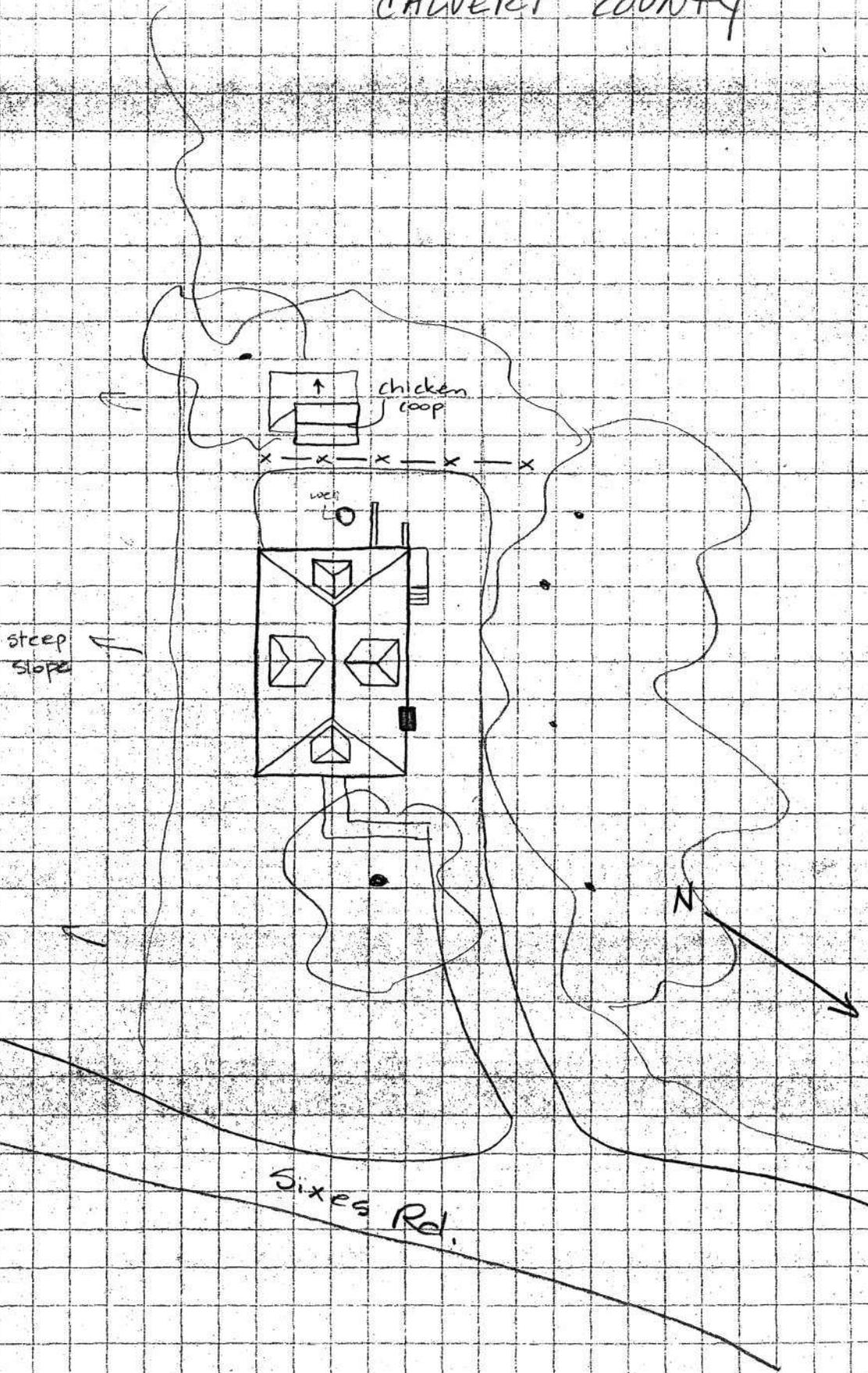
Stinson, Merry. "Gray Bungalow," CT-266. May 1978. Maryland Historical Trust Inventory Form for State Historic Sites Survey. Maryland Historic Trust, Crownsville, MD.

RESOURCE SURVEY MAP

CT-2166

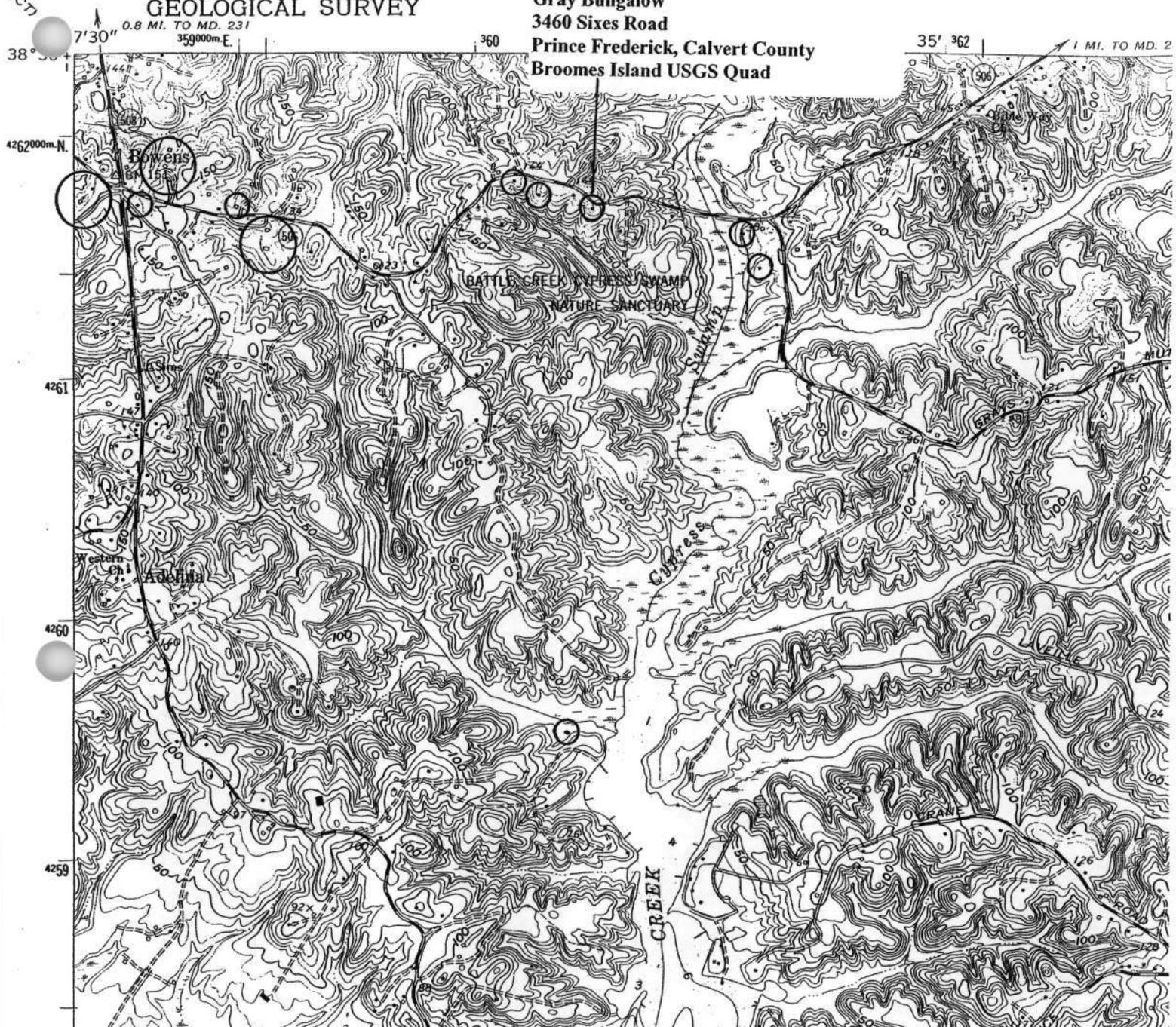
3460 Sixes Road

PRINCE FREDERICK
CALVERT COUNTY



UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

CT-266
Gray Bungalow
3460 Sixes Road
Prince Frederick, Calvert County
Broomes Island USGS Quad

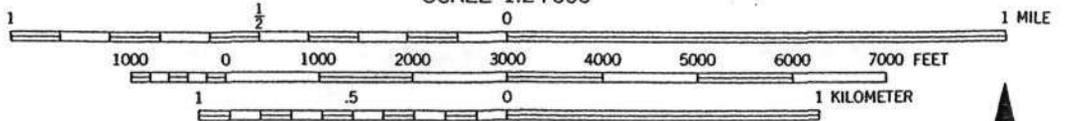


BROOMES ISLAND, MD.

NE/4 LEONARDTOWN 15' QUADRANGLE
38076-D5-TF-024

1963
PHOTOREVISED 1986
DMA 5660 I NE-SERIES V833

SCALE 1:24 000



CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929
DEPTH CURVES AND SOUNDINGS IN FEET—DATUM IS MEAN LOW WATER
THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO DATUMS IS VARIABLE
SHORELINE SHOWN REPRESENTS THE APPROXIMATE LINE OF MEAN HIGH WATER
THE MEAN RANGE OF TIDE IS 1.3 FEET





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GRAY BUNGALOW

3460 Sixes Road

Calvert County, MD

Tracerics

12/2002

MD SHPO

House, North corner

1 of 3



CT-2000

GRAY BUNGALOW

3460 Sixes Road

Calvert County, MD

Trocenies

12/2002

MD SHPO

House, Southeast elevation

2 of 3



CT-260

GRAY BUNGALOW

3400 Sixes Road

Calvert County, MD

Traceries

12/2002

MD SHPO

House, west corner

3 of 3

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Gray Bungalow
Bowens 1929
Private

William A. Dorsey built this one-story hip-roofed bungalow in 1929. Although its style is very different from Dorsey's 1910 cross-gable (CT-265 Julius Gray House), both houses reflect a good sense of proportion and knowledgeable use of fine materials.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Gray Bungalow

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Sixes Road (Maryland Route 506)

CITY, TOWN

Bowens

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

MD

COUNTY

Calvert

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Calvert County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Main Street (Maryland Route 765)

CITY, TOWN

Prince Frederick

STATE

MD

Liber #:

Folio #:

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

- EXCELLENT
- GOOD
- FAIR
- DETERIORATED
- RUINS
- UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

- UNALTERED
- ALTERED

CHECK ONE

- ORIGINAL SITE
- MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

William A. Dorsey built this one-story hip-roofed bungalow in 1929. Although its style is very different from Dorsey's 1910 cross-gable (CT-265 Julius Gray House), both houses reflect a good sense of proportion and knowledgeable use of fine materials.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1929

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

William A. Dorsey was also the builder of this house. At the risk of being overly simplistic it appears in this county that if the cross gable facade ever gave way to another style it was that of the bungalow. The abundance of hipped-roof and gable-end bungalows to be seen in Calvert County does not diminish the value of a single one so much as it increases its value as an example of a style which was very important here during the 1920's and 1930's.

This bungalow is said to have been built in 1929. It gains in importance with its claim of being one of several buildings in the neighborhood to have contained cypress siding made from local wood.

MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY Significance statement: Wayne Nield. Form Compiled by:
NAME / TITLE

ORGANIZATION

Merry Stinson

May 1978

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

*architectural consultant**Rt. 5 Box 262 B*

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis, Md. 21401

STATE

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