

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

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IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Historic name: W. T. Smith House
3. Street or rural address: 2650 Highway 128  
City Geyserville, CA Zip 95441 County Sonoma
4. Parcel number: 140-260-04-3
5. Present Owner: Zayos, Karen L. Address: P. O. Box 446  
City Geyserville, CA Zip 95441 Ownership is: Public \_\_\_\_\_ Private X
6. Present Use: Residential Original use: Residential

DESCRIPTION

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

This one-story home has several closed gables over a boxed cornice and plain frieze. Filling the gables are asbestos shingles which also cover the walls. The windows are double-hung and are in pairs beneath the gables. The porch has a hip-roof with dentils and a row of spindle work below the cornice. The turned posts have molded and sawn brackets and there are spindles and stickwork forming the balustrade.



8. Construction date:  
Estimated \_\_\_\_\_ Factual 1903
9. Architect \_\_\_\_\_
10. Builder \_\_\_\_\_
11. Approx. property size (in feet)  
Frontage \_\_\_\_\_ Depth \_\_\_\_\_  
or approx. acreage 1.231
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)  
31 Jan 83 42/35

13. Condition: Excellent  Good  Fair  Deteriorated  No longer in existence
14. Alterations: Siding
15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land  Scattered buildings  Densely built-up   
Residential  Industrial  Commercial  Other:
16. Threats to site: None known  Private development  Zoning  Vandalism   
Public Works project  Other:
17. Is the structure: On its original site?  Moved?  Unknown?
18. Related features:

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)  
Beginning his career as a plasterer in Sonoma County, W.T. Smith became a landowner of 784 acres near Geyserville. Born 1833 in Kentucky, he and his family immigrated through Ohio, Missouri and Kansas, eventually coming to California in 1874. Locating in Santa Rosa, he plied his trade as a plasterer for a few years before renting a ranch in Geyserville. Successful stewardship resulted in his purchasing a 400 acre parcel and a 384 acre parcel. In 1903 he and his wife built this 12 room residence on their farm where they raised 13 children. W.T. died in 1918, Sarah in 1925.

Though the exterior of this residence has been altered by the addition of asbestos siding, the basic structure retains its integrity and original front porch with its bracketed posts and extensive spindle work.

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

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

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Ent.: 5/30/03  
So. Co. Cemetary Records

22. Date form prepared August 18, 1983  
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