

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

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# National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.



### 1. Name of Property

Historic name: Fisher Memorial Home (Amendment)

Other names/site number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of related multiple property listing: \_\_\_\_\_

Casa Grande Multiple Resource Area

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

### 2. Location

Street & number: 300 East 8th Street

City or town: Casa Grande State: AZ County: Pinal

Not for Publication:  Vicinity:

### 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this X nomination \_\_\_ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property \_\_\_ meets X does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

\_\_\_ national \_\_\_ statewide X local

Applicable National Register Criteria:

\_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B \_\_\_ C \_\_\_ D

	<u>4 Dec 2018</u>
<b>Signature of certifying official/Title:</b>	<b>Date</b>
<u>State Historic Preservation Office, Arizona State Parks and Trails</u>	
<b>State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government</b>	

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria.	
<b>Signature of commenting official:</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Title:</b>	<b>State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government</b>

Fisher Memorial Home (Amendment)  
Name of Property

Pinal, AZ  
County and State

**4. National Park Service Certification**

I hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
- determined eligible for the National Register
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain:)

*For [Signature]*  
Signature of the Keeper

*1/31/19*  
Date of Action

**5. Classification**

**Ownership of Property**

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

- Private:
- Public – Local
- Public – State
- Public – Federal

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**Category of Property**

(Check only **one** box.)

- Building(s)
- District
- Site
- Structure
- Object

**Number of Resources within Property**

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
_____	<u>0</u>	buildings
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
_____	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 1



Fisher Memorial Home (Amendment)  
Name of Property

Pinal, AZ  
County and State

The Fisher Memorial Home in Casa Grande, Pinal County, Arizona, was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on April 16, 1985 under the Casa Grande Multiple Resource Area thematic nomination.

On April 7, 2017, a fire effectively destroyed the Fisher Memorial Home and it has been demolished following an evaluation that the property could not be restored. The Arizona State Historic Preservation Office requests that the Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places remove this property from the National Register.



Remains of the Fisher Memorial Home following a destructive fire. Smathers, Heather, "Burned CG Historic Structure May Have to be Demolished," *Casa Grande Dispatch*, April 10, 2017. [https://www.pinalcentral.com/casa\\_grande\\_dispatch/area\\_news/burned-cg-historic-structure-may-have-to-be-demolished/article\\_d685b426-e27c-5c05-8567-a5688e819bb6.html](https://www.pinalcentral.com/casa_grande_dispatch/area_news/burned-cg-historic-structure-may-have-to-be-demolished/article_d685b426-e27c-5c05-8567-a5688e819bb6.html)

Fisher Memorial Home (Amendment)  
Name of Property

Pinal, AZ  
County and State

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10. Form Prepared By  
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date: December 3, 2018

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### Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A USGS map or equivalent (7.5 or 15-minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

**Paperwork Reduction Act Statement:** This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C.460 et seq.).

**Estimated Burden Statement:** Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 100 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Office of Planning and Performance Management, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, 1849 C. Street, NW, Washington, DC.

# ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PROPERTY INVENTORY

HISTORIC PROPERTY NAME Fisher Memorial Home		COUNTY Pinal County	INVENTORY NO. CG-134
COMMON PROPERTY NAME Fisher Memorial Home		QUAD/COUNTY MAP	
PROPERTY LOCATION-STREET & NO. 300 East 8th Street			
CITY, TOWN/VICINITY OF Casa Grande		ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 506-07-340	
OWNER OF PROPERTY Jim McClelland		PHONE 505-836-7587	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 1015 Glade Lane #80			
CITY, TOWN Farmington,		STATE New Mexico	ZIP 87401
FORM PREPARED BY Jānus Associates Inc.		DATE 9/82	
STREET & NO./P.O. BOX 2121 South Priest Suite 127		PHONE 967-7117	
CITY, TOWN Tempe,		STATE Arizona	ZIP 85282
PHOTO BY Casa Grande Survey Volunteer		DATE June 1982	
VIEW looking east			
HISTORIC USE commercial			
PRESENT USE commercial		ACREAGE less/one	
ARCHITECT/BUILDER			
CONSTRUCTION/MODIFICATION DATES Built 1927, modified 1929			



## PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The Fisher Memorial Home is a single-story U-shaped structure constructed of uncoursed field stone. A flat parapeted roof and lower tile-roofed portal infilling the U shape suggest a Pueblo Revival influence. A three-story tower addition of wood frame and shingles extends from the northeast corner. It has a low sloping pyramidal roof of wood shingles. Dual orientation is to the south and west bordering streets. The south facade, protected by the single stone pier portal, has relief plaque decorated doors defining symmetrical entries. Small tile-roofed porticos protect two symmetrical, two-leaf French doors on the west facade. Windows of the original structure are wood four-over-one light double-hung. The addition wood windows are double-hung fixed glass, and symmetrically placed. An additional feature is a low entry wall of stone sloping up to an opening flanked by two square pillars, each a base for a lamp post.



#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE/HISTORY

The Fisher Memorial Home is an outstanding example of a period revival residential/commercial building executed in local materials. Its unique uncoursed field stone construction and Pueblo Revival influenced design once brought it to public acclaim as one of the finest and most beautiful houses in the Casa Grande Valley. The house is well-maintained and has a high degree of integrity.

The combination house/funeral home was built in Casa Grande in 1927. Harry L. Fisher and his wife Mary established a mortuary business in Casa Grande after their arrival in 1919. Fisher was killed in 1925. Mrs. Fisher trained as an undertaker, married William Plenz and opened the Fisher Memorial Home in its new location. Mrs. Plenz was a respected businesswoman for many years in Casa Grande.

#### SOURCES OF ABOVE INFORMATION/BIBLIOGRAPHY

Casa Grande Valley Historical Society newspaper index files  
Casa Grande Valley Historical Society history files

#### GEOGRAPHICAL DATA/LEGAL DESCRIPTION/VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

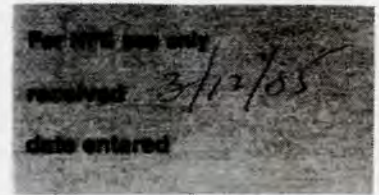
Lots 7-12, Block 6, E. P. Drew Subdivision

USGS QUAD - CASA GRANDE WEST

UTM references on continuation sheet

#### GENERAL COMMENTS/FUTURE PLANS FOR PROPERTY

**United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service  
National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form**



Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Casa Grande Multiple Resource Area  
State Pinal County, ARIZONA

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

11. Laundry Building

Entered in the  
National Register

for  
Keeper

Melvin Byers 4/16/85

Attest

12. Lehmborg, Dr. H.B., House

Entered in the  
National Register

for  
Keeper

Melvin Byers 4/16/85

Attest

13. Stone Bungalow

Entered in the  
National Register

for  
Keeper

Melvin Byers 4/16/85

Attest

14. Stone Warehouse

Entered in the  
National Register

for  
Keeper

Melvin Byers 4/16/85

Attest

15. Saint Anthony's Church  
and Rectory

Substantive Review

for  
Keeper

Linda McClelland 4/16/85

Attest

16. White House

Entered in the  
National Register

for  
Keeper

Melvin Byers 4/16/85

Attest

17. Fisher Memorial Home

Entered in the  
National Register

for  
Keeper

Melvin Byers 4/16/85

Attest

18. Pioneer Market

Entered in the  
National Register

for  
Keeper

Melvin Byers 4/16/85

Attest

19. Prettyman's Meat Market  
and Grocery/Brigg's Jeweler

Entered in the  
National Register

for  
Keeper

Melvin Byers 4/16/85

Attest

20. Wilson, C.J. (Blinky)  
House

Substantive Review

for  
Keeper

Linda McClelland 4/16/85

Attest



NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Fisher Memorial Home (Casa Grande MRA)  
Pinal County  
ARIZONA

Working No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/4/86  
Date Due: 4/11/85 - 4/26/85  
Action:  ACCEPT 4-16-85  
 RETURN  
 REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in the  
National Register

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: \_\_\_\_\_ technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

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

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

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**8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ ✓ Builder/Architect  
Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

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State Historic Preservation Office  
Hinds County  
JACKSON

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_  
Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_  
UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

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**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000033



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action:

Property Name:

Multiple Name:

State & County:

Date Received: 12/17/2018      Date of Pending List:      Date of 16th Day:      Date of 45th Day: 1/31/2019      Date of Weekly List:

Reference number:

Nominator:

Reason For Review:

Accept       Return       Reject      1/31/2019 Date

Abstract/Summary  
Comments:

Recommendation/  
Criteria

Reviewer Roger Reed  Discipline Historian

Telephone (202)354-2278 Date \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION: see attached comments : No      see attached SLR : No

If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.

**ARIZONA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE (SHPO)  
NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION  
TRANSMITTAL FORM  
\*\*FEDERAL EXPRESS\*\***



**DATE:** December 11, 2018

**TO:**

**Joy Beasley  
National Register of Historic Places  
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Washington, D.C. 20240**

**FROM:**

**William Collins  
National Register Coordinator  
State Historic Preservation Office  
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Phoenix AZ 85007**

**National Register Nominations:**

**Joslin and Whipple Historic District (Amendment)  
Prescott, Yavapai County**

**Indian Ridge Historic District (Amendment)  
Tucson, Pima County**

**National Register Delistings:**

**Southern Pacific Railroad Depot  
Casa Grande, Pinal County**

**Fisher Memorial Home  
Casa Grande, Pinal County**

**Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at  
wcollins@azstateparks.gov or 602.542.7159.**