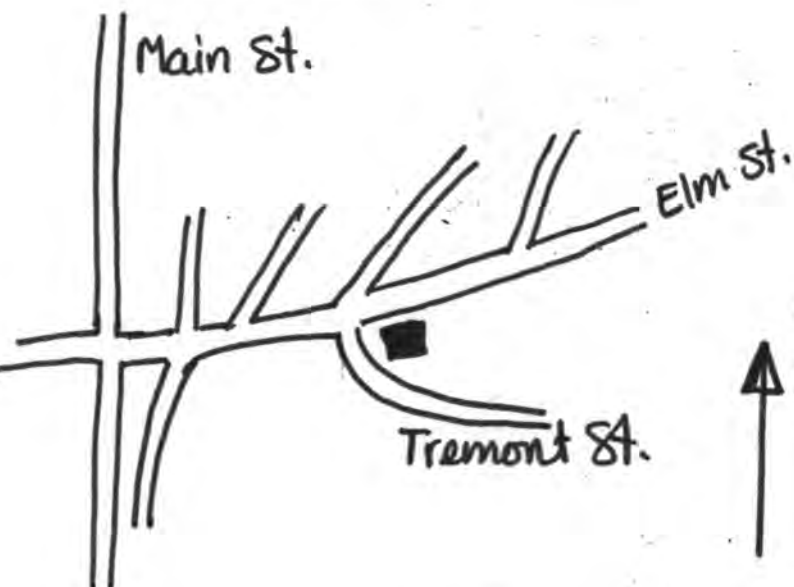


MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

PHOTO (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
Staple to left side of form
Photo number _____

SKETCH MAP

Draw map showing property's
location in relation to nearest
cross streets and other buildings
or geographical features.
Indicate north.



Recorded by Carole Zellie
(ed. Candace Jenkins, MHC)

Organization Landscape Research

Date March 1979

Assessor's Map #12-296

Town Stoneham Roll 1:24A

Address 51 Elm Street

Historic Name Jesse Tay House

Use: Original possibly Jesse Tay or
Tay family

Present Residential

Ownership: Janice Vinciarelli
☒ Private individual
Private organization _____

Public _____

Original owner Jesse Tay

DESCRIPTION:

Date ca. 1810

Source map research

Style vernacular/Federal

Architect unknown

Exterior wall fabric clapboard

Outbuildings none

Major alterations (with dates) _____

front entrance

Moved no Date _____

Approx. acreage 6,950 sq. feet

Setting Densely developed residential
neighborhood near downtown.

Boston North Quad 1:25,000

UTM: 19 327680 4705770

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

The Jesse Tay House is one of Stoneham's best preserved Federal period houses, although of less standard appearance than the Caleb Wiley House (#65). Constructed c. 1810, it is an asymmetrical four bay house with a center entry which rises two stories to a pitched roof. It is one room deep with asymmetrically placed rear wall chimneys. It rests on a granite foundation and is sheathed in clapboards with narrow cornerboards and flat window architraves, producing the taut surface associated with the Federal period. A two story rear ell extends from the east end and a one story ell projects sideways from the east elevation. Sash is a 2/2 nineteenth century replacement and the entry is protected by an open pitched roof portico. The house is set on a hill and faces north onto Elm Street. An 1885 photograph (S.H.S.) shows the house with its current window and chimney placement but with 6/6 sash and a slightly recessed entry with simple architrave frame.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

The Jesse Tay House possesses integrity of location, design, materials and workmanship; it is significant for its well preserved vernacular form and for its associations with the early shoe industry. The house meets criteria A and C of the National Register of Historic Places.

Jesse Tay was a shoebench maker and farmer. Members of his family residing at this address were shoemakers. Tay's house, which is recorded in 1830 and 1858 maps, is one of the earliest along Elm Street, a route to Wakefield and the west. It is likely that at least one of the ells extending from this house was used as a shoe shop during Stoneham's early industrial period.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

1830, 1858 Map of Stoneham
1869 Business Directory

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Stoneham Multiple Resource Area
State Middlesex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

51. Metropolitan District Commission
Pumping House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 4/13/84

52. Millard-Souther-Green House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 4/13/84

53. Oddfellows Building

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 4/13/84

54. Old Burying Ground

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 4/13/84

55. Shoe Shop-Doucette Ten
Footer

Substantive Review

Keeper

Attest

Paula Ann Dwyer 4/13/84

56. Steele, John, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 4/13/84

57. South School

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 4/13/84

58. Stoneham Firestation

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 4/13/84

59. Stoneham Public Library

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 4/13/84

60. Tay, Jesse, House

Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper

Attest

Delores Byers 4/13/84

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Tay, Jesse, House (Stoneham MRA)
Middlesex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. FEB 28 1984
Fed. Reg. Date: 2/5/85
Date Due: 3-29-84 - 4-13-84
Action: ACCEPT 4-13-84
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 ☐ deteriorated
☐ good ☐ ruins
☐ fair ☐ 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

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

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

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

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

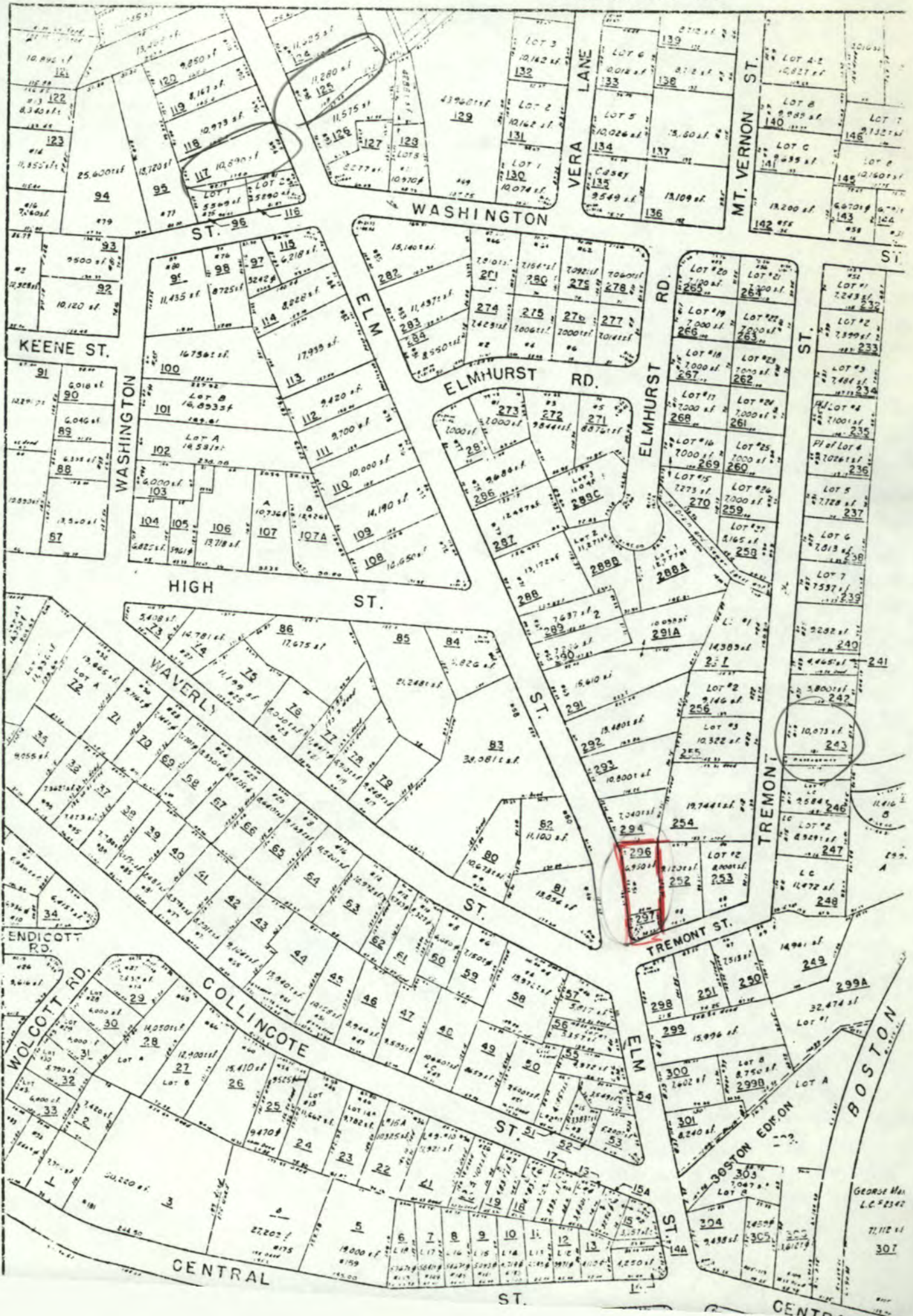
Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



Tay, Jesse, Huse

Storchan MRA, Ma

9300



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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000295