

Structure/Site Information Form

IDENTIFICATION 1

Street Address: 412 Marsac UTM: 12 458300 4499120
 Park City, Summit County, Utah
 Name of Structure: Elizabeth M. Jones House T. R. S.
 Present Owner: John Calquist
 Owner Address: P.O. Box 1670, Park City, Utah 84060
 Year Built (Tax Record): Effective Age: Tax #: PC 458A
 Legal Description: Kind of Building:
 Lot 3 Block 55, Park City Survey
 Less than one acre.

STATUS/USE 2

Original Owner: Unknown Construction Date: c. 1902 Demolition Date:
 Original Use: Residence Present Use:
 Building Condition: Integrity: Preliminary Evaluation: Final Register Status:
 Excellent Site Unaltered Significant Not of the National Landmark District
 Good Ruins Minor Alterations Contributory Historic Period National Register Multi-Resource
 Deteriorated Major Alterations Not Contributory State Register Thematic

DOCUMENTATION 3

Photography: Date of Slides: 1983 Slide No.: Date of Photographs: 1983 Photo No.:
 Views: Front Side Rear Other Views: Front Side Rear Other

Research Sources:
 Abstract of Title Sanborn Maps Newspapers U of U Library
 Plat Records/Map City Directories Utah State Historical Society BYU Library
 Tax Card & Photo Biographical Encyclopedias Personal Interviews USU Library
 Building Permit Obituary Index LDS Church Archives SLC Library
 Sewer Permit County & City Histories LDS Genealogical Society Other Census Records

Bibliographical References (books, articles, records, interviews, old photographs and maps, etc.):

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Building Materials: Wood

Building Type/Style: Pyramid House (variant)

Description of physical appearance & significant architectural features:
(Include additions, alterations, ancillary structures, and landscaping if applicable)

This house is a one story frame variant of the pyramid house with a truncated hip roof. It is a variant of the pyramid house. Typically the pyramid house has a truncated hip roof or a pyramid roof, a square four room plan, a symmetrical or nearly symmetrical facade with a door generally centered between two windows or window bands, and a porch spanning the facade. This house has a square plan and a truncated hip roof, but it varies from the standard pyramid house type in that there is no attached porch. Instead, the northwest half of the facade is recessed, and a porch fills the recessed section. There is a single broad window on the south side of the facade. The size of the opening has not been changed, but the original glass was replaced by a multi-paned window with one horizontal and two vertical panels. The original window may have been a large single pane window with a transom. There is a door and a double hung sash one over one light window on the recessed north half of the facade, and a door and a pair of double hung sash windows on the north side of the building. A deck was added to the rear of the house, and minor superficial changes were made to the northeast corner of the building. Those changes are unobtrusive, and the building retains its original integrity.

Statement of Historical Significance:

Construction Date: c. 1902

Built c. 1902, the Elizabeth M. Jones House at 412 Marsac is architecturally significant as one of only five well preserved examples of a variant of the pyramid house, one of the three most common house types built during the early period of Park City's mining boom era. The pyramid house was built with a number of variations. This one is characterized by the typical square form and hip roof, but is distinguished from the basic pyramid house in that instead of having a porch spanning the facade, the porch is set into a recessed section of the facade. Pyramid houses make up about 20% of the total number of in-period buildings in Park City, and about 30% of the pyramid houses are included in this nomination.

This house was built between 1900 and 1907, as indicated by the Sanborn Insurance Maps, but the exact date of its construction, and the name of its original owner are not known. It is likely that it was built around 1902, when several of the neighboring houses of a similar type were constructed as part of the rebuilding of the town after the great fire of 1898. This house apparently replaced an earlier house on this property, which had been owned since 1882 by William B. Jones. Jones died in 1900, before the estimated date of construction of this house, but Elizabeth M. Jones, probably either his sister or mother (he never married), continued to own this property until 1916. That year it was deeded to Lee Brayton Wight, a well-known local attorney, who was serving as guardian of the estate of Elizabeth Jones, "an incompetent person." Wight apparently rented out the house until selling it in 1930.