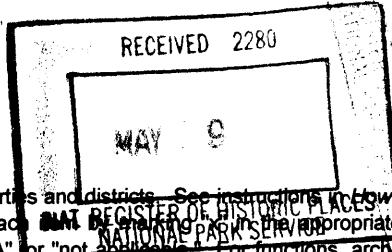


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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by checking the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being nominated, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Walter Wilbur House

other name/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number: 904 East Eighth Street N/A not for publication
city/town: Casa Grande N/A vicinity
state: Arizona code: AZ county: Pinal code: 021 zip code: 85222

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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 does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments).

JAMES W. GAWLSON ARESHO 23 MAY 2002
Signature of certifying official Date

ARIZONA STATE PARKS
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments).

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register
 See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register
 See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register.

removed from the National Register.

other (explain): _____

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

Sarah D. Pope 11/20/02

Walter Wilbur House

Name of Property

Pinal County, Arizona

County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property Category of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

(Check only one box)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

- building (s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>one</u>	<u>none</u>	buildings
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
<u>one</u>	<u>none</u>	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

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

Historic and Architectural Resources of Casa Grande, Arizona

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/ single dwelling

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/ single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

Pueblo

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation CONCRETE

walls STUCCO

roof ASPHALT

other TERRA COTTA

METAL : Steel

CONCRETE

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or a grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

1939

Significant Dates

1939

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other state agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of Repository: _____

Walter Wilbur House

Name of Property

Pinal County, Arizona

County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property less than one acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	12	430560	3638110	3	---	---
2	---	---	---	4	---	---

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **Black and White photographs** of the property.

Additional items (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO)

name N/A
street & number N/A telephone N/A
city or town N/A state N/A zip code N/A

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Pinal County, AZ

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION

The Walter Wilbur House is located on a corner lot with mature vegetation and a north-south orientation. The domestic single dwelling is located on the edge of a residential area that is located north of and terminated by Florence Boulevard. This 1939 Pueblo Revival residence is wood frame and stucco with a concrete foundation. Significant features are the parapet walls with canales, the way the different wings have different parapet heights to suggest different terraced levels, and the use of corbelled wood posts at the entry and carport. There is also some reference to the Spanish Colonial Revival style with the recessed red clay tile porch that suggests a courtyard configuration. The current condition of the property is good, as the building and grounds are immaculately maintained. The property has integrity in terms of location as it remains on its original site. Although the house now sits across the street from a commercial building, it retains its integrity in terms of setting; its surrounding neighborhood context is still intact, and the location of the property is on the edge of this residential area. The historic integrity in terms of design, association and feeling is also very good, as, with exception to a porch that was added to the rear of the building in 1985, the property appears to be untouched by alteration.

This residence is located on a corner lot in the residential area platted as the Evergreen Addition in 1928. Today it sits across the street from both residential as well as commercial buildings, although the feeling of the area is still very residential in character. The house has a floor plan indicative of its Pueblo-Revival style, in which a complex floor plan is utilized to reflect the Indo-Hispanic Building tradition of additive building. In the additive tradition of building, rectangular structures grow more complex over time with the gradual addition of wings, courtyards, and ells that accommodate changes in family structure or needs. This one story building has seven vertical divisions on the front façade that are created through this complex floor plan. Construction materials are wood and stucco, with steel used for windows. The roof shape is also typical of the Pueblo-Revival style; a flat roof with parapets is employed. The structural system is wood frame supporting wood joist roof framing. A front recessed entry porch with wood posts, a low, stuccoed wall, and a tile roof and a tiled porch floor are the significant features of this house. Steel casement and steel fixed divided-light windows are accented with concrete sills, and a single entry door faces east onto the front entry porch. Canales, and corbelled porch and carport posts comprise the decorative elements of the house. There are no outbuildings associated with the house. The residence itself is the one contributing element to the nomination; there are no non-contributing elements.

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NARRATIVE STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

SUMMARY

The Walter Wilbur House is significant under Criterion C as a good local example of the Pueblo Revival style under the context of Architecture in Casa Grande, 1900-1950. The period of significance is the date of initial construction, c. 1939. The building is a good example of a style popular during the time of its construction. The Pueblo Revival influence is evident in the flat roof, canales, shed-roof porch covers, and corbelled posts on the porch and carport covers. The simple detailing further reflects modernist influence. The property also has good integrity with the design and materials intact and unaltered, except for the addition of a rear porch. As a member of the Single Family Neighborhood Dwelling property type, the building is in its original location within a residential neighborhood. As a member of the Primary Structure subtype, this building possesses the characteristics of its type as it sits within a neighborhood of dwelling buildings of the same property subtype, and shares the same setbacks and orientation as those adjacent buildings. The building is set on the front of the site with a front yard serving as a transition between the building and the street. The property has a high degree of stylistic detail in proportion to scale that is commonly found on buildings of this type. There are two hundred-and-twenty buildings of the Single-Family Neighborhood Dwelling Property type within the Casa Grande survey area; one hundred-and-thirty-one of the properties of this type are of a similar wood frame construction. However, there are only three buildings of this property type executed in the Pueblo Revival style, and only five buildings total executed in this style in the area considered by the Historic Resource Survey- Casa Grande, Arizona (Pry 1998). The architectural style retains adequate integrity for listing as a member of its property type.

HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

Little is known about the history of this property. The 1922 and 1940 Sanborn maps did not cover this section of Casa Grande, and it could not be located in a sampling of the county assessment rolls. According to the owner, it was built in 1939 for Walter Wilbur, who was the manager of the Eleven Mile Corner Gin. Two other informants identified it as Wilbur's house, saying that he had it built with wheelchair-accessible features for his wife, who had been injured in an accident and confined to a wheelchair.

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BIBLIOGRAPHY

See *Section I: Major Bibliographical References* of the Multiple Property Nomination form for Historic and Architectural Resources of Casa Grande, Arizona.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The boundary of the Walter Wilbur House property is lot 6-8 of Block 29 in the Evergreen Addition Plat of Casa Grande, Arizona.

BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION

The boundary of the nominated property corresponds with the current ownership of the property.

