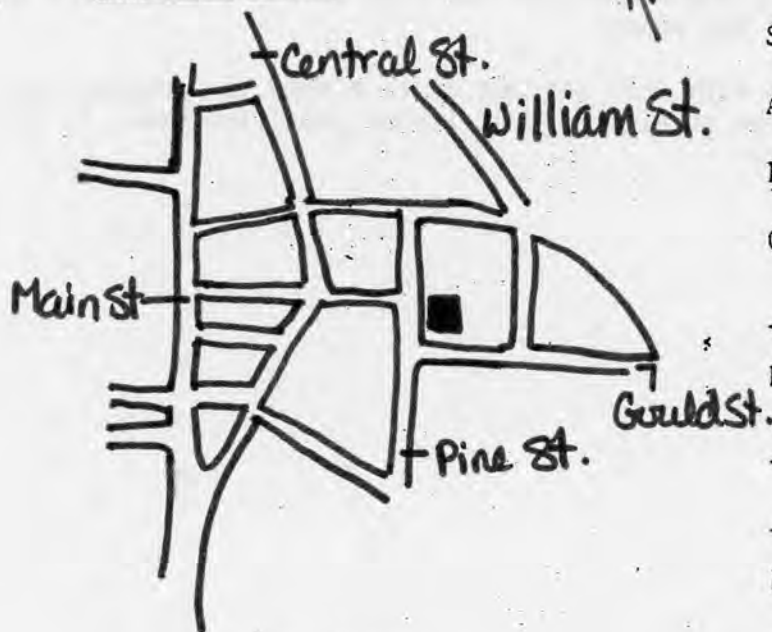


MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02108

PHOTO (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
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Photo number _____

SKETCH MAP

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



Carole Zellie

Recorded by (ed. Candace Jenkins, MHC)

Organization Landscape Research

Date May, 1979

Assessor's Map #12-362

Town Stoneham Roll 8:11A

Address 8 Pine Street

Historic Name Silas Dean House

Use: Original residential with private office
and school

Present residential

Ownership: ☒ Private individual
Private organization
James & Catherine McDermott
Public

Original owner Silas Dean

DESCRIPTION:

Date 1840

Source Stevens, History of Stoneham

Style Greek Revival

Architect unknown

Exterior wall fabric aluminum

Outbuildings none

Major alterations (with dates) siding

Moved no Date N/A

Approx. acreage 27,666 square feet

Setting mid-late 19th century residential

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

The Silas Dean House is one of a small number of Greek Revival cottages in Stoneham with a front porch formed by the front slope of the roof which extends over a cutaway facade. Constructed c. 1840, it retains the traditional, five bay, center entry form of earlier houses, but is updated by the stylish motifs of its porch which includes four Tuscan columns carrying a wide, bracketted frieze. A rear ell extends from the south end of the rear elevation, which may be somewhat later in date as it rests on a brick foundation while the main part of the house is founded on granite. Windows contain 6/6 sash and the entry has full length sidelights. The main alteration to the house is the application of aluminum siding and storm windows. The house faces west on Pine Street in a mid to late nineteenth century residential setting.

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

The Silas Dean House possesses integrity of location, design and setting and is significant primarily for its associations with Silas Dean, one of Stoneham's most prominent nineteenth century citizens. It meets criterion B of the National Register of Historic Places.

Silas Dean (born in 1815), had a long career as town clerk, historian, auctioneer, justice of the peace, educator, and merchant. His History of Stoneham was published in 1870, and formed a nucleus for the later (and last) history of the town written by Stevens in 1891. In 1842-43 he maintained a private school in this house, and maintained his Town Clerk office, which he held for over forty years, in a rear room of the house.

There are a number of Greek Revival cottages with full porches of this type in Stoneham and they are noted in this survey. While this one retains most of its original features, it has unfortunately been altered by aluminum siding.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

1874 map of Stoneham

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Silas Dean, History of Stoneham, 1870

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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Continuation sheet

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

11. Buswell, Clara, House Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Silvana Byers 4/13/84

Attest

12. Chamberlain, Samuel, House Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Silvana Byers 4/13/84

Attest

13. Cogan, Bernard, House Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Silvana Byers 4/13/84

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14. Cogan, James, House Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Silvana Byers 4/13/84

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15. Colonial Beacon Gas Station Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Silvana Byers 4/13/84

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16. Cowdrey, George, House Entered in the
National Register

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17. Daniels, Blake, Cottage Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Silvana Byers 4/13/84

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18. Dean, Silas, House Entered in the
National Register

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19. Dow Block Entered in the
National Register

for Keeper Silvana Byers 4/13/84

Attest

20. Durgin, E. A., House Entered in the
National Register

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Attest

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Dean, Silas, 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: _____

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

Entered in the
National Register

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

Acreage 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 _____

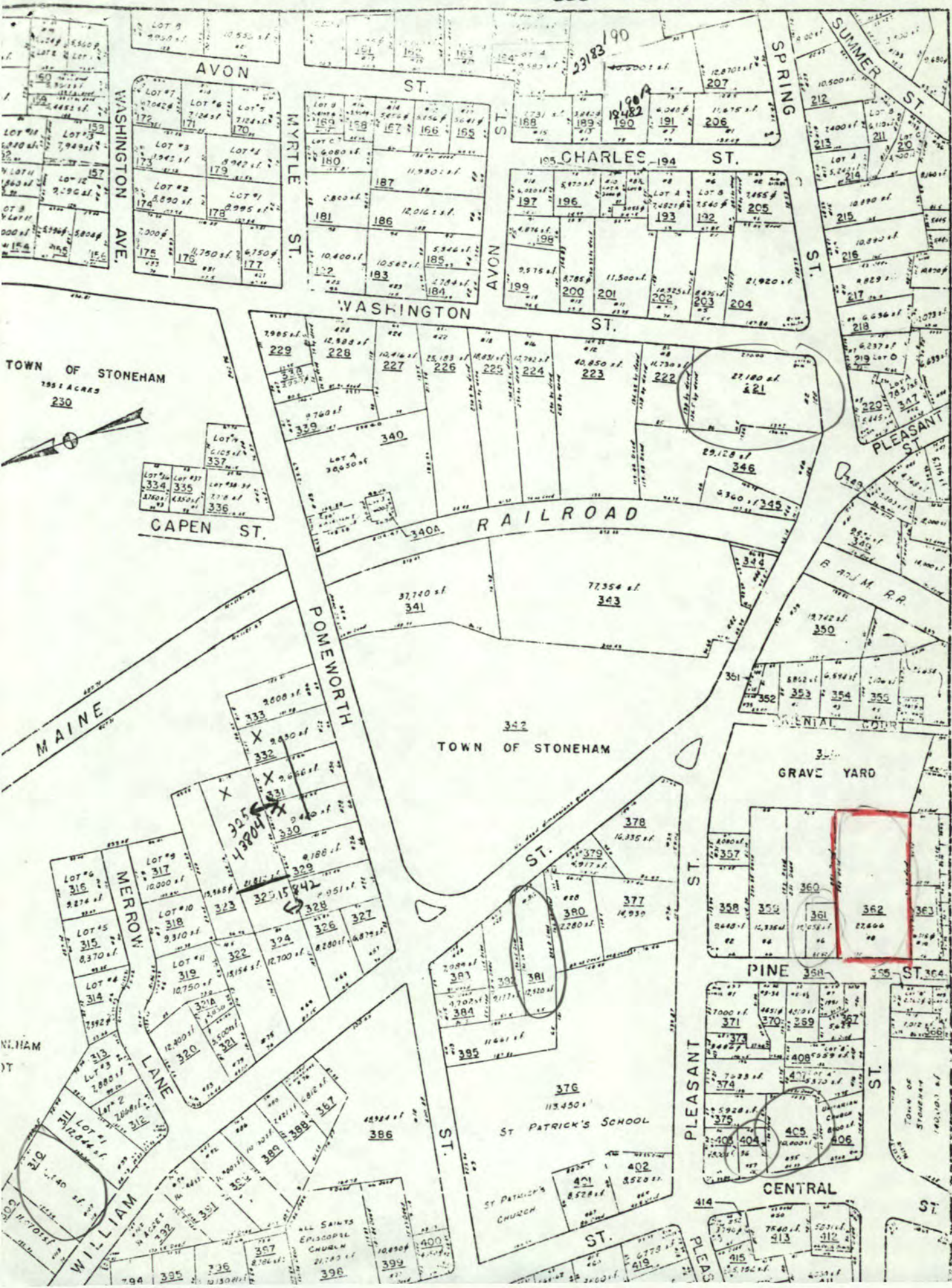
Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



Dear, Silas, House
Sheban MRA, Ma

929C



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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000295