

BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY
 INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM

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GENERAL

HISTORIC NAME: Van Dien House

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 627 Grove Street
(Block 4313, Lot 13.02)

MUNICIPALITY: Ridgewood

OWNERSHIP: Public Private

OWNER/ADDRESS: John F. & Matilyn Rosica

REFERENCE

MAP REFERENCES:

Erskine (1778-80)

Hopkins-Corey (1861) J. R. Van Dien

Walker's Atlas (1876) J. R. Van Dien

Bromley (1912) L. M. Barnett

Other

RECOGNITION:

National Register BCHS Marker

HABS Bailey

Other

ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE ORIENTATION: S 20° W

IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:
1/2 acre

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Residential
- Commercial
- Agricultural
- Open Space
- Other

COMMENTS:

THREATS USE

ORIGINAL: Residence

PRESENT: Residence

THREATS TO STRUCTURE:

- Roads
- Development
- Zoning
- Deterioration
- Other
- No Threat

COMMENTS:

CONDITION

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Excellent Good

Fair Deteriorated

STATUS:

- Occupied
- Unoccupied
- Work in Progress

ACCESSIBLE:

- Yes, Restricted
- Yes, Unrestricted
- No

A second level (frame) has been added over the stone section. The fireplace and partition between the two west rooms have been removed to make one large room. A new exterior fireplace has been built on the west wall. Both chimneys were rebuilt with sandstone. Almost all clapboards and trim have been covered by aluminum siding. The west frame wing was deepened for use as a garage. No sign of a fireplace exists in the wing.

PHOTO



MAP



DESCRIPTION

CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:

Last quarter 18th century/Architectural evidence

NUMBER OF STORIES: orig 1½, main now 2½

CELLAR: Yes (Not on least wing, though)
 No

BUILDER: Member of Van Dien Family

CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:

- Stone Arch
- Brick Arch, Stone Foundation
- Other

FORM/PLAN TYPE: Main: "G" 5 bay, center hall, 2 rooms to each side w/ 2 interior chimneys (3 fireplaces)(39'8" x 31'10"). East wing: "B" 2 bay, 1 room w/ gable end fireplace (20'0" x 16'0") & frame wing to west.

FLOOR JOISTS:

8" x 7-1/2" deep @ 28" apart.

FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:

6'9" wing; 7'7" main.

FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:

24-26"

FRAMING SYSTEM:

- Intermediate Summer Beam (Main)
- Intermediate Bearing Wall
- Clear Span (Wing)
- Other

GARRET FLOOR JOISTS: Not exposed in main. Wing: 6-1/2"X6-3/4"d @ 38-40" apart.

GARRET:

- Unfinished Space
- Finished Space

EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC: Main: front pale sandstone ashlar set off by flush quoins, well coursed; rear is random & irregular. Wing: irregular sandstone front & rear w/ framed gable end.

ROOF:

- Gable
- Gambrel (Modern construction)
- Curb
- Other

FENESTRATION: Main: front is 32" x 60" (6/6) sash; rear is 33" x 52-1/2" (12/8) old sash. Wing has 25" x 43" sash in gable end. Trapezoidal stone lintels on front and sides.

ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:

Center bay of south front. Simple narrow transom and sidelights.

EAVE TREATMENT:

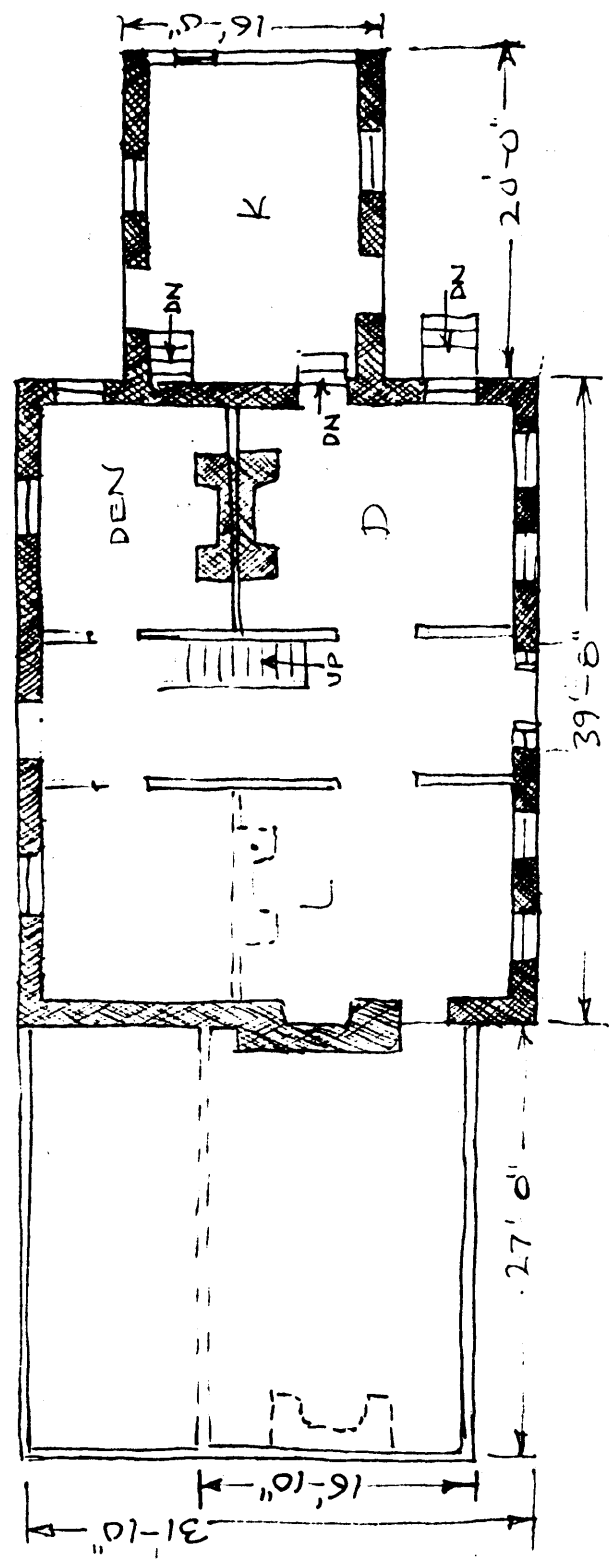
- Sweeping Overhang
- Supported Overhang
- No Overhang
- Boxed Gutter
- Other

This house, while having been altered through the years, still retains a sufficient amount of its original fabric that it should be recognized and retained. We are therefore including it for its architectural significance, for its association with the exploration and settlement of the Bergen County area, and for its remaining historic fabric. As such, it is included in the Thematic Nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Early Stone Houses of Bergen County, New Jersey.

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FLOOR PLANS 141



1" = 12'-0"

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Block 4313, Lot 13.02 - Ridgewood Tax Map

Less than 1 acre

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