

131 BERGEN COUNTY STONE HOUSE SURVEY

INDIVIDUAL STRUCTURE SURVEY FORM 268

GENERAL

HISTORIC NAME: David Van Gelder House

COMMON NAME:

LOCATION: 37 West Crescent Avenue
(Block 3101, Lot 77)

MUNICIPALITY: Ramsey

OWNERSHIP: Public Private

OWNER/ADDRESS: Frank & Connie Marzocca
(same)

REFERENCE

MAP REFERENCES:

- Erskine (1778-80)
- Hopkins-Corey (1861) A.V.VanGelder
- Walker's Atlas (1876) Abm.V.Vangelder
- Bromley (1912)
- Other

RECOGNITION:

- National Register BCBS Marker
- HABS Bailey
- Other

ENVIRONMENT

HOUSE ORIENTATION: S 22° W

IMPORTANT RELATED STRUCTURES:

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

- Residential
- Commercial
- Agricultural
- Open Space
- Other

COMMENTS:

USE

ORIGINAL: Residence

PRESENT: Residence

THREATS

THREATS TO STRUCTURE:

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

COMMENTS:

CONDITION

CONDITION:

- Excellent Good
- Fair Deteriorated

STATUS:

- Occupied
- Unoccupied
- Work in Progress

ACCESSIBLE:

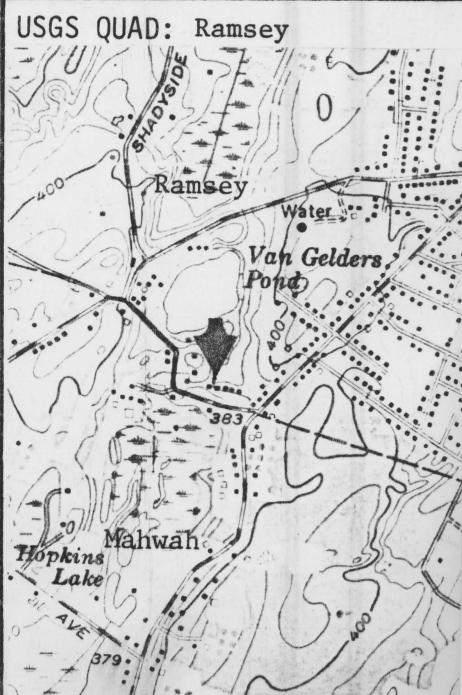
- Yes, Restricted
- Yes, Unrestricted
- No

This house is in good shape and is strongly reinforced with concrete walls in places and steel beams. Alterations were made to the interior by previous owner. They include removal of most of wall to living room and all of the ceilings, exposing unfinished beams. The handsome fireplace and mantel remain.

PHOTO



MAP



DESCRIPTION

CONSTRUCTION DATE/SOURCE:

c. 1810/Architectural evidence; title search

NUMBER OF STORIES: 1-1/2

CELLAR: Yes
 No

BUILDER:

Probably David Van Gelder
FORM/PLAN TYPE:

"H" 3 bay, 2 rooms deep
(27'8" x 30'0")

CHIMNEY FOUNDATION:

Stone Arch
 Brick Arch, Stone Foundation
 Other

FLOOR JOISTS: hewn, 4" x 7½-8½",
24-25" between.

FRAMING SYSTEM:

Intermediate Summer Beam
 Intermediate Bearing Wall
 Clear Span
 Other

FIRST FLOOR CEILING HEIGHT:
8'0"

FIRST FLOOR WALL THICKNESS:
Approximately 18"

GARRET FLOOR JOISTS:

EXTERIOR WALL FABRIC:

Broken local stone except for facade which was stucco w/ sandstone quoins and rear which is shingled frame.

GARRET:

Unfinished Space
 Finished Space

FENESTRATION:

6/6

ROOF:

Gable
 Gambrel
 Curb
 Other

ENTRANCE LOCATION/TYPE:

Easternmost bay, plain, 35½" x 7'0".

EAVE TREATMENT:

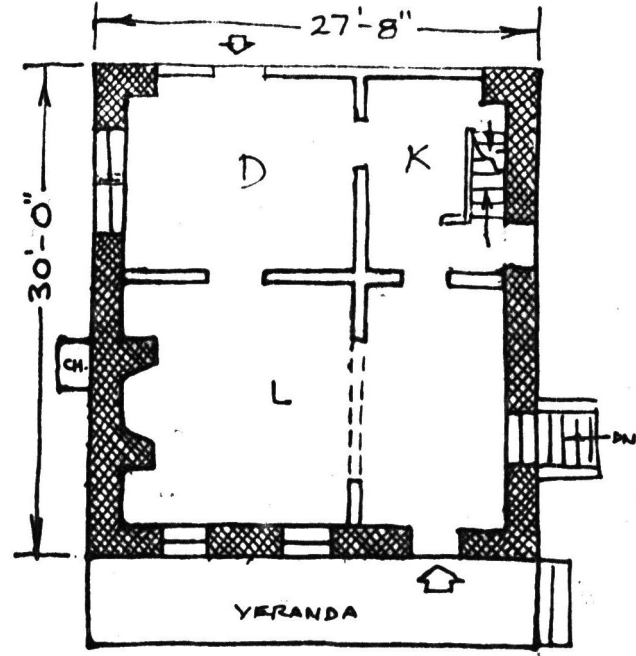
Sweeping Overhang
 Supported Overhang
 No Overhang
 Boxed Gutter
 Other

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 131



Local historian, Reginald McMahon says that the house was probably built about 1794, after David Van Gelder's marriage to Polly (Mary) Bogert. David was born in 1772 and raised in the house of his father Abraham around the corner to the west. David's son Abraham B. inherited the house in 1845 and lived there until 1876. His sister Pernelphe sold the house on April 18, 1884 to her nephew James R. Goetschius, who sold it on February 6, 1890 to Bruno Saalfeld, who transferred it to Otto Saalfeld in 1903. Otto sold, in 1903, to Lillie Mae Brown with four acres. Mary Ryan bought the property in 1923 and her husband sold it on March 19, 1935 to Frances R. Gini, who sold it on August 6, 1971 to the Marzoccas.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

Block 3101, Lot 77 - Ramsey Tax Map

1.91 acres

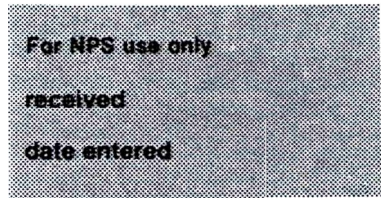
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National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form



Continuation sheet

Item number

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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Stone Houses of Bergen County Thematic Resources
State New Jersey

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- 111. Zabriskie Tenant House **Substantive Review** Keeper ✓ *Amelia Day 7/29/83*
Attest _____
- 112. Van Dien-Zabriskie House **Substantive Review** Keeper *Retain*
Attest _____
- 113. Wortendyke, Frederick, House **Substantive Review** Keeper *Amelia Day 1/10/83*
Attest _____
- 114. Ackerson, John G., House **Substantive Review** Keeper ✓ *Amelia Day 1/10/83*
Attest _____
- 115. Perry, Peter D., House **Substantive Review** Keeper *Amelia Day 1/10/83*
Attest _____
- 116. Debaun, Isaac, House **Substantive Review** Keeper *Amelia Day 1/10/83*
(124 Rivervale Rd.) Attest _____
- 117. **Van Gelder, David, House** **Substantive Review** Keeper ✓ *Amelia Day 1/10/83*
Attest _____
- 118. Mowerson, J., House **Substantive Review** Keeper *Amelia Day 1/10/83*
Attest _____
- 119. Post House **Substantive Review** Keeper *Retain*
Attest _____
- 120. Paulison-Christie House **Substantive Review** Keeper ✓ *Amelia Day 1/10/83*
Attest _____

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Substantive Review

Van Gelder, David, House (Stone Houses of Bergen
County TR)
Bergen County
NEW JERSEY

Working No. 11/26/82-3099
Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84
Date Due: 1/24/82 - 1/10/83
Action: ACCEPT 1/10/83
 RETURN
 REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

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

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria Accept
Reviewer Har Wenzel
Discipline A-17
Date 1.10.83
 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		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Area 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

Average of estimated property _____
Quadrangle name _____
USGS Reference: _____

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 _____
Site _____ date _____

13. Other

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272-3500

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet

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

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000499