

**HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
AUGUST 25, 2014
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2014-0687
3801 GRAYSON LANE**

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1950 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, rectangular-plan, side-gabled International style stuccoed concrete block house with an attached carport; metal-framed casement windows.

RESEARCH

The house was built in 1950 by Rogan Giles, the son of Bascom Giles, a real estate developer in this neighborhood, whose trademark style was a small, ranch-style concrete block house (they also built two-story duplexes north of 38th Street) in the International style with metal-framed casement windows. The first known owners and occupants were Arthur and Wilma Davis; he was in the Air Force. The house was vacant in the mid-1950s, and rented by a lineman for Ragsdale Aviation in the late 1950s. It was vacant again in the early 1960s, then purchased by Oscar L. and Madge Truiett, who lived here for the rest of their lives. Oscar L. Truiett grew up on a farm in Bastrop County; he was a weigher at the Municipal Abattoir (meat slaughterhouse) in the early 1960s, worked for Austin Livestock in the late 1960s, and was a janitor at the Downtowner Motor Inn (now the downtown La Quinta) at 11th Street and San Jacinto Boulevard in the early 1970s. He died in 1982. Madge, his widow, continued to live here until her death in 1993.

STAFF COMMENTS

The house does not appear in any City survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and re-use if feasible; if not, then release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package, consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center.

LOCATION MAP



SUBJECT TRACT



PENDING CASE



ZONING BOUNDARY

1" = 184'

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2014-0687
 LOCATION: 3801 Grayson Lane

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3801 Grayson Lane
ca. 1950



OCCUPANCY HISTORY
3801 Grayson Lane

City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
August, 2014

1992	Madge Truiett, owner Retired
1985-86	Madge Truiett, owner Retired
1981	Oscar L. and Madge Truiett, owners Retired
1977	Oscar L. and Madge Truiett, owners Retired
1973	Oscar L. and Madge Truiett, owners Assistant engineer, Downtowner Motor Inn, 11 th Street and San Jacinto Boulevard.
1968	Oscar L. and Madge Truiett, owners Superintendent, Austin Livestock (not listed in the directory)
1962	Vacant NOTE: Oscar and Madge Truiett are listed at 1148½ Gunther Street; he was a weigher at the Municipal Abattoir.

- 1959 Leroy and Viola Edwards, renters
Lineman, Ragsdale Aviation, aircraft dealers, 1801 E. 51st Street.
- 1955 Vacant
- 1952 Arthur and Wilma Davis, owners
U.S. Air Force
- 1949 The address is not listed in the directory.
NOTE: Arthur and Wilma Davis are not listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Oscar and Madge Truiett (ca. 1960 - 1993)

Oscar Truiett appears in the 1930 U.S. Census of Bastrop County, Texas as the 19-year old step-son of John and Fannie McDuff, who lived on a rented farm. John McDuff and Oscar Truiett are both listed as farmers on a general farm. The 1940 U.S. Census shows Oscar and Madge Truiett living on a rented farm in Bastrop County. Oscar Truiett was 29 and listed as a farmer; Madge Truiett was 21, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. They had a 1-year old daughter, Jo Anne.

TRUIETT, Oscar L., 71, 3801 Grayson Lane, died Wednesday. Services 1:30 p.m. Friday at Hyltin-Manor Funeral Chapel. Burial, Elgin City Cemetery. Survivors: wife, Madge Truiett of Austin; daughter, Jo Ann Phillips of Austin; sister, Barbara Patterson of Houton; six grandchildren.

Obituary of Oscar Truiett
Austin American-Statesman, March 25, 1982

Madge Clark Truiett

Madge Clark Truiett, 74, of Austin, died Saturday, May 8, 1993.

She was a member of University Hills Church of Christ.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, May 11, 1993, at 12 Noon in the Colonial Chapel of Cook-Walden Funeral Home, 6100 N. Lamar, with Mr. Bob Berard officiating. Interment in Elgin City Cemetery.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, JoAnne and Norman Phillips of Austin; sister, Ruth Ferguson of Burnet; her granddaughters, Jennifer Kolbasinski, Stephanie McGill and Carolyn Phillips, all of Austin; two nephews and two nieces.

Arrangements by Cook-Walden Funeral Home, 6100 N. Lamar.

Obituary of Madge Truiett
Austin American-Statesman, May 10, 1993

Rogan Giles	3801 Grayson Lane
242 49	- - -
Giles Place #2	
Masonry residence and car port attch.	
39698 12-7-48	\$6000.00
C. J. Johnson & Sons	

Receipt No.

13579

Application for Sewer Connection

No

42178A

Austin, Texas, 1-31-1950

To the Superintendent of Sanitary Sewer Division, City of Austin, Texas.

Sir:—

I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions on premises owned by
 Rogan Giles at 3801 Brown Street
 further described as Lot 49 Block Outlot Division
 subdivision Giles Place #2 Plat 242, which is to be used as a dwelling
 In this place there are to be installed 5 fixtures. Plumbing Permit No. 37566
 I agree to pay the City of Austin, the regular ordinance charge. all 3-8-50

Depth at Prop. Line 2'

Respectfully,

Stub Out } at S.P.L.
Connected } (Location)

Date 3-31-50

By

Smith

NOTE: Connection Instruction

6" Sewer in St - 4' deep -
 man 14.5' W 5' E 12' 6" Start @ SCL. HEB A 2110
 6" Start @ HCL. 8101

Sewer connection application by Rogan Giles for this address (1950)