IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name: Mary E. Ward House
2. Historic name: Mary E. Ward House
3. Street or rural address: 7554 Forest Street
   City Gilroy Zip 95020 County Santa Clara
4. Parcel number: 84100516
5. Present Owner: Jorge Gonzales Address: 149 Gifford Ave
   City San Jose Zip 95110 Ownership is: Public Private X
6. Present Use: Residence Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION
7a. Architectural style: Pioneer
7b. Briefly describe the present physical appearance of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:

This one story rectangular home is one of the oldest in Gilroy. The simple structure with horizontal board siding is a hall and parlor design (4 rooms). The medium pitch roof in covered with composition shingles.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated 1870 Factual 1870
9. Architect Unknown
10. Builder Unknown
11. Approx. property size (in feet):
    Frontage 35 Depth 142
    or approx. acreage
12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s):
    Mar. 1936
Thomas Eugene Ward was born in Tennessee in 1844. When he came to California is unknown. He appears for the first time in Gilroy records in 1872. He may have worked in the planning mill in town until 1884 when he left and went to the mills in the mountains west of town. What the connection is between Thomas E. Ward and Mary E. Ward could not be determined. Mary Ward is shown as the owner of the house from 1885 through 1915.