HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

IDENTIFICATION

1. Common name: 

2. Historic name: Albert Carrey House

3. Street or rural address: 7757 Monterey Street
   City: Gilroy  Zip: 95020  County: Santa Clara

4. Parcel number: 79900352

5. Present Owner: Celine Carrey  Address: 7757 Monterey Street
   City: Gilroy  Zip: 95020  Ownership is: Public  Private  X

6. Present Use: Residence  Original use: Residence

DESCRIPTION

7a. Architectural style: Classic Reveal

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

This one story cottage has a projecting gable that now contains an enclosed porch. The gable has a combination of shingles and an arch above an opening containing spindles. The gable is divided by a molding above the opening. The entry is raised. A three part slanted bay is the remaining element in the facade.

8. Construction date:
   Estimated  Factual 1911

9. Architect: Unknown

10. Builder: Albert T. Carrey

11. Approx. property size (in feet)
    Frontage 53  Depth 15  or approx. acreage

12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
    Mar. 1986

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13. Condition: Excellent ___ Good ___ Fair ___ Deteriorated ___ No longer in existence ___

14. Alterations: ____________________________________________________

15. Surroundings: (Check more than one if necessary) Open land ___ Scattered buildings ___ Densely built-up X___ Residential ___ Industrial ___ Commercial ___ Other: ____________________________

16. Threats to site: None known ___ Private development ___ Zoning ___ Vandalism ___ Public Works project ___ Other: __________________________________

17. Is the structure: On its original site? X___ Moved? ___ Unknown? ___

18. Related features: _______________________________________________________________________________________

SIGNIFICANCE
19. Briefly state historical and/or architectural importance (include dates, events, and persons associated with the site.)

This house was built by Albert T. Carrey in 1911. Carrey was a prominent early Gilroy citizen who owned the Pioneer Soda Works, a successful firm which bottled soda water from Gilroy’s Hot Springs. Carrey migrated to Gilroy from France in 1884. He worked for ten years as chief foreman at the town cheese factory and later entered the dairy business with James Sargent. Hard work paid off and Carrey became financially independent. In 1902, he moved from his ranch into the town of Gilroy. He acquired ownership of numerous business properties and became a leading entrepreneur and active participant in affairs. Later, the house was occupied by Carrey’s daughter Celine, and is now the residence of his son Albert Carrey, Jr.

20. Main theme of the historic resource: (If more than one is checked, number in order of importance.)
   Architecture ___ 1. Arts & Leisure _______________________________
   Economic/Industrial ___ 2. Exploration/Settlement ________________
   Government ___ Military ________________________________
   Religion ___ Social/Education ___________________________

21. Sources (List books, documents, surveys, personal interviews and their dates).
   A Field Guide to American Houses
   McAlister
   Sanborn Map 1888, 1908
   Gilroy Museum File – Carrey

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