

49 South Main Street



Olaf and Jennie Lundin House, May 1999

Form No. 336, 337-barn, 338-shed

Town Sherborn
Address 49 South Main Street
Assessor's # 11/134
USGS Quad Medfield

Historic Name Olaf and Jennie Lundin House

Uses: Present Residence
Original Residence/agricultural

Constructed ca. 1900

Source Assessor information
Style/Form No style

Architect/Builder

Exterior Material:
Foundation Concrete
Wall/Trim Wood clapboard
Roof Asphalt shingle

Outbuildings Detached barn; shed; rear ell added 1980s.

Alterations Windows replaced

Condition Good
Moved No

Acreage 2.54 acres
Setting Rural

Film Roll/Negative Roll 12
Recorded by Sanford Johnson, May 1999

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

The Olaf Lundin House at 49 South Main Street is a front-gabled , two-story form of three by three bays. A two-story front-gabled addition was made to the rear in the 1980s that doubles the size of the house. A hipped porch covers the entire width of the facade and two shed-roofed bays light the first story of the south elevation. Decorative elements include the slim corner boards and the turned posts supporting the front porch.

A detached barn (#337) clad in board and batten siding exists in the back yard. The two-story form has a gable front facade with a rolling vehicle door in the left (north) side, a hay mow door in the left side of the second floor and a fixed 6-pane sash in the gable peak. A two-story wood shingled addition has been made to the south wall of the barn and is lit with oversize windows. A one-story front-gabled shed (#338) is west of the barn and is also clad in wood shingles.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

The house at 49 South Main Street was built around 1900 by Olaf Lundin who lived here with his wife Jennie until ca. 1940. Mr.Lundin worked as a builder and an industrial arts teacher in the high school. He may have constructed the Dutch Colonial Revival house at **45 South Main Street**** and other houses in this part of town. The Lundins kept chickens in a hen house on their property, as did successors, the Thomas Mallory family.

During the early 20th century, this section of town was home to 6-8 families of Swedish immigrants, of which Mr. Lundin was one. Land here in 1939 was in use as pasture.

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