

8 Zions Lane



David Daniels House

Form No.	175
Town	Sherborn
Address	8 Zions Lane
Historic Name	David Daniels House
Uses: Original	Residence
Present	Residence
Ownership, 1981	Charles Rockwell
" Original	Undetermined
Constructed	ca. 1857-1875
Source	Visual, appears on 1875 map
Style/Form	Mid 19th century frame vernacular
Architect	
Ext. Wall Fabric	Clapboard
Outbuildings	Garage and shed
Alterations	
Moved	No
Acreage	8.91 acres
Setting:	Situated at the foot of a picturesque, tree shaded cul-de-sac.
Recorded by	Edward W. Gordon, July 1981.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

This house is composed of a 1 1/2 story main block and 2 story west wing. Its main entrance is located on its 3 bay southern gable. Flanked by multi-pane sidelights, its front door is sheltered by a round arched trellis. Along with 5 Zions Lane and 5 Linden Lane, this structure helps to form a picturesque enclave of diminutive cottages

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

The construction date and original ownership of this house are difficult to determine. Built prior to 1875, it was the residence of David Daniels in the 1920's after he sold the farm at Snow and South Main Street.

In 1875 it belonged to a C. Holden. During the late 19th century Zions Lane was called Pratt St. after Jacob Pratt, inventor and landscape architect. He lived at the corner of North Main St. and Zions Lane (9 North Main St). On a 1906 map it is labeled Linden Court. It was apparently named Zions Lane in the 1910s or 20s after Zionist meetings which were held in #5 Zions Lane, or possibly at 1 Zion's Lane, a building no longer extant.

Note: David Daniels was living in this house in 1910. His father D. Webster Daniels had the farm at Snow and South Main St. until his death, ca. 1920. At that time David and family moved back to the Farm. In the late 1930's they moved to the Pratt House at 9 North Main Street.

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