

COLORADO CULTURAL RESOURCE SURVEY

Architectural Inventory Form

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I. IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Resource number: **5BL8031**
- 2. Temporary number: **N/A**
- 3. County: **Boulder**
- 4. City: **Louisville**
- 5. Historic building name: **Guenzi House**
- 6. Current building name: **Guenzi House**
- 7. Building address: **1036 Walnut Street**
- 8. Owner name: **Edith M. Guenzi**  
Owner address: **1036 Walnut Street**  
**Louisville, CO 80027**

II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

- 9. P.M. **6th** Township **1S** Range **69W**  
**SW**¼ of **NE**¼ of **NE**¼ of **SE**¼ of section 8
- 10. UTM reference  
Zone **13**  
Easting: **488980**  
Northing: **4425190**
- 11. USGS quad name: **Louisville, Colorado**  
Year: **1965 (Revised 1994) 7.5'**
- 12. Lot(s): **1-5** Block: **2**  
Addition: **Louisville East** Year of Addition **1906**
- 13. Boundary Description and Justification: **This legally defined parcel encompasses but does not exceed the land historically associated with this property.**

Official Eligibility Determination

(OAHP use only)

- Date \_\_\_\_\_ Initials \_\_\_\_\_
- Determined Eligible - National Register
  - Determined Not Eligible - National Register
  - Determined Eligible - State Register
  - Determined Not Eligible - State Register
  - Needs Data
  - Contributes to eligible National Register District
  - Noncontributing to eligible National Register District

III. ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

- 14. Building plan (footprint, shape):  
**Rectangular Plan**
- 15. Dimensions in feet: **896 square feet**
- 16. Number of stories: **one**
- 17. Primary external wall material  
**Metal / Aluminum**
- 18. Roof configuration (enter one):  
**Gabled Roof / Hip-on-Gable Roof**
- 19. Primary external roof material (enter one):  
**Asphalt Roof**
- 20. Special features (enter all that apply):  
**Chimney**

22. Architectural style / building type:

**Other Style  
(Wood Frame Gabled and Hipped Roof Dwelling)**



## 21. General Architectural Description

The Guenzi House is located at the southwest corner of Walnut Street and Lee Avenue, in the eastern part of Louisville. In addition to the house, the property also consists of two garages, both located east of the residence. The house is a single-story wood-frame dwelling, supported by a low concrete foundation. The house's exterior walls have been clad with horizontal aluminum siding, and the roof is an intersecting hip and gable, grey asphalt shingles and boxed eaves. A red brick chimney is located on the interior of the west elevation. Windows on the house are 1/1 and 2/2 double-hung sash, with painted white wood frames and surrounds, and with aluminum storm windows. Two painted white wood-paneled doors, with aluminum storm doors, open onto concrete sidewalks on the house's north and west elevations.

A two-car **Garage** is located west of the house. This is a wood frame structure, supported by a concrete slab foundation and floor. The garage's exterior walls are painted white horizontal masonite siding, and the roof is a moderately-pitched front gable, with green asphalt shingles and boxed eaves. There is one 1x1 horizontal sliding window, located on the south elevation. A painted white wood-paneled door, with nine upper sash lights, and with a wood screen door, opens onto a concrete stoop, on the east elevation. A painted white wood-paneled roll-away garage door opens toward Walnut Street on the building's north elevation.

A much older single-car **Garage** is located just to the west of the larger garage. This structure has a wood timbers on grade foundation, and painted white horizontal weatherboard walls, with 1" by 4" corner boards. The roof is a moderately-pitched front gable, with green asphalt shingles over 1x wood decking and 2x wood rafters. There are no windows. Paired, painted white, vertical wood plank garage doors open toward Walnut Street on the north elevation. A single, painted white wood-paneled door is located at the south end of the east elevation.

## 29. Construction History (include description and dates of major additions, alterations, or demolitions:

Boulder County Assessor records indicate that this house was constructed in 1910. Sanborn insurance maps are not available for this area of Louisville. The single-car garage appears to date from the 1920s or 1930s. The two-car garage is much newer. It probably dates to the 1970s or 1980s.

## 23. Landscape or setting special features:

This property is located at the southwest corner of Walnut Street and Lee Avenue, in the eastern part of Louisville. Miners Field baseball park is located across Lee Avenue to the east.

## 24. Associated buildings, features, or objects

**Two Garages**

## IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

### 25. Date of Construction:

Estimate **1910**

Actual

Source of information:

**Boulder County Assessor records**

### 26. Architect:

**n/a**

Source of information:

**n/a**

### 27. Builder/ Contractor:

**unknown**

Source of information:

**n/a**

### 28. Original owner:

**unknown**

Source of information:

**n/a**

### 30. Original location: **yes**

Moved **no**

Date of move(s) **n/a**

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## V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS

31. Original use(s): **Single Dwelling**
32. Intermediate use(s): **Single Dwelling**
33. Current use(s): **Single Dwelling**
34. Site type(s): **Residence**

### 35. Historical Background

Boulder County Assessor records indicate that this house was built in 1910, and it has served as a single-family residence since that time. From the late 1930s to the present (2000) this house has been associated with the Guenzi family. Mrs. Edith M. Guenzi is the home's present owner and resident. The Guenzi family came to Louisville in the early 1900s, and by the 1920s, there were two or three Guenzi families living in Louisville. Men in the Guenzi family, including Henry, Milo, Louis, and Carlo, all worked, for the most part, as coal miners. Louis Guenzi, though, is listed in the 1928 Boulder County Directory as a Clerk at John Stoiber's billiards parlor.

Edith Guenzi's parents were Carlo and Josephine Guenzi. By 1936, Josephine had been widowed, and was probably living in this house. (Boulder County directories list the family's address simply as "East Louisville.") Edith Guenzi, in the late 1930s, was employed as a telephone operator at the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph office, which was then located at 913 Main Street.

### 36. Sources of Information

(Boulder County) "Real Estate Appraisal Card - Urban Master", on file at the Boulder Carnegie Library.

*Polk's Boulder County Directory* [generally published annually], Denver, Kansas City, and Salt Lake City: R.L. Polk and Company Publishers.

*Polk's Longmont City Directory*, [generally published annually], Denver, Kansas City, and Salt Lake City: R.L. Polk and Company, Publishers, 1966 - 1997.

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**VI. SIGNIFICANCE**

37. Local landmark designation:

Yes

No **xx**

Date of Designation: n/a

38. Applicable National Register Criteria

A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;

B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;

C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;

D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield information important in history or prehistory;

Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G (see Manual).

**xx** Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

39. Area(s) of Significance:

**Community Planning and Development**

40. Period of Significance: **ca. 1910 - 1950**

41. Level of Significance:

National:

State:

Local: **xx**

**42. Statement of Significance**

The Guenzi House property is historically significant, relative to National Register Criterion A, for its associations with residential development in this eastern Louisville neighborhood in the years prior to 1950. The property's significance and integrity, though, is probably not to the extent that would qualify it for individual listing in the National Register of Historic Places. There does not appear to be the potential for a National Register Historic district in this area.

**43. Assessment of historic physical integrity related to significance:**

This building's historical integrity has been compromised slightly by the application of vinyl siding over the historic exterior wall materials. There have been no additions to the house within the past forty years. The construction of a new garage, circa 1980, has diminished the integrity of setting to some extent.

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## VII. NATIONAL REGISTER ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible:

Not Eligible: **xx**

Need Data:

45. Is there National Register district potential?

Yes:

No: **xx**

Discuss: **Houses and other buildings in this area east of downtown Louisville do not collectively display sufficient historical integrity to qualify as a National Register Historic District.**

If there is National Register district potential, is this building:

Contributing: **n/a**

Noncontributing: **n/a**

46. If the building is in an existing National Register district, is it:

Contributing: **n/a**

Noncontributing: **n/a**

## VIII. RECORDING INFORMATION

47. Photograph numbers:

Roll: **CM-6**

Frame(s): **6-12**

Negatives filed at: **City of Louisville, Administration  
749 Main Street  
Louisville, Colorado 80027**

48. Report title: **"Old Town" Louisville Historical Building Survey**

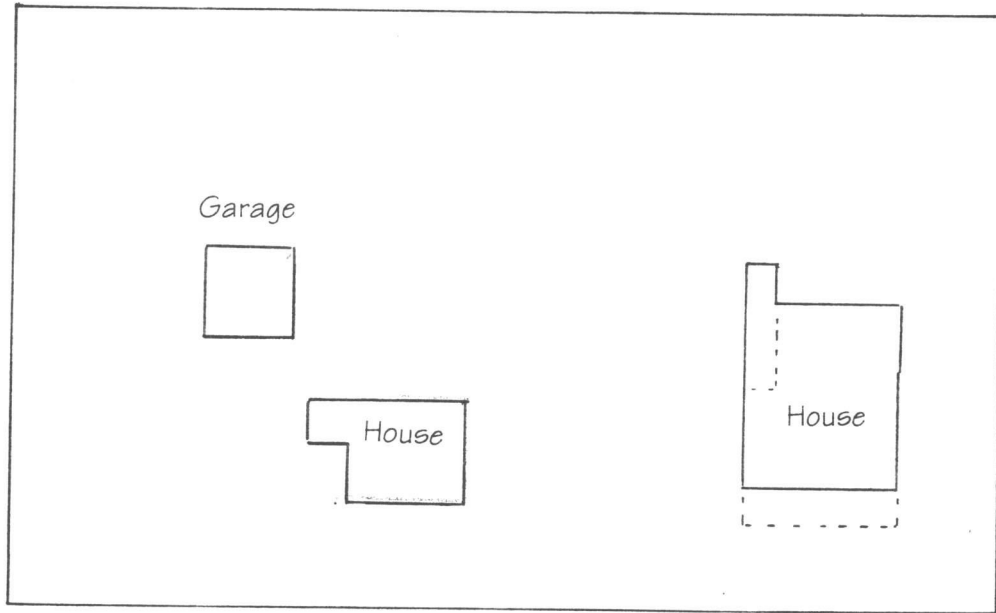
49. Date: **April 24, 2000**

50. Recorder(s): **Carl McWilliams**

51. Organization: **Cultural Resource Historians**

52. Address: **1607 Dogwood Court  
Fort Collins, Colorado 80525**

53. Phone number: **970/493-5270**



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Walnut Street

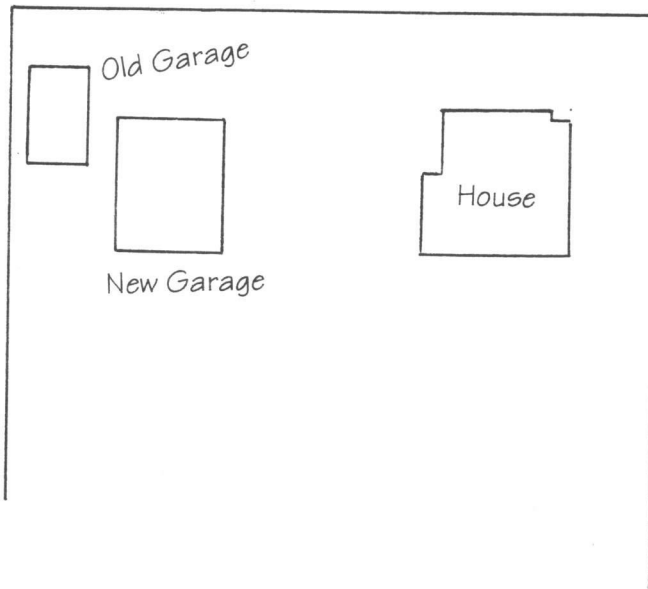


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Approximate Scale



Alley

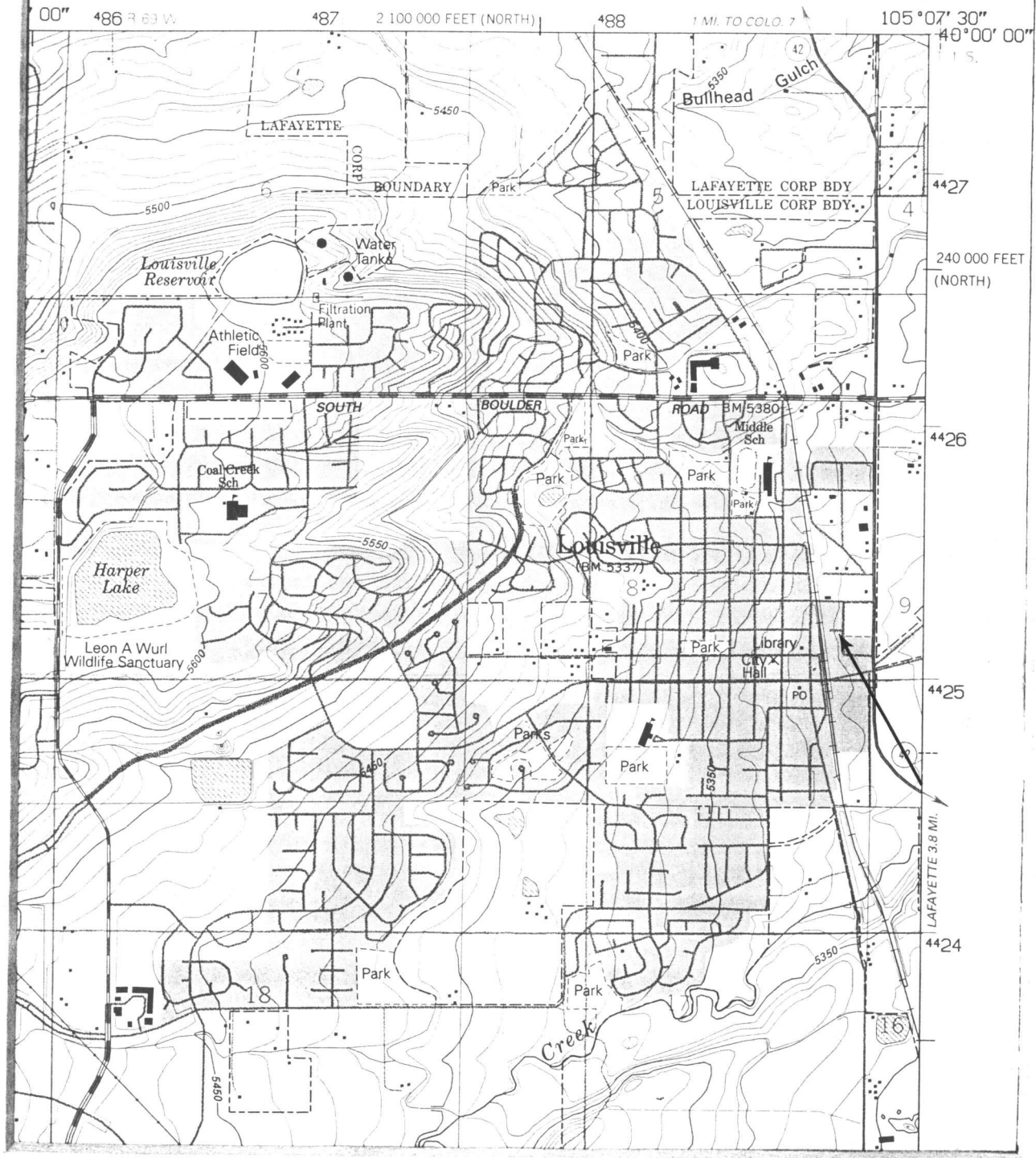


Lee Avenue

. . . SKETCH MAP . . .

LOUISVILLE QUADRANGLE  
COLORADO  
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

4964 11 SE  
(ERIE)



. . . LOCATION MAP . . .

1036 Walnut Street, Louisville, Colorado







