

**BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM**

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 UNIQUE SITE NO. 103-05-0006  
 QUAD \_\_\_\_\_  
 SERIES \_\_\_\_\_  
 NEG. NO. \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR NAME: Town of Islip DATE: 01/30/79  
 YOUR ADDRESS: 655 Main Street TELEPHONE: 516-224-5447  
 ORGANIZATION (if any): Department of Planning & Development

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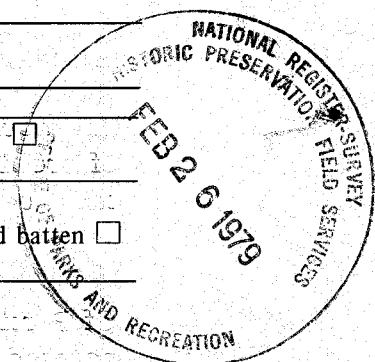
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**IDENTIFICATION**

1. BUILDING NAME(S): Wilson J. Terry House
2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN: Islip CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Sayville
3. STREET LOCATION: 101 Foster Avenue
4. OWNERSHIP: a. public  b. private
5. PRESENT OWNER: John Hart ADDRESS: Same
6. USE: Original: Residence Present: Same
7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes  No   
 Interior-accessible: Explain

**DESCRIPTION**

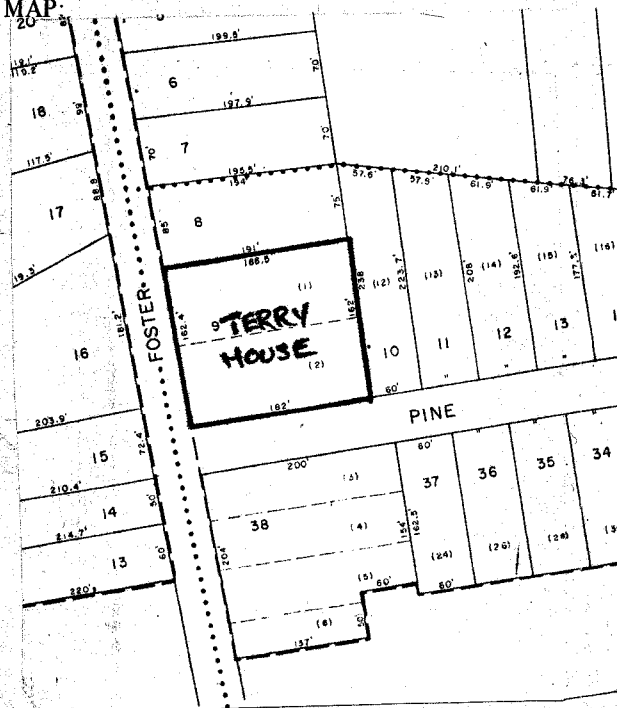
8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard  b. stone  c. brick  d. board and batten   
 e. cobblestone  f. shingles  g. stucco  other: \_\_\_\_\_
9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints   
 b. wood frame with light members   
 c. masonry load bearing walls   
 d. metal (explain) \_\_\_\_\_  
 e. other \_\_\_\_\_
10. CONDITION: a. excellent  b. good  c. fair  d. deteriorated
11. INTEGRITY: a. original site  b. moved  - if so, when? Unknown  
 c. list major alterations and dates (if known):  
Sun porch added



12. PHOTO:



13. MAP:



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known  b. zoning  c. roads   
 d. developers  e. deterioration   
 f. other: \_\_\_\_\_
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:  
 a. barn  b. carriage house  c. garage   
 d. privy  e. shed  f. greenhouse   
 g. shop  h. gardens   
 i. landscape features: Trees, Shrubbery  
 j. other: \_\_\_\_\_
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):  
 a. open land  b. woodland   
 c. scattered buildings   
 d. densely built-up  e. commercial   
 f. industrial  g. residential   
 h. other: \_\_\_\_\_

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:  
 (Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)  
 The house is located in a residential area containing many buildings of architectural significance, primarily from the Victorian Era and of the Queen Anne or Italianate style.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):  
 Of Particular interest, in this building is a polygonal tower with a pointed top and an extensive porch with a porte-cochere on the north side and a polygonal pavillion on the south side.

**SIGNIFICANCE**

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1790

ARCHITECT: Unknown

BUILDER: \_\_\_\_\_

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

Jeremiah Terry, the original owner of the building, held various Town offices and was the unofficial Postmaster for the area. His son, Wilson J. Terry, lived in the home to adulthood and was Sayville's first storeowner. Later it was purchased by Professor Homer Candee and used as a private school.

21. SOURCES: Carl A. Starace -Islip Town Historian

22. THEME: