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BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Bailey, Joseph, House

Town No. | Site No. 375
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1. BUILDING NAME (Common) | (Historic)
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11. NUMBER OF STORIES | APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS
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12. CONDITION (Structural) | (Exterior)
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13. INTEGRITY (Location) | WHEN
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14. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS OR LANDSCAPE FEATURES | 
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15. SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT | 
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16. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS

Set far back from Farmington Avenue, the Joseph Bailey House is approached by way of Walton Way. The Edward Tillotson House exists to the southeast. Large trees border the house's north elevation.

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OVER
The Joseph Bailey House is a gable-to-street building of modest decoration. Its "L" shaped plan exhibits an arched, Italianate-style window in the gable end and six-over-six windows. A brick chimney rises from the roof of the house.

According to historian Dudley Prentice, this house was moved from another site near the railroad "arch" on Farmington Avenue, just west of Farmington Lake apartments, to house farm workers. There is no written evidence to prove this statement; however, the house appears on an unsodded lot in the 1906 photograph in Farmington: Connecticut: The Village of Beautiful Houses. Stylistically, the house dates from around the 1870s. The move was probably initiated by Joseph Bailey (1825-1907) who inherited the land and the Edward Tillotson House (1202 Farmington Avenue) in 1884 (FPR 17:296) from his wife, Emma C. (Smith) Bailey (1845-1894). Their son, Joseph Julian (b. 1884) inherited the estate in 1907 after marrying Norma Humphrey (b. 1884), daughter of Howard W. and Ella (Hunt) Humphrey (FPR 26:508, FPR 28:219). It remains in the Bailey family today, making it part of one of the oldest working farms on Farmington Avenue.

Sources: