

**Architectural Inventory Form**

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**I. IDENTIFICATION**

1. Resource number: **5BL8761**
2. Temporary number: **N/A**
3. County: **Boulder**
4. City: **Longmont**
5. Historic building name: **Dudley House**
6. Current building name: **Michels House**
7. Building address: **710 Kimbark Street**
8. Owner name: **Mark N. Michels**  
Owner address: **710 Kimbark Street**  
**Longmont, CO 80501**

**II. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

9. P.M. **6<sup>th</sup>** Township **2N** Range **69W**  
**SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>** of **SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>** of **NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>** of **NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>** of section **3**
10. UTM reference  
Zone **13**  
Easting: **491480**  
Northing: **4446550**
11. USGS quad name: **Longmont, Colorado**  
Year: **1968** (**Photorevised 1979**) **7.5'**
12. Lot(s): **4** Block: **17**  
Addition: **Longmont Original Town** Year of Addition **1872**
13. Boundary Description and Justification: **This legally defined parcel encompasses but does not exceed the land historically associated with this property.**

22. Architectural style /  
building type:

**Wood Frame Cross Gabled Dwelling**

**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 **1506 square feet**
16. Number of stories: **1**
17. Primary external wall material  
**Wood / Horizontal Siding**  
**Wood / Shingles**
18. Roof configuration (enter one):  
**Hipped Roof / Gabled on Hip Roof**
19. Primary external roof material (enter one):  
**Asphalt Roof / Composition Roof**
20. Special features (enter all that apply):  
**Porch**  
**Chimney**

**21. General Architectural Description**

This modest dwelling is located on the east side of Kimbark Street, near the south end of the 700 block, between other residences at 706 Kimbark Street to the south and 714 Kimbark Street to the north. The house is set back approximately 45 feet from the street, and the front sidewalk paralleling Kimbark is separated from the curb by a wide strip of grass. The narrow lot features a planted grass front yard. The ear behind the house to the east has been given over to a parking lot, and the house is flanked on either side by narrow concrete driveways. The house is a one-story structure, supported by a low coursed sandstone foundation. The exterior walls are clad with painted blue horizontal wood siding, with painted white 1" by 4" corner boards. Multi-colored, diamond-shaped, wood shingles appear in the upper gable end on the façade (west elevation). The roof features intersecting gables to the front, with an intersecting hipped roof to the rear. The roof is covered with black asphalt shingles, and the eaves are boxed. A red brick chimney is located on the roof ridge. Windows are primarily single, paired, and tripled, 1/1 double-hung sash, with painted blue wood frames, and painted white wood surrounds. Two large, non-historic, 1x1 horizontal sliding windows, with wood frames, penetrate the east (rear) elevation wall. Some windows features non-historic decorative wood shutters. An enclosed L-shaped porch extends across the full length of the façade. This porch is covered by a low-pitched hipped roof, and features bands of large fixed-pane windows, topped by multi-paned transom lights. The windows are separated by squared columns, and a painted white glass-in-wood-frame door opens from the porch onto a 2-step concrete stoop. Another entry door, located near the east end of the south elevation, was covered with plywood at the time of survey. This door opens onto a 2-step concrete stoop.

**22. Architectural style / building type:**

Please see front page.

**23. Landscape or setting special features:**

This building is located on the east side of Kimbark Street in Longmont's oldest core residential neighborhood. The area is now home to a mixture of single-family residences, small retail shops, professional offices, and a few small apartment buildings.

**24. Associated buildings, features, or objects**

n/a

#### **IV. ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY**

25. Date of Construction:  
Estimate **ca. 1906**  
Actual

Source of information:  
**"Water Ledger City of Longmont, 1907-1910"; Longmont City Directories**

26. Architect:  
**n/a**

Source of information:  
**n/a**

27. Builder/ Contractor:  
**unknown**

Source of information:  
**n/a**

28. Original owner:  
**E.G. Dudley**

Source of information:  
**Longmont City Directories**

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

Boulder County Assessor records list 1910 as this residence's date of construction. Longmont city directories, however, indicate that the residence was in existence by 1906. The building is also listed in the "Water Ledger City of Longmont 1907-1910," although this source does not provide a year of construction. A site plan of the structure, prepared in November 1948 for a Boulder County property appraisal, documents that there have been no additions to the structure subsequent to that time. The structure's footprint also appears the same on Sanborn Insurance maps date 1930 and 1956.

30. Original location: **yes**  
Moved **no**  
Date of move(s) **n/a**

#### **V. HISTORICAL ASSOCIATIONS**

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

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### **35. Historical Background**

Built soon after the turn of the twentieth century, the house at 710 Kimbark Street has been home to several Longmont families over the years. The property's earliest known residents were members of the E.G. Dudley, or Fred J. Dudley, families. Brothers F.J. (Fred) and E.G. (Gerry (Gary?)) Dudley were the sons of St. Vrain Valley pioneers J.B. and Ellen Dudley. J.B. Dudley was born in Cornwall, England, in 1834 but was raised in Illinois where he married Ellen Marcia Howard. The couple had five children, born in Galena, Illinois: three sons, Joe, Byron, Gerry and Fred, and two daughters, May (Mae?) and Hattie. In 1866, the Dudleys came west to Rollinsville, and in 1870, J.B. filed on a homestead twelve miles east of Longmont, where the family raised cattle and farmed, and in between times, worked a gold mine in the mountains. In 1892, the Dudleys moved to Longmont, into a new house at 426/428 Kimbark Street. At the turn of the twentieth century, J.B. and his son Gerry purchased the A.L. Gibson shoe store in the 300 block of Main Street. Active in the community, the elder Mr. Dudley served on the city council for eleven years. In 1911, at the age of 77, J.B. Dudley passed away, three years after Ellen's death in 1908.

The 1906 Longmont City Directory lists F.J. Dudley, and his wife Lottie, as the residents and owners of this house at 710 Kimbark. Subsequent city directories, however, (through the late 1920s), list this property as the residence of E.G. Dudley. The "Water Ledger City of Longmont 1907-1910," also lists E.G. Dudley as the owner of this property. E.G. Dudley was in the shoe business, operating the store in the 300 block of North Main Street, from 1900 until 1924. In the early years, he ran the store with his father, carrying on with the business on his own after his father's retirement, and then death in 1911. In March 1924, E.G. sold the business to his long-time employee, Ralph Miller. Miller then partnered with local businessman W.C. Basey, and the shoe store subsequently became known as the Miller-Basey Shoe Company. A few years after selling the store, E.G. Dudley retired to California, where he ultimately passed away in September 1946.

From the late 1920s to the early 1940s, this property at 710 Kimbark Street was occupied successively by E.M. Munson, J.K. Webb, E. Fred Hunt and Dr. Gordon A. Starbuck. A dentist, Gordon Starbuck lived in this house between circa 1934 and 1942. Overall, though, he maintained his dentist practice in Longmont from 1934 until his retirement in 1976. Dr. Starbuck had been born on March 27, 1901. His first wife, Francis Lois Thompson Starbuck, passed away on March 23, 1934. He was married to his second wife, Marguerite Schlupp, in Denver, on May 25, 1940. Dr. Starbuck passed away in Longmont five years after his retirement, in August 1981. Marguerite Starbuck died not quite two years later, in May 1983.

In 1943, 710 Kimbark became the property of James A. Bland. He was followed in the early 1950s, by Lloyd B. Coleman and Aisse Bowman. By the mid-1960s, the property had been acquired by Joseph Martin Lyons. Lyons lived and owned here until the early 1980s, before moving to another Longmont location. Born August 5, 1912, in Clinton, Indiana, Joe Lyons came to northern Colorado as a young man where he worked in area coal mines for most of his adult life. He was active in the United Mine Workers' union, serving a term as the organizations' local president. He and his wife Maxine, who were married in 1935, had two children, a son Joey, and a daughter Darlene. Joe Lyons passed away on October 4, 1998, at the age of 86.

By 1982, this residence had been converted to office space. At that time, the Brock Insurance Agency, and Michael Kudla, a lawyer, had their offices here. A year later, the property had become home to an American Family Insurance Agency, and by 1986, Jim Marty was operating an accounting business. Jim Marty and Company, certified public accountants, auditing and bookkeeping, is listed in city directories here through 1999. At the time the property was surveyed in April 2001, the building was vacant, and undergoing interior renovations.

### **36. Sources of Information**

(Boulder County) "Real Estate Appraisal Card – Urban Master." On file at the Boulder Carnegie Library.

"Death Claims Fred J. Dudley." *Longmont Times-Call*, December 22, 1948, p. 1.

E.G. Dudley Sells Shoe Business." *Longmont Ledger*, March 28, 1924, p. 1.

"Former Local Pioneer is Dead." (E.G. Dudley obituary) *Longmont Times-Call*, September 5, 1946, p. 1.

"Gordon A. Delbert Starbuck." (obituary) *Longmont Times-Call*, August 14, 1981, p. 14.

"Joseph Martin Lyons." (obituary) *Longmont Times-Call*, October 7, 1998, p. A-5.

"Marguerite L. Starbuck." (obituary) *Longmont Times-Call*, May 23, 1983, p. 10.

*Polk's Longmont City 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.

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, dated December 1890, September 1895, November 1900, April 1906, June 1911, March 1918, June 1930, and May 1956.

*They Came to Stay: Longmont, Colorado, 1858-1920*, Longmont: St. Vrain Valley Historical Association, 1971. (reference J.B. Dudley, p. 72)

"Water Ledger City of Longmont, 1907-1910." On file at the Longmont Archives, Longmont Public Library.

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## VI. SIGNIFICANCE

37. Local landmark designation:

Yes

No

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).

Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria.

### City of Longmont Standards for Designation

- 2.56.040-A (1) The structure or district has character, interest or value, as part of the development, heritage or cultural characteristics of the city, state or nation.
- 2.56.040-A (2) The structure or district is the site of a historic event with an effect upon society.
- 2.56.040-A (3) The structure or district is identified with a person or group of persons who had some influence on society.
- 2.56.040-A (4) The structure or district exemplifies the cultural, political, economic, social or historic heritage of the community.
- 2.56.040-B (1) The structure or district portrays the environment of a group of people in an era of history characterized by a distinctive architectural style.
- 2.56.040-B (2) The structure or district embodies those distinguishing characteristics of an architectural type specimen.
- 2.56.040-B (3) The structure or district is the work of an architect or master builder whose individual work has influenced the development of Longmont.
- 2.56.040-C (1) The structure or district, because of being part of or related to a square, park or other distinctive area, should be developed or preserved according to a plan based on a historic, cultural or architectural motif.
- 2.56.040-C (2) The structure or district, due to its unique location or singular physical characteristics, represents an established and familiar visual feature of a neighborhood, community or the city.

Does not meet any of the above City of Longmont Standards for Designation.

39. Area(s) of Significance:

**Architecture; Community Planning and Development**

40. Period of Significance: **ca. 1906-1951**

41. Level of Significance:

National:

State:

Local: **XX**

**42. Statement of Significance**

This property is historically significant for its association with Longmont's residential development during the first half of the twentieth century. It is also historically important for its association with the E.G. Dudley family who made an important contribution to Longmont's socioeconomic development during the early years of the twentieth century. The house is architecturally significant as well, for its representative vernacular cross gabled plan. Although the property displays somewhat above average integrity, its level of significance is probably not to the extent that it would qualify for individual listing in the National Register of Historic Places. The property, though, may be considered eligible for individual designation as a Longmont landmark. The property would also qualify as a contributing property within either a National Register historic district, or a City of Longmont designated historic district.

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

This property's historical integrity was compromised to some extent when it was converted from a residence to office space in the early 1980s. Although the building's exterior appearance, and overall form have only minimally altered, the building's interior has been changed significantly, and the backyard has been given over to a parking lot.

44. National Register eligibility field assessment:

Eligible:

Not Eligible: **xx**

Need Data:

City of Longmont Local Landmark eligibility field assessment:

Eligible: **xx**

Not Eligible:

Need Data:

45. Is there National Register district potential?

Yes: **xx**

No:

Discuss: **This property is located one block to the northwest of the East Side Historic District, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Properties in this area along Kimbark Street do have the potential to form a historic district of their own, or to be incorporated into the existing East Side Historic District.**

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

Contributing: **xx**

Noncontributing:

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: **LONG-6**

Frame(s): **19-21**

Negatives filed at: **City of Longmont  
Department of Community Development, Planning Division  
Civic Center Complex  
350 Kimbark Street  
Longmont, Colorado 80501**

48. Report title: **East Side Neighborhood: Historic Context and Survey Report**

49. Date: **April 2, 2001**

50. Recordors: **Carl McWilliams and Karen McWilliams**

51. Organization: **Cultural Resource Historians**

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

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