

# Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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| <b>Inventory No:</b>           | SBR.319  |
| <b>Historic Name:</b>          |  |
| <b>Common Name:</b>            |  |
| <b>Address:</b>                | 76 Marlborough Rd  |
| <b>City/Town:</b>              | Southborough   |
| <b>Village/Neighborhood:</b>   | Southborough   |
| <b>Local No:</b>               | 75-3   |
| <b>Year Constructed:</b>       | c 1915   |
| <b>Architect(s):</b>           |  |
| <b>Architectural Style(s):</b> | Bungalow; Craftsman  |
| <b>Use(s):</b>                 | Single Family Dwelling House   |
| <b>Significance:</b>           | Architecture   |
| <b>Area(s):</b>                |  |
| <b>Designation(s):</b>         |  |
| <b>Building Materials(s):</b>  | Roof: Asphalt Shingle<br>Wall: Aluminum Siding; Wood<br>Foundation: Stone, Uncut |



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## FORM B - BUILDING

Assessor's number

USGS Quad

Area(s)

Form Number

Massachusetts Historical Commission

75-3

Marlborough

319

Massachusetts Archives Building  
220 Morrissey Boulevard  
Boston, MA 02125

Town Southborough

(neighborhood or village) \_\_\_\_\_

Southborough centerAddress 76 Marlborough Road

Historic Name \_\_\_\_\_

Present dwellingOriginal dwellingDate of Construction ca. 1915Type of Assessment visual assessmentForm Craftsman BungalowArchitect/Builder unknown

## Exterior Material:

Foundation rubbleWall/Trim aluminum sidingRoof asphalt

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures \_\_\_\_\_

altered hip-roofed rubble garage, ca. 1920s

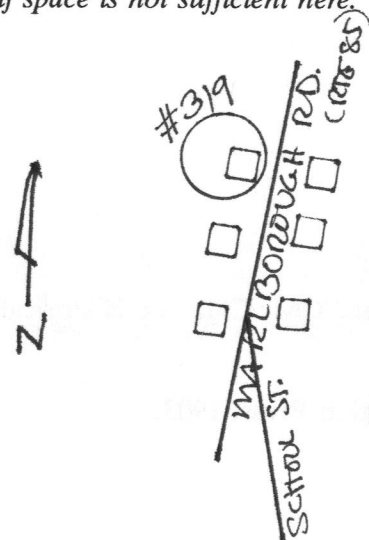
Major Alterations (with dates) front porch en-  
closed with louvered glass; aluminum hood over  
front steps--mid-20th C.

Condition goodMoved [x] no [ ] yes Date N/AAcreage 2.12 acres

Setting On major through-road in mixed residen-  
tial area of mostly modern houses. Opposite late-  
19th-C cottage. On wide lot; woods to rear.

## Sketch Map

Draw a map of the area indicating properties within it. Number each property for which individual inventory forms have been completed. Label streets, including route numbers, if any. Attach a separate sheet if space is not sufficient here. Indicate north.



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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION ☐ *see continuation sheet*

*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.*

76 Marlborough Road is one of a handful of examples in Southborough of a long, rectangular hip-roofed one-story bungalow of about 1915-20. (See also 85 Marlborough Road, in Area V, and 5 Cordaville Road for two nearly identical houses.) This building is three- by three-bays, with 6-over-1-sash windows. The high hipped roof has a large double hip-roofed dormer on the front, and a single shed-roofed dormer on each side.

A hip-roofed porch, enclosed with louvered glass panels, and with a solid parapet wall, spans the facade. A rectangular oriel bay window with a paired 6-over-1 window projects on the south side under the overhang of the main roof.

The simple detailing of the house is typical of many Craftsman bungalows, consisting of flat surrounds at the windows and doors, and unboxed roof eaves with exposed rafter ends.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE ☐ *see continuation sheet*

*Explain history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.*

This house is one of several on Marlborough Road that were built at the beginning of the twentieth century during the period when a local electric trolley line was in operation between Marlborough Junction and the east part of Southborough center. While the old farmland and woodland along the trolley route on Newton Street, upper Marlborough Road, and part of Framingham Road was quickly subdivided for housing, the effect also spread down the neighboring streets. The streetcar line to Hudson shut down in the late 1920s, but local buses continued to travel the same route for many years.

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☐ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, a completed National Register Criteria Statement form is attached.*