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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form.* If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.

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1. Name of Property

Historic name: Griffin House

Other names/site number: _____

Name of related multiple property listing:

N/A

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing

2. Location

Street & number: 1402 West Kansas Avenue

City or town: Chickasha State: OK County: Grady

Not For Publication: ☐ Vicinity: ☐

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended,

I hereby certify that this X nomination ___ request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property X meets ___ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

___**national** ___**statewide** X **local**

Applicable National Register Criteria:

___**A** ___**B** X **C** ___**D**

Bob Blackburn April 23, 2014

Signature of certifying official/Title: **Date**

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

In my opinion, the property ___ meets ___ does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of commenting official: **Date**

Title : **State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government**

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

✓ entered in the National Register

___ determined eligible for the National Register

___ determined not eligible for the National Register

___ removed from the National Register

___ other (explain:) _____

Dave Edson No. Beall 6.9.14

Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

Private:	X
Public – Local	
Public – State	
Public – Federal	

Category of Property

(Check only **one** box.)

Building(s)	X
District	
Site	
Structure	
Object	

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
3	0	buildings
0	0	sites
0	0	structures
0	0	objects
3	0	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

6. Function or Use
Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions.)
Domestic: Single Dwelling
Domestic: Secondary Structure

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions.)
Domestic: Single Dwelling
Domestic: Secondary Structure

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions.)
_Late Victorian: Queen Anne___

Materials: (enter categories from instructions.)
Principal exterior materials of the property: __Wood_____

Narrative Description
(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with **a summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

Summary Paragraph

Located in northwest Chickasha, the Griffin House is located in an area of town that has many older houses with modern house interspersed on each block. Designed in the Queen Anne style, the Griffin House was constructed in 1907 with a carriage house on the rear portion of the property. The three-story wood clapboard house, with basement and attic, exhibits many common elements of the Queen Anne style including multi-light windows, elaborate wrap-around porch and porte cochere.

Narrative Description

House:
The façade, south elevation, faces West Kansas Avenue. The main entry is located in the center of the first floor. It has a wood pane and panel door with wood narrow sidelights. The southwest corner of the house has a three sided, two-story bay window. Each side of the bay window has a wood one-over-one double hung window on both the first and second floors. Located at the southeast corner of the façade are three wood multi-pane-over-one windows. The second floor

has three multi-pane-over-one windows adjacent to the bay window. Located under the gable eaves are curved wood brackets. The bay window roof extends through the side gable of the main roof creating a flat ledge for one of the two gable dormers to rest on. Each gable dormer has gable returns and a Palladian window with a wood keystone. The arched Palladian window is multi-light as are the narrow side windows. All of the windows on the façade have wide wood trim.

The east elevation has a two-story, bow window in the third bay. The bow window has four, one-over-one double hung windows on each floor. Above the second floor windows are dentils. Curved brackets are located under the flat roof of the bow window. Located at the southeast corner of the first floor are two multi-light fixed pane windows. Located at the northeast corner is a one-over-one double hung window. Located at the southeast corner of the second floor is a wood pane and panel door and a one-over-one double hung window. Located at the northeast corner of the second floor is a one-over-one double hung window. Located under the gable front eave are curved brackets. In the peak of the east elevation are three multi-pane-over-one wood frame windows.

Located on the first floor of the south and east elevations is a wrap-around porch. A flat roof portion extends over the entry on the south elevation. It is supported by five Doric columns and is accessed via four masonry steps with curved knee walls. At the southeast corner is a large curved portion of the porch. Is it supported by four Doric columns. As it extends across a third of the east elevation, the porch is three sided. The flat roof is supported by nine Doric columns. This portion of the porch has four masonry steps with curved knee walls. Under the eaves of the wrap-around porch are dentils.

The north elevation has a hipped roof enclosed porch at the northwest corner. It has three one-over-one double hung windows and a pane and panel door. The remainder of the first floor has a large one-over-one double hung window and one smaller one-over-one double hung window. The second floor has four, one-over-one double hung windows. Located in the gabel eave are curved brackets. Located in the gable peak are three one-over-one double hung windows.

The west elevation has a wood pane and panel door in the center of the first floor. Located at the southwest corner are two one-over-one double hung windows. Located north of the door is a small square non-historic sliding window and two, historic one-over-one double hung windows. A small porte cochere covers the entry and one, one-over-one double hung window. It has a flat roof, wood clapboard siding and rusticated masonry foundation like the remainder of the house. The second floor has an oriel window over the porte cochere. This three sided, flat roof feature has a multi-pane-over-one window in each elevation. At the southwest corner of the second floor is a one-over-one double hung window. North of the oriel window is a small one-over-one window and a larger one-over-one double hung window. Curved brackets are located in the eave. Located in the gable peak are three multi-pane-over-one windows.

Carriage House:
The façade of the carriage house faces east onto South 14th Street. The building is clad with wood clapboards and has a hipped roof. The façade has two sliding garage doors on the first floor and a multi-light window on the second floor. The south elevation has a wood door and a one-over-one double hung window on the first floor. The second floor has two four-pane windows.

Well House:
Also located at the rear of the property is a hipped roof wood clapboard well house. It has a wood panel door and a modern sliding window. The building currently serves as a playhouse.

Integrity:
The house maintains an excellent degree of historic integrity. Ca. 1930, asphalt shingles were applied over the wood siding. In 2013, the asphalt shingles were removed to reveal the original wood clapboards. Also ca. 1930, the balustrade was removed. Ca. 1960, the windows in the kitchen and bathroom were replaced when those spaces were remodeled.

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria
(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- [ ] A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- [ ] B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- [x] C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- [ ] D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations
(Mark “x” in all the boxes that apply.)

- [ ] A. Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes
- [ ] B. Removed from its original location
- [ ] C. A birthplace or grave
- [ ] D. A cemetery
- [ ] E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure
- [ ] F. A commemorative property
- [ ] G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

Areas of Significance
(Enter categories from instructions.)
Architecture

Period of Significance
1907

Significant Dates
1907

Significant Person
(Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)
N/A

Cultural Affiliation
N/A

Architect/Builder
Unknown

Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

The Griffin House is eligible for the National Register under Criterion C in the area of Architecture as an excellent example of Queen Anne, embodying the distinctive characteristics of that style. Identifying features of the Queen Anne style seen on the house include the wrap-around porch, multi-pane windows, irregular shape roof and bay/bow windows. While Queen Anne style houses were the dominant style from approximately 1880 to 1900, the Griffin House is an exceptional example in Chickasha that has maintained its architectural integrity.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

The Griffin House was constructed in 1907 for James H and Maynie (Mayme) Griffin. According to the Federal Census of 1900, James was a Landlord and by 1910 he was listed as a "Capitalist." A member of the Griffin family owned the house until 2007. The Griffin House has changed very little since the house was built. The defining historical elements have not been altered by additions. The interior of the house has retained its original, traditional floor plan.

Many identifying characteristics of the Queen Anne style can be identified on the Griffin House. The most significant characteristic is the asymmetrically placed porch measuring one-story that extends along two sides of the house. Also significant is the use of bay and bow windows to avoid the smooth walled appearance. The primary façade, which includes both the east and south elevations because it is located on a corner, demonstrate asymmetry.

The Griffin House, is identified as the sub-type of the Queen Anne style as it has classical columns rather than turned, delicate post with spindlework details. In this case, the classical columns are grouped to support the roof of the wrap-around porch. Other common features of this sub-type include the use of Palladian windows as seen in the peak of the house as well as the cornice line dentils and brackets. Roughly 35% of all Queen Anne style houses fall into this sub-type.

Houses in the surrounding neighborhood date to the same timeframe as the Griffin House with the exception of modern, 1940-1970's, one-story in-fill that has occurred on virtually every block. The historic street patters and landscaping remain extant throughout the neighborhood including many large street trees.

The Griffin House represents traditional American architecture in its use of the Queen Anne vocabulary. As it demonstrates the distinctive characteristics associated with queen Anne and specifically represents a sub-type, it is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criteria C for it architectural merit.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

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Previous documentation on file (NPS):

____ preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
____ previously listed in the National Register
____previously determined eligible by the National Register
____designated a National Historic Landmark
____ recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #_____
____recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____
____ recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # _____

Primary location of additional data:

__X_ State Historic Preservation Office
____ Other State agency
____ Federal agency
____ Local government
____ University
____ Other
Name of repository: _____

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property less than 1 acre

Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates

Latitude/Longitude Coordinates
Datum if other than WGS84:_____
(enter coordinates to 6 decimal places)

1. Latitude: 35.050206 Longitude: -97.950751
2. Latitude: Longitude:
3. Latitude: Longitude:
4. Latitude: Longitude:

Or
UTM References
Datum (indicated on USGS map):

☐ NAD 1927 or ☐ NAD 1983

1. Zone: Easting: Northing:
2. Zone: Easting: Northing:
3. Zone: Easting: Northing:
4. Zone: Easting : Northing:

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)
Chickasha / Hamptons Addition, BLK 1, ALL OF LOTS 7 & 8

Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)
This is the land that has been historically associated with the house.

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A **USGS map** or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.

- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

Photo Log

Name of Property: Griffin House

City or Vicinity: Chickasha

County: Grady State: Oklahoma

Photographer: Lynda S. Ozan

Date Photographed: 30 January 2014

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

Number	Subject	Direction
0001	Façade	Northwest
0002	Façade and west elevation	Northeast
0003	East and south elevations	Southwest
0004	Carriage House	Northwest
0005	Well House	North

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Griffin House
1402 West Kansas Avenue, Chickasha, Grady County, Oklahoma

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