

CYPERT-SWADLEY HOME 505 Hill Street Site Medallion No. 55

This home located at 505 Hill Street was built in 1953 by J.C. Swadley and his wife Grace. Mr. Swadley was Grand Prairie's first paid fireman and also the first paid fire chief. He and his wife Grace lived in the home until their passing. Mr. Swadley passed away in 2002. Debi and Tom Cypert purchased the home in the fall of 2002, having moved to Grand Prairie in 1968 to raise their family in Grand Prairie.

The Grand Prairie architectural firm of Smith and Warder did the plot plan and drawings for the home. In fact, the Cyperts have in their possession the original plot plans and drawing for the home. The style is best described as a traditional Raised Ranch Style house, with the living space on the main level, and a "room to grow" split level basement measuring about 12' x 18' in the southwest corner of the home.

The home has not undergone any major alterations since its construction. J.C. and his father, J.C., Sr., were the general contractors on this home. The kitchen still retains the Geneva enamel steel cabinets, the dining room with its pocket doors is adjacent to the kitchen, and the living area has a large fireplace with a 4' hearth. The master bedroom is a spacious 20' by 20'. The home has large spacious closets. The guest room has its own bath. The home has a detached garage that has two doors so you can enter from drive or alley.