

**2008 Historic Resource Survey**  
**North Side, City of Granbury**  
Property No.: 132  
**900 Bird Court**

Preservation Priority:

**High**—Contributes to Recommended Historic District  
Recommended Historic Landmark/RTHL/National Register Listing

*These are the most significant resources in the survey area and they contribute to local history or broader historical patterns and possess strong association with (a) historic context(s). High priority properties are outstanding or unique examples of architecture, engineering or crafted or vernacular design. These properties retain a high degree of architectural or physical integrity, having few alterations, or can be easily returned to their original character. High priority properties may meet one or more criteria for listing in the National Register of Historic Places; they are likely to qualify to be designated as Recorded Texas Historic Landmarks and City of Granbury Historic Landmarks.*

Construction Date:

**Early 1950s**



Resource Type/Subtype:

**Building/House**

Current Owner(s):

**Frances Umphress Bird**

Stylistic Influence:

**National Folk, pyramidal**

Brief History:

Ira D. Bird built this house. According to Frances Umphress Bird, Donald Bird added the limestone to this house in the early 1970s. The late Donald Bird learned his craft from older masons, and honed it restoring buildings on Granbury's courthouse square, including the Granbury Opera House.

Area(s) of Significance:

Architecture, Craft of Donald Bird

Description of Resource:

Frame construction, limestone veneer—mosaic or “puzzle” pattern  
Gable roof, composition shingles  
One exterior limestone fireplace  
Double-hung wood windows  
Two single doors  
Shed roof porch, wood posts  
Four square plan, Pier and beam foundation  
One story, 852 square feet

Integrity:

**Location, design, materials, workmanship, setting, feeling, association**

Possible Threats:

**None**

Existing Historical

Designations/Protections:

**None**