



2120 Grove
 Walter P. and Eva Martindale House
 Craftsman/Colonial Revival • Built circa 1921
 Current owners: Jim and Marty Smith

Walter and Eva Martindale built this two-story brick house, which was one of the later additions to the Lawndale subdivision. Martindale was a Quincy lawyer who also was the secretary-treasurer of Weems Laundry/Pure Ice Company, which was at 718-720 Jersey. He was also director of Cash Coal Company, which was located at Second and Broadway.

The substantial home's walls are three bricks thick and at first glance, the house appears to be a Colonial Revival, with its classic entry porch and symmetrical facade. However, other detailing on the house shows an Arts and Crafts influence with its triangular knee braces, ribbon windows, Craftsman-style windows and flattened attic gable.

The generous foyer pronounces the home's elegance with the corbel detailing that separates the entry area from the staircase/hallway space. The area is further graced with a staircase that has a radiused starter step and six newel posts.

Crown molding in the living areas adds additional stylishness to the home. The fireplace mantle in the living room is not original. The living room bookcase was once a window opening into the sunroom.

The sunroom sparkles with a 2001 Symphony of Trees Christmas tree decorated with merchants' advertising/logos. The quilt with photographs of Quincy businesses came with the tree. The mantle is from a 1890s Victorian house in Hannibal, Missouri. The cozy sunroom is warmed by radiant heat in the floor, which the owners installed.

The door and window trim on the main floor is Craftsman style. The hexagonal doorknobs and escutcheons are oiled bronze. The sink in the powder room under the stairs may be from the home's original butler's pantry.

The current owners gutted the old kitchen and designed the current tone. They reused original windows and trim so the new room blends with the older parts of the house. Previous owners may have created the large space by incorporating the pantry into the kitchen. The owners designed the dining room cabinetry to blend with the Craftsman influence of the house.

On the second floor, notice that door/window trim and hardware are not in the Craftsman style. The second floor has its original yellow pine floors and useful built-in storage. The master bedroom's closet may have originally been a nursery or sewing room. Original tile floor and built-ins in the bathroom were preserved in a recent update of the space.

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