



The Robert and Katherine Montgomery Residence
2303 Maine Street
Construction Date: 1899 Queen Anne Style
Architect: Ernest Wood

This two-story frame house was built at the turn of the century by Robert and Katherine Montgomery.

Prominent local architect, Ernest Wood, designed the residence with a mixture of influences. The asymmetrical massing, the wood shingles on the second story surfaces, the bay windows and the full-facade covered porch are all features common to the Queen Anne style. The Tudor style is expressed in the design by the solid brackets supporting the porch columns, the diamond panes of the attic windows, and the barge board under the gable roof. However, the flared overhanging eaves are neither Queen Anne nor Tudor elements, but rather a Dutch Colonial detail.

In a relatively short time, the current owners have made efforts to renovate the house in a sensitive manner. The present owner created the foyer closet in such a way as to leave the walls and butternut woodwork undisturbed. In addition, they refinished the pocket doors that separate the living room from the dining room and foyer. Note that the doors are made of oak on one side and cypress on the other.