The Glad House

James A Mickelsen, a life long resident of Crescent, Salt Lake County, lived at 10580 South 1300 E. He was born December 10, 1882 in Salt Lake City and was the son of James and Annie Jensen Mickelsen.

As the Dry Creek area began to settle his parents moved to the East Bench and built a one and half story brick home, which is still standing and is now owned by Clyde D. Glad. Their family consists of Mary, James and Eleanor. Mary gave me music lessons to the children of the community in the early days.

On November 18, 1926 James married Bessie Haycock in Crescent and built a home at 10580 South 1300 East. Here he farmed and planted a fruit orchard. He was a very progressive man and was in large measure, instrumental in developing the irrigation and culinary water system of the East Crescent community. A dam was built at the mouth of Bell Canyon to save and control the waters. Later the culinary water piped to the homes, He strongly urged the Crescent community to form a company and buy rights to the use of the water for culinary purposes, but this they did not do, much to their sorrow in later years.

Mr. Mickelsen served on the board of the Bell Canyon Irrigation Company from 1912 until the time of his death. He served 15 years as a director and 36 years as Secretary-Treasurer. He was a courteous, honest man and honorable citizen.

Two sons and one daughter have built their homes near his home. They are: James W, Wayne R, and Marion (Mrs. Robert Orr). They have 11 grand children. James died at his home, Tuesday, April 16, 1963 at the age of 80 years. He was a member of the Congregational Church.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 19, 1963 at the Goff Mortuary in Midvale, burial was in the Sandy City Cemetery.

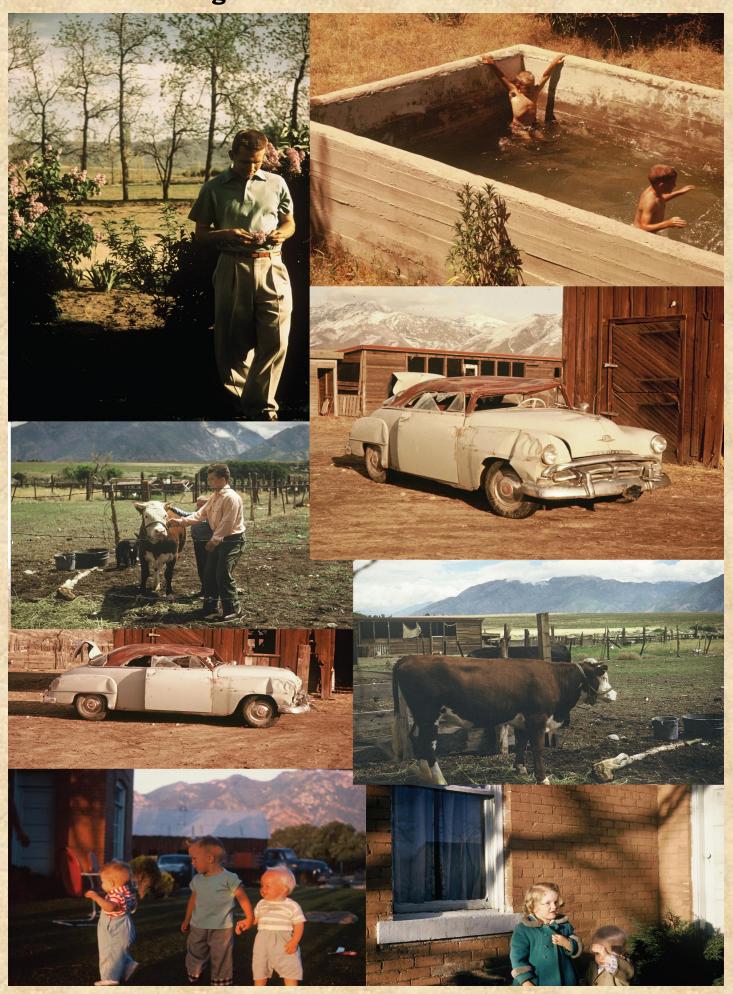Aerial photo of White City 1962. Glad Home south of Dimple Dell Park.

Original Home

Amazing views surround the Glad Home

Orchard View of Lone Peak from Glad Property