The house at 345 Eastover Road has a number of features that would be difficult, if not impossible, to duplicate in a house built today.

The brick was hand-made in Virginia, the floors upstairs and downstairs are quarter-sawn oak, all upstairs closets are cedar lined, all panelling, trim, doors, and decorative moldings throughout the house are chestnut, (impossible to obtain today) and all clay tiles of the roof, both original and replaced after the hurricane of 1989, were hand-made.

The house was designed by M. R. Marsh for the Peter Burks family in 1934. It is unusually symmetrical for the style but has the requisite Tudor arched entrance topped by a bracketed and half-timbered gable. The Shaver family is only the second family to have lived at 345 Eastover Road.

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