Flexible Housing: Junior Second Unit Lifecycle

A newlywed couple buys a house and creates a Junior Second Unit by adding exterior and interior doors and a food preparation area to one of the bedrooms.

They rent the Junior Second Unit to a young teacher at the local elementary school.

When they have child, there is still room for the teacher and she stays, and gets a rent reduction in return for occasional babysitting.
When they have a second child, they reclaim the room for their own use.

20 years later, when the children have moved out, the homeowner’s mother moves in.

20 years after that, the homeowners move into the Junior Second Unit and rent the rest of the home to a young couple; they feel secure that their home is occupied as they travel to see the world and their grandchildren.