

## PRIEST MILL

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This route is northwestward from Dumfries on State 234; Dumfries – Independent Hill – Lake Jackson – Manassas – Stone House – Catharpin – (Leesburg); Dumfries to the Loudoun County Line 29.9 miles.

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"On County 642 is the SITE OF PEAKESVILLE, where rotting logs indicate the location of several outbuildings but where no vestige of the original house is to be found. Though the outline of the family burying ground is still visible, no inscriptions mark the resting places of Peake's who once lived here. A few miles northward on the banks of the Occoquan is the site of a grist mill, known as PRIEST'S MILL, which continued to operate well into the twentieth century. The antiquity of the mill is evidenced by a bill of sale from William Champe to John Peake dated 1735 and mentioned the mill. "