

STAGE COACH INN

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On U.S.1 close to the highway southward is the STAGE COACH INN (R), once known as Williams' Ordinary, later as Love's Tavern, and still functioning. Its two red brick stories – between high basement and hip roof – are ornamented with white stones quoining up the front two corners and with splayed flat arches of stone heavily keyed over each window. Built-in chimneys rise in pairs at both ends, high above eaves that protect a cornice set with modillions. The Inn was probably erected about 1760. Records show that George Williams was its proprietor as early as 1788 and as late as 1819. Notables undoubtedly stayed here and undoubtedly banqueted and danced at parties held in that spacious dining room.