

S-277
Samuel Tull House
Tulls Corner vicinity
private

1861

The Samuel L. Tull house is a two-story, three-bay center hall dwelling which stands on the east side of East Creek near Tulls Corner. The hip roofed frame house is trimmed with paneled pilasters and a bracketed eave. Interior brick stacks rise from the center of the structure to heat the four-room plan. The interior of the house has remained essentially intact with bold mid nineteenth-century ~~door~~ mantels, crossetted door surrounds, and a heavily turned newel post. The attic stair is enclosed, and scrawled on the rear face of the attic door is an inscription dated "May 14, 1881" which reads "all gone to the festival but me," signed Olive Tull. The 1861 construction date is recorded on the house as well.

Samuel L. Tull (1826-1906), the attributed owner/builder, was born and raised in the vicinity of Tulls Corner. By his mid 30s, he had acquired sufficient wealth to erect this fine two-story frame house near his crossroads store. The 1877 Somerset County atlas lists Tull as a "merchant" with a total property of 220 acres.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

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DOE yes no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Samuel L. Tull House

and/or common _____

2. Location

street & number S. side of L.Q. Powell Road _____ not for publicationcity, town Tulls Corner _____ vicinity of _____ congressional district Firststate Maryland _____ county Somerset

3. Classification

| Category | Ownership | Status | Present Use | |
|---|--|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> dlstrict | <input type="checkbox"/> public | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> museum |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private | <input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied | <input type="checkbox"/> commercial | <input type="checkbox"/> park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> structure | <input type="checkbox"/> both | <input type="checkbox"/> work in progress | <input type="checkbox"/> educational | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> site | Public Acquisition | Accessible | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment | <input type="checkbox"/> religious |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object | <input type="checkbox"/> in process | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted | <input type="checkbox"/> government | <input type="checkbox"/> scientific |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> being considered | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted | <input type="checkbox"/> industrial | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable | <input type="checkbox"/> no | <input type="checkbox"/> military | <input type="checkbox"/> other: |

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Claude Poollestreet & number L.Q. Powell Road telephone no.: _____city, town Marion state and zip code Md. 21838

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. _____ liber _____

street & number _____ folio _____

city, town _____ state _____

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title _____

date _____ federal state county local

depository for survey records _____

city, town _____ state _____

7. Description

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|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------|
| Condition | | Check one | Check one | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated | <input type="checkbox"/> unaltered | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered | <input type="checkbox"/> moved | date of move _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed | | | |

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Samuel L. Tull House

The Samuel L. Tull house is a two-story center hall frame house, which is dated to 1861 and stands on the south side of L.Q. Powell road near Tulls Corner, Somerset County, Maryland. The house faces north with the roof axis on an east/west orientation.

Resting on an infilled brick pier foundation, the two-story three-bay house is sheathed by a uniform layer of aluminum siding and covered by a medium pitched asphalt shingle hip roof. Twin chimneys rise from the center of the structure, while the eaves are trimmed with corner brackets. Framing the house on all four sides are corner pilasters with Gothic-arched inset panels.

The north (main) facade is ^aasymmetrical three-bay elevation with a central entrance and flanking 6/6 sash windows. The replacement six-panel door is framed by four-light sidelights and a two-light transom. The shutters have been removed from the house, but the shutter dogs remain.

The east and west elevations are essentially alike with two 6/6 sash windows on each floor along with a bracketed eave.

The south side has been extended with the addition of a shed roof porch. The second floor is marked by three openings; two 6/6 sash windows flank a center set of French doors that open onto the porch roof. The south slope of the roof is lighted by a gabled dormer with 6/6 sash window.

The house interior has been generally remodeled, but the period woodwork is largely intact. Bold mid-19th-century mantels, crossetted door surrounds, and a heavily turned newel post comprise some of the more important elements. The wide center hall contains the stair and divides the four-room plan house. The stair rises in two flights to the attic. Inscribed on the rear face of the attic door is the date, "May 14, 1881" and the comment, "all gone to the festival but me" and signed Olive Tull.

Accompanying the house is a gable-front frame granary and wagon house which rests on brick piers and is covered by weatherboard siding. The medium sloped asphalt shingle roof is trimmed with a decorative bargeboard. A center pair of doors, one located on each floor, are flanked by a pair of wagon bays.

8. Significance

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| Period | Areas of Significance—Check and justify below | | | |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> community planning | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> religion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499 | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic | <input type="checkbox"/> conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> law | <input type="checkbox"/> science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599 | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> economics | <input type="checkbox"/> literature | <input type="checkbox"/> sculpture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> education | <input type="checkbox"/> military | <input type="checkbox"/> social/ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799 | <input type="checkbox"/> art | <input type="checkbox"/> engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> music | <input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> theater |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> communications | <input type="checkbox"/> industry | <input type="checkbox"/> politics/government | <input type="checkbox"/> transportation |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> invention | | <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify) |

Specific dates 1861 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G

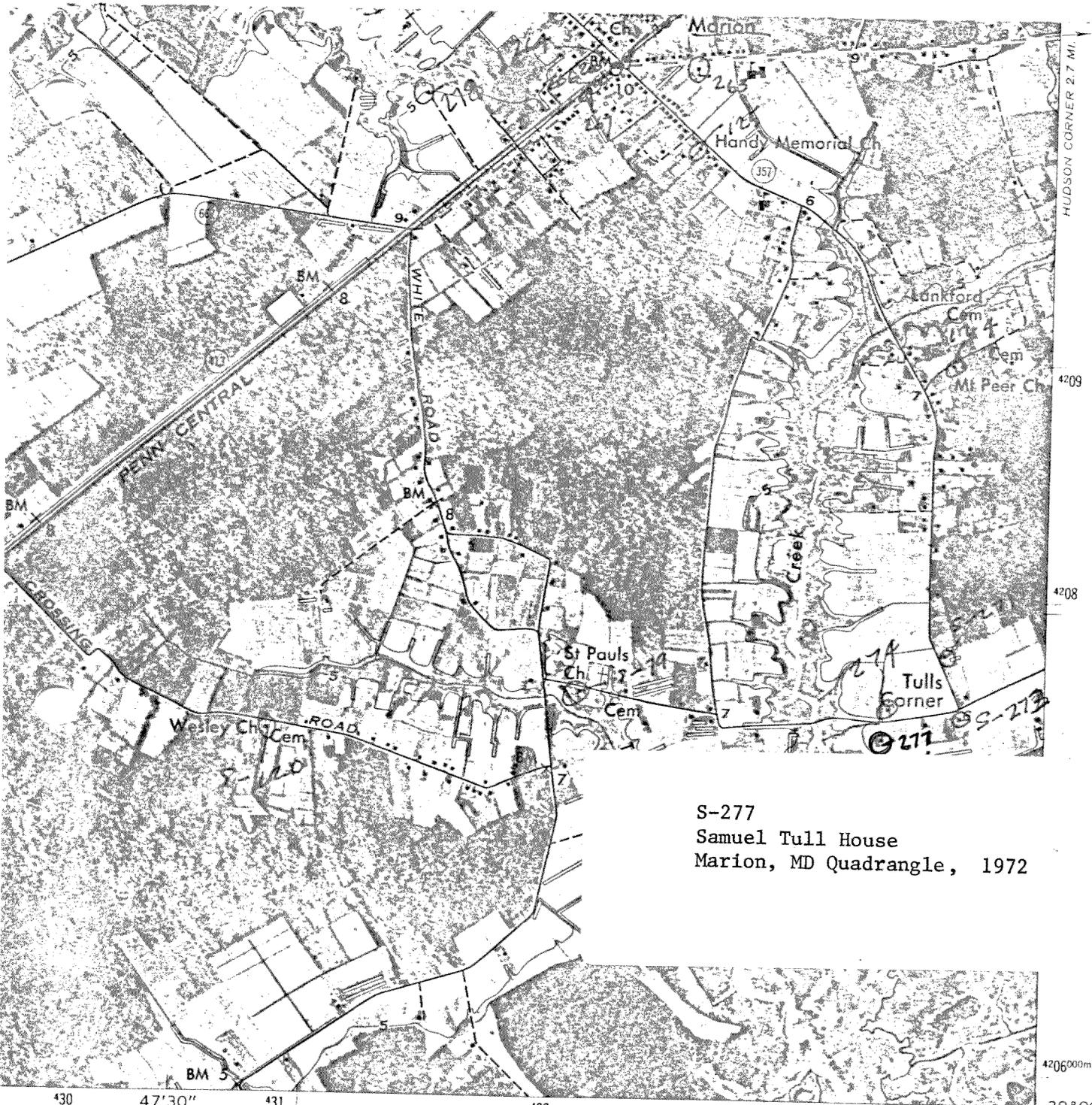
Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Samuel Tull house is a good example of a mid 19th-century farmhouse with a fair amount of intact exterior trim and interior woodwork. The 1861 date brick is an obviously important feature for dating similar structures in the area.

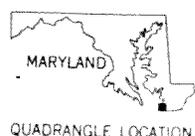
History and Support

Samuel L. Tull, born June 29, 1826, and died February 25, 1906, was born and raised in the vicinity of Tulls Corner. By his mid 30s he had acquired sufficient standing to erect this fine two-story frame house near his crossroads store. The 1877 Somerset County Atlas lists Tull as a "Merchant" with total property of 220 acres.



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 Samuel Tull House
 Marion, MD Quadrangle, 1972

430 47'30" 431 432 433 434000m E 75°45' 4206000m N 38°00'



- ROAD CLASSIFICATION**
- Primary highway, hard surface
 - Secondary highway, hard surface
 - Trails
 - Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
 - Unimproved road
- Interstate Route
 U. S. Route
 State Route

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Samuel Tull House S-273
Near Tulls Corner, Somerset Co.
Southeast Elevation
4/85, Photographer, Paul Touart
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