



Station Sullivan's Island

Coast Guard Station #196



Keepers / OICs / Commanding Officers:

- **Captain
John
Adams**
was
appointed
as the first
keeper of

Original Location:

At Moultrieville, on Sullivan's Island at the north end of the harbor jetty.

Sullivans
Island.

Date of Conveyance:

1894

Original Station Built:

1894-1895

Fate:

Discontinued

Historical Remarks:

The diversion of the main ship channel at Charleston Harbor, S. C., from the vicinity of Morris Island to that of Sullivan's Island, rendered the Morris Island Life Saving Station too remote to afford prompt assistance to vessels encountering disaster while entering or leaving port through the new channel. Therefore, it was decided in 1894 to build a new station on Sullivan's Island. The station was completed on August 1, 1895. Six men served under the first keeper, Captain John Adams.

In 1934, the Coast Guard was granted a permit by the War Department to construct and operate a pier, wharf, boat hoist, and boat shelter, on Fort Moultrie Military Reservation. With the closing of Fort Moultrie, Sullivan's Island Lifeboat Station was able to add the existing pier and boathouse to the station.

Historic Photo Gallery

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Original photo caption: "Exterior view of the Sullivan's Island Coast Guard Station, Moultrieville, S.C."; photo is dated as having been received by the Superintendent of Construction and Repair on 16 September 1916. No photo number; photographer unknown.



Original photo caption: "196 [;] looking South."; photo dated 3 April 1918; no photo number photographer unknown.



Original photo caption: "Equip Bldg. [;] Old BH [;] Au [?] Platform & Signal Tower on left
Coast Artillery OB Tower on Right
Sul [?] 1-20-40 SE Site [;] (South Insp [?])
Sullivan's Island LB. SC [;]".

Photo dated 20 January 1940; no photo number; photographer unknown.



Original photo caption: "North end of station dwelling [;] Sullivan's Isld LB
Sul. 1-20-40"; photo dated 20 January 1940; no photo number;
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