KENMORE

1201 Washington Avenue

Kenmore was built in the mid–18th century by Fielding Lewis, member of the Virginia House of Burgesses, for his bride, Betty, who was George Washington's sister. The dignified, restrained exterior of the brick Georgian style house contrasts with its interior, which contains the most elaborate colonial plasterwork in the country. In the 1920s, Kenmore was purchased by the Kenmore Association, formed specifically to protect the mansion and its grounds. In the years since then, Kenmore has emerged as one of the most impressive historic house museums in the country.