



## *U.S. Coast Guard History Program*

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# Station Hammond Bay, Michigan

Coast Guard Station #254

<b>Location:</b>	Hammond Bay, Lake Huron; 6 miles west of Forty Mile Point Light
<b>Date of Conveyance:</b>	1874
<b>Station Built:</b>	1876
<b>Fate:</b>	Turned over to the GSA in 1968

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### **Remarks:**

Hammond Lifeboat Station in Hammond, Michigan was situated at Lake Huron in Presque Isle County. The land for the station was leased for twenty years in 1874 and 2 acres of it were eventually purchased on March 6, 1895. The Lifeboat House was built in 1880.

The station was decommissioned in the spring of 1947. The reservation and all buildings were subsequently occupied by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service under a permit granted by the Commandant of the Coast Guard on March 21, 1950. Transferred to the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, Department of the Interior in 1971.

### **Keepers:**

George Feaben was appointed keeper on 20 September 1876 and drowned on 20 October 1880.

Joseph Valentin was appointed keeper on 27 December 1880 and was still serving in 1915.

CWO (L) Wm. A. E. Trapp was listed as the CO in 1929.

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