

Filling Station

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This little filling station was built and owned by Martin Davis in the last months of 1937. It was located at the corner of St. Rd. 67 and Walnut St. in Daleville, Indiana. It was first a Lincoln station, they then changed their name to Marathon.

The building was built by Ed Spangler and Joe Hodson.

It was managed by Alva Betterton. He hired Walter Richman and later Let Dustin to run it.

In 1967 Raymond "Mick" Gross ran the business. He ran it for 21 years, until Dec 20, 1988. He was robbed one time and the robber also shot the telephone. It was also hit several times by cars and was moved 3 inches on the foundation. A dump truck hit the old out house and tore it down.

After Mick closed it out on Dec. 20, 1988, it was rented to a man who sold leather goods. He's the one who painted it that horrible yellow color.

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On Sept 7, 1996 it was moved from
St. Rd. 67 to uptown Daleville where it
is now being restored to its original
Marathon colors of red, white and blue.