Sited on the north side of Griffinville Road, the Gillette-Griffin House is surrounded by several old trees. Several residences of a later vintage are visible from the property.
This nineteenth-century vernacular-style house boasts little detail. Its two-bay facade and "L" shaped design are enhanced by two-over-two sash and eyebrow windows. It is typical of many small farmhouses existing in Farmington's rural areas.

In 1878 Hiram H. Chidsey sold a 20-acre tract of land to Frederick A. Gillette (FLR 68:305). Little is known about Gillette except that in 1900 he sold six acres of land to George F. Griffin (FLR 71:457). Griffin (b. 1877) was the son of Albert and Ida (Case) Griffin and married Rosie Skiner of Austria in 1922. He probably built this house shortly after the land purchase, naming the passway "Griffinville Road". However, the style of the building suggest it is much earlier, yet the land records do not prove this theory. After Griffin's purchase, the house changed owners several times.

Although its early history is unclear, the Gillette-Griffin House is significant due to its association with the development of Griffinville Road.