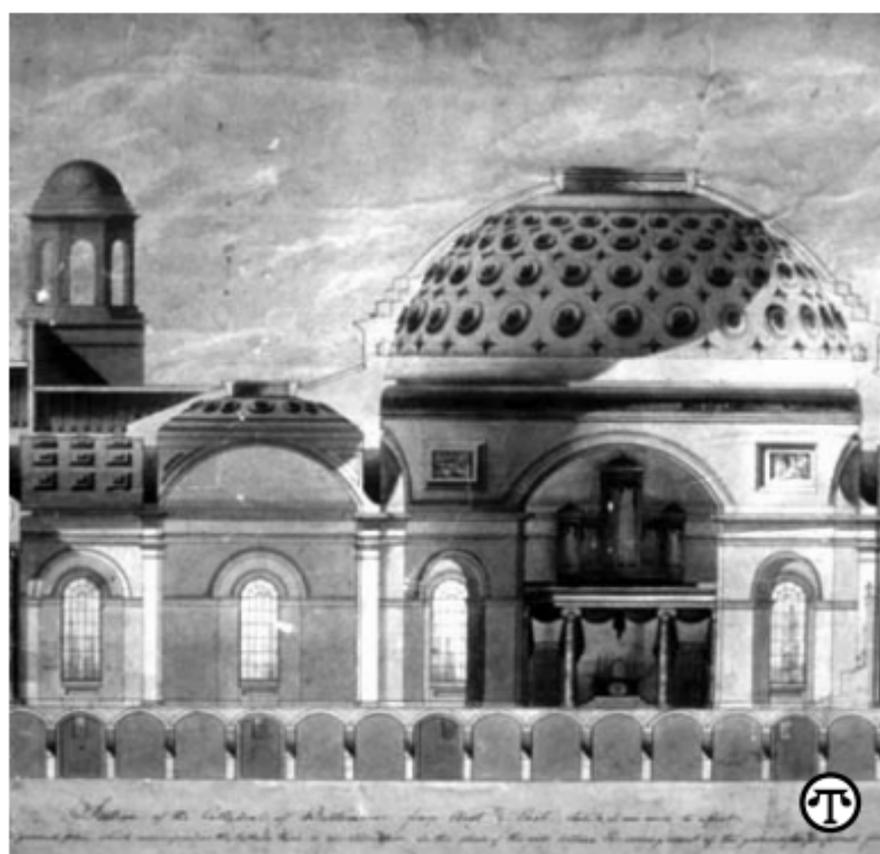




## America's First Cathedral

(NAPSA)—One of Baltimore's newest attractions happens to be one of its oldest—the Baltimore Basilica, America's first cathedral. The historic cathedral, built from 1806 to 1821, was the first major religious building constructed in America after the adoption of the Constitution.



**The Baltimore Basilica, built 200 years ago, is considered one of America's greatest buildings.**

Designed by Benjamin Henry Latrobe, who served as the Architect of the Capitol under President Thomas Jefferson, the Basilica is one of the most significant architectural landmarks remaining from the early 19th century United States.

After being restored to its original design, the Baltimore Basilica will reopen in November 2006. Visitors will be able to go back in time and experience the historic cathedral just as it was intended.

To learn more about this stunning, historic building, visit [www.baltimorebasilica.org](http://www.baltimorebasilica.org).