



Those who don't remember their ancestors don't deserve to be remembered!

From The Editor

This last quarter - Wow! The Fourth of July and Labor day flew past. Of the ten Federal Holidays in the year, six are gone already and Monday will be Columbus Day, October 10. Sorry I am late but too many things are going on right now.

Trish and I (again) had a wonderful July-August vacation in Europe. From Lucerne Switzerland, we drove through the mountains to Nervi Italy, and then back to Switzerland to catch the plane to England. While it was beautiful weather in Switzerland and Italy, it rained most days in England. Health-wise on the trip, everything was good. Financially, we are having a blast spending our kids inheritance.

The publication of the book on my wife's family has been slow, so I have not submitted "***The First Peelle Family in America***" to this publisher yet. While they do great work, publication time seems excessive.

I am looking for an alternative publisher. It is ready to be submitted. I sent an advance copy to my brother Marvin who has been reading it and looking for errors. So far only a few found.

In this quarterly, we document Gordon Peele as the entrepreneur of P&K Products and his success story as documented in the Chicago Tribune. Then I give my opinion on whether our Lawrence is the son of one Nicholas Peele (1565-1618) of Hole House, Blackburn, Lancashire, England. While it is possible, there is nothing that I have seen in writing as to the validity of such a claim.

The "***I Remember***" that I mentioned in an email to Lawrence@peelee.info brought several interesting comments about the German Prisoners. Our farms were short of labor during the war and Uncle Sam used prisoners for a labor force in place of all the sons that were fighting for our freedom. Claire Cashwell sent an interesting article.

May God Bless you and may you have a healthy Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Keep in Touch! ***I need some new Senior Birthday Kids!!!***

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HB Pelee

Senior Citizen Birthdays

Have you sent a card to our seniors lately?

Want to add your senior? – Contact me!



The following Seniors will have their birthday next quarter. Please send them your cards. If you know any Peele-related senior citizen above 80 years of age regardless of the surname spelling, please send their name, picture, date of birth, address, and how they are related to our Peele family. Senior pictures will be published quarterly and they will be given FREE copies of *Lawrence, Etc.*



Geneva Peele Gibson

91 on 21 December, Born 1920

(Aunt of Kelsie Peele Temples, Daughter of Merritt Peele and Sallie Pearson, descended from the Robert Peelle-1801 line.)

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Feature Article

The following "Special" article, on one of our enterprising Peele cousins, was published in the Chicago Tribune, written by Mark Mandernach, on January 21, 1996. This takes place in the Chicago area.

Gordon Peele Scores With Team Logos

Sports Novelties Make P&K Products A Game Competitor

It's easy to describe Gordon Peele in one word: entrepreneur. The Sleepy Hollow resident owns P&K Products Co. in Elgin, manufacturer of pro and college sports-related novelties. Peele was one of the pioneers in licensed sports products, and he's one of the survivors. There have been ups, and there have been downs, and in the spirit of a true entrepreneur, Peele has loved every minute of it.

"My dream as a kid was to play big league baseball," Peele said. "That didn't work out, but I'll tell you, this business is a lot like pro sports. We have winning streaks and we have losing streaks, good seasons and bad ones. It's been a roller coaster ride over the years. And it's been a lot of fun, too."

P&K offers a wide array of products licensed by the NFL, NBA, NHL, Major League Baseball, the NCAA, the Brickyard 400, the International Hockey League, Gold's Gym and Roller Hockey International, along with golf and fishing products. The product line includes wastebaskets, magnetized playoff and team standings boards, throw rugs, doorknob hampers, pennant clocks, thermometers, desk clocks, snack helmets, OSHA-approved hard hats, helmet lamps, bumper stickers, lap trays and all-purpose tins, all emblazoned with the logos of more than 250 pro and college teams (a percentage of all sales goes to the licensing bodies).

Jack Kiley of LaGrange, owner of Kiley Sales Inc. in Westmont, has distributed P&K Products since 1980. He has his own view on why P&K has managed to survive in a volatile industry.

"Gordon Peele provides great-quality products with very strong graphics," he said. "He has a solid network of distributors. And, most important, he loves the business, the challenge of coming up with new designs and new products. If he didn't truly love it, he never would have survived this long."

P&K's headquarters since 1990 has been a 150,000-square-foot facility just south of the Northwest Tollway near the Randall Road exit. P&K has 80 to 170 employees, depending on the season, and annual sales in the \$15 million range. P&K's products are sold through manufacturers' reps to giants such as Wal-Mart and Sears, in addition to neighborhood sporting goods stores.

Dean Running of Crystal Lake, P&K's vice president of sales and marketing, has been with the company for four years. "It's an exciting atmosphere to work in," he said. "You just don't know what the next hot thing's going to be, whether it's a product or a team."

"And working for Gordon has been an education. He has a way of looking at an idea and seeing something nobody else sees. Take our football helmet snack bowl. He worked with the idea and worked with it some more until he came up with something people like. And over the years we've sold more than 150,000 of them."

Peele, 55, was born in Chicago's Wrigleyville neighborhood, a baseball toss from the ballpark where Cub greats Phil Cavarretta and Andy Pafko starred at the time. When Peele was 8, his dad, a tool and die maker, moved the family to Rosemont, and by Peele's senior year in high school the family had relocated to Elgin. By the time high school was over, reality set in about a baseball career.

"I'm a bit on the short side, and I realized the odds were against me in a big way," Peele said. So he joined the Army in 1958 and learned about electronics. After the Army, Peele went to the now-defunct Chicago Technical College, where he earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering in 1965.

One of the part-time jobs Peele had working his way through college was at an electrical instrument company located in the basement of a pizza place in Carpentersville. Part of the operation involved buying and distributing scientific glassware for use in high school and college science classes. That's when he got the idea to go into the glass business with his new partner, Nicholas Andros.

"The first thing we did was name the company the Elgin Scientific Glass Co.," Peele said. "Believe me, it took a long time to think up that name. Then we hired ourselves a glassblower, so we could manufacture our own glassware. We found a guy, Gilbert Armstrong (who eventually became a partner), who worked in the picture tube division at Zenith. We moved the operation to 970 Elizabeth St. in Elgin. Then we realized we were

underfunded, so we raised \$2,500 to get the company off the ground. Yeah, things were a little simpler back then."

Then, one summer night, Armstrong brought in glass novelties he had created, including ashtrays, swans and cocktail stirrers. "I thought, 'Why not expand our business?' " Peele said. "Then we devised a way to stretch pop bottles into funky shapes and sizes. Those were a big hit."

They brought 24 stretched bottles to Chicago's Gold Coast Art Fair in 1967 and sold them all on Saturday for \$2.50 each. "So we went back to Elgin that night, stretched 24 more bottles and sold them all back in Chicago on Sunday," Peele said. "It didn't take a genius to see we were on to something."

This is another example of those enterprising Peeles. I have never met Gordon but according to my data base, he is my 5th cousin and a 12th generation descendent from Lawrence. See Gordon's family below. Notice that his grandfather Troy changed his name to "Peele" while his father Samuel was listed by the original family name of "Peelle."

Gordon Alexander¹² Peele (Rufus Alexander¹¹, Troy McCray¹⁰ Peele, Samuel Alexander⁹ Peelle, John⁸, Willis⁷, Robert⁶, Robert⁵, Robert⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹) was born 18 Jun 1940 in Chicago, IL. He married **Francine Rogers** 06 Sep 1969 in Chicago, IL. She was born 19 Mar 1945 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. They have two children; Scott Alexander Peele, born 07 Mar 1971, and Todd Alexander Peele, born 25 Mar 1973.

Identifying Lawrence's Parents?

Over the years I have had a standing offer of \$1000 to anyone with documented proof of Lawrence's family, specifically his parents. Recently, I have seen several entries on Ancestry.Com that list Lawrence as the son of a Nicholas Peele, who was born in 1565 and died in 1618. My English genealogist researcher, John Sharpe, cannot find any proof of this connection. I have two family tree diagrams dating back to 1875, one hand drawn and one typed with an old typewriter, which includes Nicholas, his wife Alicia Shorrock, and their children John, William, Thomas, Anne, Ellen, and Elizabeth but NO LAWRENCE, see below.

Descendants of Nicholas Peele

1. Nicholas²¹ Peele (Robert²⁰, John¹⁹, Thomas¹⁸, Thomas¹⁷, Thomas¹⁶, John¹⁵ del Peele, William¹⁴, John¹³ De Bolton, William¹², Sir Richard¹¹, Sir John¹⁰, William⁹, Hugh⁸, Adam⁷, Norman⁶, Rozalinus⁵, Norman⁴, Ernui³, Turchil², Ligulf¹) was born 1565 in Of Hole House, Blackburn, Lancashire, England¹, and died 05 Jul 1618 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England². He married **Alicia Shorrock** 1592, daughter of Gyles Shorrock. She was born 1570 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, and died 23 Apr 1603 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England.

Children of Nicholas Peele and Alicia Shorrock are:

- 2 i. James²² Peele, born Abt. 1593 in Hole House, Blackburn, Lancashire, England.

- 3 ii. William Peel, born Abt. 1594 in Hole House, Blackburn, Lancashire, England²; died 09 Mar 1651 in Hole House, Blackburn, Lancashire, England². He married (1) Margaret Livesay 24 Dec 1619 in Blackburn, England²; born Abt. 1600; died 08 Oct 1623 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England (No Children). He married (2) Margaret Haworth Abt. 1638; born 1597 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England.

Notes for William Peel:

!William Peele died in the year 1652, and was buried at Blackburn on the 16th of March. In his will, which is dated the 12th of March, 1651, he describes himself as of Hole House in the township of Blackburn, yeoman. (The Peels, A Family Sketch, Jonathan Peel, 1877.)

More About William Peel:

Burial: 16 Mar 1651, Hole House, Blackburn, Lancashire, England

- 4 iii. Thomas Peele, born Abt. 1595 in Hole House, Blackburn, Lancashire, England.
5 iv. Anne Peele, born Abt. 1596 in Hole House, Blackburn, Lancashire, England. She married Laurence Oldham 25 Jan 1618.
6 v. Elizabeth Peele, born Abt. 1598 in Hole House, Blackburn, Lancashire, England. She married John Pollard 10 Feb 1615.
7 vi. Ellen Peele, born Abt. 1597 in Hole House, Blackburn, Lancashire, England.

Endnotes

1. Pedigree of Peel, of Peele Fold, Joseph Foster, 1875.
2. *Peel Chart II, Strangeway Printers, London.*

Oddly enough, I can understand how one could hypothetically make such a connection. Looking at the family, you will see that Nicholas' wife Alicia Shorrocks died in 1603. Lawrence states in the official London Company Muster that he was 23 in 1624, making him born in 1601. If she was Lawrence's mother, then he would be a motherless child at the age of two.

Looking further, you will see that Nicholas Peele did not remarry and died in 1618. If he was Lawrence's father, then Lawrence would be without parents at the age of 17. In 1618, the London Company of Virginia is operating and if Lawrence was without parents, then it is possible that he went to work for the London Company of Virginia. That is one scenario. There is another, that of being without parents, he could have become one of the 100 boys mentioned in the Bridewell Records. The following was published in an earlier *Lawrence, Etc.*

The Virginia Company had some sort of a master plan on how to settle the Virginia Colony. A document dated 22 June 1620 (Kingsbury Vol. 3 Page 315) gives a breakdown of the 800 people that were to be sent out during the following year. Note: the year in those days ended on 24 March, so the June date would be at the beginning of the year. Plans called for 400 tenants of the company, 100 sub-tenants, 100 maids, 100 boys and 100 servants.

The **100 boys** were presumably the 100 children who were sent out from London by the City authorities as a result of a decision taken in January 1619/1620 (Bridewell Records, Coldham). The 400 tenants and 100 sub-tenants positions were for skilled men with the following trades:

Husbandmen*, Gardners, Brewers, Bakers, Sawyers, Carpenters*, Joyners, Shipwrights, Boat-wrights, Mil-wrights, Masons, Turners*, Smiths of all sorts*, Coopers of all sorts, Weavers, Tanners, Potters*, Fowlers, Fisherman, Fish-hookemakers, Net-makers, Rope-makers, Tile makers, Edgetoole makers, Bricke makers*, Brick layers*, Dressers of Hempte and Flaxe, Lime burners, Lether dressers, Men skillful in Vines, Men for iron Workes, Men skilful in Mines.

There is no proof of either of these scenarios. It would be great to solve Lawrence's connection. If there is someone who has the time and has access to Ancestry.com, it would be a challenge to back track all of the entries that have Lawrence as the son of Nicholas. One would have to get a print out of each one and then contact the originating person, through Ancestry.com, asking for their source material, basically how did they get the information - where's the proof? If that person states s/he took it off of Ancestry.com or other Internet sources, then mark his entry off as not being proven. Then move on to the next one. Somewhere in the pile of entries, you should find the first person who listed Lawrence as part of this family. Ask him/her for the official written proof. The written proof cannot be some genealogist's stated research, it must be copies of verifiable documents used by the genealogist. Anyone want this challenge?

I hope you have not mistakenly connected Lawrence to Nicholas unless you have documented proof. But if you do have the documented proof or find it, and are able to prove the authenticity of the documents themselves, show it to me and collect that one thousand dollars!!!

I Remember

Recently, I sent the following email to everyone on the Lawrence@Peele.info list:

Horace Peele

Hi all, Hope you are having a great fourth of July weekend. I am thinking about doing a Lawrence where I get people to send me an "I Remember" item, just neat and small like three or four sentences. For example: As a child of 6-7, in 1943-1944, I remember the German Prisoners of War who were in North Carolina working the farms.

That started a dialog. I received the following comments from Cousins as indicated:

Claire Cashwell

Hi Everyone: I found a book written on the history of Robersonville, NC where there was a brief discussion of the German prisoners of war and the first African American Mayor of the city.

Vera House

World war 2 and food stamps and war bonds and as a child gathering scrap for the war effort.

Charlie Gann

In the Summer of 1943 we lived near a railroad track. Trains were common carrying war equipment. There were covers on everything but even us children (I was six that year) could tell what was under the covers. Great security. I remember the ration books for most staples especially sugar, gasoline, tires and the paper mills for tax purposes. The mills were made of different colored paper and had a hole in the center, the amounts I remember were 5 mils and 10 mils there may have been more. I remember getting to knead the margarine until it was the color of butter.

Claire Cashwell again.

I pulled information from the book and the information can also be found at East Carolina University.

WWII Prisoner of War Camp, Williamston, N.C., 1943-1945

Source: [Francis M. Manning Collection, East Carolina Manuscript Collection #488](#)

Staff Person: Martha Elmore

Description: By 1943, the U.S. government had thousands of Italian and German prisoners who were in need of housing in areas away from the war theatre for security purposes. It was decided to bring the prisoners to the United States and house them in POW camps, which solved the security problem and eased the economic problem of feeding and clothing the prisoners in overseas prisons. Eventually there were one hundred camps set up throughout the nation which housed a total of 130,000 German and 50,000 Italian prisoners of war. North Carolina had fifteen branch camps and two base camps. The original inhabitants at this camp were Italians, but after assimilation problems they were replaced by German prisoners in the spring of 1944. The German prisoners participated in work release programs regulated according to the Geneva Convention rules and they were paid for their labor. Many of the prisoners worked as farm laborers and they proved to be hard workers. Most accounts of the time indicate that the prisoners and the Martin County residents worked out a successful working relationship that also involved culture exchanges. The photograph below is one of several of the Williamston POW camp found in this collection and is believed to have been taken by Eugene Rice.



Click on the image to see an enlarged version.

Sources for this description were an article written by Elizabeth Roberson titled "Our Friends the Enemy" that appeared in the August 1984 issue of *The State* magazine and an article by Iris N. Cooke titled "World War II Prisoner of War Camp" in the *Martin County Heritage* book. These publications can be found in the North Carolina Collection.

Francis M. Manning (1903-1982) was the longtime editor of the Williamston *Enterprise* and the Robersonville *Weekly Herald*. For more information concerning the Francis M. Manning Collection, go to <http://digital.lib.ecu.edu/special/ead/findingaids/0488/>.

Claire's comments: There was no information regarding what happened to them [the prisoners]. I have been searching for this tidbit for several years now and has been unsuccessful.

Claire also said that her grandmother on her father's side was a Peele. That would have been my 1st cousin Sarah Jean Peele.

Sarah Jean¹² Peele (Merritt¹¹, George Robinson¹⁰, William "Bill"⁹ Peelle, Robert⁸, David⁷, Robert⁶, Robert⁵, Robert⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹) was born 05 Jan 1926 in Marlboro Co., SC, and died 30 Apr 2009 in Bennettsville, SC. She married (1) **Joseph Dwight Cashwell** Bef. 1948. He was born Abt. 1926.

Oddly enough the author of the document above, Francis M. Manning is also a cousin, he is my 7th cousin once removed. Small world. Are we all kin?

1. **Francis Marion¹¹ Manning** (Sarah Margaret¹⁰ Roberson, *Sarah Ann "Sallie"⁹ Peel*, Noah⁸ Peal, Colonel, Thomas⁷, John⁶, Robert⁵ Peelle, William⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹) was born 20 Aug 1903 in Martin Co., NC⁴. He married **Lillian Alexander Sample** 18 Oct 1930. She was born Abt. 1908. They have two children; Sarah¹² Manning, born 25 Nov 1932, and Mary Manning, born 14 Dec 1934.

Emails from Cousins

Diane Walls, the past Editor of Lawrence:

Yuck!!!! My computer is very sick and has to go in the hospital! It will probably be there for about a week or so. I figured while I was out having surgery for my eyes (cataracts) will be a good time to put it in the hospital. Both of us will be down! :-)
Anyway, it will be down and I will not be able to receive your emails during this time. If you could wait and send it till I let you know I'm back up, then that would be great. Or, if not, then I will respond to your email when I get back on line. Thanks a lot! Love,
Diane

Diane, we hope that your cataract surgery went well and everything looks better with your new eyes. Horace



Sam Davis

Dear Lawrence,

Just a reminder that the 75th annual Peal Family Reunion will be held at Camp Ben McCollough in Driftwood, TX. on Sat. and Sun., June 2nd and 3rd [2012]. I plan to be

there, and we are hoping to generate some interest from the younger family members in the event, which has been losing steam in the last 10 years.

Here's hoping for some good rains for you all. Our cousins who ranch are thinning their herds, with square bales at \$11 can't last much longer. Best wishes, Sam Davis

In a separate email, I asked if he had a contact number?

Dear Horace,

I do not have a contact number. The Peal's have been meeting in and around Driftwood TX, mostly the descendants of the 16 children of John Bennett Peal and Mary Elizabeth Webb, born between 1857 and 1885. My great grandmother, Juba Ann, married Shook, was the third child, 2nd daughter of that union.

I was hoping that you, me, and some of the Peal family could meet during the reunion to talk over the possible links between our families. I am still trying to understand how John Peal made his way to Martin County, was it from England or from Nansemond Co VA. I just haven't found any firm links from VA and his birth there. Sam

John Bennett Peal, born 1834, was the youngest child of Henry Peal (1790-1841) and Prudence Tice (?-1834) from Griffins Township., Martin County, NC. His mother died during or shortly after his birth. If you are related, join the reunion next year!

Short Family Obits

Muriel (Wheeler) Peele, 92 died 19 July 2011, she was the wife of Donald Woodrow Peele (1916-2005) of Springfield, Missouri.

Harold Ross Peele, 79, died July 26, 2011. He was the son Stephen Henry Peele and Ardelia Lamm of Wilson County, NC. Survived by his wife Jean Reams and children.

Eva Margie (Peele) Pittman, 83, died July 6, 2011. She was the daughter of Robert Louis Peele (1890-1961) and Vanie Elizabeth Bailey (1896-1971) of Wilson County, NC.

History Moments

History Moments. More on Quakers Robert Peelle (1635) and his son Robert (1657) who lived in Nansemond County, Virginia and attended the Chuckatuck Monthly Meeting.

20 Apr 1685 **Richard Watridge** patented 100 acres in the Lower Parish of Nansemond County, VA adjoining **Robert Peele's** 50 acres, William Coffield, John Granberry & Mr. James Lockhart for transporting 2 persons (not named). (Virginia Department of Archives, Patent Book 7, Page 453)

11 Mar 1689 Edward Belson of Nanzemund in Virginia and Joan Riddick the daughter of Robart Ridick of the same county did make publication of their Intentions of marriage before a meeting of friends men & women at ye howse of Alice

Hollowell upon ye ninth day of the third month last past and coming before the Meeting the second time at the howse of John Scott on the Eleventh day of this Instant they did publish their Marriage againe and were there married on this 11th day of ye 5 moth 1689. Edmond Belson, Jean Ridick. Wit: John Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Elizabeth Ridick, Sam. Coward, Mary Ridick, Thomas Bullard, John Evans, Thomas Duke, Nathan Newby, Frances Mace, Thomas Jordan, Eve Belonge, **Robert Peelle**, Thomas Page, Thomas Coward, John Small, Robert Montgumry, Robert Jones, Henry Hackly, Richard Ratliff, William Scott, John Jordan, Margaret Jordan, James Jordan, Elizabeth Newby. [**Robert Peelle (1635)** witnessed the Quaker wedding of his neighbor Edward Belson and Joan Riddick of Nansemond County at the Chuckatuck Monthly Meeting.] (Early Quaker Records in Virginia, Compiled by Miles White, Jr., Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore, MD, 1977, Page 17. Publications of Southern History Association, Volume VI, Page 308.)

10 May 1690 **Robert Peelle (1657) younger and Robert Peelle (1635) elder** witnessed the Quaker wedding of their neighbor Robert Jordan and Mary Belson of Nansemond County at the Chuckatuck Monthly Meeting. (Publications of Southern History Association, Volume VI, Page 304.)

29 Apr 1693 **John Chilcot** patented 220 acres in the Lower Parish of Nansemond County, VA at the head of Bennett's Creek adjoining **Robert Peale [Peelle]** & towards the land of Colonel Carter. This land was granted to William Coffield & John Granberry on 24 April 1682 and was deserted & now granted by order &c for importing of 5 persons: Thomas Hinton, John Ager, Joseph lane, Daniel Maple, John Colledge. (Virginia Department of Archives, Patent Book 8, Page 279.)

13 Oct 1694 **Robert Peale [Peelle]** was a Justice of Peace for Nansemond County, VA as such he witnessed a power of attorney given by James Alexander to Major Alexander Lillington of North Carolina. [**This is Robert Peelle born 1635, see 1714 entry.**] (North Carolina Higher Court Records 1670-1696, Mattie E. Parker, Page 103.)

1714 **Robert Peale** is listed in the Quorum [longest term of appointment] as a Justice of the Peace in Nansemond County, VA [**This is Robert Peelle born 1635, see 1694 entry.**] (Photostat filed at the Library of Virginia - "The Present State of Virginia for the Year with respect to the Countys in particular" Acc.21587; the original is in the Public Record Office, Colonial Office 5, volume 1317 #365 according to the Sainsbury Transcripts - Library of Congress, Page 152.)

Misleading Information

Many times one finds some document that proves to have errors created by incomplete research. The following is one example and if you have used this document in your research, please correct the errors indicated.

THE ROBERT PEEL FAMILY OF SLEEPY CREEK

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Robert Peel, Sr. was born in 1635 in England. He died in Nausemond County, Virginia in 1694. One of his sons was Robert Peel, Jr., who was born in 1657. He married Sarah Jarret. They had several children among whom was Robert Peel III, who was born in 1681 in Nausemond County. His father had died in 1703. Robert III married Judith Edwards. Both died in Virginia; Robert III in 1748. One of their sons, Robert Peel IV was born on June 29, 1709 in Nausemond County, but he died on July 13, 1782 in Northampton County, N.C. He had been married twice. His second wife, Charity Dickinson, was born in Bertie County in 1730. They were married on June 1, 1750 and she died on Nov. 11, 1774 in Northampton County.

One of Robert Peel IV and Charity Peel's children was David. He was born in 1750. He married Mollie Wood and apparently they later moved to what is presently Wayne County. He died in 1804 near Mt. Olive. Their son, John Peel, was born in Dobbs County in 1785 and he died in Indian Springs in 1849. In 1815 David had married Patricia Menshew who was born in Wayne County in 1790. They had six children: Robert, Percy, Elizabeth, Zilphia, James and Sarah. Patricia died in 1856 in Indian Springs. Their son, Robert Peel V, became a prominent citizen of Wayne County. (A description of Robert Peel V and his home follows.)

Robert Peel V was born Jan. 18, 1818 in Wayne County and died on May 1, 1885 at his home. In 1838 he married Eliza Pipkin. Eliza was from a distinguished local family. She was born on March 2, 1822 and died on April 16, 1907. Husband and wife were buried in the flower garden behind the Peel House at Sleepy Creek. They were the parents of ten children: John, William, Elizabeth, Robert, James, Julia, Marena, Hepzebiah, Henrietta, and Eliza Jane.

Julia Catherine Peel was born on Nov. 18, 1849 in the Peel House at Sleepy Creek. On Jan. 21, 1869 she married William Vernon Holmes and they settled in Indian Springs. They had seven children: Robert, James, Eva, Sally Eliza, Julia Catherine, and infant, and Bettie. Julia C. Peel and William Vernon Holmes were buried in Mt. Olive. Julia had died on Jan. 1, 1920 in the home of her son in Mt. Olive. (See article on Robert Peel Holmes, Sr. Family for continuation of the Peel-Holmes Live.)

Sources: Family Bible, Quaker records, wills, deeds and grants, 1880 census, family cemeteries, letters, genealogical records of Mrs. Julia Griffin Sasser, and personal knowledge.

— Elisabeth Wooten Holmes
Mary Holmes Borgognoni

Article 756-A, page 380, of the North Carolina Wayne County Heritage Book contains several errors which need correction.

- The surname was spelled "Peelle" not "Peel"
- It is not proven that Robert-1635 was born in England.
- Robert-1635 died after 1714.
- Robert-1657 died after 1749, it was his wife Sarah who died in 1703.
- Robert-1681 died after January 17, 1756.
- Judith Edward's will is filed in Northampton County, NC, where she died in 1756.
- Robert-1709 asked permission in 1750 from Piney Woods Monthly Meeting to go back to Virginia to marry. Charity was born in Virginia and was living there at the time of their marriage.
- David, the first-born son of Charity, was born 10 Oct 1751, not in 1750.
- David married Mary "Molly" Woodard, daughter of Thomas Woodard and Lydia Langston.
- David-1751 and wife Mary moved south of Mt Olive in Wayne County where David-1751 died in either 1803-04.
- John, the son of David-1751 married Patricia Minshe in 1815, not David as stated above.

Some genealogists have David-1751, son of Robert-1709, and David-1754, the son of Robert-1730, as the same person and some have him with two wives.

There are several problems trying to combine these families.

- Mary Woodard, wife of David-1751 did not have any children after 1791, having died soon thereafter. David-1754 and Priscilla had their first child James was born in 1794. The last child of David-1754 and Priscilla was born in 1805, long after David-1751 had died.
- The final proof that there were two Davids is in the 1807 will of Robert-1730 who outlived his son David-1754 who died in April 1807. Grandfather Robert-1730 left one hundred silver dollars to his grandson Fletcher Peelle, son of David deceased.

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