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

## From The Editor

What can I say about the last three months other than as a winter, it has been strange! Even our friends in New York state are complaining.

The Texas weather has been very unusual. Some years I get to plant my garden by the 1st of February, not this year. I just got it planted around the 1st of March. Now in early April, the garden looks great but there is a cold spell going through with temperatures down to 40 degrees for a couple of mornings.

Trish and I have our summer vacation planned back to Europe. We leave early June. By going earlier we should see some beautiful early flowers that are not blooming in July. We shall be gone two months with one week on Italy and another in Switzerland. We usually drive about 3000 miles while in Europe.



Maggie

We have another great grandchildren with the birth of Magnolia June "Maggie" Gabbert on February 15, 2018. Awesome head of black hair, beautiful. She is the daughter of our daughter Julie's daughter Rachael (Hensley) Gabbert and her husband Chad.

Around the house, we had our annual Easter Egg hunt for our other little ones. We recently had nephews visiting, Jerry and Lannis Ethridge and their wives from North Carolina and from England our nephew Guy Warmoth. We really enjoyed their first time visit to our home.

It continues to get harder and harder to put the newsletter together. My wife ask why do I include so many obituaries, I told her that since I have published the books, that I have run out of articles. Obituaries are plentiful since so many of us are dying. So if you have an article for the next newsletter, please send it to me. I would love to have some old family stories of our heroes that have gone before us or just great articles. There will come a point in time that I will just have to end the newsletter. I have said that before but it is getting closer as I get older.



Trish Peele

I continue to wonder about our country, so many young folks do not understand the values that we were taught when we were youngsters. It is annoying to see how our country has changed. For us older ones, we lived in the "better" times. The lack of respect for our office leaders is alarming. I do not think it will change back.

Until next time, I pray that each of you continue in good health and that God blesses you in all your endeavors.



H.B. Peele

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# *Family Finder DNA*

## **Are you Scandinavian?**

On the recommendation of Cousin Don Kincaid, my wife Trish and I both paid for the “Family Finder” DNA test with FamilyTreeDNA.com. The results were funny to me, I had a good laugh, but the results were also supportive of our Peele ancestry as shown in my book, the ***Peele Heritage***.

It is a very enlightening DNA test in that as part of the results, FamilyTreeDNA.com provides you, the customer, with online links to other customers who have taken the test and who reasonably match your DNA by sheer numbers of matching markers. FamilyTreeDNA.com displays the names of those, who have been tested, that may be for example, your 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> cousins, 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Cousins, etc. This is based upon simple logic by matching their DNA markers to your DNA markers. The more the markers match, the better the chance of a positive match to the same family.

My wife Trish is English. Her parents were diehard European. Her father, Federick Harritt, was born in England and was 100% English. Her mother, Margaritha Bertha Wilhelmina Mary Scheuber, was born in Switzerland and was 50% Swiss (father) and 50% Irish (mother). From family Finder DNA, I expected her origin to be 100% European.

On the other hand, I am a twelfth generation born American. I did not know what to expect as my origins. But remember we come from Lawrence who came from England in 1620, so I thought I should have some European DNA, but how much?

For those who have my books, remember that Chapter 1 of the ***Peele Heritage*** is a reprint of Sir Jonathan Peel’s “The Peels, a Family Sketch” written in 1877. In it, Sir Jonathan Peel tells that the Peele family of England came from a Danish Chieftain (Warlord) named Ligulf who came to England in 994 with King Sweyn, King of Denmark. A quote from page 10 of the Peele Heritage book:

Ligulf seems to have been one of a considerable number of Sweyn’s followers, who after the king’s departure in 996 or 997, remained behind and settled peacefully in the north, where settlements of their countrymen, with rights and laws expressly reserved to them by Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, had long existed. The northmen became rich and powerful, and were held in fear by the Anglo-Saxons, who spoke of them as the “Lords Danes”. Ligulf acquired lands which afterwards constituted the manors of Bolton-Juxta-Bolland, Brunesford, Triborge, Dalton, Malcheton, and several others, all in the West Riding of the County of York. He died in the time of King Canute the Great [1016-1035], and left with other children, two sons, Turchil and Dunstan, who were joint Lords of Tadcaster in the reign of Edward the Confessor, and the ancestors of several English families, some of which are still in existence.

For clarification, King Canute the Great was the son of King Sweyn Forkbeard who came to England in 994. He reigned over England from 1016 – 1035, Denmark from 1018 – 1035, and over Norway from 1028 – 1035. King Canute’s birthdate is unknown but estimated between 985 and 995.

As shown in The English Family Tree in Chapter 2 of the Peele Heritage, there are several prominent families that descent from Ligulf once surnames became common, those being Bolton, Remington, Midhope, and of course our family line -- Peele. That heritage makes these family lines descendants of Scandinavians.

Back to the DNA. Trish and I got our results. Mine came first since I had other DNA tests previously performed and the company had my DNA on file. We had to swath Trish's DNA sample and send it which took several weeks to get the results. I had peeked at my results but waited with anticipation for my wife's results.

We received an email saying that Trish's result were now complete. Together we looked at the web site, logging in one at a time. We went into Trish's account first to get her results and jotted down some interesting notes. There are several clickable buttons on the web site for obtaining information on each test. Two of which are MyOrigins and AncientOrigins. Then we checked mine.

WOW! This just blew me away. We looked together in amazement. Trish is only 98% European and I am 99% European. I am more European than my wife who was born in England from European parents.

One of the buttons is for "MyOrigins" – click. Here is a chart showing our differences in Geographic locations:

<b>MyOrigins</b>	<b>Trish</b>	<b>Horace</b>
British Isles	83%	53%
East Europe	15%	4%
West & Central Europe		17%
Southeast Europe	<1%	
West Middle East	<1%	
East Middle East	<1%	
Undetermined		<1%
<b>Scandinavian</b>		<b>25%</b>

Another button "AncientOrigins" - click. The following chart shows life style of our ancestors:

<b>AncientOrigins</b>	<b>Trish</b>	<b>Horace</b>
Metal Age Invader	13%	10%
Farmer	42%	42%
Hunter-Gatherer	44%	48%

The 25% Scandinavian DNA in my bloodline supports the Ligulf-Danish Warlord theory and supports connecting the Peele family of America to that of England. We do not know where we connect yet but truly, DNA is telling us that we come from the line as documented by Sir Johnathan Peel in 1877.

But I still find it both amazing and amusing that the old country farm boy from North Carolina is more European than the lovely lady that I traveled all the way around the world to find and marry!!! I tease her hard about this one!

But there is even yet another mystery which we have not investigated. The Family Finder DNA results gives each person a list of other people who have close DNA matches. While logged into my wife's account, I used the mouse to traverse the long list of potential cousins and

spotted a cousin of my own listed for her. I spotted the record for Victoria Rigdon Haley listing her as a possible 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> cousin of my wife. I stopped immediately and checked my own database. I am a 5<sup>th</sup> cousin to Victoria through the Peel family in Georgia.

I contacted Victoria and she sent me a link to her family tree. But I have yet had time to explore. How are Victoria and Trish related?

If you are interested and I am not pushing or advertising for Family Tree DNA, but it is enlightening to see the results of this test. Try it, you may have fun with it trying to contact all the potential cousins and asking them who there are connected to in your family? Great time consuming adventure!

## *Emails From Cousins*

I received a nice letter from Cousin Frank Manning Peele about the death of his brother James Bailey “Jimmy” Peele, Jr. He enclosed a copy of the obituary. Frank said that he and his wife have settled into their new villa at Westminster Canterbury on the Chesapeake Bay – VA Beach. “A Very good move! We love it!”

As in many families, Frank is now the last of his immediate family. Likewise, my immediate family is down to just Marvin and I. Recently, Marvin was in the hospital with congestive heart failure. He recovered and went home with a prescription for the lifesaving “water pills.” That is what my Mother “Miss Annie” used to call them. She always asked “how can such a little pill make you go water?”

## *Family Obituaries*



*Jimmy Peele*

Williamston, NC. **James Bailey “Jimmy” Peele, Jr.**, 82, passed away peacefully in Vidant Bertie Hospital on Saturday morning, February 17, 2018. Jimmy was born in Williamston, NC, the son of the late James baily Peele, Sr. and Christine Manning Peele. He was predeceased by his wife, Lucille Lee Peele, and his beloved younger sister, Nancy Peele.

He is survived by a brother, Frank Manning Peele (Louise) of Virginia Beach, son, James Bailey “Jimbo” Peele, III (Fran), two daughters, Jan Peele Revels (Frankie), Julie Peele Hyman (Bob), step-daughters, Renee Perry (Brian), Michelle Smithson; grandchildren, Amy Jo Roberson, James Cody Peele (Candace), Jason Revels (Pam), Michael Revels (Rebecca), Brooke Hyman and Benjamin Hyman; step-grandchildren, Bradley Smithson, Amber Williams (Michael) Haley Perry, Haley, Brooke, and Morgan Bonds, seven great grandchildren and a sister-in-law, Janie Rogerson.

Jimmy spent most of his life in Williamston, growing up and working around the automobile business at the Charles H. Jenkins Motor Company where his father was the General Manager. Jimmy from an early age could identify the make, model and year of any car. He followed his dad to Washington, NC, in the automobile business and later returned to Williamston as an independent dealer. After his retirement, he continued to enjoy helping and working with his friends who were local automobile dealers. He also loved spending time with family and friends

at the family cottage at Pamlico Beach.

Jimmy was a lifetime member of the First Christian Church in Williamston.

A visitation was held on Sunday, February 18, from 600-7:30 P.m. at the Walker Funeral Home, 414 N. Haughton Street, Williamston and other times at 214 Marshall Ave. A graveside service was held on Monday, February 19 at Woodlawn Cemetery at 11:00 a.m.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Nancy Peele Memorial Scholarship c/o UNC Lenoir Memorial Foundation, 100 Airport Road, Kinston, NC 28501 or the Williamston Fire Rescue EMS Dept., 901 Washington Street, Williamstown, NC 27892. Paid obituary. (Contributed by his brother Frank manning Peele0

Genealogical Line -- 11<sup>th</sup> generation to Lawrence: **James Bailey "Jimmy"<sup>11</sup> Peele, Jr.** (James Bailey<sup>10</sup>, Claude Bailey<sup>9</sup>, Andrew "Drew"<sup>8</sup>, William H.<sup>7</sup> Peelle, Josiah<sup>6</sup>, Joshua<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>) [Frank and Jimmy are my 6<sup>th</sup> cousin once removed.]



*Mary McDonald*

**Mrs. Mary Falls Peele McDonald**, age 96 of Laurinburg, passed away in her home at Scotia Village on Tuesday, February 20, 2018.

Mary was a daughter of the late Luther Martin Peele, Sr., and Mary Susanna Falls Peele. She was born November 19, 1921 in Laurel Hill, North Carolina. She graduated from Gibson High School in the class of 1938 and earned her Bachelor of Science Degree in Home Economics from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro in 1942.

She later continued with her education earning a Master of Science in Home Economics focusing on Nutrition and Education in 1978 at Hunter College in New York.

In 1944, Mary married her devoted husband, James Norman McDonald, Sr., from Laurinburg. They resided in Larchmont, New York, where they lovingly raised their family together until his death in 1969. They were faithful members of the Larchmont Avenue Presbyterian Church where Mary served over 53 years in various capacities, including Sunday School Teacher, Superintendent of Christian Education, Chairperson of numerous committees, Elder, Trustee, Commissioner to the Presbytery and Clerk of Session.

Mary enjoyed her work for the Westchester County Department of Social Services as a Home Economist / Social Worker from 1973 until 1979. For 11 years, she was appointed by the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences as a Non-Governmental Organization member to the United Nations where she contributed to the Youth Committee, Peace University Committee and Nutrition Committee through UNICEF. From 1988 until 1994 she was Appointed Human Rights Commissioner for the Town of Mamaroneck, NY and chaired the Children's Committee, a sub-committee of the Forum on Homelessness.

During her career and in outstanding service to her community, Mary was honored with many awards including the New York State Home Economics Spotlight Award, First Human Rights Award given from three municipalities honoring Martin Luther King, Jr., Community Service Award for the 40th Anniversary of the Junior League of Westchester on the Sound, Award from the Westchester County Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect, YWCA Spirit Award in White Plains, New York, and the Alumni Distinguished Services Award, UNC – Greensboro.

She moved to Laurinburg in 2012 where she enjoyed residing at Scotia Village. Mary, who forever will be missed, is a beloved mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, aunt and friend to many.

Along with her parents, she is preceded in death by her husband, James McDonald, Sr., and son, James McDonald, Jr.; sister, Martha P. Brown and brother, Billy Peele.

Mary leaves behind her daughters, Martha McDonald Jakubiak (Arthur Jakubiak) of Harwinton, CT and Elizabeth McDonald Leaverton (Michael Leaverton) of Aurora, CO; sister, **Adele Clark** of Laurinburg, sister-in-law, Niley McDonald Carter of Huntsville, AL; her six grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

The Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be at 11 AM on Saturday, February 24th, at Scotia Village conducted by Rev. Linda Nelson and Rev. Allen Winters. The family will receive friends following the service at Scotia Village.

Donations may be made to Larchmont Avenue Presbyterian Church, Larchmont, New York, or to Scotland Regional Hospice.

Genealogical Line — 12<sup>th</sup> generation to Lawrence: **Mary Falls<sup>12</sup> Peele** (Luther Martin<sup>11</sup>, Benjamin Franklin<sup>10</sup>, William "Bill"<sup>9</sup> Peelle, Robert<sup>8</sup>, David<sup>7</sup>, Robert<sup>6</sup>, Robert<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>). [Mary is my half second cousin. We both descend from William Bill Peele but from different wives.]

I was curious about the older surviving sister "Adele Clark of Laurinburg" as stated in the obituary. I looked at my data base and made a guess that she may also be living in the Scotia Village. I called the Scotia Village and they connected me to Adele. Adele had her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January. We spoke briefly, I wished her Happy Birthday. I wanted to know if anyone had written an article on her for her birthday but did not find one. Adele told me that she was real busy planning her sisters funeral.

My friend Carol Braswell from Laurinburg went to see her. Carol reported that Adele has a sharp mind and is very alert. God does bless some of us with long lives. Adele, like my mother, both reached 100. My brother Marvin will be 94 in August. And many of you have received this same blessing of longevity from God. God bless you all.



*Nan Peel Arick*

**Patricia Nan (Peel) Arick**, 83 of Brooksville, FL, passed away March 11, 2018. She was born in Chipley, Florida [on Feb 21, 1935]. Pat is Baptist by faith and a member of the First Baptist Church of Brooksville where she was actively involved with her church family and enjoyed singing with the choir.

Patricia graduated with a Bachelors Science in Nursing, and with a Masters in Public Health from the University of South Florida. She worked as the Director of Nurses at the Brooksville Health Department retiring in 1995. She enjoyed gardening, sewing, and traveling with her beloved husband and family. She is predeceased by her parents, John Peel and Lillian (Nelson) Peel; grandson, Bobby Arick MacArthur, and sisters, Carrie Williams, Sarah Gray, Irma Hooks and Iduma Jones; brother, Herbert Peel.

She is survived by her husband of 60 years, Augustus Arick "A.W." of Brooksville; sons, Alan



Arick and his wife, Sally and Todd Arick and his wife, Judy all of Brooksville; daughters, Sharon Arick of Brooksville and Kathy Burrell and her husband, Terry of Weeki Wachee; brother, Jerome Peel of Monticello; sister, Xuripha Rutan of St. Petersburg; 13 grandchildren, Cindy (Jason), Adam, Megan, Tiffany, Nicole (Chris), Audrey, Jennifer, Paul Thomas, Jr., Paul John (Alison), Terence, Madisyn, Melissa (Donald) and Erle, III (Patricia); 23 great-grandchildren, Savannah, Emmah, Noah, Kaihlani, Kinsley, Angelic, Savannah-Sue, Cole, Liliana, Chaz, Jessilyn, Madelyn, Ryleigh, James, Jordan, Carson, Alexis, Brayden, Skye, Jada, Kylee, Lana, and Jaxon; loving family and friends.

Genealogical Line — 11<sup>th</sup> generation to Lawrence: **Patricia Nan<sup>11</sup> Peel** (John Franklin<sup>10</sup>, Benjamin Franklin "Ben"<sup>9</sup>, James Mack Edmund<sup>8</sup>, Mills<sup>7</sup> Peelle, Dempsey<sup>6</sup>, Robert<sup>5</sup>, William<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>) [Nan was my 7<sup>th</sup> cousin once removed.]



Naples, FL. **Henry Thomas Peele**. Our beloved brother, father, grandfather, uncle, and friend entered into eternal life Sunday, March 11, 2018 at his home. Henry was also known to many as Tom or Tommy. His family moved to Collier County [Florida] in 1956 from North Carolina.

Born October 29, 1950 in Newark, Ohio, Tom graduated from Naples High School in 1969 and served his country in the U.S. Army stationed in the Panama Canal Zone. He worked for years in Mobile, Alabama as sales manager at Bay Chevrolet.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Peele; and brother, Jerry Peele, all of Naples, Florida. He was also preceded in death by grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Wright of Ohio and Mr. and Mrs. Belton J. Peele of North Carolina.

He is survived by his brother, Randy Peele; and sisters, Charlotte Nash, Sharon Miller, and Nancy South. He is also survived by his children, Brian Peele, Celeste Sheeder, and Monica Clore; five grandchildren, Juelz Peele, Wyatt Clore, Alex Clore, Madden Sheeder, and Jayceon Peele; and several nieces and nephews.

A viewing and service will be held from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. on Friday, March 16, 2018 at Fuller Funeral Home, 1625 Pine Ridge Road, Naples.

Tom, we love you so much! You will forever be in our hearts! Until we meet again in Heaven, rest in peace.

Genealogical Line — 13<sup>th</sup> generation to Lawrence: **Henry Thomas<sup>13</sup> Peele** (Henry Thomas<sup>12</sup>, Belton John<sup>11</sup>, John J.<sup>10</sup> Peelle, William "Bill"<sup>9</sup>, Robert<sup>8</sup>, David<sup>7</sup>, Robert<sup>6</sup>, Robert<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>) [Henry was my 2<sup>nd</sup> cousin once removed.]



*Johnny Peele*

**John L. "Johnny" Peele** of Sunset Beach [North Carolina] died in his home surrounded by his family Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017. He was 70.

John was a dedicated family man. He is survived by his wife of almost 51 years, Jean R. Peele of Sunset Beach; and three children, Melissa Helton (Neil Joyner) of Wake Forest, Julie Davidson (Kevin Davidson) of Willow Spring and Brandon Peele of Willow Spring; his six grandchildren, Zane Helton, Kennedy Helton, Cole Davidson, Ephraim Peele, Wyatt Peele and Hannah Peele; and his puppy, Chuck.

John was born March 29, 1947, in Hamlet. He is preceded in death by his parents, Alvin and Jane Peele, and sisters, Mildred Belton, Rhunell Hodges and Dorthy Earp. He has one surviving sister, Martha Byrd.

John loved boating, fishing, hosting cookouts and spending time with many friends and family. John served two tours in Vietnam and was awarded two campaign medals, a Vietnam Service Medal and an honorable discharge from the U.S. Navy. John continued his dedication to his country as a past commander of American Legion Post 49 and lifetime member of the VFW. John retired after 30 years as a locomotive engineer from CSX Railroad.

A funeral is scheduled for 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 6, at the River of Life Baptist Church. Burial will be in Brunswick Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 5, at Brunswick Funeral Service, Shallotte.

Memorials may be sent to River of Life Church, 8411 Ocean Highway W., Ocean Isle Beach, NC 28469.

Online condolences may be sent to [www.brunswickfuneralservice.com](http://www.brunswickfuneralservice.com). Brunswick Funeral Service, Shallotte.

Genealogical Line -- 12<sup>th</sup> generation to Lawrence: **John Lloyd "Johnny"<sup>12</sup> Peele** (John Alvin<sup>1</sup>, John J.<sup>10</sup> Peelle, William "Bill"<sup>9</sup>, Robert<sup>8</sup>, David<sup>7</sup>, Robert<sup>6</sup>, Robert<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>) [Johnny was my 2<sup>nd</sup> cousin, born in my hometown.]

## *Zion's Landmark*

Zion's Landmark is The Primitive Baptist newsletter published from 1867-2012 by the P. D. Gold Publishing Company in Wilson, NC. Articles from Zions have been contributed by Cousin J. Robert "Bobby" Boykin of Wilson. The style of writing in Zion's Landmark is filled with neat old style phrases. The following article was published September 1, 1947.



*Ephraim Peel*

**Ephraim Peel**, son of Noah and Millie Ann Roberson Peel, was born June 22, 1872, and died April 20, 1947, making his stay on earth 74 years, 10 months, and 28 days.

He united with the church Saturday before the second Sunday in October, 1928, and was baptized by Elder J. W. Rogerson.

He was married in early manhood to Lydia Margaret Roberson. To this union were born three children, Caddie, George and Essie Peel.

Brother Peel, following a line of worthy ancestors, lived a noble life, one above reproach, a man useful in his neighborhood, his church and his country, hating no one and loving everybody, ever regarding himself as a stranger and a pilgrim on earth, and looking for a city which has foundations whose maker and builder is God.

He often expressed himself to the writer that he knew his journey on earth was almost ended, but he would not have it otherwise, and would not change it if he could, that he felt to be as well prepared to go as he ever would be, and that God was all his salvation and all his desire.



Brother Peel was badly afflicted in his last years, from having a broken thigh which never healed sufficiently so that he could ever walk without crutches. This affliction impaired his usefulness in visiting the churches, which he loved so much to do. With this affliction, which seemed so grievous, he did not murmur nor complain, but like a true soldier of the Cross he endured all things as seeing Him who is invisible.

A great man in Israel has fallen, one whom we did not want to part company with, but he had served his generation faithfully, lovingly, without reward or hope of reward, but with him it was a labor of love. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, yea, henceforth, sayeth the Sprit – they rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

B. S. Cowin

Genealogical Line -- 9<sup>th</sup> generation to Lawrence: **George Ephraim<sup>9</sup> Peel** (Noah<sup>8</sup> Peel, Colonel, Thomas<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Robert<sup>5</sup> Peelle, William<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>) was born 22 Jun 1872 in Martin Co., NC<sup>1</sup>, and died 20 Apr 1947 in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC. He married **Lydia Margaret Roberson** 15 Jan 1896. She was born 30 Jan 1873 in Martin Co., NC, and died 17 Apr 1970 in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC. I show another unnamed female married to a Mr. Griffin. I do not know if this is a duplicate of Essie Marie Peel below. Does anyone know? Also George Marion Peel married his third cousin, Lillian Peele, daughter of Charles Peele and Crissie Peele. Lillian's parents were 1<sup>st</sup> cousins once removed.

Children of George Peel and Lydia Roberson are:

- 2 i. Caddie<sup>10</sup> Peel, born 08 Oct 1899. She married Noah Reddick Peel; born 26 Nov 1888 in Martin Co., NC<sup>2</sup>; died 18 Jan 1957 in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC.
- 3 ii. [Ms] Peel, born Abt. 1900. She married [Mr] Griffin.
- 4 iii. George Marion Peel, born 06 Jun 1905 in Griffins Twp., Martin Co., NC; died 23 Oct 2001 in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC. He married Lillian Melissa Peele 13 Sep 1925; born 05 Mar 1908 in Griffins Twp., Martin Co., NC<sup>3</sup>; died 08 Oct 2002 in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC.
- 5 iv. Essie Marie Peel, born 10 Nov 1911; died 20 Nov 1986. She married Elbert Wilson Griffin 28 Dec 1935; born 10 Feb 1908; died 06 Dec 1963.

According to one family tree on Ancestry.com, George Ephraim Peel had 18 brothers and seven sisters for a total of 26 siblings in the family. I only have 21 of those 26 in this family. He was the youngest sibling. If anyone can provide the missing siblings, please contact me. Some folks disagree with the connection of Noah Peel's grandfather John Peel (1750-1836) to Robert Peelle (1712-1782). See the Peele Chronicles for my justification. Here is my tree for Colonel Naoh Peel:

## ***Descendants of Noah Peel, Colonel***

### *Generation No. 1*

1. **Noah<sup>8</sup> Peel, Colonel** (Thomas<sup>7</sup>, John<sup>6</sup>, Robert<sup>5</sup> Peelle, William<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>) was born 30 Jan 1817 in Farm Life, Griffins Twp., Martin Co., NC, and died 05 Nov 1896 in Cemetery at Corner of Hollow Pond Road and Thorough Fare Road, Martin Co., NC<sup>1</sup>. He married (1) **Sarah "Sally" Roberson** Abt. 1838, daughter of John Roberson and Winnifred Woolard. She was born 04 Sep 1819 in Martin Co., NC<sup>2</sup>, and died 29 Jul 1855 in Cemetery at

Corner of Hollow Pond Road and Thorough Fare Road, Martin Co., NC. He married **(2) Millie Ann Roberson** 1856 in Martin Co., NC, daughter of John Roberson and Penelope Stallings. She was born 12 Jan 1827 in Martin Co., NC<sup>3</sup>, and died 11 Aug 1915 in Cemetery at Corner of Hollow Pond Road and Thorough Fare Road, Martin Co., NC.

Notes for Noah Peal, Colonel:

!Colonel Noah Peal signed his will as "Peal" but his tombstone shows "Peele".

!Noah Peal became Colonel Noah Peal in the NC Militia. His plantation was raided by Union forces under the command of General John Foster in the early days of the Civil War.

Children of Noah Peal and Sarah Roberson are:

- 2 i. Asa Thomas<sup>9</sup> Peel, born 30 Sep 1839 in Griffins Twp., Martin Co., NC (Never Married)<sup>4</sup>; died 27 Sep 1914 in Griffins Twp., Martin Co., NC.
- 3 ii. Margaret Matilda Peel, born 17 Feb 1841 in Martin Co., NC<sup>4</sup>; died 15 Feb 1866. She married Harmon Thomas Roberson; born 29 Apr 1839 in Martin Co., NC<sup>5</sup>; died 18 Oct 1915<sup>5</sup>.
- 4 iii. John Edward Peel, born 25 May 1842 in Martin Co., NC (Never married)<sup>6</sup>; died 22 Oct 1907.
- 5 iv. Abram Reddick Peel, born 22 Aug 1843 in Martin Co., NC (Never married)<sup>6</sup>; died 04 Aug 1864, buried in Peele Cemetery, Road 1106, Martin Co., NC.

Notes for Abram Reddick Peel:

!Killed in Battle of the "Crater" near Petersburg, VA

- 6 v. Sarah Ann "Sally" Peal, born 01 Mar 1845 in Martin Co., NC<sup>6</sup>; died 19 Sep 1919<sup>7</sup>. She married (1) Noah Roberson; born 01 Nov 1836 in Martin Co., NC<sup>8</sup>; died 21 Feb 1914. She married (2) [Mr] Ward.
- 7 vi. Noah Staten Peel, born 27 Aug 1846 in Martin Co., NC<sup>9</sup>; died May 1918. He married Lizzie Harrell.
- 8 vii. William Hyman Peele, born 04 May 1848 in Martin Co., NC<sup>10</sup>; died 24 Jul 1911, buried in Peele Cemetery, Road 1535, Martin Co., NC. He married Martha H. Goddard; born 23 Jul 1847 in Martin Co., NC; died 08 Jul 1926, buried in Peele Cemetery, Road 1535, Martin Co., NC.

Notes for William Hyman Peele:

!Dr. Levy Smithwick Yates' skill was demonstrated by an incident that occurred some time after the Civil War. He and Dr. Jordon of Jamesville went to see a man who was injured in the log woods of Dymond City. Both men went empty handed, so far as instruments for surgery were concerned, but they found the injured man, Llewellyn Whittaker, with a crushed leg that necessitated amputation. Mr. Hyman Peele was sent to the nearest house where he got a butcher knife and a handsaw. After sharpening them, he carried the "instruments" to the doctors. The three men proceeded to take the man's leg off in the woods. Mr. Whittaker resumed work after a brief passage of time, and residents now living in Williamston recall his activities as a fish dealer for many years afterwards. (Martin County History by Francis M. Manning, 1977)

- 9 viii. Lewis W. Peele, born 08 Mar 1850 in Martin Co., NC (Never married)<sup>11</sup>; died 18 Mar 1890, buried in Tice Cemetery, Martin Co., NC.
- 10 ix. Wiley C. Peele, born 25 May 1852 in Martin Co., NC (Died as a youth)<sup>11</sup>; died 02 Oct 1861 in Peele Cemetery, Road 1535, Martin Co., NC.

- 11 x. Sylvester Peel, born 18 Feb 1853 in Martin Co., NC<sup>11</sup>; died 19 Aug 1853, buried in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC.
- 12 xi. Lawrence Bennett Peel, born 18 Jul 1855 in Martin Co., NC<sup>12</sup>; died 19 Jul 1927, buried in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC. He married Martha R. "Mattie" Woolard Oct 1879 in Martin Co., NC; born 03 Sep 1859 in Martin Co., NC; died 18 Apr 1935, buried in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC.

Notes for Lawrence Bennett Peel:

!Tombstone has "Peel" as the surname. His Father Noah signed his will as "Peal".

Children of Noah Peal and Millie Roberson are:

- 13 i. Mariam<sup>9</sup> Peal, born 15 Oct 1857 in Martin Co., NC (Never married)<sup>13</sup>; died 13 Apr 1915, buried in Peele Cemetery, Road 1535, Martin Co., NC.
- 14 ii. Elizabeth Jane "Bettie" Peal, born 13 May 1859 in Martin Co., NC<sup>13</sup>; died 23 Apr 1921. She married William Edwin Tice; born 01 May 1859; died 26 Oct 1937.
- 15 iii. Patsy Peal, born 1860 in Martin Co., NC<sup>13</sup>.
- 16 iv. Sylvester R. Peel, born 20 Jan 1861 in Martin Co., NC<sup>14</sup>; died 26 Jun 1949, buried in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC. He married Dora Stallings; born 26 Nov 1868 in Martin Co., NC; died 23 Mar 1946, buried in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC.
- 17 v. Melinda Peal, born 1862 in Martin Co., NC<sup>15</sup>; died 1862 in Martin Co., NC.
- 18 vi. Plenny Faithful Peel, born 02 Nov 1863 in Griffins Twp., Martin Co., NC<sup>16</sup>; died 07 Jan 1949, buried in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC. He married (1) Ida T. Corey 01 Dec 1895; born 14 Jul 1875 in Martin Co., NC; died 20 May 1915, buried in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC. He married (2) Rena Jackson Abt. 1916; born 20 Nov 1888 in Martin Co., NC; died 25 Jul 1953.
- 19 vii. George W. Peel, born 1865 in Martin Co., NC (Lived three weeks)<sup>17</sup>; died 1865, buried in Peele Cemetery, Road 1535, Martin Co., NC.
- 20 viii. McGilbert Peel, born 26 Dec 1867 in Martin Co., NC<sup>18</sup>; died 02 Apr 1930. He married Alice Dixon.
- 21 ix. Alexander Peel, born 22 Jun 1870 in Martin Co., NC (Never married); died 20 Oct 1941, buried in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC.
- 22 x. George Ephraim Peel, born 22 Jun 1872 in Martin Co., NC<sup>19</sup>; died 20 Apr 1947, buried in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC. He married Lydia Margaret Roberson 15 Jan 1896; born 30 Jan 1873 in Martin Co., NC; died 17 Apr 1970, buried in Tice Cemetery, Near Piney Grove Church, Martin Co., NC.

#### Endnotes

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