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My song, save this, is little worth;
I lay the weary pen aside,
And wish you health, and love, and
mirth,
As fits the solemn Christmas tide.
As fits the holy Christmas birth,
Be this, good friends, our carol
still-
Be peace on earth, be peace on
earth,
To men of gentle will.

--William Makepeace Thackeray,
from Dr. Birch and His Young Friends

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*I will honor Christmas in
my heart, and try to keep
it all the year.*

--Charles Dickens

Family News



Granddaughter **Ryan Willow Peel** was born 2 month's early to parents **Chris and Aaron Peel**. Proud grandparents are **Eddie and Dodie Peel** of West Palm Beach, Florida.

Ryan weighed 3 ½ pounds and was 15 inches long. She got to come home from the hospital around Thanksgiving and is now weighing

about 5 pounds. Ryan is the great-granddaughter of **Walter (Buck) and Geraldine Marsh Peel**, and the great-great granddaughter of **Walter, Sr. and Lena Gertrude Peel**. She is a direct descendant of **Lawrence Peelle**.

Kathleen Peterson, daughter of **Pete and Pat (Peel) Peterson** married **Michael GAUGHAN**. On **November 13th** in McGregor, MN. Kathleen is the granddaughter of **Walter and Lena Gertrude "Trudy" Messex Peel**. She is the great granddaughter of **Bennie and Rosa Bragg Peel** of Millen, Ga. She is a direct descendant of **Lawrence Peelle**.

I will be having right knee replacement surgery on January 10th, 2005. I was supposed to have it before now, but have put it off for various reasons. I would really appreciate your prayers.

My mom, Geraldine Marsh Peel, has really had a rough year. She fell, early in the year, and broke her arm. It has been a slow recovery for her. Then she had to go in the hospital with a bout with her stomach. Later, she burned her back real bad. Seems like it's been one thing right behind the other. Please keep her in your prayers

Remember cousin **John Chew** in our prayers. Since 2003 he's been fighting a battle with cancer. In 2003, they found he had lung cancer. Then, in August of this year, the Mayo Clinic removed cancer from his left kidney. He is still recovering from this. As you pray for him, maybe you could send him a get well card: *John C. Chew, 925 No. Halifax Ave, Apt 1006, Daytona Beach, FL 32018*. John is a direct descendant of Lawrence Peel though Mills and Delilah Drake Peelle who migrated from North Carolina to Burke County, GA.

Merry Christmas

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It's hard to believe that another year has gone by! Please send in your next year's subscription fee of only **\$5.00** as soon as you can. This will be the **5th year** of the **Lawrence Etc** and we are keeping the cost the same so far. The postage is 37 cents.

The cost of publishing the newsletter has gone up to a little over \$1.00 a copy. So each copy is about \$1.40, a little more than you are paying. You will still receive four copies a year, though I have been a bit late with them. (Sorry about that.) I'd like to ask you to send in family news, research you have done, and anything else you can share with the family. This is your newsletter and I'd really like to see it expand.

Make checks out to **Lawrence Etc.**

If you've paid for two years, (2004 & 2005) I have that information.

Mail your subscription fee to

DIANE PEEL WALLS

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A Salute to Our Senior Citizens

(These are the ones we know about who are about 90 or older. If you have a relative who is about 90 or older please contact me with the information so we can add their name here.)

Ruby James Peele Duggins **Nov 25, 1908** **age 95**
Daughter of Willis Peele and Annie Brown

Margaret Peele Mitchell **May 11, 1910** **age 93**
Horace's Aunt

Ruth Dosha Lorene Gann Stephens **August 10, 1912** **92**
Daughter of Edward Isom & Bertha Elma Peele Gann – aunt of Charlie Gann

Carrie Mae Peel Williams **October 16, 1915** **age 89**
Daughter of John Franklin Peel, Granddaughter of Benjamin Franklin and Martha Caroline Underwood Peel

Mailing Addresses For Our Senior Citizens

Ruby Duggins
Elm Towers, Apt 207
701 South Elm Street
High Point, NC 27370
336-889-3739



Lorene Stephens
310 ½ S Independence
Sapulpa, OK 74066

Margaret Peele Mitchell
2200 Elm Ave, Scotia Village
Laurinburg, NC 28352

Carrie Mae Peel Williams
6805 West Riverbend Road
Dunnellon, FL 34433

If you know any senior citizen (male or female) who is 90 years or older, please drop me a note, give me a call or send me an email and let me know their name, date of birth and age. I'd love to have their address too. **Their name will automatically be added to the newsletter list, at no charge.**

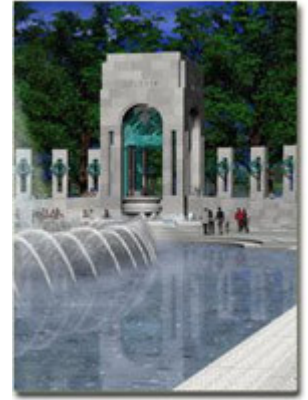
If you have an **update** about any of the above, please let me know

Do you have some family news you'd like to share? Maybe you have a favorite person you'd like to tell everyone about. Or maybe someone is having a special birthday or anniversary? Please send me the news so I can publish it in the newsletter! Also, don't forget to send in any queries you may have --- maybe we can help knock down that brick wall!!

WWII Memorial & Peele's Listed

<http://www.wwiimemorial.com/>

The World War II Memorial opened to the public on April 29, 2004 and was dedicated one month later on May 29. It is located on 17th Street, between Constitution and Independence Avenues, and is flanked by the Washington Monument to the east and the Lincoln Memorial to the west. The memorial is now operated by the National Park Service and is open to visitors 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



<http://www.wwiimemorial.com/default.asp?page=registry.asp&subpage=intro>

Here you will find the searchable WWII Registry. The memory of America's World War II generation is preserved within the physical memorial and through the World War II Registry of Remembrances, an individual listing of Americans who contributed to the war effort. Any U.S. citizen who helped win the war, whether a veteran or someone on the home front, is eligible for the Registry. Names in the Registry will be forever linked to the memorial's bronze and granite representations of their sacrifice and achievement.

The Registry combines four distinct databases that can be searched for names of those whose service and sacrifice helped win the Second World War. The Registry includes the names of Americans who are:

- Buried in American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC) overseas military cemeteries.
- Memorialized on ABMC Tablets of the Missing.
- Listed on official War and Navy Department Killed in Service rosters now held by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).
- Honored by public enrollment in the Registry of Remembrances.

Below you will find those who are listed with the surnames of Peal, Peel, Peele, and Peelle. Information that will be provided is the **honoree's name, their hometown, branch of service and the source of information**. Any other information given at the time will also be listed.

Honoree	Hometown	Service	Source	
Capt. Charles M. Peal	Davidson County, TN	U.S. Army	National Archives	KIA
PFC Elmer H. Peal	Kittitas County, WA	U.S. Army	National Archives	KIA
PFC Elmer H. Peal	WA	U.S. Army	ABMC Cemeteries	KIA
Served in the Army, 127 th Infantry Regiment, 32 nd Infantry Division. Was killed in action on Monday, April 23, 1945. He is buried at the Manila American Cemetery on Fort Bonifacio, Manila, Philippines. He was awarded the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster.				
Franklin Porter Peal, Sr.	Rome, GA	U.S. Army	Franklin Porter Peal, Jr., son	
Served with Airborne Division and medical corps in New Guinea and several other places in the South Pacific.				
Franklin Porter Peal, Jr.	Forest Park, GA	U.S. Army	Franklin Porter Peal	
Served with 101 st Airborne Division, 58 th Infantry				
Robert E. Peal	Ashford, WV	U.S. Navy	Mr. Robert E. Peal	
Served aboard an LST in Africa, Sicily, Salerno, Anzio, and Normandy				
William Robert Peal	El Dorado, KS	U.S. Navy	Gloria Hummel, Daughter-in-law	
Served from 1946 to 1949				
William Hardison Peal	Creswell, NC	U.S. Army	William Ray Peal, Son	
Served with the 266 th Field Artillery Battalion, Headquarters Company as a medic in Normandy and Northern France				
William Peal	Rome, NY	U.S. Navy	Austin Bissonnette	
Served aboard an LST 2 during Operation Overlord				
Sgt. Grandville P. Peale	Los Angeles, CA	U.S. Army	National Archives	KIA
Sgt. Grandville P. Peale	CA	U.S. Army	ABMC Cemeteries	KIA
Sgt. Grandville Peale served with the Army with the 121 st Infantry Regiment, 8 th Infantry Division. He died on July 16, 1944 and is buried at the Normandy American Cemetery in Colleville-sur-Mer, France. He was awarded the Purple Heart.				



William Hardison Peal

Honoree	Hometown	Service	Source
James Nixon Peale, Jr. Battalion Commander, 3 rd Battalion, 101 st Infantry Regiment, 2TH6 (<i>sic</i>) Infantry Division of the 3 rd Army. Germany, Austria, Czechoslovakia, France, and Luxembourg	Schenectady, NY	U.S. Army	Lisa Peale, Daughter
Paul E. Peale	Arlington Heights, IL	U.S. Army	Rotary Club of Arlington Heights
2 nd LT Randolph M. Peale	Roanoke County, VA	U.S. Army	National Archives FOD
FLO Robert J. Peale	Marion County, IN	U.S. Army	National Archives KIA
Sgt. Robert Peale	Philadelphia County, PA	U.S. Army	National Archives KIA
Sgt. Robert Peale Served with the U. S. Army in the 511 th Parachute infantry Regt, 11 th Airborne Division. Sgt. Robert Peale was killed in action on Sunday, April 8, 1945. He is buried at the Manila American Cemetery in Fort Bonifacio, Manila, Philippines. He was awarded a Purple Heart.	PA	U.S. Army	ABMC Cemeteries KIA
William Theodore Peale Persian Gulf, Presidential Citation from Russia for help in saving Russia from Hitler.	Woodpeck, WV	U.S. Army	Ronnie & Linda Peale
Sgt Charles J. Peel Belgium	Schuylkill County, PA	U.S. Army	National Archives KIA; Buried in Belgium
Sgt Charles J. Peel Sgt. Charles J. Peel served in the 112 th Infantry Regiment, 28 th Infantry Division. He died November 4, 1944 and is buried at Ardennes American Cemetery at Neupre Belgium. He received the Purple Heart.	PA	U.S. Army	ABMC Cemeteries
Clarence E. Peel Served aboard the USS Cowpens in the South Pacific. Wounded in Action.	Perry, IA	U.S. Navy	Jeannette Peel Peddicord, daughter
SSgt Delbert R. Peel	Anderson County, KS	U.S. Army	National Archives KIA
Donald Ernest Peel Served with Company E, 331 st Engineer General Service Regiment on Adak Island in the Aleutian Island Chain from September 1943 to November 1944	Perry, IA	U.S. Army	Martha A. Peel, Spouse
Elmer Peel	Springfield, IL	U.S. Navy	Anna M. Shockey Peel
Frank P. Peel Quarter Master Corps. Construction of Ledo Road in Northern India to Provide allies with new supply route to China. China-Burma-India Theater of Operations	Jeffersonville, IN	U.S. Army	Dr. Malcolm L. Peel , Son
PVT Frederick W. Peel	New Haven County, CT	U.S. Army	National Archives DNB
2 LT Garland O. Peel, Jr.	Lexington County, SC	U.S. Army	National Archives DNB
LT Gordon Leslie Peel	Oklahoma City, OK	U.S. Navy	National Archives KIA
Herold E. Peel Infantryman in Company C, 1 st Battalion, 39 th Infantry Regiment, 100 th Infantry Division, 7 th Army in Europe. Prisoner of War	Harrisburg, PA	U.S. Army	Donnmaria Killinger , daughter
James L. Peel Served aboard USS Anacapa AG-49, USS YMS 421. Sank in a 1945 Typhoon off Okinawa. Survived. Also served in the Korean Conflict.	Nicholasville, KY	U.S. Navy	James L. Peel
Cpl. James R. Peel	Wise County, TX	U.S. Army	National Archives DNB
Cpl. James R. Peel With a rank of Corporal, James R. Peel served with the U. S. Army with the 211 th Chemical Maintenance Company. He died on April 27, 1945 and is buried at the Netherlands American Cemetery located in Margraten, Netherlands.	TX	U.S. Army	ABMC Cemeteries
John W. Peel, Jr. Served aboard USS Tuscaloosa CA-37 on convoy escort and as honor guard for President Franklin D. Roosevelt while aboard. Enlisted service in Pacific after commission as Ordnance Officer.	Livingston, AL	U.S. Marine Corps	Joseph Peel, brother
Kenneth Lee Peel	Salt Gap, TX	U.S. Army Air Forces	Kenneth Peel
Marcus A. Peel Navy Supply Corps, Pacific Area	Berkeley, CA	U.S. Navy	Mrs. Georgia T. Peel



Paul E. Peale

Honoree	Hometown	Service	Source
Mary Eileen Camman Peel	New York City, NY	Civilian	Donnmaria Killinger, Daughter
Worked for the U. S. Navy as a torpedo inspector at converted for war effort Durkee's Factory in New York.			
Tec 5 Norman Peel	Philadelphia, PA	U.S. Army Air Forces	Thomas Peel, Son
Instrument specialist, 42 nd second bomb wing, 17 th wing group, 95 th bomb squadron.			
Norman W. Peel	King County, WA	U.S. Army	National Archives DNB
Norman W. Peel	WA	U.S. Army	ABMC Cemeteries
Norman W. Peel received the rank of Technician 5 th class in the Army. He served with the 672 nd Amphibious Tank battalion. He died on Sunday, April 15, 1945 and is buried at the Manila America Cemetery at Fort Bonifacio, Manila, Philippines.			
Orville R. Peel	Riverton, IL	U.S. Army	Anna M. Shockey Peel
Robert N. Peel	Riverton, IL	U.S. Army	Anna M. Shockey Peel
Sterling Eugene 'Gene' Peel	Junction City, KS	U.S. Navy	Missouri DAV Chapter 67
Thomas P. Peel	Camilla, GA	U.S. Army	Thomas Peel
With the 7 th Armored Division, training at central Signal Corps Replacement Training Center, Camp Crowder, Missouri, before being sent to 7 th Armored Division at Ft. Benning, Georgia			
Thomas Frederic Peel	Chicago, IL	U.S. Army	Helen A. Borgens
Thomas Peel	Spokane, WA	U.S. Army	Mr. Thomas W. Peel
Radio Operator and Gunner on B-29. POW - Japan			
Pvt. Thomas W. Peel	Screven County, GA	U.S. Army	National Archives KIA
Pvt. Thomas W. Peel	GA	U.S. Army Air Forces	ABMC Tablets of the Missing
Pvt. Thomas W. Peel served with the U.S. Army Air Forces Headquarters Squadron, 27 th Bomber Group. He died on Thursday, September 7, 1944 and was memorialized at Manila American Cemetery at Fort Bonifacio, Manila, Philippines. He was awarded the Purple Heart.			
Cpl. William H. Peel	Kent County, MD	U.S. Army	National Archives KIA
Cpl. William H. Peel	MD	U.S. Army	ABMC Cemeteries
Corporal William H. Peel, of Maryland, served in the Army with the 60 th Infantry Battalion, 9 th Armored Division. He died on March 16, 1945 and is buried at Henri-Chapelle American Cemetery located in Henri-Chapelle, Belgium. He was awarded the Purple Heart.			
Brooks B. Peele	Fayetteville, NC	U.S. Navy	Honor Pankuch , daughter
Diesel Engineer on a ship.			
PFC Charles H. Peele	Pitt County, NC	U.S. Army	National Archives DNB
David L. Peele	Washington, DC	U.S. Army	Ruby Louise Peele, wife
Wounded in action 3 times. Served in the Battle of the Bulge under General Patton's 3 rd Army , 87 th Infantry Division			
PFC Edward R. Peele, Jr.	Norfolk, VA	U.S. Army	Samuel C. Peele, brother
Served with the 63 rd Infantry Division in France and Germany, 1944-45. Killed in action, March 16, 1945.			
PFC Edward R. Peele, Jr.	Norfolk County, VA	U.S. Army	National Archives KIA
Edward R. Peele, Jr.	Norfolk, VA	U.S. Army	Mr. Edward R. Peele, cousin
Was killed by a German shell two weeks before the end of the war.			
Pvt Frank G. Peele, Jr.	Wayne County, NC	U.S. Army	National Archives DNB
2 LT Grady E. Peele	Scotland County, NC	U.S. Army	National Archives DNB
Jack Peele, Jr.	Columbia, SC	U.S. Marine Corps	Carrie Mae Peele Shaw, Sister
Pacific Theater			
Joseph H. Peele	Belhaven, NC	U.S. Army	Mr. Leigh B. Peele, Nephew
Served with Army in India, Airfield Construction			
Leonard Peele	Fountain, NC	U.S. Navy	Mary Anne Peele Petteway
AV C Macon S. Peele	Washington, DC	U.S. Army	National Archives DNB



Edward R Peele, Jr.

Honoree	Hometown	Service	Source
Marvin R. Peele	Goldsboro, NC	U.S. Navy	Scott Mayes
Marvin B. Peele, Jr.	Hamlet, NC	U.S. Army	Marvin B. Peele, Jr.
Mildred D. Schwab Peele	Hooper, NE	Civilian	Dr. Terry D. Schwab, Nephew
She worked at National Security Administration in Washington, DC			
Oliver W. Peele	Middlesex, NC	U.S. Navy	Agnes P. Vester
Assigned to the airplane carrier, WASP. A gunner reported missing in action, 1942			
Oliver Worth Peele	Middlesex, NC	U.S. Navy	National Archives KIA
Oliver Worth Peele	DC	U.S. Navy	ABMC Tablets of the Missing
Reported Missing in Action, later killed in Action, Saturday, July 10, 1943. Memorialized at Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.			
Oliver Worth and Oliver W. Peele are the same.			
2 Lt. Robbie C. Peele	Fulton County, GA	U.S. Army	National Archives DNB
2 Lt. Robbie C. Peele	GA	U.S. Army Air Forces	ABMC Tablets of the Missing
Second Lieutenant Robbie C. Peele served in the U. S. Army Air Forces, 10 th Bomber Squadron, 42 nd Bomber Group, Medium. He was killed in Action on Sunday, April 8, 1945 and is memorialized at the Manila American Cemetery at Ft. Bonifacio, Manila, Philippines. He was awarded the Air Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster and the Purple Heart.			
Robet E. Peele	Roxobel, NC	U.S. Army	Ms. Nancy E. Collar
He was part of the occupation forces sent to Italy in 1945.			
Robert Lee Peele	Fountain, NC	U.S. Army	Mary Anne Peele Petteway
Staton J. Peele, Jr.	Belhaven, NC	U.S. Navy	Mr. Leigh B. Peele, son
Commissioned as Ensign following V-4 program on USS Prairie State IX-15. Served on USS Enterprise CV-6, 1049-43, as propulsion officer. Later served on USS Hornet as crewmember of Commissioning Crew.			
Tommie L. Peele	Lewiston, NC	U.S. Army	Ollie P. Bond
William W. Peele, Sr.	Lewiston, NC	U.S. Army	Ollie P. Bond
William Junior Peele	Norfolk, VA	U.S. Navy	Jeanne F. & Billy K. Peele, Daughter-in-law and son
Served on Naval Supply ships in Atlantic and Pacific fleets			
PFC William D. Peele	Norfolk County, VA	U.S. Army	National Archives KIA
PFC William D. Peele	VA	U.S. Army	ABMC Tablets of the Missing
Private First Class William D Peele served in the US Army 358 th Infantry Regiment, 90 th Infantry Division. He was killed in action on December 6, 1944 and is memorialized at the Lorraine American Cemetery in St Avoild (Moselle), France. He received the Bronze Star and was also awarded the Purple Heart.			
Willie A. Peele	Bennettsville, SC	U.S. Army	Ms. Amy E. Peele, wife
28 th Field Artillery. Served on the European front in Germany, France, Belgium and Great Britain.			
1 st Sgt Willis G. Peele	Alamance County, NC	U.S. Army	National Archives DOI
1 st Sgt Willis G. Peele	NC	U.S. Army	ABMC Cemeteries
1 st Sgt Willis G. Peele served with the Army's 4454 th Quartermaster Service Company. He died on March 21, 1945 and is buried at Normandy American Cemetery at Coffeville-sur-Mer, France. He was awarded a Purple Heart.			
Alvin Francis 'Skeets' Peelle	MO	U.S. Army	Daughters
Henry E. Peelle, Jr.	Sarasota, FL	U.S. Army Air Forces	Henry E. Peelle



Oliver W. Peele

"We look forward to a world founded upon four essential human freedoms. The first is freedom of speech and expression. The second is freedom of every person to worship God in his own way. The third is freedom from want. The fourth is freedom from fear."

~Franklin D. Roosevelt

JOIN THE NAVY AND SEE THE WORLD



Author: Pete Austin

It was just this for the three Austin Brothers who were GRANDSONS OF **Debra Arabella Peele Austin** and 9th GREAT GRAND SONS of **Lawrence Peele**. All three traveled the seven seas during World War II at Uncle Sam's expense.

My two older brothers had signed into the V-5 program and allowed to finish their college education at Wake Forest College before being assigned to active duty. **James Louis** was assigned to the Pacific US Naval Air Corp. and **Irving** was in the Naval Amphibian Service. I, **Hobart Lyon "Pete"** was assigned to the Amphibian Corp and served in the Atlantic, African and Pacific Theater. Later, all three Austin brothers served in the Pacific Theater at the same time.

James Louis the oldest was drafted into the Army and on the same day received a commission into the U S Navy. In the Naval Air Corp his crew made history when their aircraft made a recognition flight - up, over, through and into the eye of a typhoon and observed the center core of the storm. While Jim was stationed in Guam our paths crossed and I was able to visit with him and take off on a flight with his crew on a PB4Y2 Liberator while I flew as an un-ticketed passenger over the East Marianna's, Eniwetok, Pohnpie, Turk and Caroline's in the Pacific Theater while island hopping on a 1200 miles recognition tour.

Irving Douglas "Bro" was Executive Officer aboard a LCIR. A converted Landing Craft Infantry that was transformed into a mighty Rocket Launching Vessel with the fire power equal to a light Cruiser. His ship was part of the invasion forces at Okinawa.

While in transit from the Atlantic Theater to the Pacific I had the surprise of my life when I came face to face with

brother Irving Douglas and his new wife Hazel Roane Bland while walking down Gramby Street. I had just returned to Norfolk, VA after the invasion of Normandy and Southern France while serving on the LST #495 in the European and African Theater. A LST was the abbreviation for a Landing Ship Tanks that had a ships company of 123 sailors and officers and had the carrying capacity for 50 Sherman Tanks. I had no idea where any of my brothers were during this time in the War. I guess it was acceptable to hug and kiss your brother even if he was an officer and I was at that time a Boatman Mate 2nd Class.

Martha Helen Lyon Austin never enlisted into the armed services but served diligently on the home front with her frequent letters. My mother repeatedly wrote all the local boys and girls from the community who served Our Nation during the War. Many of these soldiers, Sailors, Coast Guard and Marines have sent me many of her letters that were written to them. The letters always gave timely hometown information while offering praise and encouragement. They never forgot her expression of love and concern for them while they were thousands of miles from home and far away from their love ones and families.



Pete Austin, BM 1st

Class US Navy Reserve. LST #123, #495, USS Stentor

World War II and More Peele's Who Served

From **Naomi Smith Plett**, Liberal Kansas:

My mother was **Cannie Peele Smith**, daughter of **Wm. Franklin Peele**, son of **Alex Peele**. Cannie was married to **Jefferson Davis Smith**, and they lived in Liberal, Kansas, from 1936 until they passed away, Dad in 1989, Mom in 1990.

Dad was called **J. D.** and was an auto mechanic for Ford Motor Company for 40 years. During WWII, there was an Army Air Force base in Liberal, Kansas, and Dad worked there as an airplane mechanic and served his country for five years. He is listed on the memorial as Jefferson Davis Smith, Civilian.

The City of Liberal now owns the air base, and the Liberal Air Museum, the 4th largest airplane museum in the U.S., is located there.

My bother **J. D. Smith, Jr.** enlisted in the Air Force and was home on his first leave when word came that Pearl Harbor had been attacked, and he left at once. My brother **Barten H. Smith** served in the Air Force and served as B-24 radio operator-gunner in the 15th Division.

J. D., Jr., passed away in 1993; Barten lives in Coffeyville, Kansas.

I was in grade school during WWII, and am proud of my dad and brothers for their service to our country.

From Marvin Peele

PEELE, WILLIAM EVERETT

US Navy Born July 6, 1912 Died March 13,1977 Son of Mr. & Mrs. George R. Peele, near Gibson NC.

PEELE, EDWARD FRANCIS

US Army in Europe Born Nov. 8, 1918 Died Dec. 24,1997 Son of Mr.& Mrs. Merritt Peele, near Gibson, NC.

PEELE, EUNICE BROWN

V5 US Army (OSS) Born Dec. 3, 1922. Entered service Feb, 1944, Camp Crowder, MO; India, China. Awarded BS. Attended N. C. State Col. Methodist. Son of Mr. & Mrs. W. P Peele, Bailey, NC. Husband of Mrs. Francis L. Bissette Peele, R. F. D. 1, Bailey, NC



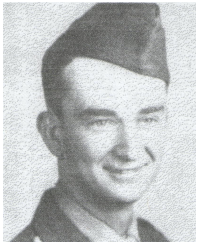
PEELE, WILLIAM S., JR.

Sgt, US Army. Born July 15, 1920. Entered service, Sept 30, 1944. Ft. Bragg, NC; Camp Wheeler, GA; Ft. Meade, MD; Camp Kilmer NJ; France; Germany; Rhineland; Central Europe. Awarded 2 BS; Good Conduct M.. Attended Williamston H. S. Baptist. Son of Mrs. W. S. Peele, Williamston, NC. Husband of Mrs. Magdaline Peele, R. 2, Williamston.

PEEL, WILLIAM HENRY

T/4 US Army. Born Dec 1, 1912. Entered service May 28, 1945, Ft. Bragg, NC; Aberdeen, MD; Camps Shenango, PA, Patrick Henry, VA; N. Africa; Miami, Fla. Awarded G. Cond. M. Attended Williamston H. S. Protestant. Son of Mr. & Mrs. Lewis H. Peel, Williamston, NC. Husband of Mrs. Louise Grimes Peel, Rt. 1, Williamston.



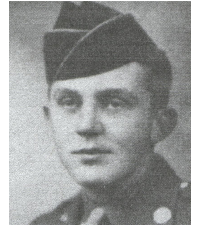


PEELE, ALTON F.

Pvt., US Army. Born Nov. 20, 1924. Entered service Sept 12, 1945, Fts. Bragg, NC., Knox, KY; Camp Stoneman, CA; Chickamauga, GA; Japan. Awarded G. Cond. M. Attended Farm Life H. S. Christian Church. Son of Mrs. Charles M. Peele, Rt. 1, Williamston, NC.

PEELE, BRUCE L.

PFC, US Army. Born Oct 28, 1924. Entered service, Sept 29, 1944, Ft. Bragg, NC; Camp Wheeler, GA; Fts. Ord, Calif., Lawton WA; Hawaii; Saipan. Wounded in action on Okinawa, May 18, 1945. Awarded PH, BS, G. Cond. M. Attended Farm Life H. S. Baptist. Son of Mr. & Mrs. N. R. Peele, Williamston, NC. Husband of Mrs. Ida Corey Peele, Rt. 1, Williamston.



PEELE, EDGAR, JR.

PVT, US Army. Age 24. Entered service Feb 10, 1943, Ft. Bragg, NC; Camp Toccoa, Ft. Benning, GA; Camp Mackall, NC; Ft. Dix, NJ; Tenn. Maneuvers. Injured in line of duty at Camp Forrest, TN. Awarded G. Cond. M. Attended Laurinburg H. S. Presbyterian. Son of Mr. & Mrs. Ed Peele, Sr., 317 Cleveland St., Laurinburg, NC. Husband of Mrs. Pearl Smith Peele, Laurinburg, NC.

PEELE, LAWRENCE EVERETTE

AS, US Navy. Age 26. Entered service June 27, 1944, Great Lakes, IL, Honorably discharged Aug 24, 1944. Attended Laurinburg H. S. Presbyterian. Son of Mr. & Mrs. L. E. Peele, 240 McLaurin Ave., Laurinburg, NC.

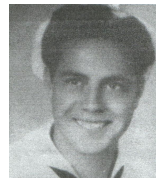


PEELE, MATHEW VICK

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PEELE, WILLIAM DANZIL

PFC, US Army. Born Jan. 28, 1922. Entered service Dec 4, 1942, Camps Lee, VA, Berkeley, TX; LA; Calif; England; France; Luxembourg. Killed in action in Germany, Dec 6, 1944. Awarded PH, G. Cond. M. Attended Hamlet School Methodist. Son of Mr. & Mrs. B. J. Peele, RFD 2, Hamlet, NC.



The History of Lawrence Peelle and his Family

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No record is found as to who Lawrence Peelle married or the name of his wife. Record shows that there were five descending generations where each son was given the name of Robert Peelle. Court records show that he owned property in Elizabeth Cittie Co, Virginia on the Western Branch of the Elizabeth River. This same area became the present County of Norfolk. This area is sandwiched next to Nansemond County that was formed in 1637 from Upper Norfolk County when a portion of County of Princess Anne was added. Data on Nansemond County can now be found in the courthouse located in Suffolk, VA. The present Princess Anne County is located due east of Norfolk County and continues to the shores of the Atlantic Ocean. The eastern boundary of that county started at the Chesapeake Bay and extends to the Currituck Sound to the south. All three of these counties border and join on the North Carolina State Line. Many of my descendants entered "The Colony" through this area of Norfolk VA.

In the "*Handy Book on Genealogist*" you can find information about the original Elizabeth Cittie County that was renamed and changed to New Norfolk Co. In the year 1637 New Norfolk was next changed to Lower Norfolk Co. During that same year the "Lower" was dropped from the name and it became Norfolk County. A portion of this same area in 1963 was renamed and called Chesapeake City. Prior to the present name the same area changed names four different times.

TIDEWATER VA---The first settlers sailed into the Chesapeake Bay pass what is now the cities of Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News via way of The Hampton Roads Waterway. They first sailed up the inlet into the mouth of the James River to establish the Jamestown Colony. Many of the settlers that landed in Jamestown and the Tidewater area later migrated southward into what is currently known as North Carolina. Most of our ancestors migrated through Norfolk before settling mainly in Bertie, Martin, Edgecombe, Halifax and Northampton Counties. Later they moved west into Tenn, KY, SC, GA, Texas, etc. We now have relatives that live in all four corners of the United States.

RETURNING BACK HOME--- It should be noted that the

trend reversed itself during World War II when thousands of families from North Carolina returned and went northward again to Newport News, Norfolk and Portsmouth, Virginia to work at defense jobs at military bases, shipyards, etc, during World War II. Many of these returnees stayed in Virginia after the end of the conflict and enjoyed a new standard of living that they did not have when they lived in North Carolina. They migrated to the tidewater mainly from small towns and rural areas in the Carolina's. For many of them it had become their Promise Land. This is the same area around the Tidewater Area that our ancestors left in 1600's and 1700's for a better life when they headed south. The saying "You can't keep them down on the farm after visiting Broad Street in Norfolk" made this reverse migration a reality.

THE MOVEMENT SOUTH--- The earlier settlers who migrated from Virginia usually went by sailboat to Edenton, North Carolina. Later after the pole roads had developed and a ferry or a bridge had been constructed they could travel across the new territory much easier. The paths later became trails that were later made into roads as they were constructed throughout the territory. These Trails traveled south as they went through what is now Currituck County. Currituck was made a County in 1670 from a part of the Albemarle Prescient. They continued through Camden County that was formed in 1677 from Pasquotank County. Pasquotank was created in 1670 from a part of the original area of Albemarle Prescient. Travelers next moved south through Perquimans County [1670] that was also formed from the original Albemarle Prescient. Next they would enter Chowan County [1670] that was also formed from Albemarle County.

To help research your ancestors it is very helpful to know when and where they settled. With the many changes over the years it is important that you can know which county the historic records are now kept.

Horace Peele, along with **Pete Austin** has done a tremendous amount of research, on our Peele line. Some of Pete's information can be found online at the above web page. However, according to letters I receive, many of you do not have access to the Internet. So, with Pete's permission, I would like to publish some of his work in the next few issues of the newsletter.

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