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

From The Editor

The 100 degree Texas summer heat burned up my beautiful spring garden. But now we have a weather break and things have cooled off with some rain, the first in a long time. We planted 30 broccoli and cauliflower plants for the winter and two days later -- they were gone, the black ground squirrels had a full stomach. More plants have been planted.

Geneva Peele Gibson, soon to be 91 years young, will be waiting for a card! Linda Peele Haddeman sends us her picture to be added to the birthday list. She just turned 80 on 15 August -- not too late to send a belated card to a nice lady, great cousin!

Trish and I had our usual vacation visiting family, etc., in Europe. Two days after getting home, Trish's sister Josephine died of cancer. We went back to England for another 10 days for the funeral. She was only 66 -- one really neat intelligent, artistic, lady.

The last newsletter contained information on DNA and the thought of proving more of the 1700ish timeframe connections. From these thoughts, things happened in really good ways!

The latest news is that two more DNA tests have been completed and you guessed it -- we have more cousins! We shall cover these in the *Feature Article*. Don Kincaid twisted my arm so hard that I have agreed to be part of the Peel Surname DNA administrator team. This has been a very interesting project and has great potential for all of us who have brick walls in our family lines. There will obviously be a continuing dialog on this subject as we learn more and solve more of our connections.

I also received several interesting emails from cousins seeking/passing information on family issues. A couple of these are included. The first is an article on the *225th Celebration of the Constitution* from Mary Frierson; then *Moving The Peele House* in Carmel, IN from Sandy Wagner of St Petersburg, FL; and lastly an inquiry from Pat Patrum about a member of the Elisha Peel family. Elisha was born in North Carolina and moved to Tennessee. We need help on connecting his family into ours.

Enjoy your read and enjoy the cooler weather.

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Senior Citizen Birthdays

Have you sent a card to our seniors lately?

Want to add your senior? – Contact me!



Please send them your birthday cards to the following Seniors who will have their birthday next quarter. 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. Each Senior is given FREE copies of **Lawrence, Etc.**



Geneva Peele Gibson

92 on 21 December, Born 1920

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

Geneva Peele Gibson

3563 Barrington Rd
Bennettsville, SC 29512



Linda Peelle Haddeman

80 on August 15. born 1932

(Wife of Ted Haddeman, daughter of Elbert Moore Peelle, the son of Morris Peelle who moved to California as a young man, son of Rev. Isaiah Peelle of Wilmington, Ohio.)

Linda Peelle Haddeman

1826 Greenway Lane
Paradise, CA 95969

Highlights

225th ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION

On the 25th of May in 1787 a meeting began in Philadelphia...

The new government of the United States after the Revolutionary War commanded little respect abroad and little authority at home. There was no power to tax, states printed their own money, neighbouring states were using tariff measures to punish each other, and there was no national judiciary system - if two states had a disagreement, there was no way beyond force to settle the dispute. Virginia and Maryland were quarreling over navigation on the Potomac.

One of the last straws to break the back of the existing government was the attempted seizure of the arsenal at Springfield, Massachusetts in the fall of 1786. The state militia was finally able to put down Shay's Rebellion, but eyes were opened. People in general now recognized the need to strengthen the central government.

Seventy delegates were chosen by 12 states to attend the meeting, but only 55 attended for the purpose of revising the Articles of Confederation. Many, such as Samuel Adams and Patrick Henry, were not convinced that a stronger central government was needed.

The meetings were to be in secret and silence, so that in debate and discussion minds could change, accommodations could be made, no one was obligated to retain an opinion that no longer could be sustained in good conscience, and opinions deemed unreasonable could be privately and freely discarded.

Large and small states, North and South states all had vested interests. Plans were proposed, discussed, rejected. But after an adjournment, the Compromise Committee report could be accepted. The provisions of the Convention created the three branches of government, established that Congress could regulate commerce, and a 2/3 vote would be needed to ratify a treaty. By September 1787 the Convention had outlined a new form of government.

It is important to note that no delegate was satisfied with every part of the Constitution. Some delegates had already walked out. Of the 55, only 42 were present in September and only 39 were willing to sign. *Done in Convention by the unanimous consent of the States present the 17th of September* was the wording.

The Constitution was to be presented to special state conventions. When 9 states ratified, it would go into effect in those states. It took until June 1788 for the plan to pass. Delaware ratified first, Rhode Island, dead last. New Hampshire became the 9th state. Not wanting to be left out New York and Virginia jumped on the Federal wagon. North Carolina signed on after the Federal government was formed and Washington elected.

The Founding Fathers were able to use their knowledge of the past, some creative ideas, and practical good sense to create our magnificent form of government. (Reference web site www.archives.gov/exhibits -- History Of the United States by Richard Wade, Howard Wilder, & Louise Wade.) [Submitted by Mary Frierson.]

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The Peele House Carmel, Indiana

Historic Peele House in Carmel Moved and Preserved, written by Nancy Heck.



Carmel, IN – A celebration was held today (March 8, 2009) for the moving of the Peele House from its current location on Main Street to a temporary location at 2nd Street SW and the Monon Trail.

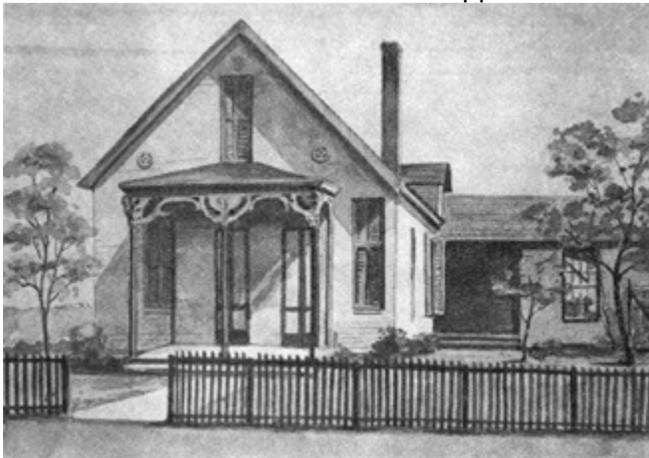
Elizabeth Peele was a well known Quaker who was a weaver in Carmel (then Bethlehem). In 1846, Bethlehem residents learned there was a state law requiring the town and its post office to have the same name and Bethlehem was already the name of another Indiana town.

When Elizabeth, known as "Aunt Lizzie," learned that Bethlehem would be required to change its name, she searched her Bible for a name suitable for the Quaker settlement. She found the name "Carmel" in the Bible from Isaiah 35:2. "It shall blossom abundantly and rejoice even with joy and singing; the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the Excellency of Carmel and Sharon."

Elizabeth's husband, William, liked the name "Carmel" and suggested it to the town elders. After the biblical verse was read at a town meeting the elders then adopted the name "Carmel."

"Preserving some structures, such as the Peele house, is important to the City of Carmel in order to recognize and remember the historical value that exists in Carmel, especially as the Arts & Design District grows," said Ron Carter, President of the Carmel Redevelopment Commission (CRC).

The house was moved from its current location at Main Street and 2nd Avenue NW and temporarily placed at 2nd Street SW and the Monon Trail in the grass running parallel to the Monon on the east side of the Monon. It was moved to allow for the continued development of the Carmel Arts District Lofts & Shoppes.



This project will include housing additional restaurant, retail, gallery and residential space, as well as a two story underground garage for public parking.

The CRC and City of Carmel are working to move the house to a permanent location at North Range Line Road at a later date.

Peele House, West Main Street, Carmel, as sketched by artist, Betty Little. This sketch was prepared by Betty Little for a calendar of Hamilton County homes.

Feature Article

Genealogy and DNA Continued

Following the last quarter's article on DNA, we a wish list for getting DNA testing done on several lines. That quarter, James Everett Peele became our first DNA Champion for submitting his DNA for testing. His DNA was successfully used to prove the previous unproven and mysterious link of Jesse-1760, who is the son of Jesse-1720, who is the son of William-

1679, who is the son of Robert Peele-1657. That test resulting in Barton Lewis adding five generations to his family tree.

1	Lawrence Peele 1601	
2	Robert 1635	
3	Robert 1657	
4	Robert 1681	William 1679
5	Robert 1709	=> Robert 1712
6	Robert 1730	=> John Peal 1750
7	David 1754	Thomas 1791
8	Robert 1801	Abram Tice Peal 1822
9	William 1825	Henry Bennett Peele 1858
10	George Robinson Peele 1865	Daniel Bennett 1897
11	Marvin Buford 1890	Alvin Joyner "Buddy" Peele 1928
12	Horace Bullard 1937	

Obviously, success like the first test makes you want to solve more "iffy" and unproven links. The next DNA Champion this quarter is **Alvin Joyner "Buddy" Peele**, born 1928. Susie (Smith) Wood's ancestor was a John Peal born 1750 and she twisted Buddy's arm to be tested.

The object of this DNA test was to prove that John Peal 1750 is the son of Robert Peele 1712. Robert is one of the illusive hard-to-find sons of William-1679 and is the older brother to Jesse-1720 from our first test.

Alvin's test came back with a 97% probability of a common ancestor within the previous twelve generations. I asked Don for a better understanding of how the percentages work, this was his answer, the first sentence is all important:

...keep in mind that regardless of the percentages, a common ancestor could occur anywhere within the number of generations stated. For example, at 10 generations there is an 81.26% probability that you (Horace) and Charles have a common ancestor anywhere from 1 generation to 10 generations. As a result the TiP is not a good indicator of the time to a common ancestor. It is a better indicator of the top limit of possibilities of having a common ancestor.

This DNA proves that Susie Smith Wood (daughter of Dolores "Lorene" Peele) and Paul Hassell Peel, Jr., are my cousins. According to my computer, Susie and Paul are third cousins once removed, Paul and I are 7th cousins once removed and Susie and I are 8th cousins. Accordingly, the John Peal line will be published in my next book, short title "Peele Genes." I now know that my work in the "Peele Chronicles" is proven. Awesome!

Another on the wish list was that of proving Reuben Peel, whom Sharon (Robinson) Peel has been chasing since she married her husband Charles Ernest "Earnie" Peel. Over the years we have had a ton of email back and forth on various ideas of whom and where to look for clues. As diligent as Sharon has been, and I am sure there is no rock that she has not turned over, Reuben remained a separate family. I sent Sharon an email back in June talking about DNA, etc., and got this great response:

You wrote: It would be good to know that we are kin? Or not?

Thank you for the great smile with my late morning coffee, Horace. YES, it will be great to know we are kin.

I think one reason our Reuben may have been so hard to place is that his older sons have never been identified; the oldest (according to census information) having been born around 1785. If all the older children in the family are his and Sarah's children, they would have had 4 males and 2 females given names unknown. The given names of the earlier males could give an indication of Reuben's father. The earliest we have identified

is William, born about 1803. He came to Texas a couple of years earlier than my James Turner and lived across the Trinity River from him in Ellis County. There is an old story of one or the other of them taking a ferry across the river with their wagon and a team of oxen to visit the other. James Turner settled in and founded Peeltown in Kaufman County. His land was divided, part in Kaufman County, and part in Henderson County.

I've always been a little surprised that all the Peeltown descendants -- and those of Daniel Peel, Reuben's son who stayed in Mississippi and was Sheriff in Tishomingo County -- have not done more searching or at least asked more questions. Only two descendants of William and one of James Turner (me) seem to be the only ones with real interest and love to dig. There is a book in the Kaufman County Library who connects James Turner with another James Peel in Kaufman County. The book claims they are father and son, and even though I have documentation to the contrary, they seem to favor the story that James Turner Peel of NC/MS/TX was the son of James E. Peel (TN/AR/TX). James E. did not have a son, James, and is traced back to Tennessee and Arkansas, the son of Thomas D. Peel of Ireland. They have no connection this side of the pond, but because a local anthology of families show the two as being father and son, everyone seems to be quite content with that answer. James E. and James Turner never even lived in the same state until showing up together in Kaufman/Henderson Counties in the early to mid 1850's.

The Texas county tax records are on line now, and we can pin point the exact years our Peels bought land here. That has been a lot of fun. Earnie's second-great grandfather, William Henry Peel, was on the 1880 Texas agriculture census. Since I saw how many bushels of peaches they raised in 1880, I've never been able to can peaches without thinking of Sara. I put up peach jam yesterday, and I thought of her several times.

The name, Bennett, was popular in Reuben's grandchildren. James Turner's son, James Monroe, named his first surviving child William Bennett Peel (1870-1937). There is no record of how many of James Monroe's early children died -- he and Sally Elston were married in 1864 but their first child is recorded in 1870, then every 2 years afterwards. William Henry and Sally Grissom's first 4 children died at birth or very young. We know who they were because the Peel Cemetery has their headstones. Their firstborn was Bennett Peel, born and died in 1869. My ears perk up every time I see Bennett mentioned in the Lawrence Etc Newsletter, but I really don't ever see a connection unless Reuben's wife, Sarah, was a Bennett. I don't see any other Bennett's in the Peel line. I always figured she may have been a Robertson or a Barnhill -- just because of the close relationships of those families (bordering property or property co-owned by them) -- could she have been a Bennett?

I certainly didn't mean to bend your ear, but Earnie has such fascinating ancestors.... His mother and I sure had some good times, because she was interested. I know his father would have really have been interested, but he died before I really got started researching. His Daddy, James Turner (the second one) died in 1943, and Earnie's father never learned a whole lot about his family. Earnie has an Aunt Sara (I've learned that the correct way to spell Sara in our Peel family is without the "h" because that is the way Sara "Sally" Grissom Peel spelled her name. It is very important to Aunt Sara, so I always try to be careful.)

Earnie would certainly agree to a DNA test. I started saving yesterday. I'm so glad we have a Peel DNA group now.

Have a good day! Sharon

Well, Earnie Peel was the next DNA Champion and he came though the test with another big 97%! Awesome! The test proves that we are indeed related in a similar fashion as that of Buddy Peele with his 97%.

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4	Robert 1681	William 1679
5	Robert 1709	=> Jesse 1720
6	Robert 1730	=> Reuben Peel 1760
7	David 1754	James Turner 1814
8	Robert 1801	William Henry 1843
9	William 1825	James Turner 1879
10	George Robinson Peele 1865	William "Guy" 1920
11	Marvin Buford 1890	Charles "Earnie" 1951
12	Horace Bullard 1937	(Chart not proven)

The chart on the left is a hypothetical chart!!! We do not know where Reuben connects but I believe that he is possibly another son of Robert Peelle-1712 or the brother to Jeremiah Peel-1755 who is the son of Jesse-1720. The rationale for this is that in the 1784 Virginia Census, Jesse-1720 had seven in his family and his son Jeremiah had four in his family.

We are missing at least three, maybe four, from Jesse's family. If this chart were proven, then Earnie and I would be 7th cousins once removed and Buddy and Earnie would be 6th cousins. Love you Cousins Earnie and Sharon!

So now along the way in learning all this new DNA jargon, I asked Don to help me understand how all this fits together, how does the percentages and everything work? This is what I got back for an answer, remember that he is the guru, not me. Don contacted the Family Tree DNA folks for this answer.

I heard back from Family Tree DNA and the results for all of you Peel, Peele, Peelles are confirmed as are the **Time to common ancestor predictors** also known as "**TiP**". I will attempt to show them below and place them in order FTDNA shows using the TiP predictor percentages. [I modified his chart with the comments column.]

Also the model value used by Family Tree DNA for the five listed in the Peel DNA project is shown by James E. Peele so we will start with him at 0 steps and 100% on TiP.

Participant	Distance In Steps	# Generations/percentage to common ancestor			Comments
		4 Gen	8 Gen	12 Gen	
James Everett Peele 1945	0	100 %	100 %	100 %	Proves Jesse-1760, son of Jesse-1720, son of William-1679. (Barton Lewis)
Alvin J. "Buddy" Peel 1928	3	59 %	89 %	97 %	Proves John Peal-1750, son of Robert-1712, son of William-1679. (Susie Smith Wood) (Paul Hassell Peel, Jr.)
Charles Ernest Peel 1951	1	58 %	88 %	97 %	Proves that Reuben Peel-1760 is a direct descendent of the family yet he remains disconnected genealogically.
Horace B Peele 1937	1	56 %	87 %	96 %	Used as basis for comparison with his direct line to Lawrence 1601
Robert B Peelle 1945	3	29 %	68 %	89 %	Used as basis for comparison with his direct line to Lawrence 1601

The reason Family Tree DNA gives for Alvin's TiP being higher than Charles or Horace who are only 1 mutation away from James while Alvin is 3 mutations away is that some markers carry more weight than others. I don't have time right now to look at the

markers but it might be worthwhile to take a look. Of the almost 200 Kincaid participants I have seen a person with one more mutation score higher on the TiP but never on 2 mutations so this is very unusual!!! In any event all 5 of you are close DNA matches and will have common ancestors.

None of the other Peels of any spelling match each other nor anyone else in the Peel Surname DNA project even though some are in the same haplogroup with you. There will likely be matches for them as more participants test.

We are very happy that Horace has agreed to volunteer for the Peel Surname DNA team. As soon as he is agreeable I will drop off the administration team and leave it in very good hands. We will remain highly interested!

Don

As you can see, we are making progress on DNA. With the help Susie Wood, I made contact with Michael Oden Peele and he is willing to take a DNA test on the Coastal Peeles. I have to work on that soon but had to get the newsletter out first. The chart below shows the tests that we are now working. There are three lines of interest:

- 1) Mark Edward Peele to prove his line back through Amos Calvin Peele.
- 2) Still looking for a descendent of William Isaac Peel for Don Kincaid and his line.
- 3) Walter Peel to prove the link through Amos Peal-1777 to Robert-1712.
- 4) Michael Oden Peele to see if we are related to the Coastal Peeles.

1	Lawrence Peelle 1601			
2	Robert 1635			
3	Robert 1657			
4	Robert 1681	William 1679		
5	Joshua 1720	William 1705	Robert 1712	
6	James 1743	Thomas Peal 1755	=> Edward 1750	
7	=> John 1789	Isaac 1784	=> Amos Peal 1777	John Peele 17???
8	=> Amos Calvin Peele 1804	William Isaac Peel 1829	Stanley 1800	Andrew 1781
9	Amos Calvin 1841	Susan Ann Mary Francis 1880	Stanley, Jr. 1846	Jonathan Flowers "John" 1804
10	Mark Edward 1872	Flora Elizabeth Branscum 1900	James Stephen 1871	Christopher Woodard "Kit" 1833
11	Merritt Edward 1924	Don Wallace Kincaid 1932	Dillon Charlie Peel 1905	George Thomas 1865
12	Mark Edward 1958		Charles Taylor 1936	Leo 1890
13			Walter 1966	William Maxton 1918
14				Michael Oden 1940

With that, we shall close the DNA for this newsletter. Obviously this will be a continuing saga!

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Emails from Cousins

The following article is about Shelia Marie Walls, the daughter of **Diane Peel** Walls. Diane was the previous editor of Lawrence, Etc. I suppose we can let Diane brag a little? Shelia married Carl Wesley Fountain in 1995 and they have one child, Olivia, now four years old.

Dr. Sheila Fountain -- Empathy, silliness and compassion for kids.

Dr. Sheila Fountain has never met a kid she didn't like. And in her nine years at Pediatrics of Steamboat Springs, Fountain has seen thousands of patients, ranging in age from just a couple weeks old to 21.

She has a profound capacity for empathy, which while instrumental in her success as a doctor often complicates the job. "The hardest thing for me is watching kids suffer...delivering that news to their parents. You just can't help but feel what they're feeling," Fountain says. Her empathy for her clients and their families likely has its roots in her own family, including husband, Wes, son, Jonah, and daughter Olivia.

Fountain's faint southern accent is a subtle indicator of her origins. The South Carolinian was educated in her native state and went on to instruct residents at Emory University in Atlanta.

Fountain entered college as a chemistry major and didn't decide to pursue a career in medicine until her junior year. During her pediatric rotation at medical school, she gained insight into the child's mind and subsequently found her niche. "Children bounce back much faster than adults. I'm also allowed to be silly with them, which makes my job more fun," Fountain says.

With that genial attitude in mind, the 39-year-old Fountain mentors University of Colorado medical students at her office in Yampa Valley Medical Center. She also volunteers at the Steamboat Christian Center and the Pregnancy Resource Center, and devotes much of her time educating parents and children on how to live a healthier lifestyle.

Having minored in psychology, one of her leading areas of interest within pediatrics is working with children with behavioral problems. But her most difficult patients? The answer probably won't surprise parents. "Teenagers are the most challenging, but the struggles that they face are really difficult," she says.

Fountain says one of her greatest privileges as a pediatrician is "watching kids grow with their families." But there are always two sides of the same coin. For a community that largely defines itself by active kids and supportive families, Dr. Fountain's dose of playfulness and positivity is just the right prescription. (Written by Kiersten Henry, submitted by Diane Peel Walls.)



I received the following email enquiring about Mary Francis Peel, granddaughter of Elisha Peel who was born in NC in 1781 and died in TN. I am looking for any information on this family. He is disconnected from the family, who are Elisha's ancestors? Can anyone help on either?

Mr. Peele,

My name is George "Pat" Patrum. I am the G-G- grandson of Mary Francis Peel Patrum. Mary was born 1838 in Henry Tennessee to parents John Franklin Peel b. 1811 d.1881 and Nancy Joyner b 1812 d 1906. Mary died in Sapulpa, OK in 1911 and is buried in Hazelwood Cemetery in Springfield MO. ...do you have any information about Mary and her husband Archibald D. "Arch" Patrum? Arch died (according family oral tradition) while working as a labor for the D. M. & A railroad near the Dexter, Kansas area. Having researched him for over 15 years, I have begun to doubt the accuracy of that information as that I can find no information putting him in Kansas. Miles of microfilm and newspapers later I have found his son and grandchildren (perhaps even a possible sister) in Kansas but Nothing about him. I don't have a great deal of Peel information

but what I do have is mostly the TN, NC, VA folks and I would be happy to share what I do if you need or desire. Thank you for your time.

Pat Patrum

Descendants of Elisha Peel

1. Elisha¹ Peel was born 1781 in NC, and died Bef. Oct 1854 in Henry Co., TN. He married **(1) Ann [Peel]** Bef. 1810. She was born 1790¹. He married **(2) Ann Jones** Dec 1843. She was born 1800.

!The 1850 Census of Henry County, TN lists Elisha Peele, farmer, age 69 Born NC, valuation \$700 (One of the larger in the county) with a wife named Ann, age 50, born NC; a son Bryant, farmer, age 23; a step-daughter Nancy E. Joyner, age 17; a daughter Elizabeth D. age 27 who had an infant daughter Ann, nine months old. Elisha died before the 1860 Census.

!Elisha wrote his will on 11 March 1850, in it he names his wife Ann and his step-daughter Nancy E. Joyner, a son John Peel, and a son Bryant Peel.

Children of Elisha Peel and Ann [Peel] are:

- + 2 i. John Franklin² Peel, born 06 Jan 1811 in NC; died 28 Feb 1881 in Paris, Henry Co., TN.
- + 3 ii. Susan Peel, born 20 Feb 1814 in NC; died 27 Feb 1885 in Poplar Grove Methodist Church Cemetery, Henry Co., TN.
- + 4 iii. Clarissa Peel, born 01 Nov 1818 in NC; died 19 Apr 1911 in Shiloh Cemetery, Mansfield, Henry Co., TN.
- 5 iv. Ester Peel, born Abt. 1820. She married John T. Deets 13 Aug 1840.
- + 6 v. Bryant Peel, born 1827 in NC; died 25 Nov 1862 in Knoxville, TN.

Generation No. 2

2. John Franklin² Peel (Elisha¹) was born 06 Jan 1811 in NC, and died 28 Feb 1881 in Paris, Henry Co., TN. He married **Nancy Elizabeth Joiner** Bet. 1831 - 1833. She was born 1812 in NC, and died Abt. 1853.

Children of John Peel and Nancy Joiner are:

- 7 i. Arema Katherine³ Peel, born 27 Dec 1834 in Henry, Henry Co., TN; died 26 Jun 1930 in Henry Co., TN. She married J. D. Roberson 03 Nov 1852.
- 8 ii. John Franklin Peel, born 1836 in Henry, Henry Co., TN. He married Martha R. Robertson 06 Jul 1854; born Abt. 1836.
- 9 iii. **Mary Francis Peel**, born 1838 in Henry Co., TN; died 08 Oct 1911 in Hazelwood Cemetery, Springfield, MO. She married Archibald D. "Arch" Patrum.
- 10 iv. Henry B. Peel, born 1842 in Henry Co., TN.
- 11 v. Daniel T. Peel, born 1843 in Henry Co., TN.
- 12 vi. James Patrick Peel, born 1845 in Henry Co., TN; died 1896 in Kennett, Dunklin Co., MO. He married Nancy M. McHood 14 Feb 1872 in Carroll Co., TN; born 1853 in Carroll Co., TN; died 1896 in Dunklin Co., MO.
- 13 vii. Ann Elizabeth Peel, born 24 May 1850 in Henry Co., TN; died 13 Oct 1930. She married William Williamson 20 Feb 1884; born 1854 in KY.

Endnotes

- 1. 1850 Census, Henry County, TN.
- 2. Sydney Cate.

Family Obits



James Peele

Salley, South Carolina - **William Kenneth Peele**, 82, entered into rest Thursday, August 2, 2012. Mr. Peele was the loving and devoted husband of Betty June Greene Peele for sixty - one years, loving father of Wanda (Craig) Borup of Houston, TX, William Kenneth "Pete" (Judy) Peele, Jr. of Salley, Sandra (Ted) Collins of North, Charles Donald "Bo" (Lucy) Peele of Salley, Kendra Elizabeth (Harry) Clifton of Hartsville, Debra Mae Fogle of Sandy Run, Barry Lee (Shannon) Peele of Salley, Sonya Jaye Altendorf of Houston, TX, Lisa Kim Poole of Gaston and Michael Robbie (Tonya) Peele of Salley, 14 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, and sister Maxine Parler of West Columbia.

Mr. Peele was born in Lexington County, SC, the son of the late Willie Lee and Marie Collum Peele. He was also preceded in death by sister Carolyn Heyward. Mr. Peele was a member of Corinth Baptist Church where he served as Chairman of Deacons for over 40 years.

Visitation will be Saturday from 2 to 4 pm in the chapel of Blizzard Funeral Home. The Funeral Service will be at 2 pm Sunday at Corinth Baptist Church with the Rev Ken Smith and Russell Whittle officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Genealogical Line - **William Kenneth⁵ Peele, Sr.** (Willie Lee⁴, William Arthur³, Richard², John¹). William Kenneth Peele is from a different Peele line than our Lawrence Peelle line. He descends from a John Peele who was born in Ireland in 1815 and came to South Carolina sometime after 1845. Remember that the great potato famine drove people from England to Ireland and subsequently to America. His family was possibly one of those travelers and odds are that we may still be related when you go all the way back to England. It would be interesting to have DNA done on this family. Horace]



Williamston, North Carolina - **Gordon Slade Peele**, 72, of Smithwick Creek Church Road, died Friday, May 18, 2012 at his home. He was born in Martin County on May 26, 1939, to the late George Edwin and Lillian Capps Peele and was predeceased by a brother, Grimes Peele and a sister, Mandy Lou Peele. Gordon was a retired service technician with Sears. He was a member of Macedonia Christian Church.

Funeral service was held on Sunday at 3:30 p.m. at Macedonia Christian Church by the Rev. Greg Sexton and Rev. Dolan Baker. Burial followed in Martin Memorial Gardens. Survivors include his wife Marcia Speller Peele of the home; daughters, Sherrie P. Varney and husband, Daryl, of Sims, Terry Roberson and Wendy Moore, both of Williamston; sisters, Gladys Tice of Greenville, Lucy Wynne of Williamston; "Pa's" grandchildren, Tanner Moore, Leah Moore, Kaylee Varney, Thomas Roberson.

The family received friends at Macedonia Christian Church from 2 until 3:30 p.m. prior to the service on Sunday. Memorial gifts may be made to Macedonia Christian Church, 7640 US Hwy. 17, Williamston, NC 27892. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.walkerfh.net. Walker Funeral Home of Williamston is serving the Peele family. (Published in The Daily Reflector on May 22, 2012)

Genealogical Line - **Gordon Slade¹¹ Peele** (George Edwin¹⁰, Edwin Slade⁹, Robert Henry⁸ Peal, John⁷, John⁶, Robert⁵ Peelle, William⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹). [Gordon was Alvin Joyner "Buddy" Peele's 4th cousin.]

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