



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

From The Editor

This first quarter of 2008 was one of the busiest ever. Things just seemed to get further and further behind. Just before Christmas, I was in atrial fibrillation for the second time, this time it was caused by low potassium. I spent two days in the hospital to get the heart back in rhythm, getting out on December 18th. Time went by and I just did not seem to get things done.

On the 4th of March, **Charles Peel Yates**, a descendent of Sir Robert Peele's line, and his wife **Christina** visited San Antonio for four days, two of which we took time to show them a bit of Texas. I met Charles over the Internet back in 2000 when we exchanged genealogical information.

Then my brother **Marvin and his wife Mattie** came to visit on March 16th for the first time in 30 years. And while here, Mattie blacked out in our back yard and fell head first onto the cement patio. We rushed her to the emergency room where she spent three days in the Intensive Care Unit and almost another three recovering.

She went home to Virginia with a Texas implanted pacemaker. Like she said, "What a way to spend a vacation!" But was the trip a really blessing in disguise? Who knows? We do know that while here she had great care in one of San Antonio's best hospitals. Mattie still has a 30-45 minute lost of memory. Doctors say that her heart may have totally stopped causing the blackout.

And right after they left, I went back into atrial fibrillation, this time causes unknown. Back in the hospital for one day, did not even take my pants off, I swallowed the camera for a Trans-esophagus echocardiogram to prove that I did not have any blood clots in the heart. Once we cleared that hurdle, they shocked me again with 360 joules which put it back into rhythm. That was just April 10th. So things are just a little behind, but like I said, it has been busy.

While Charles Peel Yates was here, he put me in touch with Ms. Raya McGeorge, Archivist &

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Help Wanted!!!

Send your articles to Horace via email at horace@peelee.info or to the San Antonio address on the back page.

Librarian for the Fishmongers' Company, Fishmongers' Hall of London, England. And that contact becomes the Feature Article: *Chasing Lawrence Peelle*, starting on page 3 of this newsletter. I am sorry that this effort did not find Lawrence's parents but we do need to document where Raya graciously searched for us and where she suggests we go from here to further expand our search.

Thanks to those who sent me some other articles on the Peelle Company and other obituaries that have to left out until the next newsletter.

H B Peelle

A Salute to Our Senior Citizens



If you know any family senior citizen around 90 years young, please send their name, picture, and date of birth, age, address, and how they are related to a Peelle descendant, by what ever spelling. Their name will be added to the newsletter list for free copies of *Lawrence, Etc.* Also please send any updates that you have on our Seniors.

Carrie Mae Peel Williams
October 16, 1915, age 92

(Sister of Patricia Peel Arick, Daughter of John Franklin Peel and Lillian Belle Nelson, descended from Mills Peelle, son of Dempsey Peelle.)

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

We need Carrie's picture!



Hazel Peele McIntosh
December 22, 1917, age 90

(Daughter of Willis and Annie Brown Peelle, Aunt Hazel of Cousin Willis Peelle.)

Hazel Peele McIntosh
170 South Main St. Apt. 350
Mars Hill, NC 28754
828-689-7950



Robert B. Peelle
May 26, 1919, age 88

(Son of Henry Edmund Peelle and Inez Emma Beatty, Father of R. B. Peelle, Jr.)

Robert B. Peelle, Sr.
Rydal Park 329H 1515 Fairway
Rydal, PA 19046

*Have you sent a card to our seniors lately?
Do you have someone to add to this page?
We need to add a few seniors!!*

Feature Article

In communicating with Ms Raya McGeorge, I had to set the stage of information relative to our desires for a search and explain my theory that he may have been a fisherman or fishmonger in other terms. I figured what she needed to know were also some time lines of what had transpired in Lawrence's life so I included the following information starting with the title *The Massacre*. I hope you will enjoy this information as well.



The Massacre. The third important happening was the Indian Massacre of 1622. King of England, Charles I, had officially declared Chief Powhatan to be King of the Indian Confederation around Jamestown. It is through that appointment that Powhatan's daughter Pocahontas, had become a princess, America's only Princess. In 1614, she married John Rolfe. Their marriage brought a period of peace between the Indians and the settlers. John Rolfe and Pocahontas went to England, where she died in 1617 and is buried.

Chief Powhatan died in 1618 and was succeeded by his brother, Chief Opechancanough. According to historians, the new Chief wanted guns from the settlers. The settlers did not want to trade with him, he was enraged. On Good Friday, the 22nd of March 1622, Chief Opechancanough led an attack on the colonists that resulted in the massacre of 347 people. One of those people killed was Pocahontas' husband, John Rolfe, who had returned to the colony in 1622 as a member of the Virginia Council. A total of 1374 people survived the massacre, including Lawrence Peelle.

Only 110 of the survivors of the 1622 Indian Massacre raised children; Lawrence Peelle was one!

On 16 July 1622, **Captain William Tucker** received an important commission from Sir Francis Wyatt, the Governor and Captain General of Virginia (Kingsbury Vol 2, Page 664). Captain Tucker was given "absolute power & command over all the people in the plantation adjoining to Elizabeth Citty at Keycotan [Kecoughtan] that is to say from Newportnews to Edwed Hill his house, on the west side of Southampton River [Elizabeth River]." Remember this name-- Captain Tucker.

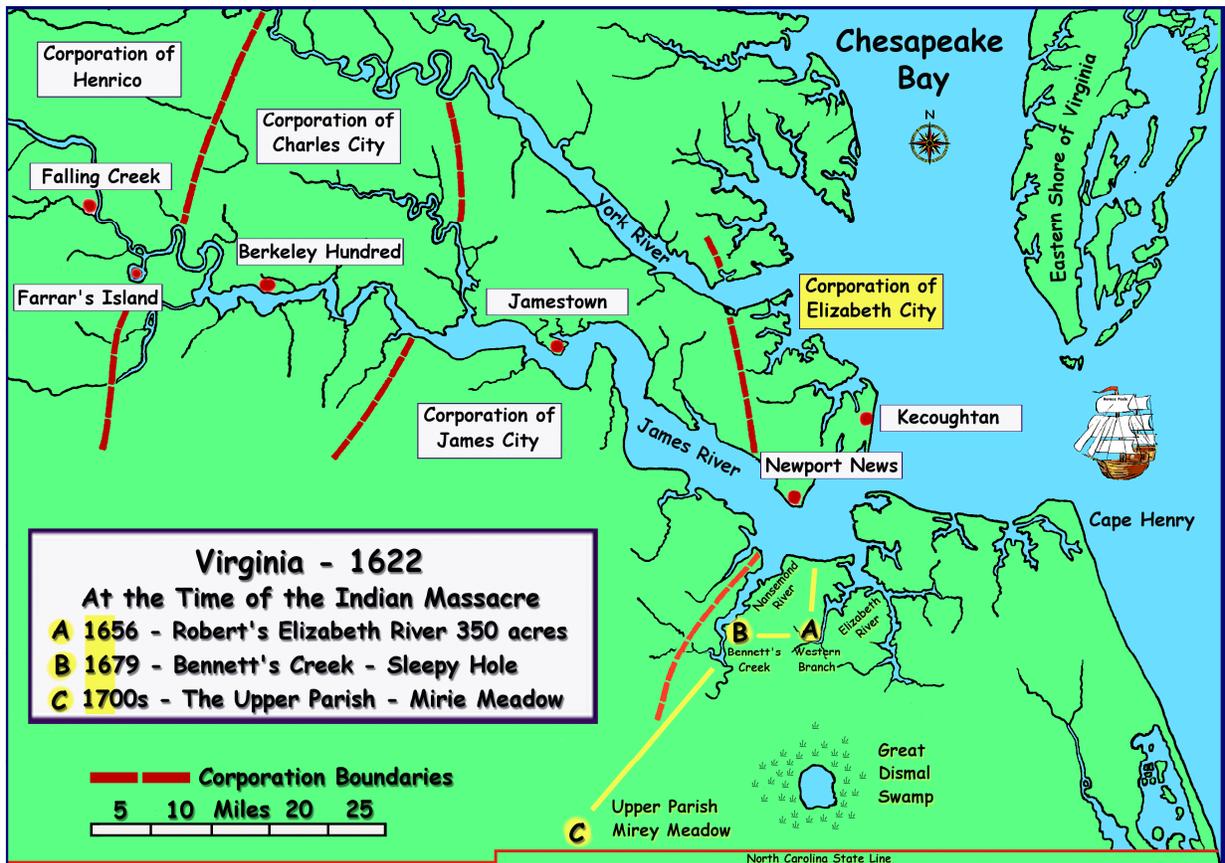
Tucker's area of responsibility was later expanded to cover the entirety of Elizabeth Citty. On 6 Dec 1622, as a follow-up to the massacre, Captain Tucker was instructed (Kingsbury Vol 2, Page 441):

to send up before the 16th day of this december a pfect list of the names of all such as have died or ben sleine at Eliza Citty since the massacre,also of all such as are...living...

The names of Captain Tucker's people were included in the 16 Feb 1623 list containing 1374 survivors of the massacre including whites, blacks, and Indians. Their names are printed in the *Early Settlers and London Company* chapter. The map below shows the four corporations operating under *The London Company* at the time of the massacre. In 1622, Lawrence was listed as Lawrance Peele living in Elizabeth "Cittie" or the Corporation of Elizabeth City shown on this map. Notice that the Elizabeth City boundary line actually covers what is known today as

Hampton Roads (the Newport News area) and to the south the current location of Norfolk, Portsmouth and Chesapeake.

The 1656 purchase made by Robert-1635 is shown as “A” on the Western Branch of the Elizabeth River; it is now in Chesapeake. The “B” shows the location of Robert-1635’s and his son Robert-1657’s purchase at Bennett’s Creek and Robert-1657’s land at Sleepy Hole. These two are located only two miles apart, too close to show separately on a map of this scale. The distance between “A” and “B” is only 7 to 8 miles. The “C” shows where the four sons of Robert 1657 settled on Mirey Meadow in the Upper Parish, about 22 miles southwest.



In addition to Tucker’s 1623 list showing Lawrence in Elizabeth Cittie, a muster [head count] was taken in 1624, the last one taken before King Charles I declared the London Company defunct. In that muster, Lawrence was listed as Larence Peale, 23 years of age, living in Elizabeth Cittie. Living with Lawrence was a William Smith, 30 years of age, who had just arrived aboard a ship named the “JACOB” in 1624. Page 51 of *Adventurers of Purse and Person, Virginia, 1607-1625*, lists their combined goods as:

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|------------------|-------------------|
| Corn - 4 barrels | Peas - 2 bushels |
| Fish - 300 ct | Houses - 1 |
| Arms 2 - pieces | Powder - 6 pounds |
| Lead - 6 pounds | |

That muster records that Lawrence came to Virginia on the “Margaret and John” in 1620. This places him on the ship at the time of the attack by the Spanish galleons. What else does this 1624 muster show? It tells us that Lawrence owned his own house in 1624 and a considerable

amount of food, especially fish. How many fish are *300 ct* and what does the *ct* mean? *Ct* stood for the Latin word *centum*, meaning hundred.

Fish were often traded by the hundred count and this meant not 100 but the great hundred. The Oxford English Dictionary has a quote-dated 1601 "Of somme manner of fish the hundred containeth six score, and of some other sort, nine score." Since a score was 20, then the *centum*, or hundred, had either 120 or 180 fish. If the records are correct, then Lawrence and William had between 36,000 and 54,000 fish, probably salted or smoked.

So that led to the question sent to Raya. Was Lawrence a Fishmonger? Being born in 1601, he was the right age to have entered some livery school at the age of 12 in 1613, served the required seven years of apprenticeship, and finished his training in time to be hired by the London Company for travel in 1620. His age fits time-wise. I have been told that livery school admission records for those days still exist. If that could be found, at least one of his parent's signatures would be on the admission papers, and with that it might be possible to tie him into the English Peelle family. The following are her March-April 2008 responses.

Dear Mr Peele

I have now been able to do a search for Lawrence Peelle and I am afraid that I have found nothing. I have looked at apprentice lists beginning from 1614, we have published version of apprentice lists, and there is no entry for Lawrence. The average apprenticeship age would have been fourteen years old, but that is not to say that apprentices couldn't have been bound at a younger age. However, 1614 should be an acceptable reference point to start if Lawrence was born in 1601. Given that he doesn't appear to have been bound I saw no reason to check freedom entries since he would have had to have completed his term of indenture in order to qualify for freedom which would have been granted by Service.

I have checked minutes for the period and there doesn't appear to be any mention of Lawrence in relation to the Virginia Colony. It is possible that:

a) Lawrence had no connection with the Fishmongers' Company but illegal trading existed but usually outside the city walls.

b) He was a Christ's Hospital (Bluecoat School) pupil who was then apprenticed to someone who was travelling overseas (Blue Coat Schools were Charity Schools). See the following websites about Bluecoat Schools:

<http://www.archivist.f2s.com/bsu/Blcoat.htm>

<http://www.history.ac.uk/gh/christ1.htm>

The above attachment gives details of the school's museum. I contacted the school today to ask about the admissions registers for the period in question but the person to speak to is away from the office until Monday. You can contact them directly and ask if they will check to see if Lawrence was a pupil or not.

I am sorry that I could not have been more helpful.

Best Wishes

Raya McGeorge
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Dear Mr. Peele

I should have stated that the minutes were checked from November 1610 through to March 1616-17. I checked a whole volume of transcribed minutes page by page. I also checked an index book covering transcribed minutes 1610-1631.

Furthermore, I managed to speak to the relevant person, Mr. Tony Haygarth Smith, at Christ's Hospital Museum who informed me that the admission registers for the School up to 1900 are held at the London Guildhall Manuscript Department. The School only holds the records acquired since it was relocated from London to Horsham in Sussex. Therefore you would need to contact the Guildhall and not the School as I originally suggested.

See: www.ihr.sas.ac.uk/gh/

Email: manuscripts.guildhall@corpoflondon.gov.uk

Mr Haygarth Smith also mentioned a book of interest, *Child Apprentices in America: From Christ's Hospital, London 1617-1778* as well as a piece of research led by James Whittenburg on the School. I have done a search for mention of the research and several links appear but I cannot seem to find the whole piece.

See: http://www.virtualjamestown.org/christs_hospital/about_ch.html

James Whittenburg, I understand, is based at the William & Mary University in Williamsburg. The article may be published in the William and Mary Quarterly. Regarding the book, you should be able to access a copy in the U S as I believe the publication is American.

I came across the link *Child Apprentices in America from Christ's Hospital, London 1617-1778*, which I thought was related to the book, available to read via payment to Ancestry.co.uk. I did a search for Lawrence Peele and lots references appeared but when I viewed them there seemed to be no Lawrence Peele listed. When I looked through the names index there was no entry for Lawrence. I have emailed you the list through Ancestry under the name of Tanya Savage.

Best Wishes
Raya McGeorge

Raya also sent the following information for further research at Christ's Hospital School Museum:

Christ's Hospital School Museum, Horsham
The Counting House
Christ's Hospital

Horsham, West Sussex, England, RH13 7YP

Collection details - Archives, Decorative and Applied Art, Fine Art
Website: <http://www.christs-hospital.org.uk/35-school-museum.php>
Open View by appointment. Telephone 01403 211293.

Description - Housed on the top floor of the Infirmary, the museum has many artifacts from school life at London, Hertford and Horsham, as well as an original Matron's kitchen from 1902. Christ's Hospital has a complete run of admission books, giving pupils' details from 1563 to present day, as well as many other records detailing life at the School.

Christ's Hospital (not a hospital in the contemporary sense) was established in 1553 for the benefit of orphaned children or those made homeless by impecunious parents. If they were legitimate children of free men of the City of London, over four years of age and free from obvious infirmity, they were to be educated and prepared either for entrance to a university or apprenticeship to a trade.

From the late 17th century, up to 150 children were admitted annually to "Bluecoat School" on recommendation of their parishes, and a further ninety or so under the terms of charitable endowments. But as early as 1617 large numbers of these scholars took "articles" and left England to serve apprenticeships in America. Beginning with those children apprenticed to the Virginia Company in 1617, about 1,000 Christ's Hospital students left England to take up such apprenticeships.

The "Children's Registers" are housed in the manuscript department of the London Guildhall, and it is from these that Mr. Coldham has extracted data on child emigrants. The entries are in chronological order and in a slightly abbreviated form. Given are the name of the child, his date of birth or baptism, date of admission, native parish, the name and occupation of his father, date of discharge, the name of the person to whom he was apprenticed, and the place in America where he was to serve his apprenticeship. This is the first time all of this information has been made available to the genealogist. Was our Lawrence Peelle an orphan?

Now we know that there is no record at the Fishmongers' Company of Lawrence being a fisherman, but as Raya says it does not rule out that he may have been may have done illegal trading outside the city walls. If any of you are interesting in researching this further at this time, document all your efforts and give me your story. I would like to see a copy of *Child Apprentices in America from Christ's Hospital, London 1617-1778*, does anyone have one?

Anyone have time to further this research?

That closes out the feature article.

Family Obits



Lillie Belle Peele

Lillie Belle Woodbury Peele of Laurinburg passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 20, 2007, at the age of 80. The funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 23, 2007, at the Faith Presbyterian Church, with the burial service at Hillside Cemetery.

The Rev. Jim Bumgardner will officiate the service. Mrs. Peele was born in Marlboro County, South Carolina, on July 16, 1927. She was a loving and devoted wife and mother. She was blessed with eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, sharing a special bond with each. She worked with Everington's Drug Store, retiring with 35 years of dedicated service. She was a faithful and active member of the Faith Presbyterian

Church. She and her husband, Gene, enjoyed spending time at their vacation home on Oak Island and traveling. Mrs. Peele leaves behind: her husband of 56 years, William Eugene "W.E." Peele of their home; her children, William "Bill" Peele and wife, Cindy, Wayne Peele and wife, Wendy, Allen Peele and wife, Linda, all of Laurinburg; eight grandchildren, Heather Peele Bounds and husband David, Matt Peele, Courtney Peele, Jeremy Peele, Meredith Peele, Evan Peele, Marta Bierbaum, Abby Bierbaum, and two great-grandchildren, Walter David Bounds and Cameron Poppy Bounds.

The family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 22, at Richard Boles Funeral Service. The family requests that memorials be made in memory of Mrs. Peele to: the Faith Presbyterian Church, 2220 Elm Avenue, Laurinburg, NC 28352 or to Hospice of Scotland County, PO Box 1033, Laurinburg, NC, 28353. (Obituaries, The Laurinburg Exchange - November 21, 2007, Contributed by Joyce Braswell, Picture from her son Bill Peele.)

Genealogical Line 13th Generation of **Lillie Belle (Woodbury) Peele** spouse of **William Eugene "W.E."¹³ Peele** (Edgar¹², Thadius James¹¹, Eli Franklin¹⁰, William "Bill"⁹ Peelle, Robert⁸, David⁷, Robert⁶, Robert⁵, Robert⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹)



Billy Peele

Rev. Luther Martin "Billy" Peele Jr. - Billy Peele of Boiling Spring Lakes died Friday, Nov. 16, 2007, at New Hanover Regional Medical Center. He was born in Laurel Hill. He began working at Belk Store in Laurinburg while in High School and continued working there, ultimately as assistant manager, until he resigned (after 23 years) to enter the ministry as a student pastor in 1972. After earning his Master of Divinity degree from Duke University in 1979, Billy was ordained as an elder in the United Methodist Church in 1980, and served several churches in the Wilmington District, including: Wrightsboro, Oleander-Devon Park, Zion, Clarkton-Bluefield and Epworth United Methodist churches. Billy's parents, Susanna Falls Peele and Luther Martin Peele Sr., as well as a sister, Martha Brown, and his first wife, Emma Hayes Peele of Laurinburg, preceded him in death.

Survivors include: his wife, Myra Miller Peele; children, Martin Peele of Concord, R. Hampton Peele of Baton Rouge, LA, and Audrey Peele of Shallotte; sisters, Adele Clark of Laurinburg and Mary McDonald of Larchmont, NY; stepchildren, Susan Navas (Nathan) of Burgaw, Christy

Porter of Wilmington; grandchildren, Christopher and Emily Peele of Concord; many nieces and nephews; and Rhonda Wiggins, who adopted him as a father.

Billy wore many hats in his life. He was an Eagle Scout, a Mason, a collegiate wrestler, a singer, a commercial pilot, a cartoonist, a poet, and a published author. For decades he sent Christmas cards that he had designed and drawn himself, to all his many friends and family. The hat that will be most remembered is the one he wore every day, his personality. Billy was unforgettable. When you met him around Wilmington, you would first hear his whistling and then see his hat and snowy white beard. And, you always expected to see him with a crossword puzzle in his hand and a jingle in his pocket. When you met him in Laurinburg, he was preceded by his singing (or whistling), that same jingle (of keys and change), and the shine of a slick shaven head. Whenever you met him, he had a kind and exuberant greeting for you, no matter who you are! Billy loved God and he loved people. He was truly filled with God's spirit and strove to serve his Lord at every opportunity. He touched many lives everywhere he went. Billy's compassion, his humor and his contagious zest for living will be greatly missed. A memorial service for Billy will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 25, 2007, at Zion United Methodist Church on Zion Church Road in Winnabow, with the Rev. Skip Williams officiating. The family will receive friends at the church from 2:30 p.m. Sunday until service hour. Memorial gifts may be made to Zion United Methodist Church or Coastal Carolina Emmaus Community. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.andrewsmortuary.com. (Contributed by Joyce Braswell)

Genealogical Line 12th Generation to Lawrence: **Luther Martin "Billy"¹² Peele, Jr.** (Luther Martin¹¹, Benjamin Franklin¹⁰, William "Bill"⁹ Peele, Robert⁸, David⁷, Robert⁶, Robert⁵, Robert⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹)



Cleo Peele

Cleo K. Peele - VIRGINIA BEACH. A beautiful lady, mother, wife, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, Cleo Ann Keech Peele, died Dec. 18, 2007, with her children, one of her grandchildren and loving staffers of Sentara Rosemont Nursing Center by her side after a long, courageous battle with Alzheimer's.

Cleo was the widow of William Peele Jr. and the daughter of William Dallas and Maggie Keech. Her parents as well as brothers, Jewell Mercer and Joseph Keech and a sister, Hazel Keech Carawan, predeceased her.

Left to cherish her memory are brother, Fred Ayres Keech and his wife Josette and sisters, Elizabeth "Libby" Keech Barnes and Virginia Keech Schroeder and husband Jack. Also left to cherish her memory are her children, Billy K. Peele, his wife Jeanne, Gloria A. Maley, her partner Kimberly, Bertie C. Hinkle, her husband Al and James A. Peele; her grandchildren, Brad, Greg, Steven, Sherry, Barry, Melissa, Matthew, James, Whit and Nathan; and great-grandchildren, Thomas, Amanda, James, Roman and Bryleigh.

Cleo was born in Chocowinity, N.C., but grew up in Lowland, NC. She spent the majority of her life in Norfolk, working at J.C. Penney, American Greetings and retired from the Norfolk Public Schools.

She passed on to her children and grandchildren her love of family, her wonderful sense of style,

her love of tradition and her love of holidays. Her kindness, laughter, love, deep sense of family, love of home, love of family gatherings, gentleness and soft-spoken words were evident to all - she was truly a beautiful person and loved by all who knew her. She loved to garden and had a natural talent for cultivating plants. She had a natural instinct for the perfect place for each plant or flower. She lovingly cared for her azaleas, roses, dogwood and fig tree. There were times when she would look out on her back yard in the morning and find a stranger admiring her plants and their natural setting in her yard. People sought out her advice on gardening and often wanted cuttings from her azaleas and dogwood trees.

Because Cleo did not cut her flowers, her family is asking that in lieu of flowers, make donations in her name to the Alzheimer's Association, 6315 N. Center Drive, Ste. 233, Norfolk, VA 23502, the Colonial Williamsburg Fund, P.O. Box 1776, Williamsburg, VA 23187-9910, or a charity of choice.

A graveside service will be held in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Norfolk, at 3 p.m. today. Services are being handled by Hollomon-Brown Funeral Home, Tidewater Chapel. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.hollomon-brown.com.

The family will receive relatives and friends at 5225 Rolleston Drive, Virginia Beach, following the graveside service. (Published in The Virginian-Pilot on 12/20/2007, Contributed by Claudia J. Williams)

Genealogical Line -- 12th Generation to Lawrence: **Cleo Ann (Keech) Peele** spouse of **William Junior¹² Peele** (William David¹¹, Troy McRay¹⁰, Samuel Alexander⁹ Peelle, John⁸, Willis⁷, Robert⁶, Robert⁵, Robert⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹).



Theresa Jean Peele – CHESAPEAKE. Theresa Jean Peele, 59, of the 400 block of Blackberne Court, went into the arms of the Lord Jesus Christ Jan. 3, 2008, surrounded by her family after a long battle with cancer. Her heart was filled with courage and strength and with her faith in the Lord is in a better place. Theresa was a native of Norfolk, born Dec. 7, 1948, the daughter of Edward and Mary Dillon. She attended Tidewater Community College where she received an associate's degree in computer information systems at the age of 41. She was employed by Bank of America with a 17 plus-year tenure and was assistant vice president of Card Services.

Theresa was passionate about the things she enjoyed doing including ballroom dancing, gardening and crocheting. During her illness she was able to float her way to happiness by swimming with the dolphins in the Florida Keys which was a lifelong dream of hers. She also had a very big place in her heart for animals.

Surviving Theresa are her parents, Edward E. Dillon and Mary Dillon of Norfolk; her sisters, Debbie Fenton of Chesapeake and Marsha Nash of Virginia Beach; her brother, Edward E. Dillon II of Chesapeake; her sons, James Adrian Peele II of Powhatan, Va., William Whitford Peele and Nathan Brent Peele of Virginia Beach; her grandchildren, Amanda Marie Peele and James Adrian Peele III of Powhatan, Va., Roman Booth Peele and Bryleigh Elizabeth Peele of Virginia Beach.

A private service for family and close friends will be held in Theresa's honor at Hollomon-

Brown Funeral Home on Cedar Road, Chesapeake. Her boys would especially like to thank her sisters, Marsha and Deborah for the loving care that they gave their mother during her battle with cancer.

Theresa's greatest joy in her life was her three sons who are very proud to have had a mother with such beauty and strength; she will live forever in our hearts. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the SPCA and the American Cancer Society in her name. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.hollomon-brown.com. (Published in the Virginian Pilot, Jan 6, 2008, Contributed by Contributed by Claudia J. Williams.)

Genealogical Line -- 13th Generation to Lawrence: **Theresa Jean (Dillon) Peele** spouse of **James Adrian¹³ Peele** (William Junior¹², William David¹¹, Troy McRay¹⁰, Samuel Alexander⁹ Peelle, John⁸, Willis⁷, Robert⁶, Robert⁵, Robert⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹)



Troy M. Peele – Aurora, NC. Mr. Troy McCray Peele, age 85, of 192 Peele Rd, Aurora, died Saturday, February 23, 2008 at Beaufort County Hospital.

Funeral services will be a graveside service at Dublin Grove on Tuesday, February 26, 2008 at 11:00AM with Rev. Earl Sadler officiating and Mr. John Carawan. Mr. Peele was born in Royal on May 3, 1922, to the late William David and Ida Green Peele. On Nov. 18, 1942 he married Tessie Raye Bonner, who survives.

He served in the Navy for 22 years before retiring from the military. He retired in 1984 after working for Texas Gulf and FCX. He was very active in his home church, Dublin Grove F.W.B. where he served as senior deacon, among other duties, for many years.

Survivors are two sons: David C. Peele and his wife Zella of Aurora and Alan McCray Peele and his wife Vickie of Washington; two daughters, Jane Peele Brooks and her husband John of Lexington, NC, Joy Peele Dunn and her husband Don of Aurora and one brother, James C. Peele of Aurora. He was cherished by 8 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends at home and after the service in the fellowship hall of Dublin Grove F.W.B. church. In lieu of flowers please send donations to the Michael Troy Brooks Foundation at Footprints of the Carolinas, 2020 Remount Rd., Gastonia, NC 28054 or Dublin Grove Free Will Baptist Church/Faye Peele, 282 Peele Road, Aurora, NC 27806.

Condolences may be directed to the Peele family by visiting www.paulfuneralhome.com. Paul Funeral Home of Washington is serving the Peele family. (Washington Daily New, Washington, NC, Contributed by Claudia J. Williams)

Genealogical Line -- 12th Generation to Lawrence: **Troy McCray¹² Peele** (William David¹¹, Troy McRay¹⁰, Samuel Alexander⁹ Peelle, John⁸, Willis⁷, Robert⁶, Robert⁵, Robert⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹)

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Contributing Writers: Where are your articles? I am looking for help. Of course Cousin Claudia Williams sends a ton of obituaries for the Eastern NC and VA area. Joyce Braswell sends ones for down home area in Richmond County.

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