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

From The Editor

I hope that everyone had a great spring, and that you had a great Fourth of July! We did! And now it is time for the wonderful hot summer.

That means, that it is that time of year for Trish and I escape the fierce Texas summer heat by going to Europe. It is already in the mid 90's in Texas on most days. Europe is about 15-20 degrees cooler. Heat takes its toll, the garden is already dying.

Our granddaughter Kayla Blucher married James Beyer of San Antonio on Friday the 13th, of June. It was a grand and hot wedding. The wedding couple exuded happiness. I was sweating in my tuxedo while Trish looked radiant in her long dress.

Brother Marvin pointed out an error in the last newsletter. I stated that Stanton Judkins Peelle was buried in the rock Stream Cemetery, the one that RB Peelle maintains. He is buried in Rock Creek Cemetery, Washington, DC also as stated in the article. I got confused? Me?

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George Peele
Taken 2013

My brother George Peele of Hamlet, North Carolina, is still fighting aggressive Leukemia. We pray that he gets well.

Please send George a get well or birthday card. His 82nd birthday is the 24th of July. His address is:

George Peele
128 E. Eason Dr
Rockingham, NC 28379.



H B Peelle

Once a week, just pray for all afflicted Peele family members, everywhere. You don't have to know who they are, God already knows. Thank you.

Today is the oldest you've ever been, yet the youngest you'll ever be, so enjoy every God given day while they lasts. Go hug someone!

A New Peelle Monument

I am very proud of my Cousin RB Peelle and his wife Susie. I have to be proud of him because he has supported me in many ways. The first time he really impressed me was when he called me on his cell phone from Virginia. He had taken a trip from NY down to Virginia to simply follow the route that I outlined in the Peele Chronicles on page 90. It was an article which I titled "A Trip Back In Time". Others have followed this route as well and contacted me; they have even gone to church in the old church there. The second time he impressed me was when he and his wife Susie came to Texas just to meet his seventh cousin (me, the author of the *Peele Chronicles*) and my wife Trish. We had a very pleasant visit, showing our house, having a great lunch together, and great chats. The third time is the following and it is really admirable. The following words are from RB Peelle:

This family stone is similar to Horace's design family stone in NC/SC which was a wonderful idea. This Peelle family stone was erected Nov 2013 at Rock Stream Cemetery Rock Stream NY, near Watkins Glen NY, on a plot owned by (RB) Robert B. Peelle Jr (1945-). I am sorry photo is fuzzy, it was taken by the stone company and I have not yet driven 6 hours each way to the cemetery to take my own photos.



It is a little hard to read in the picture here but what RB has done is to capture his 13 generations from Lawrence Peelle down through himself and his wife as generation 12 and their

four children as generation 13. The back of the stone has "Gach" followed on "Peelle" on the next line, these words being very large. The following chart shows the family entries on the front of the stone. The top paragraph reads:

DEDICATED TO OUR HERITAGE, TO OUR QUAKER ANCESTORS.
TO LAWRENCE PEELE WHO ARRIVED IN AMERICA 1621.
TO OUR WHITE FAMILY IN-LAWS WHO FOUNDED THIS CEMETERY.
FAMILY MEMBERS BEGINNING WITH THE 9TH GENERATION
ARE BURIED HERE.

The family 13 generations shown are as follows:

1	Lawrence Peelle	1601	England	1663	
2	Robert Peelle	1635	Virginia	1714	
3	Robert Peelle	1657	Virginia	1749	Sarah Jarrat
4	Robert Peelle, Jr.	1681	Virginia	1756	Judith Edwards
5	John J. Peelle	1729	Virginia	1804	Mary Norsworthy
6	Edmund Peelle	1757	N. Carolina	1819	Lydia Winborne
7	James Peelle	1784	N. Carolina	1863	Ruth Hare
8	Henry Peelle	1816	N. Carolina	1895	Mary Morris
9	John Peelle	1854	Indiana	1927	Mary White
10	Henry E. Peelle	1891	Indiana	1977	Inez Beatty
11	Robert B. Peelle	1919	New York	2013	Gertrude Maginniss
12	Robert B. Peelle, Jr.	1945	New York		Susie Gach
13	Michael, Beau, Chris, Evan		New York		

Outstanding job RB and Susie! Now my cousins, you see why RB makes me proud. Harriett Peelle Terrell, you have a fitting cemetery to do the same. Others of you may have a cemetery as well that needs family attention and maybe a monument, think about it! Incidentally RB has provided several articles for prior newsletters.

Senior Citizen Birthdays

Send them cards today!!!



Harriett Pearl Peelle Terrell
90 on July 12, born 1924

(Daughter of Walter Isaiah Peelle and Mahalia Caroline "May" Thompson; Wife of James Terrell.)

Harriett Peelle Terrell
290 Prairie Ave # 407
Wilmington, OH 45177



Marvin Buford Peele, Jr.
90 on August 9, born 1924

(Son of Marvin B. Peele, Sr. and Annie Elizabeth Bullard, (Horace's brother) and Husband of Mattie Isabelle Smith.)

Marvin B. Peele, Jr.
183 Rothwood Road
Monroe, VA 24574-3211



Linda Peelle Haddeman
82 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

Please send the name, picture, date of birth, address, of any senior, 80-85 or over, and how they are related to our Peal, Peel, Peele, or Peelle family. I will gladly add his/her picture in the appropriate quarterly publication. They will be sent FREE copies of **Lawrence, Etc.**

Notes from Cousins

Proof of Marriage for Hillary Peelle and Anne Hart

Mike Kennedy needs your help, please read the following and if you have any information that can help Mike, please contact him.

Email #1-----

Hi Horace

In Volume 5, Issue 4 2005 of your news letter you list Hillary Peelle born 1771, Bertie Co NC. He married Ann Hart, daughter of Colonel Henry Hart and Priscilla Hart. Hillary is my 4th great grandfather and I am trying to find proof that his wife Ann was the daughter of Col Hart and his wife Priscilla. Do you have any proof of their marriage? If not any idea where I might find such proof. Thanking you in advance for your help.....

Mike Kennedy

Email #2-----

Mike,

Here is what I have in my data base. There is a Bible reference here, I wonder if it has anything? But also connect with Lyn Hart from the VA State Library, he may have a clue?

Lyn, can you help? (I sent Lyn a copy of the email)

Horace

Descendants of Henry Hart, Col.

Generation No. 1

1. **Henry¹ Hart, Col.** was born Abt. 1750. He married **Priscilla Sessums**. She was born Abt. 1750.

Child of Henry Hart and Priscilla Sessums is:

2 i. **Anne² Hart**, born Bet 1775-1780; died Bet. 1840 - 1850 in Edgecombe Co., NC.

Generation No. 2

2. **Anne² Hart** (Henry¹) was born Abt. 1782, and died Bet. 1840 - 1850 in Edgecombe Co., NC¹. She married **Hillary Peel** Bef. 1799, son of James Peelle and Anne Horne. He was born 1771 in Bertie Co., NC², and died Apr 1853 in Edgecombe Co., NC³.

Children of Anne Hart and Hillary Peel are:

3 i. William³ Peel, Capt, born 1799 in Pitt Co., NC⁴; died 06 May 1873 in Walnut Creek, Edgecombe Co., NC⁵. He married Anna [Peel] 04 Jan 1822 in Buffalo, NY; born 1798 in Edgecombe Co., NC⁶; died 24 Jul 1876 in Edgecombe Co., NC⁷. He was an Overseer of Roads and Farmer.

Notes for William Peel, Capt:

William attained the rank of Captain. In the Edgecombe 1850 Census, Captain William Peel was a farmer worth \$2000.00. In 1966, the family Bible belonged to Mrs. James Madison Arnold, 1302 Dancy Street, Tarboro, NC.

4 ii. Nancy Peel, born 1804 in Pitt Co., NC⁸; died Aft. 1853⁹. She married Willis Langley 13 Mar 1823 in Edgecombe Co., NC¹⁰; born Abt. 1802.

5 iii. Mary "Polly" Peel, born Abt. 1806 in Pitt Co., NC¹¹; died Abt. 1859 in Edgecombe Co., NC¹¹. She married James Craig Stallings 05 Jan 1829 in Edgecombe Co., NC¹²; born 1793¹³; died 1867¹³.

6 iv. Rebecca Peel, born Abt. 1807. She married Bryant W. Stallings 27 Aug 1825 in Edgecombe Co., NC; born Abt. 1805.

7 v. John Peel, born 1810 in Pitt Co., NC¹⁴; died 1853. He married Mary A. Johnston 01 Oct 1834 in Edgecombe Co., NC; born Abt. 1815.

8 vi. Lydia Peel, born 1812 in Pitt/Edgecombe Co., NC¹⁴; died Aft. 1880¹⁵. She married John Ward 11 Feb 1832 in Edgecombe Co., NC¹⁶; born 1811 in Lived at Gold Rock, Edgecombe Co., NC¹⁷.

9 vii. Henry Peele, born 1814 in Edgecombe Co., NC; died 05 Feb 1894 in (Unmarked Grave) Peele Cemetery, Stoney Creek Twp., near Rocky Mount, NC. He married Matilda Brake 24 Dec 1834 in Edgecombe Co., NC¹⁷; born 1816 in Edgecombe Co., NC¹⁷; died 1881 in Peele Cemetery, Stoney Creek Twp., near Rocky Mount, NC.

10 viii. Elizabeth "Betsy" Peel, born 22 Jun 1816 in Edgecombe Co., NC¹⁸; died 20 May 1901 in Nash Cemetery, Battleboro Rd, Nash Co., NC. She married John Wesley Davis; born 30 Jan 1812¹⁸; died 06 Nov 1891 in Nash Cemetery, Battleboro Rd, Nash Co., NC.

11 ix. Martha Peel, born Abt. 1818; died 1846¹⁸. She married [Mr] Rodgers; born Abt. 1816.

12 x. Esther "Easter" Peel, born 26 Sep 1821 in Edgecombe Co., NC¹⁸; died 1890 in Gold Rock, Nash Co., NC¹⁹. She married Moses Moore 1847 in Edgecombe Co., NC?; born 1823 in Edgecombe Co., NC²⁰; died Jul 1890 in Gold Rock, Nash Co., NC. Both are buried on Moore Plantation Cemetery, Gold Rock, Nash Co., NC.

Email #3-----

Hi Horace,

Thanks for sending me your data base on Hilary Peel and Anne Hart. I contacted Lyn Hart as you suggested and he could add nothing to what you have.

My sister and I tracked down the William Peel Bible which belonged to Mrs. James Madison Arnold in 1966. It makes no reference to Hillary and Anne however, it does provide the date of Williams marriage and a list of all Williams children and their birth dates. Also their relationship to the Pitt Family. If you would like copies of the pages, I will be more than happy to send them once I make a good readable copy.

I am wondering if you could post something on your website or in your news letter, requesting that any of your readers who have information on the marriage of Hillary Peel and Anne Hart and or a record that Anne is the daughter of Col Henry Hart and Priscilla Sessums to contact me at mike19421@verizon.net

Thanks
Mike Kennedy



Charles Henry Peel Gathering

If you recall in Volume 13, Issue 2, I included an article on Patti (Peel) Whittington for having linked my missing great great uncle James Peelle into the family through DNA. Recently, Peel family had a gathering during which Patti sold 10 copies of the Peele Heritage for me, thanks Patti. Patti underwent a jaw reconstruction on June 26th to replace the jaw hinges with implants. We all wish her a speedy recovery. You may send her a card if you like at patti.whittington@yahoo.com. Patti sent three pictures and the article below.

The first picture is a 1901-1902 picture containing members of the Peel family along with the Bonifield and Wood related families. Look in particular on the first row for young Charles Henry Peel. Patti had names for many people in this picture.



1901-02 Picture of the Bonifield - Peel - Wood Families

From left to right:

Bottom Row: Louis Arnold Wood, (Unnamed) Wood, Goff Aaron Bonifield, Wroe W. Bonifield, Ray Bonifield, **Charles Henry Peel**, **Nora Belle Peel**, **Rollie Edward Peel**, **Lois Marie Peel**

Middle Row: Lizzie (Bonifield) Wood holding an unnamed child, Nina (Wood) Bonifield holding Ercel Bonifield, then a unnamed older couple, Catherine Elizabeth (Fletcher) Wood, **Penelope Eva (Wood) Peel holding Myrtle Peel**

Top Row: Lin Wood, James Hardin Wood, Charles M. Bonifield, (Unnamed) Person, **Gertrude P. Peel, Katie Peel, Samuel H. Peel**

This year, the descendants of Charles and Doris Peel gathered for their annual Peel reunion on Sunday, June 1, 2014, at the Jackson, Missouri, City Park. Some 72 descendants representing the second through sixth generations attended the reunion.



Doris Blake & Charles Peel

and explained some of our family history associated with Lawrence.

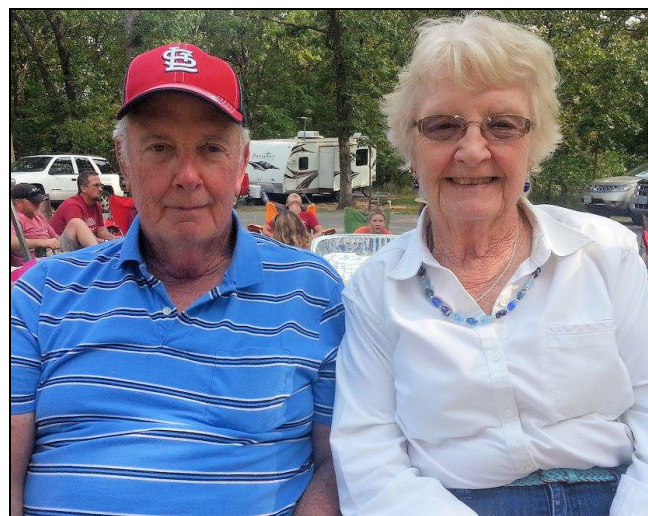
Charles Henry Peel was born in 1896 to Samuel and Penelope "Eva" (Wood) Peel in Marshall County, Kentucky. The Peel family moved to Mississippi County, Missouri around 1900. Charles was orphaned when both parents died between January and March 1906. Luckily, the older siblings stepped in and took care of Charles and the other younger children, so the family remained together. Charles died in 1971 at age 75, just one month after Doris, his wife died. The Peel family began their reunion tradition in June 1972 around what would have been Charles and Doris's 50th wedding anniversary. They were married on 28 Jun 1922.

The oldest family member in attendance was Janie (Peel) Niswonger - age 88 (see below). The youngest family member was Benjamin David Aubuchon - age 5 months.

The spread was potluck style with an abundance of "family favorites" including fried chicken, ham, salads, vegetables, and desserts. During the meal, Patti (Peel) Whittington spoke about the exciting connection made to the Lawrence Peele family

Since 1990, the Peels have also enjoyed a weekend of great outdoors at the annual Peel Campout. This year, the Peel Campout is scheduled for September 26-28 at Redmond Creek (East) Recreational Area. A potluck meal will be held on Saturday, September 27, at noon. Please plan to attend, even just as a day visit. If you desire to join your cousins on the next campout, please contact Patti at patti.whittington@yahoo.com.

Thank you Bob for having your DNA processed which proved 100% that my family and yours are the siblings of David Peelle and Priscilla Fletcher from Wayne County, NC.

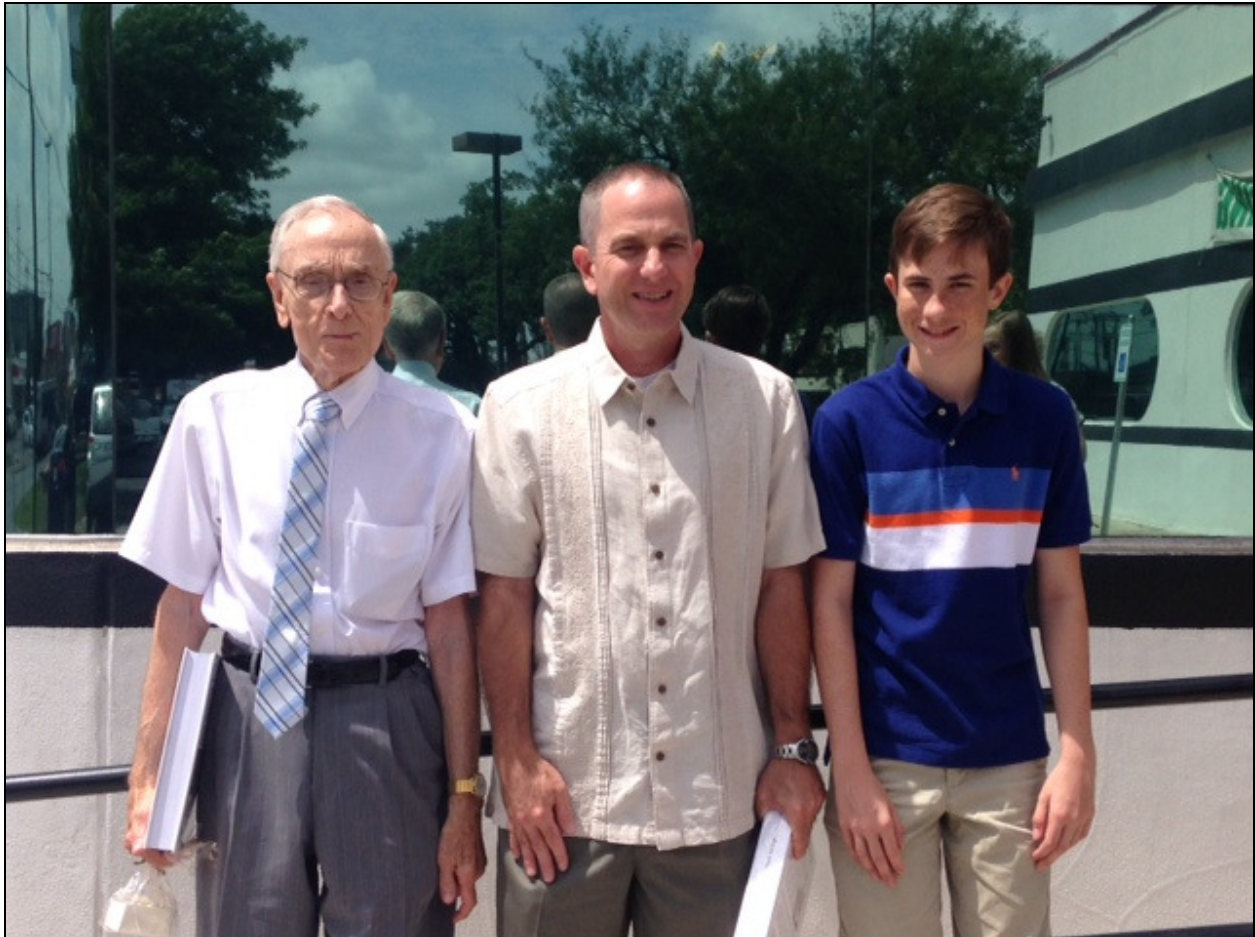


Siblings Bob Peel & Janie (Peel) Niswonger



A Peel Father's Day in Texas, A Three Generation Gathering

Jennifer Leah Peel, who now lives in San Antonio, is a recently new found cousin. She was born in Wichita Falls, TX and found me through a mutual friend. She purchased two books from me just before father's day. In the picture below you will see her father on the left holding a book and her son in the middle holding a book. Jennifer L. Peel, Ph.D., is the Assistant Dean for Graduate Medical Education, Professor of Anesthesiology, working at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UTHSCSA).



*Tom (77), Brad (47) and Andrew (13)
Grandfather, Grandson, Great Grandson*

Thomas Redman "Tom" Peel was born in 1937 in Bolton, TN; Bradley Thomas "Brad" Peel was born 1976 in Dallas, TX; and Andrew Thomas Peel was born in 2000 in Austin, TX. Tom is my 7th cousin, Brad is my 7th cousin twice removed and Andrew is my 7th cousin three times removed.

Thanks for the picture Jennifer.

Family Obituaries



Lorene Peele
Smith

Mrs. Dolores "Lorene" Peele Smith, age 88, a resident of 910 Bonner St., Washington, died Saturday, March 1, 2014 at her home. Graveside services will be 1:00 pm Sunday, March 2, 2014 at Oakdale Cemetery and will be conducted by Derik Davis.

Mrs. Smith was born in Beaufort County on May 6, 1925 to the late Daniel and Rosa Swanner Peele. On December 15, 1940 she married Deward Hoakard Smith who survives. She was a homemaker and help mate for her husband. She was a member of the First Christian Church of Washington.

Survivors include her husband, Deward H. Smith of the home, two sons, Dennis H. Smith and Erma of Washington, Deward Braxton Smith and wife LeAnne of Chocowinity, one daughter, Dolores Ann "Susie" Wood and husband Odle of New Bern, one brother, Alvin "Buddy" Peele and wife Peggy of Virginia Beach, Virginia, two grandchildren, Steven M. Wood and wife, Rachael of Washington, Ryan Smith of Greenville and five great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one son, David Steven Smith, one brother, Leroy Peele, one sister, Elsie Peele Pearson, and one grandson, Michael Smith Wood.

The family will receive friends following the graveside service at Oakdale Cemetery. You may address condolences to the family by visiting www.paulfuneralhome.com. The family would like to send their "thank you and love to all the caregivers."

Paul Funeral Home & Crematory of Washington is honored to serve the Smith family. (Contributed by Susie Wood)

Genealogical Line -- 11th generation to Lawrence: **Dolores "Lorene"¹¹ Peele** (Daniel Bennett¹⁰, Henry Bennett⁹, Abram Tice⁸ Peal, Thomas⁷, John⁶, Robert⁵ Peelle, William⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹) .) [Susie and her brother Buddy have been great supporters of our genealogy efforts. Lorene was my seventh cousin once removed.]



Russell Lee Peele

Russell Lee Peele, age 82, died Sunday, March 16, 2014 in SECU Hospice House in Smithfield (NC). Born December 16, 1931 in Johnston County he was a son of the late Robert Louis and Vanie Bailey Peele. He was preceded in death by one brother and five sisters.

Russell was a member of Stancil's Chapel Original Free Will Baptist Church. Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 in the chapel of Parrish Funeral Home with Rev. Jonathan Pearce and Rev. Dennis Pollock officiating. The family will receive friends from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. just prior to the service. A private burial will follow in Selma Memorial Gardens for immediate and extended family.

Surviving are his wife, Joyce Crumpler Peele of the home; son, Russell Louis Peele and wife Susan of Topsail Island; daughters, Sylvia P. Elliott and husband Jim of Wilson, and Wanda P. Boyle and husband Bob of Middlesex; grandchildren, Stacie Forrest and husband David of

Raleigh, Jason Creech of Wilson, and Leigh Eatmon of Middlesex; and great grandchildren, Katie Forrest, and Zach Forrest. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be sent to SECU Hospice House, P.O. Box 1376, Smithfield, NC 27577 or Stancil's Chapel OFWB Church, 1147 Old Beulah Rd. Kenly, NC 27542. (Published in The News & Observer on Mar. 18, 2014, picture retrieved from the funeral home web site.)

Genealogical Line — 12th generation to Lawrence: **Russell Lee¹² Peele** (Robert Louis¹¹, Nathan Thomas¹⁰, Jesse Hardy⁹, Mathew⁸ Peelle, Jesse⁷, Robert⁶, Robert⁵, Robert⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹) [Russell and I are 5th cousins.]



Tom Peele

Thomas John "Tom" PEELE, 91, Rockford, IL, died Friday morning, March 21, 2014, in Wesley Willows Health Center. Born July 14, 1922, in Saginaw, MI, son of Blaine and Jeanette (Nicholson) Peelle. Served in the United States Army during [WWII](#). Married Jane Stokes on November 6, 1948. He worked at Canfield Clinic as a cytopathologist and head of the lab from 1950-1982. In retirement he enjoyed playing golf, cards, traveling, gardening and making furniture for himself and others. Tom was always a kind and generous man

Survivors include his wife, Jane; son, Stephen (Kris) Peele; daughters, Kathy (Gary) Miller and Janet (Alan) Wold; grandchildren, Brad Peele, Amy (Dave) Hughes, Travis Miller, Sara (Yoel) Nieminen; and six great-grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 25, 2014, in Fitzgerald Funeral Home & Crematory, Mulford Chapel, 1860 S. Mulford Rd., with Pastor Bruce Main officiating. Visitation from 12:30 p.m. until time of the service. Private family burial. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family, Express condolences and share memories at www.fitzgeraldfh.com. (Published in Rockford Register Star from Mar. 23 to Mar. 24, 2014.)

Genealogical Line — 11th generation to Lawrence: **Thomas John "Tom"¹¹ Peele** (Blaine Edward "Elmer"¹⁰ **Peelle**, James Monroe⁹, William Tecumseh⁸, John⁷, Isaac "Passco"⁶, Robert⁵, Robert⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹). [Tom was my 5th cousin once removed. He and I had communicated and exchanged information. Notice that Tom dropped the second "l" from the name, all his ancestors were "Peelle". Also note the interesting names of his ancestors.]

Hi Horace,

My friend Ellie passed away last month. Ellie was a wonderful and beloved woman. Years ago she told me that you were a distant cousin on her Peele line. I think she may have been in touch with you at some point. Your full name stuck with me so I looked you up tonight and am sending you a link to her obituary. She was very impressed with all of the genealogical and historical research that you've shared on your website.

Warmest wishes,
Pam Cote (Email dated 3/15/2014)



Ellie Sparks

Ellen "Ellie" Margaret Sparks – Artist, Activist, Joyous Friend To So Many

AUGUSTA , MAINE – Ellen Margaret Sparks, 61, of Chelsea passed away peacefully on February 20th, 2014, at the Gosnell Hospice House in Scarborough after three times fighting cancer with great courage and a bottomless tenacity for life. Ellie, as she preferred to be called, was born on September 18, 1952 in Mineola, New York, the only daughter of Henry II and Mary Sparks.

She is survived by her brothers Henry Sparks III of Chelsea and Rick Sparks of Augusta, as well as several cousins and countless friends.

From birth, she was creative, and was an easy laugher with an optimistic spirit, putting others instantly at ease, and enriching their lives with her contagious energy, compassion and sense of humor. She was a wonderful writer, and, after teaching herself to play guitar, played and sang in numerous venues. She also recorded a spirited vocal rendition of "The Maine State Song," which can be seen on You Tube. (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Jfav1Qkm6o>)

Ellie graduated from Kents Hill Prep School, and earned an Associates degree from Nasson College in Springvale. She later graduated from The University Of Southern Maine with a Bachelors degree in social work, after which she became a licensed social worker. Always lending her time and skills to important causes, she was an active member of the anti-nuclear and feminist movements.

Ellie worked in many fields and excelled in them all. She lent her talents to Portland Lithograph and Sir Speedy, and briefly owned her own printing company, The Lavender Press. She navigated her way all over the back roads of Maine, which gave her a true love for the State, while distributing for Uncle Henry's for many years.

Her passion for other people found its voice in her work for Dayspring in Augusta, where she served as an important and supportive resource for her many AIDS clients. From there she took up the fight against the health hazards of smoking when she joined The Partnership For A Tobacco-Free Maine.

A service honoring this unforgettable part of our lives will take place at the Unitarian Universalist Community Church, at 6 Summer St. in Augusta at 3:00 p.m. Saturday, February 22. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Gosnell Hospice House and/or the Kennebec Valley Humane Society would be gratefully accepted. (Contributed by Pam Cote, Extracted from Funeral Alternatives web suite.)

Genealogical Line -- 12th generation to Lawrence through her mother Mary Louise Peelle:
Ellen "Ellie" Margaret¹² Sparks (Mary Louise¹¹ Peelle, Charles White¹⁰, John⁹, Henry Edmund⁸, James⁷, Edmund⁶, John Jellary⁵, Robert⁴, Robert³, Robert², Lawrence¹) [Ellie was the 2nd cousin to RB Peelle, Jr. and my 7th cousin.]

Have a great summer.

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