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

## From The Editor

It is time to mourn again. The only sister I have ever known, Elizabeth Jeanette "Lib" Peele passed on the 26<sup>th</sup> of May, just after her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on March 14<sup>th</sup>. Her obituary is included in the newsletter. My family is now down to two, my older brother Marvin (soon to be 92) and myself. It is sad to see us go.

Trish and I had our plans for our annual European trip ready to visit her relatives on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July, but something serious happened to cause us to postpone our trip.

My lovely wife, petite and small, had a heart attack on Wednesday, the 8<sup>th</sup> of June. She called me at 7:10 with chest pains. I was at the golf course getting ready for my seniors league golf at 8:00 AM. Trish called in pain.

I called my daughter Susie and by 8:15 we had Trish in the emergency room of the local Methodist Heart Hospital. By 10:50, the fantastic hospital staff had completed numerous blood tests, other exams, etc., and placed one stint into a 95% blocked heart vein. The next three days were rest and more rest. She came home on Friday, the 10<sup>th</sup> of June. On Monday, we rushed back to the hospital with a suspected stroke affecting her left arm and hand. We spent three more days at the hospital. The stroke was not debilitating, but very worrisome.

Today, with the grace of God, Trish says she feels better than she did before the heart attack. Cardio Therapy has begun and full recovery is expected. God is Good!



Trish Peele

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

I did not get the newsletter out early enough for you to send a birthday card to cousin Harriett but a belated card will work too you know. Get one and send it on!!! I called Harriett, she is a wonderful lady and she is doing well!



H.B. Peele

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# Senior Citizen Birthdays

Send them cards today – belated or not!!!

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**Harriett Pearl Peelle Terrell**  
92 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

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**Marvin Buford Peele, Jr.**  
92 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

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**Linda Peelle Haddeman**  
84 on August 15, born 1932

*(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

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Please send the name, picture, date of birth, address, of any related senior, 80 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 receive FREE copies of **Lawrence, Etc.**

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## Connecting More Cousins

I have a notebook full of **disconnected** Peele family trees which I have collected over the years. Some are only one line and others quite large – several pages. Every once in a while I get to connect one of these “Orphans” families into our Peele family. Recently, I came across a connection for a person that I had listed a Lloyd D. Peele. It was based upon an obituary that I received from one of my good cousins a long time ago. The Columbus Dispatch, (Columbus, Ohio) obituary reads:

### MEMORIAL SERVICES SET FOR HUNTINGTON BANK PRESIDENT

April 25, 1992

A memorial service will be conducted for **Lloyd D. Peele**, regional president of Huntington National Bank, who died Thursday of cancer. He was 53.

Peele joined Huntington as a vice president of the national division after working as vice president of a Norfolk, VA, bank from 10962-73.

In 1980, he became head of the central Ohio banking group and then president of the Huntington, the main subsidiary of Huntington Bancshares, a bank holding company. He was also a member of the bank's board of directors.

Peele received a bachelor's degree in business administration from the College of William and Mary in 1959. He also studied at the University of Virginia's school of business management for two years and at the graduate school of banking at Rutgers University for three years.

He was a director of the Columbus Zoo, a trustee of the Central Ohio Marketing Council and a member of the board of directors of Children's Hospital Foundation. Peele was chairman in 1990 of the Capital Area Humane Society's \$2.5 million capital campaign.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce Vernon Peele; his sons Christopher and Jonathan; a brother Robert, of Portsmouth, VA; and a stepsister and stepbrother Frances James and Robert James, both of Chesapeake, VA.

The service will be at 11 A.M. at First Community Church, 1320 Cambridge Blvd [Columbus, OH].

For years the family tree that I gleaned from this obituary laid in my "Orphan" book showing the six people named, connecting the spouse to a second husband [Mr] James. Initially I had Lloyd's birth year as 1938, a simple computation. Recently I added two generations to this family and connected them into the main family tree while expanding information. The Lloyd D. Peele above is #5 below.

### ***Descendants of Robert W. Peele***

#### *Generation No. 1*

**1. Robert W.<sup>10</sup> Peele** (William E. "Billy"<sup>9</sup>, John<sup>8</sup> Peelle, John<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>6</sup>, Joshua<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>) was born Nov 1878 in Bertie Co., NC. He married **Mary Martha Miller** Abt. 1899. She was born Feb 1878 in Bertie Co., NC.

Children of Robert Peele and Mary Miller are:

- 2 i. Roy E.<sup>11</sup> Peele, born Apr 1900 in Bertie Co., NC.
- + 3 ii. Phillip Dean Peele, born 09 Oct 1906 in Colerain, NC; died 19 Apr 1959, buried in Ahoskie Cemetery, Ahoskie, NC.

#### *Generation No. 2*

**3. Phillip Dean<sup>11</sup> Peele** (Robert W.<sup>10</sup>, William E. "Billy"<sup>9</sup>, John<sup>8</sup> Peelle, John<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>6</sup>, Joshua<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>) was born 09 Oct 1906 in Coleraine, NC, and died 19 Apr 1959, buried in Ahoskie Cemetery, Ahoskie, NC. He married **Fannie Mae Rogerson**.

Children of Phillip Peele and Fannie Rogerson are:

- 4 i. Robert L.<sup>12</sup> Peele, (Lived 1992: Portsmouth, VA.)

+ 5 ii. Lloyd David Peele, born 08 Jul 1938 in Portsmouth, VA; died 15 Apr 1992 in Portsmouth, VA.

### *Generation No. 3*

**5. Lloyd David<sup>12</sup> Peele** (Phillip Dean<sup>11</sup>, Robert W.<sup>10</sup>, William E. "Billy"<sup>9</sup>, John<sup>8</sup> Peelle, John<sup>7</sup>, James<sup>6</sup>, Joshua<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>) was born 08 Jul 1938 in Portsmouth, VA, and died 15 Apr 1992 in Portsmouth, VA<sup>1</sup>. He married **Joyce Anne Vernon** 11 Aug 1962 in Portsmouth, VA, daughter of Woodrow Vernon and Phyllis Savage. She was born Abt. 1940.

Notes for Lloyd David Peele:

Lloyd Peele was regional president of the Huntington National Bank when he died at age 53. A native of Portsmouth, Mr. Peele was vice president and zone manager of First & Merchants National Bank in Portsmouth from 1966 to 1973 and was named Portsmouth's Outstanding Young Man of 1969. The following year he was named an "Outstanding Young Man in Virginia."

Children of Lloyd Peele and Joyce Vernon are:

- 6 i. Christopher Todd<sup>13</sup> Peele, born 1967.
- 7 ii. Jonathan D. Peele, born 1970.

### *Endnotes*

1. Obituary The Columbus Dispatch.

As we all know, having gained more information just leads to more questions. Look at the families of Lloyd's father Phillip Dean Peele and Grandfather Robert W. Peele. I have only two children for each of these families, surely there are more children in each family. From my notes it seems that I contacted Christopher Todd Peele in order to get birthdates, etc. But that was several years back. Does anyone have anything on the older families?



## ***Who is Piney Peele?***

Here is another from my book of "Orphans". I recently received several emails from Al Keith starting with the above question. So here is a puzzle which I would like you to help solve, maybe you have some information on this line or can find it for us. It would be a great participating game if we could find the answer. Al's first email:

Hello,  
My ancestors are Willis Redding Overton and his wife Piney Peele. They were both from Pitt County, NC, and were married in 1817. Piney was born in 1801. Have you seen her name in any of your research?

Thanks,  
Al Keith

My response:  
Al,

Sorry for the delay in answering. It has been busy these last four weeks. My wife had a heart attack four weeks ago tomorrow. But God has given her another chance at life, God is good and she is doing very well.

On your connection, I too have looked for Piney Peele several times but have never connected her to the family although she has to be connected somewhere. All the Peeles by whatever spelling at that time were from the same major family, especially in NC.

I have this family tree below submitted by one of your cousins. And that is all I have. If you would like to send me more I would gladly enter it into my data base and keep it.

Horace

[The family tree I sent him goes on for 7 generations but I cut it off here for space.]

### ***Descendants of Willis Reddin Overton***

#### *Generation No. 1*

**1. Willis Reddin<sup>2</sup> Overton** (Asa<sup>1</sup>) was born 1790 in Pitt Co., NC. He married **Piney Peele** 1818. She was born 1801 in Pitt Co., NC.

Children of Willis Overton and Piney Peele are:

- + 2 i. Robert Stanley<sup>3</sup> Overton.
- + 3 ii. Etha L. Overton, born 1819 in Pitt Co., NC.
- 4 iii. John Overton, born 1833.
- 5 iv. Willis Reddin Overton, Jr., born 1836; died 1864 in CSA Hospital, Dunlops Farm.
- 6 v. Lucindy Overton, born 1838.
- 7 vi. Clementine Overton, born 1844.

#### *Generation No. 2*

**2. Robert Stanley<sup>3</sup> Overton** (Willis Reddin<sup>2</sup>, Asa<sup>1</sup>) He married **Hannah Elizabeth Ross**.

Children of Robert Overton and Hannah Ross are:

- 8 i. Piney Ann Rebecca<sup>4</sup> Overton.
- 9 ii. John Stanley Overton.

**3. Etha L.<sup>3</sup> Overton** (Willis Reddin<sup>2</sup>, Asa<sup>1</sup>) was born 1819 in Pitt Co., NC. She married **Harry Williams** Bet. 1839 - 1840.

Child of Etha Overton and Harry Williams is:

- + 10 i. Millie A. Piney<sup>4</sup> Williams, born Bet. 1839 - 1840.

#### *Generation No. 3*

**10. Millie A. Piney<sup>4</sup> Williams** (Etha L.<sup>3</sup> Overton, Willis Reddin<sup>2</sup>, Asa<sup>1</sup>) was born Bet. 1839 - 1840. She married **Robert Serle Highsmith**. He was born in Pitt Co., NC.

Child of Millie Williams and Robert Highsmith is:

- 11 i. Zilphea Louise<sup>5</sup> Highsmith, born 09 Oct 1871; died 24 May 1899. She married Robert Linwood "Lyn" Bullock 05 Dec 1895; born 17 Sep 1869; died Bet. 1940 - 1945.

AI responds:

Thanks for writing Horace. I have one correction; Willis Reddin Overton who married Piney Peele had a son named Willis Reddin Overton. He died at the Confederate Hospital at Dunlop's Farm just North of Petersburg, VA, in August 1864. I have more information I will forward to you.

Thanks,  
AI Keith

I asked AI if he ever checked the census for Pitt county to see if the Overtons and Peele family lived next door in farm country. He responded with this family lore which gives us another important clue:

WILLIS Overton of North Carolina. "As told to me as a child. WILLIS Overton when a small boy was taken from his home somewhere in Virginia and carried by boat to Washington, North Carolina. He was found there by Mr. Peele of Martin County, North Carolina, taken to his home and reared. He knew his own name and knew his father was ASA. That was all he remembered. When he became a grown man he married Mr. Peele's daughter Piney Peele." (Source Jessie Whitfield)

Another version says he was found on the dock, & that family had embarked without him. 1790 Federal Census has 2 ASAs in North Carolina Bertie & Camden County, North Carolina, neither has a young son that census. He is said to have **married sisters Kitty & Piney Peele**. Martin Co., NC muster for war lists Willis Overton. 1814, July 14, war of 1812 enlistment aged 20 5 7 1/4 tall, blue eyes dark hair, lite complected born Halifax co. discharged at Norfolk 1850 Pitt Co NC 3 1201 age 60, Piney 49, John 17, Willis R. 14, Harriett L. 12, Clementine 6. #1066 is Stanly Overton 28 with Hannah Ross 25. #1245 is Etha L. Overton 31 with Henry Wms.

The clue is the name of another sister named Kitty. When I look into my data base I find a Peele family around that same time frame on the Outer Banks of NC with a girl named Kittey. Since Willis came in by boat, there may be a connection?

## ***Descendants of John Peele***

### *Generation No. 1*

**1. John<sup>2</sup> Peele** (Francis<sup>1</sup>) died Bef. 22 May 1803 in Currituck Co., NC<sup>1</sup>. He married **Julia [Peel]**. She died Aft. 1803 in Currituck Co., NC.

Notes for John Peele:

!In the 1790 census of currituck, Edenton District, the name "Peel" is used for the three Peal's on the Outer Banks, Hatteras District, namely Frances, John & Christopher. All of the Peeles born on the Outer Banks are descendants of this line.

Children of John Peele and Julia [Peel] are:

- 2 i. Kittey<sup>3</sup> Peele.
- 3 ii. Elizabeth Peele.
- 4 iii. Angelica Peele.
- 5 iv. Huldah Peele.
- 6 v. Hettie Peele.
- 7 vi. Andrew Peele, born 1781<sup>1</sup>; died 1811.
- 8 vii. Christian Peele, born Abt. 1799. She married John Barnes; born Abt. 1786.

## Endnotes

1. Austin Families Association of America, Part 5 of 5 (Craig Austin).

Is "Piney" a nickname for one of the above children? Does she belong to that family as a younger child? I don't know if there is any connection here but maybe you have one? Search your records – see if you can solve "Who is Piney Peele?" for Al and I. Thanks.

# Family Obituaries



*Lib Peele White*

**Mrs. Elizabeth "Lib" Ethridge White**, 90, of Hamlet, NC, passed away Thursday, May 26, 2016 at Hospice Haven in Rockingham. Elizabeth was born March 14, 1926 in Richmond County, daughter of the late Marvin Buford Peele Sr. and Annie Elizabeth Bullard Peele.

She was an active member at First Assembly of God Church in Rockingham. Lib, as she was known, gave demos in grocery stores, was a homemaker, loved crafts and was always helping others. She served at the Hamlet and Sandhills Auxiliary. Her favorite pet was her dog, Pee Wee.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Marvin Buford Peele Sr. and Annie Bullard Peele (Annie was the first patient at Hospice Haven and died at age 100); husbands, Alton Lannis Ethridge Sr. of Macon, Georgia, and Irving H. White of Hamlet; and brothers, Cecil Peele of Rockingham and George LeRoy Peele of Hamlet.

She is survived by sons, Lannis Ethridge of Rockingham, Richard Ethridge and Jerry Ethridge of Hamlet; daughter, Kathy Rosser of Raleigh; brothers, Marvin Peele of Monroe, Virginia, and Horace Peele of San Antonio, Texas; six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are a half brother, Larry Knight; and half sisters, Maggie English, Kaye Odom, Barbara Alford and Elaine Honeycutt.

A service to celebrate Elizabeth's life will be held at 3 p.m. on Monday [May 30<sup>th</sup>] at the First Assembly of God Church in Rockingham. Pastors Gene Alexander and Steve Peele will conduct the service. The family will see friends from 1 to 3 p.m. prior to the service at the church.

Memorials may be made to the First Assembly of God of Rockingham, 160 Clemmer Road, Rockingham, NC 28379.

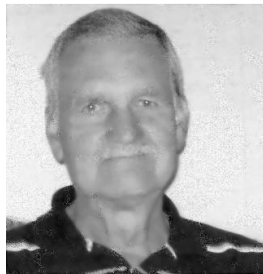
Watson-King Funeral Home in Hamlet is assisting Mrs. White's family. Online condolences may be sent to [www.watson-kingfuneralhome.com](http://www.watson-kingfuneralhome.com)

Genealogical Line — 12<sup>th</sup> generation to Lawrence: **Elizabeth Jeanette<sup>12</sup> Peele** (Marvin Buford<sup>11</sup>, George Robinson<sup>10</sup>, William "Bill"<sup>9</sup> Peelle, Robert<sup>8</sup>, David<sup>7</sup>, Robert<sup>6</sup>, Robert<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>)

My sister was born on the 175 acre farm that Mom and Dad bought in 1923, just after their marriage. Mom lived there until 2002. My brother George LeRoy Peele left me the old Peele home place with two acres when he died in 2014. It was built in 1927 with an addition in 1941.

My wife Trish and I had just returned to Texas from a two week early May work trip on the old home place in North Carolina when we got the expected news that my sister had passed. We returned for the funeral being held on Memorial Day, May 30<sup>th</sup>. During the funeral service, my nephew Jerry Ethridge made some nice comments about his Mother about how much my sister had wanted a daughter after having three boys. Kathy was the fourth and last child born to my sister and her husband Alton Ethridge. Jerry said that his Mom was so excited when Kathy was born that she immediately took off the first diaper off to see the proof of her sex. Lib was elated!

His comment revealed something to me that should have been obvious but just had not dawned on me before. If you look back at Volume 10 issue 2, there is an article documenting ***My First Haircut*** which happened on November 20<sup>th</sup>, 1940. In that article, there is a picture of "**me when I was a girl**" as I like to tell folks. Lib was eleven years older than me. I always thought that it was Mom who wanted another girl and for that reason let my hair grow long with no haircut until I was 3 and ½ years old. NO it wasn't, it was that sister wanting a baby sister! Lib was the reason. I did thank her before she died for all the diapers she changed on me. I understand from Mother that changing my diapers was her job and in those days diapers were not thrown away. Phew! Early motherhood training, well done Mother.



*Grady Peele*

On Friday [24 Jun 2016], our most cherished **Roscoe "Grady" Peele** of Beckley, WV, died 11:20 pm at the Bowers Hospice House. He was in his 80th year. Born January 27, 1926, in Alamance County, NC, he was the son of the late Benjamin F. and Nellie Briley Peele.

Grady served in the US Army at Ft. Knox, 1959-1961. He was an employee of Brad Ragan, Inc., of North Carolina, and later as a manager locating to West Virginia.

Grady retired with 45 years with BRI/Wingfoot. He cherished family celebrations and get-togethers with his family. Grady was an avid golfer, enjoying golf outings with friends and spending time with his grandson on the golf course. He was a part-time staff member of the Stone Haven golf course.

He was of the Baptist faith, and a beloved poem of Grady's was "Beyond Life's Gateway," author unknown. "There's an open gate at the end of the road through which we each must go alone and there, in a light we cannot see, Our Father claims his own; beyond the gate, your loved one finds happiness and rest, and there is comfort in the thought that a loving God knows best."

Those left to cherish his memory include his beloved wife, Adelaide Hartman Peele. Grady and Adelaide celebrated their 60th year of marriage this June 16th. They are survived by their son, Mark Peele (Virginia), and their grandson, Jeffrey M. Peele (Krista), all of Beckley; brothers, Charles R. Peele (Nancy) of Salisbury, NC, and Walter D. Peele (Diane) of North Myrtle Beach; sisters, Nina Peele Clark (James) and Georgia Peele McCorkle (Glenn) all of Salisbury; several nieces and nephews survive as well.

In addition to his parents, Grady was preceded in death by brothers, Benjamin F. Peele Jr., and James O. Peele, and sisters, Lula Golden Peele Massey (Goldie) and Barbara Peele Lorenz (Bobbi).

On Tuesday, June 28th, at 2:00 pm there will be a "Service of Remembrance" for Grady at the Melton Mortuary Chapel. Rev. Danny Lusk will be officiating. Grady will be laid to rest in the



Sunset Memorial Park. Pallbearers will be grandson, Jeffrey Peele; family and friends, Julian Berry (JR), Joey Berry, Andrew Carver (AJ), David Pack and Frank Hartenstein. The family will receive friends at 12 noon.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorials may be sent to the Bowers Hospice House, PO Box 1472, Beckley, WV 25802.

Genealogical Line — 12<sup>th</sup> generation to Lawrence: **Roscoe Grady<sup>12</sup> Peele** (Benjamin Franklin<sup>11</sup>, Charles Thomas<sup>10</sup>, Isabelle<sup>9</sup> Peelle, Sidney Freeman "Truman"<sup>8</sup>, William<sup>7</sup>, Isaac "Passco"<sup>6</sup>, Robert<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>) [ At the age of 16, Isabelle Peelle, generation 9, gave birth to Charles Thomas Peele in Oct 1850, fathered by Clarence Welch. He was raised by Isabelle and her first husband Maston Crawford Driggers (1826-1878).]



This next obituary is very interesting genealogically in that Hilda Gary Lancaster and her husband Donald Byrd Peele are 3<sup>rd</sup> cousins once removed. More follows after the obituary:



*Hilda Peele*

**Hilda Gray Lancaster Peele**, 88, passed away peacefully and went to be with her Lord on Sunday, June 26, 2016 at Kitty Askins Hospice Center [Goldsboro, NC].

Hilda was born in Wayne County, NC, on September 30, 1927 to the late Mack Lancaster Sr. and Elma Pate Lancaster. She was an active member of Mount Carmel United Methodist Church.

Hilda is survived by her husband of 60 years, **Donald Peele**; her children, Grey Peele and his wife Valerie, Gregg Peele and his wife Sandra; her grandchildren, Karen Peele, Jennifer Peele, Charles Peele, Robert Peele; her great-granddaughter Madelyn Capps; her brother, Mack Lancaster Jr. and wife Connie of Pikeville; and many nieces, nephews and friends.

In addition to her parents, Hilda was preceded in death by her siblings: Pauline Davis, Ervin Lancaster, Clinton Lancaster, Iva West, Wiley Lancaster, and Evelyn Lancaster.

A service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 29, 2016 at Mount Carmel United Methodist Church with Rev. Bob Clark and Rev. Rose Hicks officiating. Burial will follow in Pikeville Cemetery.

Visitation will be Tuesday, June 28, 2016 at Mount Carmel United Methodist Church, 610 Mount Carmel Church Road, Pikeville from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Flowers are welcome or memorials may be made to the Gideons International, P. O. Box 10093 Goldsboro, NC 27532 or Mount Carmel United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 10, Pikeville, NC 27863.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.seymourfuneralhome.com](http://www.seymourfuneralhome.com).

Here are two genealogical lines for this obituary:

Hilda's Genealogical Line — 13<sup>th</sup> generation to Lawrence tracking back through the Lancaster line to the Peelle line: **Hilda Gray<sup>13</sup> Lancaster** (Mack Daniel<sup>12</sup>, Eddie Fountain "Edd"<sup>11</sup>, McDaniel<sup>10</sup>, Levi Wright<sup>9</sup> Lancaster, **Mary "Polly"<sup>8</sup> Peelle**, David<sup>7</sup>, Robert<sup>6</sup>, Robert<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>,

Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>).

Donald's Genealogical Line — 12<sup>th</sup> generation to Lawrence: **Donald Byrd<sup>12</sup> Peele** (George Willis<sup>11</sup>, Willis Kinchon<sup>10</sup>, George Willis<sup>9</sup>, Willis<sup>8</sup> Peelle, Willis<sup>7</sup>, Robert<sup>6</sup>, Robert<sup>5</sup>, Robert<sup>4</sup>, Robert<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Lawrence<sup>1</sup>).

Family trees really get interesting when ancestors, who were cousins, married each other. Hilda's ancestor on the Lancaster side, William Sanders Lancaster, was the appointed guardian for Hilda's ancestor on the Peelle side, Mary "Polly" Peelle, after Mary "Polly"'s father David Peelle (1754-1807) and mother Priscilla Fletcher (1771-1807) both died in 1807. This is well documented in the Peele Chronicles thanks to Mary Mason of Freemont, NC.

Mary "Polly" Peelle was the sister to my 2nd Great Grandfather Robert Peelle, born 1801 or in other words she was my 2<sup>nd</sup> great-Aunt. Therefore, Hilda was my 4<sup>th</sup> Cousin once removed. Polly's husband William Sanders Lancaster is my second cousin four times removed.

William Sanders Lancaster married Mary "Polly" Peelle when she was just 16 years of age. They were second cousins. Down the line, Hilda Gary Lancaster and Donald Byrd Peele are 3<sup>rd</sup> cousins once removed.

The chart below shows two very complicated family tree outlines as it pertains to this obituary.

### **Hilda**

Looking at Hilda's chart you will see that she descends from Robert Peelle-1709 twice. She has one line that goes from the son Robert Peelle-1730 which happens to be my line as well through David Peelle and Priscilla Fletcher. She has another through the daughter Elizabeth Peelle-1736 who married Arthur Bryant. A daughter of that marriage, Elizabeth Bryant-1760 marries into the Lancaster family and then back into the Peelle family.

### **Donald**

If you follow Donald's line, he has the same connection as Hilda to Robert Peelle-1709 through the same two 6<sup>th</sup> generation children Robert-1730 and Elizabeth-1736. He also has two 7<sup>th</sup> generation connections through David Peelle-1754 and his brother Willis-1763. David and Willis were given adjoining tracts of land by "Deeds of Gift" their father Robert Peelle-1730 while their father was still alive. David and Willis married sisters, Priscilla and Elizabeth Fletcher so there were some double first cousins in those families.

Looking a little closer, you will see that two 9<sup>th</sup> generation brothers Levi Lancaster (Hilda's line) and Daniel Lancaster (Donald's line) married two sisters Absilla and Mary Pate, more double first cousins. Through this connection Donald is a 10<sup>th</sup> generation descendent of Thomas Pate and Hilda is an 11<sup>th</sup> generation descendent of Thomas Pate.

These are the kinds of thing that make genealogy interesting. If you would like me to send you your outline from Lawrence, like those below, I will gladly do so my email. Or better yet, I can send you whatever I have in my data base for your whole ancestor tree. Both Hilda's and Donald's go back to the Hatch family in England in the 1400s.

**Hilda Gray Lancaster**

- 1 Lawrence Peelle-1601
- 2 Robert Peelle-1635
- 3 Robert Peelle-1657  
+Sarah [Jarrat]-1657
- 4 Robert Peelle-1681  
+Judith Edwards-1688
- 5 **Robert Peelle**-1709  
+Elizabeth Edgerton-1712
  
- 6 **Robert Peelle**-1730  
+Margaret B. Jossey-1732
  
- 7 **David Peelle**-1754  
+Priscilla Fletcher-1771
- 8 [2] Mary "Polly" Peelle-1796  
+[1] William Sanders Lancaster-1789
- 9 [3] Levi Wright Lancaster-1817  
+[4] Mary Pate-1819
- 10 [5] McDaniel Lancaster-1850  
+[6] Amanda "Mandy" Tilton-1851
- 11 [7] Eddie Fountain Lancaster-1873  
+[8] Hattie J. Crumpler-1880
- 12 [9] Mack Daniel Lancaster-1898  
+[10] Elma Pate-1899
- 13 [11] Hilda Gray Lancaster-1927

**6 Elizabeth Peelle-1736**

- +Arthur Bryant-1733
- 7 Elizabeth Bryant-1760  
+Levi Boyette Lancaster-1757
- 8 [1] William Sanders Lancaster-1789  
+[2] Mary "Polly" Peelle-1796
- 9 [3] Levi Wright Lancaster-1817  
+[4] Mary Pate-1819
- 10 [5] McDaniel Lancaster-1850  
+[6] Amanda "Mandy" Tilton-1851
- 11 [7] Eddie Fountain Lancaster-1873  
+[8] Hattie J. Crumpler-1880
- 12 [9] Mack Daniel Lancaster-1898  
+[10] Elma Pate-1899
- 13 [11] Hilda Gray Lancaster-1927

**Donald Byrd Peele**

- 1 Lawrence Peelle-1601
- 2 Robert Peelle-1635
- 3 Robert Peelle-1657  
+Sarah [Jarrat]-1657
- 4 Robert Peelle-1681  
+Judith Edwards-1688
- 5 **Robert Peelle**-1709  
+Elizabeth Edgerton-1712
  
- 6 **Robert Peelle**-1730  
+Margaret B. Jossey-1732
  
- 7 **David Peelle**-1754  
+Priscilla Fletcher-1771
- 8 [5] Mary "Polly" Peelle-1796  
+[4] William Sanders Lancaster-1789
- 9 [6] Daniel Lancaster-1829  
+[7] Absilla Pate-1832
- 10 [8] Robert Lee Lancaster-1867  
+[9] Sophie Pate-1869
- 11 [2] Juanita "Anita" Lancaster-1894  
+[1] George Willis Peele-1893
- 12 [3] Donald Byrd Peele-1930

**7 Willis Peelle-1763**

- +Elizabeth "Betsy" Fletcher-1765
- 8 Willis Peelle-1800  
+Elizabeth Johnson-1802
- 9 George Willis Peele-1823  
+Sarah J. "Sallie" Best-1832
- 10 Willis Kinchon Peele-1860  
+Sallie E. Sanderson-1867
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