

Chapter 00296 1837

E. ELIJAH PEARCE, SR

And

PHEBE SIGLER

Fairfield, Newark and Upper Montclair NJ

Henry Pearce #2, branch #2, generation #4.

Elijah is a great grandson of Henry Pearce #1

Elisha is the same 4th generation
as cousin Albert Pierce.


8/24/2024

Relationship: Henry PEARCE to Elston Elijah PEARCE


Elston Elijah PEARCE is the great grandson of Henry PEARCE

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|  1 | Henry PEARCE b: Jul/25/1725 Scotland or St Just Parish, Cornwall, England d: Jul/08/1788 |  Elizabeth Lucinda SPEAR b: May/06/1737 Paisley, Renfrewshire, England d: Oct/16/1814 |
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Son

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|  2 | Henry James PEARCE b: Aug/28/1771 Fairfield, NJ d: Aug/09/1842 |
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Grandson

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|  3 | Henry Harrison PEARCE b: 1801 Fairfield, NJ d: Feb/18/1859 |
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Great grandson

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|  4 | Elston Elijah PEARCE Senior b: Jun/29/1837 d: Oct/30/1925 |
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| | Henry Pearce - Branch #1 | | |
| | Elizabeth Lucinda Spear | | |
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| | Henry James Pearce - Branch #2 | | |
| | Jane Fredericks | | |
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| | Henry Harrison Pearce | | |
| | Maria C. Bush | | |
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| | Elston Elijah 'Elijah' Pearce SR. | | |
| | Phebe SIGLER | | |
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| Raymond Sigler Pearce | Generation 5 | Elston Elijah Pearce JR | |
| Harriet Adra 'Adra' Freeman | | Alice DUVAL | |
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| Edwin Freeman 'Freeman' Pearce | Generation 6 | Howard Duval Pearce | Louis Elston 'Elston' Pearce |
| Isabelle Aileen Mahoney | | Mary Louise Pratt | Julie Ann Otter |
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| Thomas Raymond Pearce | Generation 7 | Michael Duval Pearce | |
| Carol O'Neill | | Holly Faith Slagle | |
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Elston Elijah PEARCE 1837 - 1925 (88)
and wife Phebe SIGLER 1843 - 1939 (96)

Married Feb/18/1869 at her parents Aaron Sigler and wife Caroline VREELAND Home at Brookdale (Bloomfield), NJ. They were married 56 years.

Imagine how they saw the world change.

From buckboard wagons, hard toil, Civil War, WW1 and WW2, planes, health improvements and more.

1859 Butcher in Newark NJ.

Elston Elijah PEARCE

Branch #2 - 4th Generation

Jun/29/1837 - Oct/30/1925 (88)

son of Henry Harrison Pearce and Maria Bush.

Father of Raymond Sigler Pearce and Elston Elijah PEARCE Jr.

1859-60 Newark directory shows Elijah age 23 as a butcher at 6 Centre Market St, South Orange Ave, Newark, NJ.

1865 living with brother Orestes Pearce in Brooklyn NY.

1914 lived in Upper Montclair, NJ.

1925 Mt. Hebron Cemetery, Upper Montclair, NJ

The New Methodist Parsonage.

Six thousand dollars is the estimate cost of the new Methodist parsonage now in course of erection. It will stand on the one hundred foot lot south of, and adjoining the church, lot sixty-five feet back from the street line.

It is to be thirty-seven feet square, two-and-a-half stories high, built in a style of architecture to harmonize with the church, and will be furnished with "all the modern improvements."

Mr. Elijah **Pearce** is doing the mason work and Christopher Myers the car-

1880 Elston Elijah Pearce

age 43 at the time. Husband of Mrs. Phebe Sigler Pearce.

penter work. The contract calls for the completion of the job on or before November 1st.

When the house is completed it is to be furnished throughout.

Montclair Times newspaper
17 Jul 1880, Sat · Page 2

THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING.

1919

Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Pearce Receive
Congratulations on Completion
of Fifty Years of Happy
Married Life.

Wedded in Montclair half a century ago, and making their home here for forty-five years, is the experience of Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Pearce of No. 22 Elston road, who celebrated their golden anniversary on Tuesday evening. Mr. Pearce has attained his eighty-third year and Mrs. Pearce her seventy-fifth.

The old Sigler homestead, now the Hamilton farm, where the bride was born and grew up as a girl, was the scene of the wedding, February 18, 1869. A happy feature at the gathering of friends and relatives at the anniversary celebration was the presence of the maid of honor, Miss Harriet Force, who attended the bride at the nuptials, and Mr. Charles Demarest, of Newark, who was a guest at the wedding. The cake for the anniversary was designed and baked by Isaac Sigler,

brother of the bride, who is one of Montclair's veteran merchants.

Mr. **Pearce** for many years has been an employing contractor and mason and has built a number of good buildings in Montclair. He is a charter member of the Montclair Fire Department and was actively engaged in Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and served a much longer term than required to entitle him to membership in the Exempt Firemen's Association.

Present at the golden wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Sigler, Melvin Sigler, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. **Pearce** and son, Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Elston **Pearce**, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Sigler, Collector and Mrs. Howard A. Sigler, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Tisdall, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Mitton, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Sigler, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Lever, Mrs. Robert Talbot, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sanford, Mr. and Mrs. James P. Devoces and Mrs. Margaret Gould.



2022 St Lukes Place, Montclair NJ. Built in 1880. Elston E. Pearce and Phebe Sigler.

Later



Congratulations on the happy and successful married life were received by Mr. and Mrs. **Pearce** from many friends in Montclair and other places. Both are members of two of the oldest and most esteemed families in this section of the State.

Montclair Times, 22 Feb 1919, Sat · Page 13

Mrs. Phebe Pearce 95, Died Sunday

**Services Will Be Conducted
at 3 P. M. Today.**

Services for Mrs. Phebe S. Pearce, wife of the late Elijah Pearce, one of Montclair's first mason contractors and one time volunteer assistant chief of the Fire Department, will be conducted at 3 o'clock this afternoon at the home of her son, Raymond S. Pearce of 22 Elston Road.

Mrs. Pearce was 95. She died at the home of her son Sunday after a brief illness. At the time of her death Mrs. Pearce was the oldest living native resident of Montclair. Her father, the late Aaron Sigler, had also been a native of Montclair. Her mother, the late Caroline Vreeland Sigler, had been born in Nutley.

Until a year ago Mrs. Pearce had remained active in religious and political affairs. She had been a member of Upper Montclair Presbyterian Church and one of the original members of the Old Dutch Reformed Church in Bloomfield.

1843 - 1939 age 95

At the age of 89 in 1932 when Mrs. Pearce cast her vote for Herbert Hoover she received a congratulatory telegram from Mrs. Hoover. She had always shown a lively interest in town affairs. At home she had made a hobby of caring for her flower garden.

Her family for several generations back had owned a great deal of property in Upper Montclair. Her husband, who died in 1925, and her father were instrumental in developing much of it. Elston Road, where her son now lives, was developed by her husband.

A nephew, Howard Sigler, is now the Montclair tax collector. Besides her son and nephew, she leaves another son, Elston E. Pearce of Englewood; a brother, Melvin Sigler of Cedar Grove; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The Rev. Robert C. Williamson of Upper Montclair Presbyterian Church, assisted by the Rev. Howard A. Adair of East Paterson Presbyterian Church, will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Mt. Hebron Cemetery.

Montclair Times, 3/21/1939 page 2

Elijah Pearce.

Elijah Pearce, eighty-nine years old, of No. 22 Elston road, died yesterday at his home following a short illness. Funeral services will be conducted Monday afternoon at his late residence by Rev. Robert C. Williamson, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Upper Montclair, and Rev. H. A. Adair, of Patterson. Interment will be in Mt. Hebron cemetery.

Mr. Pearce was one of Montclair's oldest citizens. He was a charter member of the Montclair volunteer fire department and Exempt Fireman's Association. He was also a charter member of the Montclair lodge of Masons. Mr. Pearce was the oldest member of the Presbyterian church of Upper Montclair.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Phoebe S. Pearce, Mr. Pearce is survived by two sons, Elston E. and Raymond S. Pearce.

E. Elijah PEARCE 6/29/1837—10/30/1925 (88)
4th generation son of Henry Harrison PEARCE and Maria C.
BUSH. Elijah was raised in Fairfield and Montclair NJ.



Mt. Hebron Cemetery, Upper Montclair, NJ

Someone posted E. Elijah Pearce's father incorrectly on Elijah's 1925 death certificate. His father was Henry Harrison PEARCE.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH **BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS**

1 PLACE OF DEATH
 County Carter State NEW JERSEY Registered No. 248
 Township _____ or Borough _____
 City Montclair No. 22 Clinton Rd. Ward _____
 (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.)

2 FULL NAME Elijah Pearce
3 Residence No. 22 Clinton Rd. St. 1 Ward _____
 (Usual place of abode.) (If non-resident give city, town and state.)
 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred 16 yrs. 4 mos. 1 day. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? _____ yrs. _____ mos. _____ days.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

4 SEX Male **5 COLOR OR RACE** White **6 Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced (write the word)** Married
7 If married, widowed or divorced
 HUSBAND of Chebe Sigler
 (or) WIFE of _____
 (Give full maiden name.)
8 DATE OF BIRTH (month, day and year) June 29, 1837
9 AGE Years 88 Months 4 Days 1 If LESS than 1 day... hrs. _____ or _____ min.
10 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED
 (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work. Retired
 (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer): _____
 (c) Name of employer: _____

11 BIRTHPLACE (city or town) Fairfield N.J.
 (State or country) _____
12 NAME OF FATHER William H. Pearce
13 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (city or town) U. S. A.
 (State or country) _____
14 MAIDEN NAME MOTHER Maria Bush
15 (a) BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (city or town) U. S. A.
 (State or country) _____

16 SIGNATURE OF INFORMANT Chelise Pearce
 (Address) 22 Clinton Rd. Montclair N.J.
17 Nov. 2, 1925 Allen P. Lane
 Received LOCAL REGISTRAR.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
17 DATE OF DEATH (Month, day and year) Oct 30 1925
18 I HEREBY CERTIFY That I attended deceased from July, 1924, to October 26, 1925, that I last saw him alive on October 26, 1925, and that death occurred on date stated above, at 1 P. m.
 The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows:
Chronic Myocarditis
 (Duration) 10 yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
 Contributory (Secondary) Chronic Nephritis
 (Duration) 5 yrs. _____ mos. _____ ds.
19 Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? _____
 Did an operation precede death? No Date of _____
 Was there an autopsy? No
 What test confirmed diagnosis? None
 (Signed) Dr. Nelson Harrison M. D.
 (Address) Upper Montclair
20 PLACE OF BURIAL mt Wilson Cemetery
 Cremation or Removal Montclair, N.J.
 Date of Burial Nov. 2-1925 **21 Undertaker** W. H. Smith
 Address 32 Harrison St New Jersey License Number 2
East Orange N.J.