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Female Ancestor Number: 118

Name: Pleasants, Jane (Larcome) Tucker

Dates: (— - wp 1709)

Colonial Society: VA

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Service: Quaker Minister, 1700

Authority: Hinshaw, William W., *Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy*, Vol. VI (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Pub. Co., Inc., 1973), 146; Mason, George Carrington. "The Colonial Churches of Henrico and Chesterfield Counties, Virginia: Part 1." *The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*, Vol. 55, No. 1 (Jan., 1947), pp. 56-57; *The Edward Valentine Papers* (Richmond, VA: The Valentine Museum, 1927), 1078-1079.

Biography:

Jane was born on November 29, 1638, in Curles Neck, Henrico County, Virginia. She was the daughter of René Larcome and Katherine England.

Around 1660, Jane married Samuel Tucker in Curles, Henrico County. They had a daughter, Mary Tucker, who later married John Woodson III.

After Samuel Tucker's death, Jane married John Pleasants on November 29, 1670, in Henrico County. John Pleasants was an English immigrant who settled in Virginia around 1665, converted to Quakerism and became an active and prominent member of the church. John was the son of Katherine and John Pleasante, II and was born on February 27, 1643-1645 in Norwich, Norfolk, England. Jane and John had five children, including John Pleasants II who married Dorothy Cary and Elizabeth Pleasants who married James Cocke, further intertwining the Pleasants family with other notable Virginia families.

Jane and John Pleasants were active members of the Society of Friends (Quakers). John donated land for the Curles Meeting House and frequently represented the Quaker community in petitions and reports to colonial authorities. Their commitment to Quaker principles influenced their children's upbringing and the family's legacy in Virginia. Jane is remembered as bringing "zealous for the cause of Truth and having a gift in the ministry which was very acceptable to Friends and particularly serviceable at that early time in a wilderness country..."

Jane Larcome Tucker Pleasants passed away on June 1, 1708, in Curles Neck, Henrico County, Virginia. She was buried in the Friends Burying Ground, reflecting her deep ties to the Quaker community.