

Joe Peery

From: Gary Cheski [garypch@yahoo.com]
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To: Joe Peery
Subject: Re: Ancestors, Descendants and Extended Family of Joseph Wayne Peery - Antony Vassanelli
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Joe,

You can view my website at <http://www.vassanellifamily.org>. You will need username: member password: verona , to access the site. I am still adding a lot to the site and I don't have many of my records posted there yet. Eventually, I think I will remove the password protection on the site. I am in the process of putting the site into Wordpress and also setting up PhpGedView.

I have done a lot of research on the Vassanelli family in the United States. A very large part of my information comes from my cousin Gilberto Vassanelli in Italy. He has been doing research for a long time and has access to the church records where the family attended for at least a couple of centuries. I found him several years ago just by doing searches for people in Italy with the Vassanelli name. I met him for the first time last year when he visited the USA and then again this year when my wife and I traveled to Italy for the first time.

I should have PhpGedView set up very shortly, most likely within a day or two. I will send you a link when I am done. You'll then be able to see all of my data from my Gedcom file. I am using RootsMagic 4, by the way.

For now, here is what I know about Antonio Vassanelli:

Antonio Franceso Vassanelli

Born: March 4, 1867, Bussolengo, Province of Verona, Italy

Parents: Giacomo Vassanelli and Rosa Vassanelli (They were distant cousins)

Married to Carolina Vesentini on November 22, 1899 at Brockport Catholic Church, Brockwayville, PA. I have their marriage license application and a newspaper article about their wedding. They were married at a double wedding ceremony along with Antonio's sister Amabile Vassanelli and her husband Alessandro Montresor.

Antonio and Carolina had a daughter Rosa and a son Jack.

Died on July 18, 1910 of cholera morbus in Rayne, PA. I have his death certificate.

Buried on July 20, 1910 in St. Bernard's Cemetery, Pittsburgh.

I created a folder on my site for you and uploaded 6 photos of Antonio. These come from a cousin's family photo album in Italy, which my cousin Gilberto scanned/photographed and put onto a CD for me. They all appear to be taken in or around Brockwayville, PA, in the 1890's or

early 1900's.

Antonio and unidentified men:

http://www.vassanellifamily.org/AntonioPics/Antonio_and_Unknown.jpg

Antonio, wife Carolina, daughter Rosa:

http://www.vassanellifamily.org/AntonioPics/Antonio_Carolina_Rosi.jpg

Antonio, wife Carolina on wedding day:

http://www.vassanellifamily.org/AntonioPics/Antonio_Carolina_Wedding.jpg

http://www.vassanellifamily.org/AntonioPics/Antonio_Vassanelli.jpg

http://www.vassanellifamily.org/AntonioPics/Antonio_Vassanelli_2.jpg

Back row: brother Giuseppe (my great grandfather), Antonio. Seated: Brother Luigi and his wife Virginia Veronesi, their son Giacomo in her lap:

http://www.vassanellifamily.org/AntonioPics/Vassanelli_Brothers.jpg

I have another photo of Antonio's son Jack in a military uniform somewhere. I can send you that when I locate it. Also, I have a photo of Antonio's daughter Rosa as an adult. She married James Magrini.

As I mentioned, I had been in touch with Amanda a couple of times and sent her my info on her family and access to my website. I had hoped to get in touch with her mother Caroline to see what information she knows, and I asked Amanda about that but never heard back. Also, I believe I located her mother on Myspace.com and attempted to email her there but didn't get any response back. So, I didn't want to be pushy or bother them at all and I gave up. I was glad to see that you had interviewed her and got some information and photos. I would definitely be interested in getting copies of your photos of Antonio, his wife, and children. If you have high resolution scans you could send, that would be great.

I would love to hear any information you had about Antonio and his family. A few questions that come to mind are:

What happened to Carolina Vesentini after Antonio died in 1910? My research seems to indicate that she remarried a Victor Termine in 1911, and died in 1920. A cousin in PA sent me a photo of her tombstone. We have been unable to locate Antonio's grave.

What happened to Antonio and Carolina's daughter Rosa? I know that she married and was told she never had children but I've been unable to confirm that with anyone.

I can send you some of the records for Antonio and his family if you'd like. Eventually I will put this all on my website. If there is anything else I can send to you, please let me know.

Gary

From: Joe Peery <jwpeery@att.net>

To: Gary Cheski <garypch@yahoo.com>

Sent: Sun, November 15, 2009 10:48:00 PM

Subject: RE: Ancestors, Descendants and Extended Family of Joseph Wayne Peery - Antony Vassanelli

Hi Gary,

Glad to hear from you. You are correct that Amanda is my daughter-in-law and the mother of my beautiful

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grandbabies. All of the Vassanelli photos came from Amanda's mother.

I would love to share any thing that I have with you. It is always great to meet a fellow researcher and exchange information.

I look forward to hearing from you again, too.

Joe Peery

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From: Gary Cheski [<mailto:garypch@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Sunday, November 15, 2009 9:26 PM

To: joepeery@peerygenealogy.com

Subject: Ancestors, Descendants and Extended Family of Joseph Wayne Peery - Antony Vassanelli

Hello Joseph,

I came across your website while researching my mother's family - Vassanelli. I have a very large amount of information about the Vassanelli family, including a number of photos and records for Antonio Vassanelli, who was my great, great uncle, and his family. He was one of my great grandfather Giuseppe's brothers (there were a total of eight siblings who lived to adulthood).

I noticed you had some photos of Antonio and his family that I had never seen before. I would love to share my photos and information with you. I had been in contact with Amanda Peery a couple of times over the past few years with regard to the Vassanelli family and I gave her access to my Vassanelli family website. I assume you are of some relation to her.

If you are interested in exchanging information, let me know. Your website is great, by the way. I am currently working on some changes to mine including adding an application called PhpGedView to the site.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

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