

A SHORT "PETROCCO" LIFE HISTORY

This is a history of the Petrocco family which I was able to trace back to my Great, Great, Great Grandfather Giuseppe Petrocco and his wife Tommasa Apollonio. As you go through the pages of this book you will see copies of the actual church records of the marriages of our forefathers and the birth records of their children, our grandparents as well as other Petrocco's who resided in the village of Sassinoro, Italy, where the Petrocco's originated from.

The beautiful village of Sassinoro(pop 500), sits on top of a mountain and was full of Petrocco's for 100's of years, but as time went on there was less and less for the younger people to do since it was a farming village and they slowly migrated away from the village to America, Europe and throughout the world. There are no Petrocco's living in Sassinoro at this time. Americo Bartolomeo Petrocco, my Grandfather, was born in 1884 and came to this country in 1906. He worked at many trades ending up owning a butchers shop in Hoboken, NJ where my father Michelangelo learned to be a butcher also. Grandpa Americo went back to Italy in 1913 to marry my grandmother Benedetta Cerro. They returned to America in February, 1914 and started their new life. Copies of the ship and the ship manifest are enclosed showing their names and dates of arrival in the USA. My father was born in August, 1914 and grew up and married Sara Rose Lodico. He went on and became a Meat Department Manager for a food store and retired as same.

I have uncovered some details of my mothers father whom none of us have ever known. His name was Salvatore Lodico and he was born in Campofelice, Sicily, a province of Palermo, in 1888. He came to this country in 1902 and settled in Braddock, Pa. He married Mary Bady and that marriage produced my mother Sara, her sisters Anna, Lena, Elizabeth, and their brother Patrick. Not much info is available about this grandparent since Salvatore and Mary separated. Mary remarried and had another daughter, Mary Lea. Mary Bady passed on at an early age.

I visited Sassinoro in March, 2002 and met many villagers and the Padre Renato Pegorari. I attended Mass where our ancestors did for hundred's of years, actually since before the year 1000 and touched the baptismal where all Petrocco's were baptized(see photos). I saw the house my grandfather lived in and walked in his steps in the village. As time goes on, the Padre of the parish of San Michele Arcangelo (Saint Michael the Archangel) may provide me with more history of our ancestors.

I hope you find this history and the photographs interesting and informative and you will carry on and keep your family tree updated. I was able to apply for Italian citizenship based on my grandfathers time in this country before he became naturalized. The last pages before the photographs have my Italian citizenship enclosed. There is an Italian language document as well as the translated version. I am a dual citizen.

The diagram is a family tree for the Petrocco family, showing four generations. It is structured as follows:

- Generation 1:**
 - Tommasa Apollonio (1810 -) and Giuseppe Petrocco (1807 -)
- Generation 2:**
 - Angela Maria DiVito (1810 -) and Antonio Petrocco (1807 -)
 - Michela Rufano (1836 -) and Michelangelo Petrocco (1836 -)
 - Benedetta Cerro (1884 - 1968) and Americo Bartolomeo Petrocco (1884 - 1968)
 - Sara Rose Lodico (1916 - 1998) and Michael A Petrocco Sr. (1914 - 1990)
- Generation 3:**
 - Ronald A. Petrocco (1936 -) and Frances Fiore (1936 -)
 - Louise J Visconti (1943 - 2000) and MICHAEL A Petrocco Jr. (1941 -)
 - Daniel Robert McDonald (1967 -) and Mary Louise Petrocco (1967 -)
 - Daniel Robert McDonald Jr. (1995 -) and Nicole Louise McDonald (1991 -)
 - Samuel Matthew Petrocco (1999 -)
- Generation 4:**
 - Jessica Lynn Petrocco (1985 -) and Ronald Petrocco (1961 -)
 - Loretta Elisabeth Jungsberger (1961 -) and Marian Petrocco (1967 -)
 - Eduard Hardin (1999 -) and Luke Hardin (1999 -)
 - Elisabeth Hardin (1996 -) and Jaelyn Nicole Petrocco (1987 -)
 - William P Petrocco (1946 -) and Linda Lamb (1947 -)
 - Jeff Norton (1961 -) and Maria Petrocco (1965 -)
 - Joshua Norton (1986 -) and Jared Norton (1988 -)
 - William Petrocco Jr. (1973 -) and Alison Lynn Petrocco (1974 -)
 - Christopher Joseph Petrocco (1977 -)

Descendants of Giuseppe Petrocco

Generation No. 1

1. GIUSEPPE¹ PETROCCO He married TOMMASA APOLLONIO September 12, 1798 in Italy.

Children of GIUSEPPE PETROCCO and TOMMASA APOLLONIO are:

2.
 - i. ANTONIO² PETROCCO, b. September 04, 1807, Sassinoro Italy; d. Sassinoro Italy.
 - ii. BARTOLOMEO PETROCCO, b. July 10, 1810, Sassinoro Italy; d. Sassinoro Italy.

Generation No. 2

2. ANTONIO² PETROCCO (*GIUSEPPE¹*) was born September 04, 1807 in Sassinoro Italy, and died in Sassinoro Italy. He married ANGELA MARIA DiVITO October 20, 1827 in Sassinoro Italy.

Child of ANTONIO PETROCCO and ANGELA DiVITO is:

3.
 - i. MICHELANGELO³ PETROCCO, b. March 20, 1836, Sassinoro Italy; d. Sassinoro Italy.

Generation No. 3

3. MICHELANGELO³ PETROCCO (*ANTONIO², GIUSEPPE¹*) was born March 20, 1836 in Sassinoro Italy, and died in Sassinoro Italy. He married MICHELA RAFANO May 27, 1876 in Sassinoro Italy.

Child of MICHELANGELO PETROCCO and MICHELA RAFANO is:

4.
 - i. AMERICO BARTOLOMEO⁴ PETROCCO, b. March 11, 1884, Sassinoro, Italy; d. June 1968, Kearney New Jersey.

Generation No. 4

4. AMERICO BARTOLOMEO⁴ PETROCCO (*MICHELANGELO³, ANTONIO², GIUSEPPE¹*) was born March 11, 1884 in Sassinoro, Italy, and died June 1968 in Kearney New Jersey. He married BENEDETTA CERRO November 15, 1913 in Pontecorvo, Italy, ~~daughter of SALVATORE LODICO.~~

Child of AMERICO PETROCCO and BENEDETTA CERRO is:

5.
 - i. MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁵ SR., b. August 18, 1914, Jersey City New Jersey; d. March 12, 1990, Toms River New Jersey.

Generation No. 5

5. MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁵ SR. (*AMERICO BARTOLOMEO⁴ PETROCCO, MICHELANGELO³, ANTONIO², GIUSEPPE¹*) was born August 18, 1914 in Jersey City New Jersey, and died March 12, 1990 in Toms River New Jersey. He married SARA ROSE LODICO July 14, 1935 in Hoboken New Jersey, daughter of SAM LODICO and MARY BEATTY. She was born June 02, 1916 in Braddock, PA, and died November 15, 1998 in Toms River New Jersey.

More About MICHAEL A PETROCCO SR.:

Burial: March 15, 1990, Toms River New Jersey

More About SARA ROSE LODICO:

Burial: November 15, 1998, Toms River New Jersey

Children of MICHAEL SR. and SARA LODICO are:

6. i. RANOLD A.⁶ PETROCCO, b. April 22, 1936, JERSEY City New Jersey.
7. ii. MICHAEL A PETROCCO JR, b. June 20, 1941, Jersey City New Jersey.
8. iii. MARIA PETROCCO, b. June 05, 1965, North Arlington New Jersey.
9. iv. WILLIAM P PETROCCO, b. April 21, 1946, Jersey City New Jersey.

Generation No. 6

6. RANOLD A.⁶ PETROCCO (*MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁵ SR., AMERICO BARTOLOMEO⁴ PETROCCO, MICHELANGELO³, ANTONIO², GIUSEPPE¹*) was born April 22, 1936 in JERSEY City New Jersey. He married FRANCES FIORE May 04, 1957 in Newark New Jersey. She was born August 23, 1936 in Newark New Jersey.

Children of RANOLD PETROCCO and FRANCES FIORE are:

10. i. RONALD⁷ PETROCCO, b. May 09, 1961, W. Keansburg New Jersey.
11. ii. MARIAN PETROCCO, b. May 31, 1967, Belleville New Jersey.

7. MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁶ JR (*MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁵ SR., AMERICO BARTOLOMEO⁴ PETROCCO, MICHELANGELO³, ANTONIO², GIUSEPPE¹*) was born June 20, 1941 in Jersey City New Jersey. He married (1) LOUISE J VISCONTI July 14, 1963 in Kearny New Jersey. She was born August 18, 1943 in Kearny New Jersey, and died March 29, 2000 in Tampa Florida. He married (2) NANCY JEAN HUNTER September 26, 1971 in New Jersey. She was born July 21, 1950 in New Jersey. He married (3) LORETTA E. PETROCCO November 20, 1990 in Bricktown New Jersey. She was born May 14, 1961 in New York City.

More About LOUISE J VISCONTI:

Burial: April 03, 2000, Tampa FloridaK

Children of MICHAEL JR and LOUISE VISCONTI are:

12. i. MARY LOUISE⁷ PETROCCO, b. July 17, 1967, Belleville New Jersey.
13. ii. MICHAEL STEPHEN PETROCCO, b. July 29, 1968, Belleville New Jersey.

Child of MICHAEL JR and NANCY HUNTER is:

- iii. DANIELLE NANCY⁷ PETROCCO, b. November 01, 1976.

8. MARIA⁶ PETROCCO (*MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁵ SR., AMERICO BARTOLOMEO⁴ PETROCCO, MICHELANGELO³, ANTONIO², GIUSEPPE¹*) was born June 05, 1965 in North Arlington New Jersey. She married JEFF NORTON. He was born July 18, 1961 in Point Pleasant New Jersey.

Children of MARIA PETROCCO and JEFF NORTON are:

- i. JOSHUA⁷ NORTON, b. January 16, 1986.
- ii. JARED NORTON, b. August 31, 1988.

9. WILLIAM P⁶ PETROCCO (*MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁵ SR., AMERICO BARTOLOMEO⁴ PETROCCO, MICHELANGELO³, ANTONIO², GIUSEPPE¹*) was born April 21, 1946 in Jersey City New Jersey. He married LINDA LAMB in North Arlington New Jersey. She was born June 16, 1947 in Kearney New Jersey.

Children of WILLIAM PETROCCO and LINDA LAMB are:

- i. WILLIAM PETROCCO⁷ JR., b. April 09, 1973, East Brunswick New Jersey.
- ii. ALISON LYNN PETROCCO, b. July 28, 1974, East Brunswick New Jersey.
- iii. CHRISTOPHER JOSEPH PETROCCO, b. May 22, 1977, East Brunswick New Jersey.

Generation No. 7

10. RONALD⁷ PETROCCO (*RANOLD A.⁶, MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁵ SR., AMERICO BARTOLOMEO⁴ PETROCCO, MICHELANGELO³, ANTONIO², GIUSEPPE¹*) was born May 09, 1961 in W. Keansburg New Jersey. He married LORETTA ELISABETH JUNGSEBERGER September 05, 1982 in Lakewood, NJ, daughter of JOHANN JUNGSEBERGER and LIESELOTTE HELD. She was born May 14, 1961 in New York, NY.

Children of RONALD PETROCCO and LORETTA JUNGSEBERGER are:

- i. JESSICA LYNN⁸ PETROCCO, b. December 12, 1985, Brick Town New Jersey.

- ii. JACLYN NICOLE PETROCCO, b. December 18, 1987, Brick Town New Jersey.

11. MARIAN⁷ PETROCCO (*RANOLD A.⁶, MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁵ SR., AMERICO BARTOLOMEO⁴ PETROCCO, MICHELANGELO³, ANTONIO², GIUSEPPE¹*) was born May 31, 1967 in Belleville New Jersey. She married EDUARD HARDIN.

Children of MARIAN PETROCCO and EDUARD HARDIN are:

- i. ELISABETH⁸ HARDIN, b. March 30, 1996, Florida.
- ii. LUKE HARDIN, b. February 19, 1999, Florida.

12. MARY LOUISE⁷ PETROCCO (*MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁶ JR, MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁵ SR., AMERICO BARTOLOMEO⁴ PETROCCO, MICHELANGELO³, ANTONIO², GIUSEPPE¹*) was born July 17, 1967 in Belleville New Jersey. She married DANIEL ROBERT McDONALD.

Children of MARY PETROCCO and DANIEL McDONALD are:

- i. NICOLE LOUISE⁸ McDONALD, b. January 31, 1991, New Brunswick New Jersey.
- ii. DANIEL ROBERT McDONALD JR, b. June 24, 1995, New Brunswick New Jersey.

13. MICHAEL STEPHEN⁷ PETROCCO (*MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁶ JR, MICHAEL A PETROCCO⁵ SR., AMERICO BARTOLOMEO⁴ PETROCCO, MICHELANGELO³, ANTONIO², GIUSEPPE¹*) was born July 29, 1968 in Belleville New Jersey. He married LISA FIORE December 19, 1992 in Totowa New Jersey. She was born July 30, 1970 in Belleville New Jersey.

Child of MICHAEL PETROCCO and LISA FIORE is:

- i. SAMUEL MATTHEW⁸ PETROCCO, b. October 11, 1999, South Korea.