

ROBERT

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The Reverend Robert Peoples, President  
Lawton and allied Families Association  
Hilton Head, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Peoples,  
It was with delight  
that I found your name  
used as a reference in  
the biography, Baby on Her  
Back.

My grandmother, Lona  
Pierce Lawton Miller, died  
before I was born so I  
know very little of her  
family. She named her  
only son (my father) John  
Harborn Miller.

In Calvin's Institutes

of the Christian Religion,  
Pierre Robert is mentioned  
in the introduction.  
In the article on John  
Calvin in Britannica (11<sup>th</sup>  
Edition) Pierre Robert, a  
kinsman, is mentioned.  
It was there I found  
that Pierre Robert was  
nicknamed Olivetan; that  
he was a Reformer; that  
he first translated the  
Bible into French; and  
that he was a cousin  
of John Calvin.

My problem is this:  
Is this Pierre Robert  
(Olivetan) who lived in  
the first half of the  
sixteenth century  
connected with our  
Pierre Robert who was



alive in the latter 17<sup>th</sup>  
and early 18<sup>th</sup> century?

My husband (whose  
family is Nichols and Jones  
of Virginia) was on Hilton  
Head Island at a conference  
for I B M last winter.  
He promises to take me  
"that way" on our trip

home this summer to  
Mississippi and Louisiana.  
Could I find information  
such as this in libraries  
in Savannah or Charleston?  
Where was Robertville? Is  
there such a place  
now?

How I would love having  
information on the Lawton Family  
Association. Do you think  
it would be possible  
to find out more about

Stessie Renty? Her name  
is mentioned in the same  
book. My mother's family  
is Hays and Lee. Grand-  
mother's mother was a  
Renty.

I would be so grateful  
if you could give me  
any direction in my project.

My U. D. C. and  
D. A. R. memberships were  
obtained through the Lawton  
line, so you can understand  
my great interest.

Sincerely,  
Jo Ann Miller Nichols