Books and Other Resources Specific to the Town of Lee Found in the NH Section

The Annals of a Country Church: Lee, New Hampshire by David Allen
NH 974.2 ALL
Provides a history of the Lee Church Congregational from 1861-1984.

A Biological Inventory of the Town Forest Complex Lee, NH by Alan Eaton
NH 333.75 EAT
Contains information and photographs about the plants, trees, birds, and mammals found in the town forest located behind the library.

Clement Site Cemetery: A History of the Reinterment of those Remains by Donna Eisenhard
NH 929 EIS
Information and photographs of human remains from the Clement Cemetery (located at Pine Knoll Village) rediscovered at the Franklin Pierce College archaeology lab in 2001. These remains were excavated in the late 1960s as part of a joint project between the Lee Historical Society and the college.

Colonial Era History of Dover, NH by John Scales
NH 974.25 SCA
The index lists the names of people who lived in Lee, Dover, Newmarket and Madbury. This book also contains historical, genealogical and industrial data of early settlers.

Colorful Lee, New Hampshire by Rosemary Scott
NH 974.2 SCO
Coloring book featuring little tidbits of Lee history such as the Underground Railroad, taverns, the library and the school. A simple but useful resource!

Death Notices from Freewill Baptist Publications, 1811-1851 by David Young
NH 929.374 YOU
Abstracts of death notices from the “Morning Star”, a religious newspaper.

Dover, New Hampshire Vital Records: 1686-1850 by Dover Historical Society
NH 929 VIT
Contains marriage, birth, death and baptismal records for Dover, NH up to 1850. Includes an index of names.

Durham, New Hampshire: History in an Oyster Shell 1600-1976 by Durham Historical Association
NH 974.2 WIL
This little book has tidbits of Lee history, including the events leading up to the Battle at Wheelwright Pond in 1690 (see page 4).
Historic Burial Grounds of the New Hampshire Seacoast by Glenn A. Knoblock
NH 914 KNO
Provides an overview of some of the historic gravesites found in the Seacoast area, as well as background information on particular grave markers.

Historical Memoranda of Ancient Dover, NH collected by Rev. Dr Alonza Hall Quint
NH 974.25 HIS
Contains old Dover town records and information about events between 1850 and 1888. Includes index of individual names.

Historical Memoranda Concerning Persons And Places In Old Dover NH Volume II
Transcribed And Edited by William Edgar Wentworth
NH 974.25 HIS
Includes family genealogies, town records and facts about old buildings, mill privileges, famous old hotels and other public buildings.

History of Captain Reuben Hill Homestead Lee, NH by Dwayne Wrightsman
NH 974 WRI
History of this historic home located on Lee Hook Road, written by the current owner.

History of Rockingham and Strafford Counties (Part II) compiled under the supervision of D. Hamilton Hurd
NH 974.2 HUR v2
Pages 639-641 contains information about the town, as well as a list of Lee soldiers who were in the “War of the Rebellion” (Civil War).

History of the Town of Durham, NH: 1913 by Everett S. Stackpole
NH 917.42 STA
The index lists names of people who resided in Lee or Durham until 1913. Includes early history of the town of Durham /Oyster River Plantation.

Landmarks In Ancient Dover, New Hampshire
By Mary P. Thompson
NH 974.2 THO
Provides genealogical and historical information about ancient and present day Dover and surrounding towns.

Lee, New Hampshire by John Scales
NH 974.2 SCA
This is a pamphlet that includes the history of Lee to the late 1800’s. The same information can also be found in History Of Strafford County by John Scales pg.331-352 (NH 974.2 SCA)

Lee, NH Cultural Resource Survey Inventory and Plan: June 1980-June 1982 compiled by Strafford - Rockingham Regional Council
NH 720.9 LEE
This binder contains information regarding old houses in Lee. It also includes recordings of town sites, maps and information about some of the families who owned the houses. Details include house location, house sizes, photos and plots. Houses are listed by owner’s names. This is a good resource when looking for detailed information about a certain house. Mostly covers homes built before 1930.
Lee in Four Centuries  
*editor Ursula Baier*

**NH 974.2 LEE**  
This book gives the history of some of the houses, taverns and other landmarks in Lee. Published in 1966 to commemorate the Bicentennial of the incorporation of the town.

**New Hampshire 1732 Census**  
*by Jay Mack Holbrook*

**NH 929 HOL**  
Over 3,000 heads of households are found in the 1732 census. Entries arranged by person, town, and by number of males over age 16 per household.

**New Hampshire Families In 1790 Volume I**  
*Edited by Diane Florence Gravel and David Watson Kruger*

**NH 929.3 NEW**  
Contains brief sketches of early New Hampshire families in the 1700’s.

**New Hampshire Marriage Licenses and Intentions 1709-1961**  
*by Pauline Johnson Oesterlin*

**NH 929.374 OES**  
Contains marriage intentions published from 1709-1961 as found in the state archives. Includes an index of names. Not comprehensive.

**The Old Maps of Strafford County NH in 1892**  
*compiled by C.H. Hurd & Co*

**NH 912.74 OLD**  
Contains historical maps of towns in Strafford County. Page 11 includes an old map of Lee.

**Old Newmarket**  
*by Nellie Palmer George*

**NH 974.1 GEO**  
Page 34 contains brief information on Lee’s ship building history.

**Piscatqua Pioneers: Selected Biographies of Early Settlers in Northern New England**  
*compiled by Piscatqua Pioneers*

**NH 929.1 PIS**  
Contains information collected mainly by the descendents of noted ancestors. Not to be considered a documented genealogy, but a “lineage book”.

**The Railroad that Passed through Lee, NH 1874-1934**  
*by Randy Stevens*

**NH 385 STE**  
Provides the history of the Lee Railroad in timetables. It also contains pictures and building information.

**Town of Lee Master Plan: 2006 to year 2015**  
*Lee Planning Board*

**NH 974.2 TOW**  
Provides a blueprint for future town growth and development.

**Vital Records from Dover, New Hampshire’s First Newspaper 1790-1829**  
*by William Edgar Wentworth*

**NH 929 WEN**  
Contains newspaper records of deaths and marriages. Some citizens of note include Joseph Emerson (pg. 284) who was the oldest Lee resident when he died at age 90 in February, 1826. Includes index of names.
NH 929 ROB
Birth, marriage and death records as found in the Town of Durham’s annual reports. Vital statistics were not published for the years 1963-1967.

Whittier and the Cartlands edited By Martha Hale Shackford
NH 920 WHI
Information on the Whittier and Cartland families. Contains information about the Underground Railroad stop on Cartland Road.

Miscellaneous Notebooks/Binders in the NH Section
(Most located on bottom shelf -- No call numbers)

Direct Ancestors of B.P. Thompson (green folder)
Descendants of Bert and Mary Thompson.

Family Recollections from our NH Farm by Shirley Tyler Legallee
Contains Cartland Family information on page 131. Lee in Four Centuries is on page 144.

History of John Watson by Charles G. Hobbs
Family history of the Revolutionary War veteran from Newmarket and his descendents. Located on bottom shelf, in a black holder.

Layn Genealogy by Alfred Skinner MD
Family history on the descendants of Edmund Layn of Dover and Captain John Hussey Layn of Lee, NH from 1600-1900. Located in a yellow envelope, bottom shelf, in a black holder.

Lee School Registers 1909-1954
Includes names of students, teachers and school board members.

Moving Railroad Building from JF Brow in Epping up 125 and Bennett Rd to Lee Center
Contains pictures of the Historical Society building being moved to Lee Town Center along with newspaper articles.

Old Graveyards and Cemeteries in the Town of Lee (faded blue binder)
Contains a map of Lee with graveyard locations, an index of names and locations of burial sites. Please note: The Old Parish Cemetery noted on pages 24-49 is most commonly known as the Garrity Road Cemetery.

Research on General Sullivan (the ship) and Captain Robert Parker compiled by Paul Labrie
Research materials compiled by a former resident about the privateer “General Sullivan” which was built in Lee during the Revolutionary War. Includes notes about Captain Robert Parker.
Other Local History/Genealogy Resources

Ancestry Library Database (in-library use only).
Website: ancestrylibrary.proquest.com
Please ask a librarian for password.
Offers a wide range of online historical and genealogical resources.

Lee Town Crier 1971-1973
Found in Display Cabinet in Reference Room

Lee Town Records on Microfilm
Years 1766-1815, 1825-1851, 1872-1918
Please note that these records are not comprehensive; some years are missing.

Library Website www.lee.lib.nh.us/lee

Internet Links to NH Genealogy websites.

Other Useful New Hampshire History Resources

Cross-Grained and Willy Waters  W. Jeffrey Bolster Editor
NH 917.24 CRO
Information on the Piscataqua Maritime Region including the Oyster River and Adam’s Point in Durham.

Footprints in Time compiled by Howard S. Crosby, et.al
NH 917.42 CRO
A walking guide to Odiorne Point State Park; includes information about the World War II military fortifications.

Instruments of Change by James L. & Donna Bell Garvin
NH 621.9 GAR
Contains illustrations and information about New Hampshire hand tools and their makers from 1800-1900. A wonderful resource for school projects.

New Hampshire Curiosities by Eric Jones
NH 917.42 JON
This book gives information on the characters, oddities and off-beat objects found in New Hampshire.

Vertical File Resources (located in file cabinet behind circulation desk)

Some back copies of the Bookworm Digest
Information on the Lamprey River
History of the Lee Grange 1891-1936
Local Home Schooling information
Town maps of Lee with street index
Historic Town of Lee maps
Copy of the Lee Master Plan September 1986, 1988, 1996-2005,
Oyster River Reserve trail maps
Nature trails map of Lee
Inventory of Lee Town Forest (flora and fauna)  
Inventory of Lee Forest Complex  
School Funding Study Commission (2003)  
Oyster River Curriculum (2000-2001)  
Lee Planning and Subdivision (2001)  
Lee Recycling Center information  
A Short History of Lee – brief paper written on the history of Lee  
Town Reports

Other Town of Lee Resources, not found in the library

**The Church Of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Exeter**  
55 Hampton Falls Road Exeter NH  
Phone 778-2509  
Hours of operation: Wednesday and Thursday 10 a.m.-2 pm, 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.  
Saturdays 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Family History Center provides access to Family History Library

**Lee Church Congregational**  
For Lee Congregational Church records contact church secretary at church office:  659-2861

**Lee Historical Society**  
Contact Information  
Rosemary Scott 659-5718 (June thru November)  
Phyllis White 659-2883 ( December thru May)

**Lee Town Offices**  
Town records (1879-present)  
Vital records (1850-present)

**NH Division of Vital Records**  
71 South Fruit Street  
Concord, NH  03301  
603-271-4650  
Birth, death, marriage and divorce information available. Also has a genealogical research vault available to the public which contains records dating back to 1640.

**NH State Library**  
20 Park St.  
Concord, NH  03301  
603-271-6823

Over 2400 published family histories in its collection; also available are early town records, federal census records (1790-1930), etc.