The following are articles transcribed from the Baltimore SUN:

27 Aug 1912, Pg. 10

Marine Personals

Capt. Robert Bertram and Chief Engineer Hugo Bernagozzi, after a leave of absence, left on the Savannah steamer yesterday
to rejoin lightship No. 80, on Cape Lookout Shoals, coast of North Carolina.

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Capt. Robert Bertram, of Lightship No. 80, here awaiting orders to repale, left last night on the steamer Swannee to join No. 78 on Cape Lookout station, far off at sea from the coast of North Carolina.

The following article was found in The Master, Mate and Pilot, Vol. 7, pg. 79

1914, By National Organization of Masters, Mates and Pilots of America:
Captain Robert H. Bertram of No.14, master of 35 foot Channel Lightship No.45, has been transferred to Core Sound, North Carolina, as keeper of the lights there. Captain Bertram has been an old employee in the lighthouse service and much of his time has been spent on board lightships in the Fifth District. He lives at 25 North Linwood avenue, which block, because of the number of seafaring men living in it, is known as "Admiralty Row."



LV No. 80, Robert Bertram, Master

**U.S. Coast Guard Lightships

& Those of the U.S. Lighthouse Service

VESSEL DESIGNATION: LV 80

YEAR BUILT: 1904

BUILT AT: Camden (NJ)

BUILDER: New York Shipbuilding Co

APPROPRIATION: $90, 000

CONTRACT PRICE: $85,000

SISTER VESSELS: LV 78,79,81,83

DESIGN: Steam screw; steel hull; 2 steel masts with wood spencers; stack amidships; small wheelhouse forward

LENGTH: 129'0" (loa); BEAM: 28'6"; DRAFT: 12'6"; TONNAGE: 668 displ

PROPULSION: Steam - one compound reciprocating engine, 16" and 31" bores x 24" stroke, 350 IHP; 2 boilers 9'3" dia x 16'4" long, 100 psi; propeller 7'9" dia; max speed 10 knots; also rigged for sail initially

ILLUMINATING APPARATUS: Cluster of 3 oil lens lanterns raised to each masthead

FOG SIGNAL: 12" steam chime whistle; hand operated 1000-lb bell

CONSTRUCTION NOTES - MODIFICATIONS - EQUIPMENT CHANGES & IMPROVEMENTS:
-1910: Equipped with submarine bell signal
-1918: Equipped with radio
-1919: Radio-beacon installed
-1922: Illuminant changed from oil to acetylene
-1924: Illuminant changed from acetylene to electricity
-1932: Fog signal changed to steam diaphragm horn (Leslie 17" typhon
-1933: Fog signal changed from steam to air operation

STATION ASSIGNMENTS:
1905-1924: Cape Lookout Shoals (NC)
1924-1927: Cape Charles (VA)
1927-1934: Relief (VA)

HISTORICAL NOTES:
-1904: Dec 1, Delivered to Lazaretto Point Depot, Baltimore, however available funds insufficient to place on station so was laid up until mid-March 1905
-1905: Apr 1, placed on Cape Lookout Shoals (NC), replacing LV 40
-1905: Aug 1-15, relieved (by LV 71) for repair at Baltimore
-1906: Apr 10, parted chain and adrift; steamed to Beaufort (NC), took on coal and resumed station Apr 13; May 1-Jun 1, relieved (by LV 72) for repair; Dec ?-Dec 25, relieved (by LV 71) for repair at Baltimore
-1913: Sep 2/3 during hurricane force winds, unable to raise lanterns due to severe thrashing of hoist wires; hand lanterns rigged and hoisted all night; boarding seas caused substantial damage
-1914: Feb 24, during NNE gale, increasing to hurricane force Feb 26, parted chain; with engine full ahead was impossible to keep head to sea; next morning Master boarded steamer CRETAN & sent radio message requesting new moorings, then steamed close to station and showed lights that night; placed ship on station 0925 Feb 28, having steamed 41 miles in regaining position
-1915: Feb 18, during gale parted chain losing anchor and 150 fathoms chain; with engine full ahead maintained approximate position until wind abated; repositioned on station using spare anchor Feb 20

More notes: LV 80
-1916: Oct 24, blown off station in heavy gale, returning Oct 26 when weather moderated
-1930: Oct 26, took aboard 25 men adrift for 2 days in disabled fishing party boat; later taken ashore by Coast Guard patrol boat

RETIRED FROM LIGHTSHIP DUTY: 1934; **AGE:** 30

SUBSEQUENT DISPOSITION: Sold Dec 13, 1934

COMMANDING OFFICERS: LV 80

1905-1913: Robert Bertram, Master
1905-1913: Randall Scarborough, Mate
1905-1906: Arthur T Vany, Mate
1913-1915: Randall Scarborough, Master
1913-1917: C H Lowenhjelm, Mate
1915-1917: Alexander Andersen, Master
1917: Thomas Simmons, Mate
1917: George C Daniels, Mate
1917: Edwin E Holm, Mate
1917: Thomas Hayman, Mate
1917: Thomas Jacobsen, Mate
1917-?: Thomas Jacobsen, Master
1917-1918: Charley E O'Neal, Mate
1918: John E McCotter, Mate
1918: Charles E Tull, Mate
1918: Luther Muse, Mate
1921-?: Richard J Spencer, Mate

** taken from http://www.uscg.mil/history/weblightships/LV80.asp

Lightship No. 72

Lightship Vessel 72; Diamond Shoals, off Hatteras Island, North Carolina. From the Baltimore SUN, 15 March 1905 "Capt. Robert Bertram, of Baltimore has been appointed mate of Diamond Shoal lightship No. 72 and has left to join the vessel. He is to relieve Capt. Arthur Vaux, who will come to Baltimore to join No. 86, fitting out for Cape Lookout Shoals, coast of South Carolina.



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Robert Hooper Bertram

1861–1949

BIRTH 28 SEP 1861 • Grouville, Jersey, Channel Islands

DEATH 5 MAR 1949 • Anne Arundel County, Maryland, USA

great-grandfather

Facts

Age 0 — **Birth**

28 Sep 1861 • Grouville, Jersey, Channel Islands

He listed England on some of the US census records. The Channel Islands are a British Crown dependency in the English Channel.

Baptism

1 Nov 1861 • Grouville, Jersey

Age 1 — **Birth of Brother Frederic de Maureville Bertram** (1863–1926)

23 Apr 1863 • Marais, Grouville, Jersey, Channel Islands

Age 3 — **Birth of Sister Florence Mellish Bertram** (1864–1888)

26 Dec 1864 • Grouville, Jersey, Channel Islands

Age 4 — **Birth of Sister Ella Gray Bertram** (1866–1949)

1, Aug 1866 • Marais, Grouville, Jersey, Channel Islands

Age 10 — **Residence**

1871 • St. Laurence, Jersey, Channel Islands

Relation to head of household - Scholar

Age 17 — **Indentured in Navy**

15 Feb 1879 • Jersey, Channel Islands

Indentured to William Pellier of Jersey for a period of 4 years. No record that he served this time. Immigration date shows up as 1879 or 1880.

Age 18 — **Arrival**

1879

Age 19 — **Arrival**

1880

Age 21 — **Death of Mother Clara Eliza de la Taste** (1826–1882)

26 Dec 1882 • Channel Islands

Age 25 — **Marriage**

28 Jun 1887 • Baltimore City, Baltimore, Maryland

Marriage record

Drucilla Bull
(1870–1891)

Family

Parents

Henry Charles Bertram
1823–1892

Clara Eliza de la Taste
1826–1882

Spouse & Children

Drucilla Bull
1870–1891

Harold Godfrey Bertram
1888–1955

Spouse & Children

Margaret Adeline Corson
1873–1935

Frederick De Maurville Bertram
1894–1962

Spouse

Hilda Brown
1901–1975

Sources

Ancestry Sources

1871 Channel Islands Census

1900 United States Federal Census

1910 United States Federal Census

1920 United States Federal Census

1930 United States Federal Census

Age 26 — **Birth of Son Harold Godfrey Bertram** (1888–1955)
20 Jul 1888 • Baltimore City, Maryland, USA

Age 27 — **Death of Sister Florence Mellish Bertram** (1864–1888)
12 Dec 1888 • Wanganui, Manawatu-Wanganui, New Zealand

Age 29 — **Residence**
1890 • Baltimore, Maryland, USA
Residence -2208 Gough St. Occupation - Mariner

Age 29 — **Death of Wife Drucilla Bull** (1870–1891)
14 Feb 1891 • Baltimore City, Maryland, USA

Age 31 — **Death of Father Henry Charles Bertram** (1823–1892)
4 Oct 1892 • 27 La Motte Dtreet, Jersey, Channel Islands

Age 32 — **Marriage**
1893

Margaret Adeline Corson
(1873–1935)

Age 32 — **Birth of Son Frederick De Maurville Bertram** (1894–1962)
31 January 1894 • Baltimore City, Maryland, USA

Age 39 — **Residence**
1900 • Baltimore Ward 6, Baltimore City (Independent City), Maryland, USA
Marital Status: Married; Relation to Head of House: Head ; Occupation - Sea captain Residence - 2537 Caster Ave.

Age 40 — **Death of Sister Edith Elsie Clara Bertram** (1860–1902)
17 Feb 1902 • Grouville, Jersey, Channel Islands

Age 49 — **Residence**
1910 • Smyrna, Carteret, North Carolina, USA
Marital Status: Married; Relation to Head of House: Head; Occupation - Sailor Captain

Age 53 — **Employment**
1914 • Carteret, North Carolina, USA
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Age 53 — **Residence**
1914 • Baltimore City, Maryland, USA
The Master, Mate and Pilot - Volume 7 - Page 79 https://books.google.com/books?id=DS0AAAAAMAAJ Lives at 25 North Linwood Ave, which block, because of the number of seafaring men living on it is known as "Admiralty Row".

1940 United States Federal Census

Ancestry Family Trees

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Baltimore, Maryland Directories, 1890

Jersey, Church of England Births and Baptisms, 1813-1915

North Carolina, Death Certificates, 1909-1976

North Carolina, Marriage Index, 1741-2004

North Carolina, Marriage Records, 1741-2011

North Carolina, Wills and Probate Records, 1665-1998

U.S. City Directories, 1821-1989

U.S., Find A Grave Index, 1600s-Current

Age 59 — **Residence**
1920 • Smyrna, Carteret, North Carolina, USA
Marital Status: Married; Relation to Head of House: Head; Occupation- Lighthouse keeper

Age 64 — **Death of Brother Frederic de Maureville Bertram** (1863–1926)
12 Mar 1926 • Rhode Island, USA

Age 65 — **Death of Brother Henry Charles (Harry) Bertram** (1857–1927)
13 Aug 1927 • Cooran, Queensland, Australia

Age 69 — **Residence**
1930 • Marshallberg, Carteret, North Carolina, USA
Marital Status: Married; Relation to Head of House: Head; Occupation- Lighthouse Attendant

Age 73 — **Death of Wife Margaret Adeline Corson** (1873–1935)
12 Jun 1935 • Marshallberg, Carteret, North Carolina, USA

Age 74 — **Marriage**
5 Nov 1935 • Straits, Carteret, North Carolina, USA
The story is that Hilda was hired to care for Margaret who was ill. After Margaret died in 1935, Hilda remained in the house with Robert Bertram. The town's folk came to them and told them that Robert had to either marry Hilda or Hilda had to move.


Hilda Brown
(1901–1975)

Age 74 — **Residence**
1935 • Marshalburg, Carteret, North Carolina

Age 78 — **Residence**
1 Apr 1940 • Marshalburg, Carteret, North Carolina, USA
Marital Status: Married; Relation to Head of House: Head; Occupation- Retired

Age 81 — **Death of Sister Clara Lucy Bertram** (1855–1943)
21 Jun 1943 • Saffron Walden, Essex, England

Age 87 — **Will**
06 Jan 1949 • Anne Arundel County, Maryland, USA
The Will was written in Jan 1949. It names his son Frederick as the sole heir and directs that he be cremated. The Will states that he is a resident of Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

Age 87 — **Death of Sister Ella Gray Bertram** (1866–1949)
7 Jan 1949 • London SW13

Age 87 — **Death**
5 Mar 1949 • Anne Arundel County, Maryland, USA
Probate records indicate death on March 5, 1949 but Find A Grave lists it as March 15. Probate indicates death in Anne Arundel County, Md

Burial

Marshallberg, Carteret County, North Carolina, USA
Victoria Cemetery

Probate

25 May 1949 • Anne Arundel County, Maryland, USA
The date of the Will probate is 25 May 1949 in Anne Arundel County, MD after witnesses were brought forward to attest to the Will.