

## Governor Stone

David Stone was the 15<sup>th</sup> Governor of North Carolina  
b=2-17-1770, Bertie Co. d=10-7-1818, Wake Co.

m1= Hannah Turner, 3-13-1793, 11 children  
m2= Sarah Dashiell, 6-1817, No children

David Stone held many positions in NC government:

- 1788 - Graduate Princeton – formerly College of New Jersey
- 1789 – Convention of Fayetteville - **Federalist**
- 1790 – 1795 – House of Commons
- 1795 – 1798 Superior Court Justice @ 25
- 1798 – House of Representatives
- 1800 – U.S. Senate – **Republican**
- 1806 – 1808 – Superior Court
- 1808 – Governor thru 1810, 2 terms
- 1812 – U.S. Senate
- 1814 – Resigned Senate – **Refused to support War of 1812**

1814 – Moves to Wake Co. for remainder of his life

May 1818 – Elected as President of the Neuse River Navigation Company.

David Stone was born in Bertie Co., his home was that of his father in Windsor, NC. This home was known as “**Hope**” and soon became the Hope plantation. It is still in use for tourism and is the home of the Hope Foundation these days.

During his life he also had a home and plantation in Wake Co. known as “**Restdale**”.

This started in 1799 with his purchase of 2,000 acres on Walnut and Crabtree creeks in Wake Co. and on 7-13-1802 he purchased 2,673 acres on both sides of the Neuse at the junction with Walnut and Crabtree creeks. This land, said to be at Hinton's creek, was purchased from Kimbrough Hinton. The deed for this land states that it includes the houses, mills and the house wherein Hinton resided, but reserved a small graveyard on the place where his father Col. John Hinton and his mother Grizzelle were interred. This land was originally a part of the large holdings of Col John Hinton who owned a home on this land until his death in 1784.

(See Early Hinton Plantation article for square brick house)

Stone ran several mills along the river on his property and had helped to organize the Neuse River Navigation Company, a project which he hoped would promote commerce between New Bern and Raleigh along the river. He also built a boat and barge landing on the river which was to be used for service to Raleigh. A flat bottom craft did make a trip downstream with a load of cargo and returned later with sugar and other food stuffs, but this transportation method soon gave way to better roads and the coming of the railroad. (interesting note: Street named "Stones Landing" in PW)

David Stone was buried in an unmarked grave on his plantation in Knightdale, and is accompanied by both wives, one of his daughters, and several (Outlaw) relatives. The grave site was marked 165 years later in a ceremony on May 5, 1984. The site was made up of a 20 x 12 x 3ft high granite wall.

Stone had a possible third plantation called "**Comet**" on the Roanoke. (per Estate papers)

Stone had also started a school system following the Lancastrian system of education in North Carolina. This system provided education for both poor and wealthy children of the area, via financing by wealthy individuals with some state aid where necessary. Stone ran the school in one of his mills and was quite successful until his untimely death.

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