

## KEEPERS OF THE CAPE LOOKOUT LIGHT

(Chronological Order)

Keepers	1st Assistants	2nd Assistants
<b>First Lighthouse Completed in 1812</b>		
James Fulford (1812-1828)		
William Fulford (1828 -1854)		
John Ross Royal (1854 - 1859)		
<b>Second Lighthouse Completed in 1859</b>		
John Ross Royal (1859 - 1861)	Abner Parker Guthrie (1859-1861)	
	Silas Blunt (1859-1860)	
	Joseph Royal (1860-1861)	
<b>Civil War: Lighthouse was dark from June 1861 until February 1863 and no keepers were assigned.</b>		
Gayer Chadwick II (1863-1864)	Joseph Royal Guthrie (1864-1864)	John Wallace Guthrie (1863-1864)
		Abner Parker Guthrie (1864-1864)

John Ross Royal (1864-1869)	William Henry Guthrie (1864-1865) Joseph Royal (1865-1869)	Martin Thomas Royal (1864-1869)
Manaen Washington Mason (1869-1876)	Josephus S. Willis (1869-1870) Thomas Clifford Davis II (1869-1874) Wallace P. Fulcher (1874-1876)	Benjamin P. Davis (1870-1872) Charlotte Ann Mason (1872-1875) John M. Lewis (1875-1876)
Melvin Jennings Davis, Jr. (1876-1978)	Martin Matthew Lewis (1876-1877)	Millard Fillmore Willis (1876-1877)
William Fuller Hatzel (1878-1880)	Josephus S. Willis (1877-1880)	Joseph B. Whitehurst (1877-1878) Denard Rumley (1878-1880)
Denard Rumley (1880-1893)	Martin Van Buren Davis (1880-1883) John Todd Brem Noe (1883-1886) Thomas Clifford Davis II (1886-1893)	John Todd Brem Noe (1880-1883) Isaiah Ferren Willis (1883-1883) Unknown (1883-1886) Otway Burns Davis (1886-1893)
Thomas Clifford Davis II (1893-1900)	Otway Burns Davis (1893-1900)	Franklin Pierce Lewis (1893-1894) James Luther Davis (1895-1900)
James Wilson Gillikin (1900-1903)	James Luther Davis (1901-1903) Alpheus B. Willis (1903-1903)	Charles N. Pugh (1898-1901) Alpheus B. Willis (1901-1903)

Alford B. Hooper (1903 -1909)	Arthur Matholemew Midgett (1903 -1905) W. S. Harrison (1905 -1905) James Wilson Gillikin (1905 -1909)	William Gibbons Rollinson (1903 -1903) John B. Quidley (1905 -1907) William Gibbons Rollinson (1907 -1909)
Charles W. Clifton (1909 - 1924+)*	Victor Lawson Watson (1909-1912)* Joseph Merritt Burrus (1912 -1913)* Isaac Van Willis, Jr. (1915 - 1918, 1920-1923)* James E. English (1918-1920)* James Wilson Gillikin (1923 -1925)*	William Gibbons Rollinson (1909 -1911, 1913)* Charles Oden Peele (1911 -1912) Isaac Van Willis, Jr. (1912 -1915, 1918-1920)*
Unknown (1924+ - 1933)*	Unknown (1925 -1936)*	Unknown (1924+ -1932)*
Benjamin Lloyd Harris (1933-1936)*		Boyd Monroe Smith (1932 -1936)*
<b>During World War II, 1942-1945, the light at Cape Lookout was extinguished.</b>		
James Archie Newton (1936 -1945)*	Boyd Monroe Smith (1936-1938)* John Daniel Coble (1938 -1941)* James Milford Newcomb (1942 -1945)*	Unknown (1936 -1942)* Thurston Hill (1942 -1944)*
Unknown (1945-1950)*	Unknown (1945 - 1948)* Alton Leon Chadwick (1948-1950)*	Unknown (1945-1950)*

\*The service records for lighthouse keepers and assistants from about 1920 until 1950, when the lighthouse was automated and the keepers were no longer assigned, are incomplete. The information listed here has been developed from letters, interviews with retired keepers, descendents of keepers, etc. and may or may not be correct. Research continues.