

William Penn

b. London, 10/14/1644; d. Buckinghamshire, 7/30/1718.

After being jailed in England for his Quaker faith, William Penn founded Pennsylvania as his "Holy Experiment". He dealt fairly with the Lenape Indians, who called him "Brother Miquon". The inscription on the Liberty Bell likely honors Penn's ideas of self-government and religious tolerance expressed in the Charter of Privileges for Pennsylvania.

"Let us then try what love will do."