

What does Vere mean? It is the Latin word for "truth."

After millennia of fighting among the different kinds, the histories of the bloodlines and races were either lost or muddled by agendas. The goal of the Vere was to get as close to the source of the actual origins/ways as possible, and then to live according to those principals. This was called Royal Vampirism.

Who are the Vere? Those of the tree who subscribe to the tenets of Royal Vampirism.

What is the color of the Vere? Purple. Why not red? That is the color of another House/line. What are the symbols? The heart, bee, acorn are very important to us but the crown is our symbol.

What about the serpent or dragon? Those are representative of the bloodline and included in the evolution of our symbolism. The crown is the symbol of the Vere.

Does that mean you give up your other symbols and only wear crowns? No. Think of it as heraldry. We include the symbols significant to us.

Did you ever meet Nicholas de Vere? Yes.

Did you ever meet Tracy Twyman? I believe on one occasion.

Was she Vere? No. She was human.

Are the Vere named after Nicholas de Vere? No, but the origins are directly tied to him and we actively followed his teachings. We assisted him in his research and supported his continued efforts to educate the kinds and bring back the ways of the Royal Vampyre.

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For those of the human-vampire lifestyle community, to be Vere was similar to the ways and beliefs of the elite clans in certain popular RPG.

How could game developers get this kind of information back in the '90s? We already had complex communication networks. Witches were using an early form of computer messaging. And some of us were in regular contact with humans.

How is so much known about vampire mythology? My claim and assertion is the information came from the betrayal and deceit of a ranking human-hybrid vampire. Despite my warnings against it, he placed a female human friend of his human partner as administrator of the vampyre databases and information networks back in 1991.

Is it a coincidence that so many fictional stories overlap and use the same or similar terminology? No. Some borrow from previous creations, while others have taken liberties with "alternate" sources.

Aren't the gaming companies genius mythmakers and storytellers? Maybe

Did they develop these complex clan names and details on their own? No. Due to an orchestrated breach, data was sold by humans and vampyre, to a variety of individuals and companies for profit. This information was then used to build the vampire mythologies and stories seen in many video games, RPG, television programs, movies and books. Therefore, a vast amount of actual vampyre mythology, history, traditions, vocabulary and even details about individual vampyre have been released under the guise of fiction.

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This deluge resulted in greater interest and involvement by humans in the world of the vampyre. There was also an increase in individuals claiming to be vampyre and other kindred.

Nicholas de Vere chose to write his book to help humans understand the true nature of the historic vampyre bloodlines and why humans could not be what they were claiming. You will note that he published his book in 2004 and Twilight came out in 2005.

Coincidence, or preparing for what was to come?

Further complicating this matter was, due to a variety of reasons, a greater number of vampyre intermarrying and breeding with humans starting in 1991. Based on the appearance of a seven-year cycle, it can be presumed that other key years for their marriages included 1986, 1993, 2000, 2007, 2014, 2021 and so on.

For the Vere, keeping a strong control of the bloodlines and traditions was, and is, paramount. And, even if individual lives have been relatively comfortable, the last 30 years have been a travesty for the vampyre and werewolf races.

This is not to say that everything Nicholas de Vere said or wrote about was completely accurate or even applied to all vampyre and/or kindred. The Vere were no longer helping him after a certain point and he relied on a human to assist him.

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Also each of us was also involved in the workings of the groups we held alliances with. This could include houses, the Vampyre Court, covens, troops, etc. and had to uphold the expectations of those as well. Nicholas de Vere's book would not have been able to encompass all of the intricacies of our societies. It was an introduction to the concepts, history and general framework of Royal Vampirism.

While many released their interest in and allegiance to these ways and teachings, I solidly identify with being Vere.

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