

Descendants of William Wildes

Generation No. 1

1. WILLIAM¹ WILDES was born About 1590 in England, and died Bet. May 06 - Sep 30, 1662.

Notes for WILLIAM WILDES:

Per SAVAGE, VOL 4 DICT. FIRST SETTLERS OF New England

WILLIAM, Rowley 1643, is thought to have come in the Elizabeth, 1635, aged 30, unless the number should rightly be larger, with Alice, 40, who may have been his wife and John, 17; was of Ipswich 1650 to 1663. He had daughter Sarah, wife of the second Edward Bishop. Perhaps the widow Elizabeth mentioned in the record at this latest day, when he was dead is the same as Alice, embarked 28 years before.

From Pope's The Pioneers of Massachusetts:

WILD, WILDE, WILDES, William, ae. 30, Alice, ae. 40, and John, ae. 17, came in the Elizabeth in April, 1635. Settled at Ipswich; proprietor 1635. Removed to Rowley; carpenter. With wife Elizabeth sold land to James Barker 1 (3) 1649; deed made 16 (4) 1652.

Will dated 6 May, probated 30 September 1662, bequests to wife Elizabeth and kinsman John Wild and his son John.

From Farmer's Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England:

WILDE, WILLIAM, Rowley 1643, afterwards of Ipswich, died about 1662. The name of Wild, Wilde, and Wildes has had 9 graduates at New England colleges.

More About WILLIAM WILDES:

Will Dated: May 06, 1662¹

Will Proved: Sep 30, 1662¹

Children of WILLIAM WILDES are:

2. i. JOHN² WILDES, b. About 1619, England; d. May 14, 1705, Topsfield, Essex Co., MA.
3. ii. SARAH WILDES, b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Generation No. 2

2. JOHN² WILDES (*WILLIAM*¹) was born About 1619 in England, and died May 14, 1705 in Topsfield, Essex Co., MA². He married (1) PRISCILLA GOULD Nov 23, 1642 in Topsfield, Essex Co., MA, daughter of ZACCHEUS GOULD and PHEBE DEACON. She was born About Sep 1620 in Great Missenden, Bucks., England, and died Apr 16, 1663 in Topsfield, Essex Co., MA³. He married (2) SARAH AVERILL Nov 23, 1663 in Topsfield, Essex Co., MA^{4,5}. She was born Unknown, and died 1692. He married (3) MARY JACOBS Jun 26, 1693 in Topsfield, Essex Co., MA⁶. She was born Unknown, and died Aft. 1692.

Notes for JOHN WILDES:

Per SAVAGE'S Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 4

WILDES, JOHN, Topsfield 1660, then aged 40, perhaps son of William, married Priscilla, daughter of the first Zacheus Gould; may be that youth of 17 years coming from London, 1635, in the Elizabeth. From Coffin's gatherings in Geneal. Reg. VIII. 167, it may be inferred that he had a son JOHN, who in his will of October 1676, after mention of his grandfather Gould, names brothers Jonathan, Ephraim, and sisters Sarah, Elizabeth, Phebe, Priscilla, and Martha. His second wife Sarah was old enough in 1692 to be condemned and executed as a witch, but not young enough to falsely accuse herself or others during the execra. delusion.

More About PRISCILLA GOULD:

Baptism: Sep 07, 1628, Great Missenden, Bucks., England⁷

More About SARAH AVERILL:
Cause of Death: Hanged as a witch

Children of JOHN WILDES and PRISCILLA GOULD are:

- i. JOHN³ WILDES, b. About 1643; d. Unknown.

Notes for JOHN WILDES:

Per SAVAGE, VOL 4 DICT. FIRST SETTLERS OF New England

WILDES, JOHN, who in his will of October 1676, after mention of his grandfather Gould, names brothers Jonathan, Ephraim, and sisters Sarah, Elizabeth Phebe, Priscilla, and Martha.

4. ii. ELIZABETH WILDES, b. Jan 23, 1655/56, Topsfield, Essex Co., MA; d. Jun 25, 1718, Enfield, Hartford Co., CT.
- iii. PRISCILLA WILDES, b. Apr 06, 1658, Topsfield, Essex Co., MA⁸; d. Unknown; m. HENRY LAKE; b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- iv. JONATHAN WILDES, b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- v. MARTHA WILDES, b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- vi. NATHAN WILDES, b. Unknown; d. Mar 17, 1662/63, Topsfield, Essex Co., MA⁸.
- vii. PHEBE WILDES, b. Unknown; d. Unknown.
- viii. SARAH WILDES, b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Child of JOHN WILDES and SARAH AVERILL is:

- ix. EPHRAIM³ WILDES, b. Unknown; d. Apr 02, 1725, Topsfield, Essex Co., MA⁸.

Notes for EPHRAIM WILDES:

Per SAVAGE, VOL 4 DICT. FIRST SETTLERS OF New England

WILD, WYLDE, WILDES, or WILDE, EPHRAIM, Topsfield, son of John the first, was constable 1692, and unhappily called to serve a warrant of arrest of one charged as a witch, who cunningly confessed the truth of all the diabolical nonsense. By her, while thus saving her own life, was the mother of this minister of the law accused of the same crime; and the son thought she had her full revenge, when his mother was hanged.

3. SARAH² WILDES (*WILLIAM*¹) was born Unknown, and died Unknown. She married EDWARD BISHOP. He was born Unknown, and died Unknown.

Notes for EDWARD BISHOP:

Per SAVAGE'S Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers, v. 1

BISHOP, EDWARD, Salem 1639, had there baptized Hannah, 12 April 1646; Edward, 23 April 1648; and Mary, 12 October 1651; and was one of the founders of the church 1667, at Beverly. With his wife Sarah he was imprisoned on charge of witchcraft, April 1692, yet, happily, they were not too old to escape by breaking gaol, for which their property was seized and by son Samuel redeemed. Felt calls the name Edmund once, but in three places after gives it as here. One Bridget Bishop of the same town had been charged with the same damnable offence in 1680; when the great adversary was foiled but he easily prevailed with the judges, in June 1692, when the poor woman was so much more infirm, to consent to her being hanged.

From Farmer's Genealogical Register of the First Settlers of New England
BISHOP, EDWARD, Salem 1645.

Children of SARAH WILDES and EDWARD BISHOP are:

- i. HANNAH³ BISHOP, b. About Apr 1646, Salem, Essex Co., MA; d. Unknown.

More About HANNAH BISHOP:

Baptism: Apr 12, 1646, Salem, Essex Co., MA⁹

- ii. EDWARD BISHOP, b. About Apr 1648, Salem, Essex Co., MA; d. Unknown.

More About EDWARD BISHOP:

Baptism: Apr 23, 1648, Salem, Essex Co., MA⁹

- iii. MARY BISHOP, b. About Oct 1651, Salem, Essex Co., MA; d. Unknown.

More About MARY BISHOP:
Baptism: Oct 12, 1651, Salem, Essex Co., MA⁹

- iv. SAMUEL BISHOP, b. Unknown; d. Unknown.

Generation No. 3

4. ELIZABETH³ WILDES (*JOHN*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born Jan 23, 1655/56 in Topsfield, Essex Co., MA, and died Jun 25, 1718 in Enfield, Hartford Co., CT. She married BENJAMIN JONES Feb 22, 1678/79 in Gloucester, Essex Co., MA, son of THOMAS JONES and MARY NORTH. He was born Jul 31, 1651 in Gloucester, Essex Co., MA¹⁰, and died Jun 25, 1718 in Enfield, Hartford Co., CT.

Child of ELIZABETH WILDES and BENJAMIN JONES is:

- i. BENJAMIN⁴ JONES, b. About 1683, Gloucester, Essex Co., MA; d. Feb 05, 1754, Enfield, Hartford Co., CT¹¹;
m. ANN PRIOR; b. Mar 31, 1690, Enfield, Hartford Co., CT^{12,13}; d. Unknown.

Endnotes

1. Charles Henry Pope, Pastor, First Church, Charlestown, Boston, *The Pioneers of Massachusetts, a Descriptive List, Drawn from Records of the Colonies, Towns and Churches, and Other Contemporaneous Documents*, (Facsimile reprint by Heritage Books, Inc.; 1991).
2. Topsfield Historical Society; George Francis Dow, Compiler, *Vital Records of Topsfield, Massachusetts to the End of the Year 1849*, (New England Historic Genealogical Society; Newcomb & Gauss, Printers; Salem, MA; 1903).
3. NEHGS Register, v. 109, p. 48; "The Red(d)ingtons of Topsfield and Boxford, Mass.", says died in April, 1663.
4. Topsfield Historical Society; George Francis Dow, Compiler, *Vital Records of Topsfield, Massachusetts to the End of the Year 1849*, (New England Historic Genealogical Society; Newcomb & Gauss, Printers; Salem, MA; 1903).
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11. NEHGS Register, v. 60, p. 307 (July, 1906) "Inscriptions in Connecticut".
12. James Savage, *Savage's Genealogical Dictionary of New England Settlers*, v. 3.
13. Walter Geer, *The Geer Genealogy; A Historical Record of George and Thomas Geer and Their Descendants in the United States from 1623 to 1923*, (Brentano's; New York; 1923).