## **Group 8 at the Reeves DNA Project**

The members and historians of Group 8 of the Reeves DNA Project continue to gather genealogical and genetic evidence proving they share **Timothy Rives**, **1625** – **1692**, as their earliest immigrant ancestor. The ancestors and descendants of **Timothy 1625** are the subjects of J. Rives Child's *Reliques of the Rives*, published in 1929 and amended in 1951 in *The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*. Group 8 historians have successfully employed *Reliques*, exhaustive genealogical research and the results of Y-DNA and autosomal DNA testing to link the members of Group 8 to each other and to trace their paper trails back to **Timothy 1625**. A brief outline of the descendants of **Timothy 1625** follows.

**Timothy 1625** was the father of three sons who bore descendants: **George Rives**, born 1660, **John Rives**, born 1667, and **Timothy Rives**, born 1670.

**George 1660**, son of **Timothy 1625**, had three sons, **William Rives**, born 1683, **Thomas Rives**, born 1690, and **Joseph Rives**, born 1698. **William 1683** is the shared ancestor of Group 8 members James Rives and Cecil Rives. **Thomas 1690** is the shared ancestor of Everett Paul Reeves, Ronald Doyce Reeves, Jesse Michael Reeves, James Franklin Reeves, Karl Reeves, Gary Reeves, Ronald Dean Reeves Bobby Eugene Reeves and Ernest Benton Reeves

**John 1667**, son of **Timothy 1625**, is the shared ancestor of Kenneth Monroe Reaves, Wilmer Patrick Reaves and Stephen Kemper Reaves

**Timothy 1670**, son of **Timothy 1625**, is the ancestor of Jason Drew Reeves.

The genealogies of Group 8 members are found at ancestry.com in the tree *Reliques of the Rives – Group 8 DNA*, authored by Carolyn Gray Mahady, ID 'graycan'. More information for surnames Rives, Reaves, and Reeves is available at the website The Reeves Project at http://thereevesproject.org/data/

Over time *Reliques of the Rives* has proven to be amazingly accurate and thorough. Childs relied on material submitted by descendants, and he strived to verify it. Nevertheless, he wasn't able to gather information for all descendants, including those of **George Reeves**, born 1716, son of **Thomas 1690**, son of **George 1660**, son of **Timothy 1625**. Childs wrote of the brave exploits of Charlotte Reeves, daughter of **George 1716**, and her husband James Robertson, founders of Nashville, but he left mostly sketchy and speculative hints for her siblings. The descendants of those siblings include 9 of the 15 members of Group 8. Assembling their genealogies is the on-going work of Group 8 historians who have made great progress in filling in the gaps and verifying the research through genetic testing.

The hope for Group 8 is that more male descendants of **Timothy 1625** will test Y-DNA. Group 8 has no descendants of **Joseph 1698**, son of **George 1660**, son of **Timothy 1625**. **Timothy 1670**, son of **Timothy 1**625, had three sons, but only his son William is represented. The members and historians of Group 8 sincerely welcome new cousins, fellow descendants and historians/researchers.

In the past few years, descendants of **Timothy 1625**, including Group 8 historians, have tested autosomal DNA at ancestry.com, Family Finder at Family Tree DNA, 23&Me and uploaded the results to gedmatch.com. We collaborate with one another to find new Reeves cousins among our matches and to verify and direct our genealogical research. Our progress will continue as more and more descendants test autosomal DNA.

Following is a more detailed look at how Group 8 members are related to one another and how they descend from **Timothy 1625**.

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