

EDMUND¹ OF WOBURN

Third Generation

No. 7582

NAME: Jacob³ Chamberlain

Father: John² Chamberlain (No. 7568)
[Edmund¹ and Mary (Turner) Chamberlain]

Mother: Hannah

Born: About 1690, Roxbury, Suffolk Co., MA

Died: 15 Sep 1734, Chelsea, Suffolk Co., MA, "in his 44th year"

Buried: Old graveyard near Beach St., Revere, Suffolk Co., MA

Married: 12 Jan 1713/14, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA

Other Marriages:

No. 14202

SPOUSE: Abihail Hasey "Abiel"

Father: William Hasey

Mother: Judith Jacob

Born: Bp. 20 Oct 1695, Chelsea, Suffolk Co., MA

Died: Apr 1793, Hopkinton, Middlesex Co., MA, "aged above 95 years"

Buried:

Other Marriages:

CHILDREN

- F 7610 Sarah⁴, b. 10 Dec 1714, Roxbury, Suffolk Co., MA. (The *Burnap Genealogy* gives the date of her birth as 10 Dec 1714. Apparently it appears that the second digit of her birthday has worn away on the original birth record.. Married David Burnap, 26 Oct 1738, Hopkinton, MA. Died 29 Dec 1739, Hopkinton, MA. +
- F 7611 Martha⁴, b. 19 Jan 1717/18, Roxbury, Suffolk Co., MA. Married Benjamin Wood, 4 Aug 1737, Hopkinton, MA. He was the son of John & —?— (Buckmaster) Wood, born about 1720.
- M 7612 John⁴, b. About 1720, Roxbury or Chelsea, Suffolk Co., MA. Married Mary Wood, 14 Mar 1744/45, Hopkinton, MA. Died 5 Mar 1792, Jaffrey, NH. +
- M 7613 Jacob⁴, b. About 1722, Chelsea, Suffolk Co., MA. Married Lydia Mellen, 29 Oct 1747, Hopkinton, MA. Died about Aug-Sep 1801, Danville, VT. +
- M 7614 Samuel⁴, bp. 7 June 1724, Chelsea, Suffolk Co., MA. Married Martha Mellen, 9 Mar 1749, Hopkinton, MA. Died 3 June 1802, Peacham, VT. +

- F 7615 Elizabeth⁴, bp. 18 Sep 1726, Chelsea, Suffolk Co., MA. Married Nathaniel Hasey, Int. 20 Jan 1749/50, Chelsea, MA. Died 31 July 1828, probably Chelsea, MA. +
- F 7616 Phebe⁴, b. 4 Sep 1728, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA. Baptized 22 Nov 1730. Married Jacob Gibbs, 30 Nov 1752, Hopkinton, MA. (The records of Christ Church gives their marriage date as 30 Nov 1752; town records give 30 Dec 1752.) Died 16 Nov 1783. Two children.
- F 1 Martha Gibbs, b. 15 Aug 1753; d. 19 July 1754.
- F 2 Phebe Gibbs, b. 19 Apr 1755; m. John Dickman, 31 Mar 1774.
- M 7617 Edmund⁴, b. 11 Oct 1730, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA. Baptized 22 Nov 1730. Married Mary Caryl, 3 Nov 1757, Hopkinton, MA. Died about 1810, Lunenburg, VT. +
- M 7618 Nathaniel⁴, b. 27 Oct 1732, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA. Baptized 5 Nov 1732, Chelsea, MA. Probably died young as there is no mention of him after Nov 1735.
- M 7619 Abiel⁴, b. 7 Oct 1734, Boston, Suffolk Co., MA. Married Lois Whitney, 4 Dec 1763, Westborough, MA. Died 27 Jan 1822, Peacham, VT. +

BIOGRAPHICAL

His birth was not recorded, yet his connection and place in his father's family is entirely apparent to any student of the case (*Chamberlain Association Manuscript*). For reasons unknown, descendants of this couple have long considered this branch separate from the others, refusing to acknowledge the *obvious*; but the links to John² were clear, beyond reasonable dispute (*Chamberlain Families*).

The vital records of Roxbury and Boston give her name as "Abiel." Her grandson, Gov. William Chamberlain, of Vermont, said her name was "Abihail" and she herself wrote it that way when she was Administrator on the estate of Jacob in the Suffolk County Probate Court. Her grandfather was Lt. William Hasey who was prominent in King Philip's War of 1675. Her mother Judith Jacob (or Jacobs) was the daughter of Richard & Martha (Appleton) Jacob, and granddaughter of Samuel Appleton, of Ipswich, MA.

The *Chamberlain Association of America Annual Report, 1908-1910*, (pp. 84-88) has good coverage of this family, and their descendants for about three generations, written by Jacob's son, General William Chamberlain, under the date of 6 Jan 1820.

Some discrepancies exist between principal sources. Prentiss Glazier says Jacob was probably born in Malden and married in Boston. The *Chamberlain Association Manuscript* says he was married at Rumney Marsh (Chelsea).

Jacob and Abihail "owned the Covenant" at Roxbury church in December 1714. They quitclaimed her rights to the estate of her father to her brother William Hasey on 1 Feb 1713/14.

They resided for some time at Roxbury and then at "Rumny Marsh, within the precinct of Boston," now Revere, where he was admitted to the church on 9 Feb 1723/24.

Jacob purchased a large tract of land and the buildings on which stood north of what is now Peach street in Revere, from the heirs of Jonathan Tuttle. He assumed the payment of certain legacies to the Tuttle heirs, which stood as incumbrances on the property and involved long and trying difficulties. He erected a house and barn which cost about £300.

Jacob was elected Constable, an office which called for clerical and exacting labors. He was a cordwainer (a worker in leather) as his uncle Jacob Chamberlin, of Roxbury, had been. He died in the midst of his busy life, leaving many cares and duties to his capable wife, the care of the Tuttle legacies and the adjustment of his accounts as Constable and tax collector. He is buried beside his father John.

His estate was appraised on 19 Dec 1734 and consisted mainly of buildings, £200; 34 acres of land and upland, £680; 10 acres of meadow £160; a horse, four cows, a hog, £55, 5s; gold and silver, 80 shillings; apparell and books, £9, 15s; furniture, tools and other things brought the total up to £1202, 10s, 6d. The court gave an allowance of £70 to the widow for the support of herself and “four small children under seven years of age, namely Phebe, Edmund, Nathaniel, and Abiel.

His widow Abihail removed with her children to Hopkinton, where she lived for the rest of her life. Her death record at Hopkinton says “Mrs. Chamberlain, oldest person in town, died April 1793, aged above 95 years.”

Prentiss Glazier mentions that there were Chamberlains in Hopkinton who were descendants of William¹ Chamberlain of Woburn, MA. See the *History of Hopkinton, MA*.

The following are the signatures of Jacob and Abihail as scanned from the *Chamberlain Association of America Annual Report, 1908-1910*, pp. 85:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jacob Chamberlain". The letters are dark and fluid, with a prominent 'J' and 'C'.A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Abihail Chamberlain". The signature is written in a similar style to the one above, with a clear 'A' and 'C'.

PREPARATION OF THIS RECORD

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Chamberlain Association of America Annual Report, 1908-1910, pp. 43, 85, 87-88

Chamberlain Families, by Prentiss Glazier, Vol. II, "Descendants of Edmund¹ Chamberlain of Roxbury," pp. 29-30

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Vital Records, Chelsea, MA [RC 149]

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Archive Sheet, Family History Library (Genealogical Society), Salt Lake City, Utah, Submitted by John H.

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