

Robert¹ of Concord
Second Generation

No. 11263

NAME: Joseph² Chamberlin

Father: Robert¹ Chamberlin (No. 11150)
[Robert⁰ and Elizabeth (—?—) Chamberlain]

Mother: Mary

Born: 8 July 1707, Concord, Chester Co., PA

Died: 30 May 1772, Concord, PA

Buried:

Married: 19 Apr 1726 [19th day of 2nd month 1726], Concord, PA (Int. 8 Apr 1726),
Concord, PA

Other Marriages:

No. 15356

SPOUSE: Susanna Sharpless (or Sharples)

Father: Joseph Sharples

Mother: Lydia Lewis

Born: 18 Feb 1705, Concord, Chester Co., PA

Died:

Buried:

Other Marriages:

CHILDREN
(Order Uncertain – Perhaps Others)

F 11276 Hannah³ Chamberlin, b. About 1727 (?), probably Concord, Chester Co., PA. Married Robert Pennell, 1 May 1746 [1st day of 3rd month 1746], Concord, PA. Robert Pennell, was of Middletown, Chester Co., PA (*Quaker Marriages, Concord Monthly Meeting, P. 66*), (*Early Church Records of Delaware County, Pennsylvania, Vol. 2, P. 12*). Their marriage was witnessed by her parents.

M 11277 Benjamin³ Chamberlin, b. About 1730 (?), probably Concord, Chester Co., PA. Married Elizabeth Mercer, before 6 Dec 1756, “out of Friends by a priest” perhaps Concord, PA. Died about Mar-Apr 1763, Aston, PA. No issue. Elizabeth married (2) Henry Reynolds, 15 Jan 1766 [15th of 1st month 1766], Concord Meeting House, Concord, PA (*Early Church Records of Delaware County, Pennsylvania, Vol. 2, Concord Monthly Meeting Addendum, P. 185*).

F 11278 Mary³ Chamberlin, b. About 1732 (?), probably Concord, Chester Co., PA. Probably married Mr. Fairlamb, had a daughter Mary, and was dead before 1772, when her father Joseph Chamberlin, bequeathed a legacy of £200 to his granddaughter Mary Fairlamb.

BIOGRAPHICAL

On the 7th day of the 12th month, 1725, “Joseph Chamberlin given a certificate to Chester to marry Susanna Sharples, daughter of Joseph (*Early Church Records of Delaware County, Pennsylvania, Vol. 2, Concord Monthly Minutes, P. 77*).

On the 19th day of the 2nd month, 1726, “Joseph Chamberlin, son of Robert and Mary Chamberlin, of Concord townships, Chester county, yeoman, and Susannah Sharples, daughter of Joseph and Lydia Sharples of Middletown township, same county” (*Early Church Records of Delaware County, Pennsylvania, Vol. 1, Chester Monthly Meeting, Marriages, P. 44*).

They settled on a farm at Concord, PA.

Joseph & Susanna Chamberlin, with Benjamin, William, Martha, and Isaac Chamberlin, witnessed the marriage of Ann Chamberlin of Aston, to Charles Regar, of Concord, 27 June 1752.

Joseph & Susanna Chamberlin, with Isaac Chamberlin, witnessed the marriage of Elizabeth Chamberlin, of Concord, widow, to Henry Reynolds, of Wilmington [DE], 15 Jan 1766.

Joseph & Susanna Chamberlin, witnessed the marriage of John Chamberlin, of Concord, to Rebecca, daughter of William & Ann Ford, of Brandywine, 15 Sep 1748.

Joseph & Susanna Chamberlin and William Chamberlin, witnessed the marriage of Elizabeth Chamberlin, born about 1723, to William Hughes, of Concord, 20 May 1744. She was the daughter of John & Lettice Chamberlin of Aston.

Joseph Chamberlin witnessed the marriage of Robert³ (Robert²⁻¹) Chamberlin to Ann Painter, 28 May 1747.

Joseph & Susanna Chamberlin, Isaac Chamberlin and Ann Chamberlin witnessed the marriage of William³ (John², Robert¹) Chamberlin to Martha Palmer on 16 Nov 1748.

Joseph Chamberlin with Peter Hatton took the Inventory of the estate of Mary Palmer on 11 Apr 1745, which amounted to £131, 5s, 10d (*Palmer Genealogy, P. 29*).

Joseph & Susanna Chamberlin witnessed the marriage of their daughter Hannah to Robert Pennell, 1 May 1746, at the Concord Meeting House.

Joseph Chamberlin and Susanna Chamberlin, two of a number of quakers, subscribed to the solemnization of the double marriage of William and James Trimble to Ann and Mary Palmer on the 3rd day of the tenth month, 1735. [Actually William married Ann on the 13th day of the ninth month, 1734 (13 Nov 1734) and James married Mary on the 3rd day of the tenth month, 1735 (3 Dec 1735)] (*Palmer Genealogy, P. 297*).

Joseph Chamberlin, made his will on 26 Apr 1772, which was proved on 9 June 1772, when Letters of Administration were granted to his widow Susanna Chamberlin & Joseph Pennell. His Inventory was filed 16 June 1772. Viz.

In awfull remembrance of the mercy's and favours of the great and glorious God, I, Joseph Chamberlain, of Concord, in the County of Chester, being of sound disposing mind, do make this my Last Will and Testament for the disposing of my worldly estate, wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me with. Imprimis. My will is that all my just debts and funeral charges be first paid and discharged as soon as may conveniently be after my decease.

Item. I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved wife Susanah, the use and benefit of the two rooms at the east end of my dwelling house as also the seller under the same with liberty of my gardens, my well for water, and my oven to bake in and as much fruit out of my orchard as is necessary for her own use with free ingress, egress and regress to and from the same, and also I give to my said wife one horse and one cow which she shall choose out of my stock and the keeping of the same plite and order on my plantation, both winter and summer and her necessary firewood to be redy, cut and hal'd to her dore all which priveledges she shall hold and enjoy for and during her widdowhood and no longer.

I also give unto my said wife, one equal fourth part of all my household furniture with the sum of three hundred pounds lawfull money of Pennsylvania, which shall be in full right and Bar of her dower, and thirds of my estate, both real and personal.

Item. I give and devise unto my grandson Joseph Pennell and to his heirs and assigns forever, all and singular, my plantation and tract of land whereon he now dwells, sittuate in Ashtown, containing about one hundred and eighty acres, be the same more or less, as it is bounded, it being the same which formerly belonged to my brother John Chamberlin.

Item. I give and devise unto my grandson Thomas Pennell and to his heirs and assigns forever, all and singular, my plantation whereon I now dwell with that piece or parsell of land which I purchased of John Nicklin, containing on the whole, about two hudnred and eighty acres, be the same more or less, the same being subject to all the priveledges which I have given my wife as abovesaid.

Item. I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Mary Fairlamb, the sum of two hundred pounds lawfull money of Pennsylvania

Item. I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Abigail Pennell, the sum of two hundred pounds like money, aforesaid.

Item. I give and bequeath to my grand daughter Lydia Pennell, the sum of two hundred pounds, like money, aforesaid.

But my will is that if either of my grand daughters should die unmaryed and without issuse, her part and share so dying shall be equally divided betwene her surviving brothers and sisters.

Item. I give and bequeath to Hannah, the now wife of Jonathan Haycock, the sum of five pounds.

Item. I give to my Executors hereon afrter named, the sum of forty pounds, each in lew of commissions for their care and trouble as Executors.

My will further is that all the rest and residue of my estate both real and personal mixt, be it of nature or kind soever, the same may be shall be equally divided betwene my five grand children, share and part alike. And lastly, I do nominate, constitute and apoint my well beloved wife Susanah, and my grandson Joseph Pennell, Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other and former wills by me made. In witness, whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 26th day of April Anno Domini 1772.

Joseph Chamberlin {Seal}

The above writing was pronounced, published and declared by Joseph Chamberlain to be his Last Will and Testament, and we the subscribers was requested by him to be Witnesses and did see him sign and seal the same and we subscribed our names as witnesses in his presents. Sealed in the presents of us. Mark Willcox. Daniel Sharpless, John Hannum.

Chester, 9th 1772. Then personally appeared Mark Willcox and Daniel Sharpless, two of the witnesses to the within writing & the said Mark Willcox, on his oath on his solemn affirmation according to law, did declare, dispose, affirm & say that they were personally present and did see and hear Joseph Chamberlain, the testator within named, sign, seal, publish, pronounce and declare the within writing as and for his Last Will and Testament & that at the doing thereof, he was of a sound & well disposing mind and memory to the best of their understandings.

Sworn & affirmed before H. H. Graham, DReg^r

Be it remembered that on the ninth day of June Anno Domini 1772, the Last Will and Testament of Joseph Chamberlin, deceased, was proved in due form of law, and letters of Testamentary were granted to Susanna Chamberlin and Joseph Pennell, sole Executors therein named, they being solemnly affirmed well & truly to Administer & bring in an Inventory of the deceased's estate into the Register's Office at Chester on or before the ninth day of July next & to render a true & just account of their Administration in a year, or when legally required.

Given under the seal of said Office. H.H. Graham, DReg^r

The *History of Chester County, Pennsylvania*, pp. 722-23, states of the Sharpless family:

“John Sharpless, of Ratherton, in Cheshire, England, m. Jane Moore, of the same place, in the year 1662. (The name was formerly written *Sharples*, and it is thought the last syllable was pronounced as in *apples*.) In the year 1682 the family removed to Pennsylvania, landing at Chester on the 14th of 6th mo., 1682, more than two months prior to the arrival of William Penn. John Sharpless had purchased 1,000 acres from William Penn, by lease and release of April 4 and 5, 1682, part of which they took up on Ridley Creek, about two miles northwest from Chester, “where they felled a large tree, and took shelter among the boughs thereof about six weeks, in which time they built a cabin against a rock, which answered for their chimney-back, and now contains the date of the year when the cabin was built, viz., 1682, in which they dwelt about twenty years, and where they all died except the mother and three sons; in which time Joseph [son] learnt the trade of house carpenter, and when of age built the first dwelling house, which is now standing (1816) and occupied by one of their descendants.

Part of the original floors are still in use, being fastened down with wooden pins of about an inch in diameter, instead of nails. It is a sizeable two-story dwelling, the walls of stone.”The remainder of the land was taken up, part in Middletown, near Darlington Station now, and part in Nether Providence.

John Sharpless died 4, 11, 1685, aged about sixty-one years, and his widow 9, 1, 1722, about the eighty-fourth year of her age. Their children were.....7. Joseph, b. 5, 28, 1678, at Hadderton, d. spring of 1757.

Joseph Sharpless (7) married 3, 31, 1704, Lydia Lewis, sister of Mary, and settled in Nether Providence, afterwards in Middletown. About 1737, they removed to West Caln with their younger children and remained seven years. Their descendants are very numerous and outnumber the other branches in the male line. Lydia died in 1763. Children of Joseph and Lydia: 25. Susanna, b. 12, 18, 1705 [18 Feb 1705], d. —?—, m. Joseph Chamberlain....”

Check the probate record for Susannah Chamberlinm, Delaware Co., PA. Ltrs. Granted 17 Oct 1789, To: Joseph Pennell. Inv. Filed 21 Oct 1789. Will Book A, P. 1. Rec s/b in FHL #930,568.

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History of Chester County, Pennsylvania, with Genealogical and Biographical Sketches, By J. Smith Futhey and Gilbert Cope, Philadelphia: Louis H. Everts, 1881. Press of J.B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia.

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Chester County, Pennsylvania, Probate Records, Will of Joseph Chamberlin, File No. 2703, copy in Will Book 5, pp. 330-32 (FHL #20,845); original will and related papers are in Case No. 2703 (FHL #1,429,123) [SN2008]

Chester County, Pennsylvania, Probate Records, Will of Robert Chamberlin, File No. 438, copy in Will Book I, P. 367 (FHL #20,844); original will and related papers are in Case No. 438 (FHL #1,429,104) [SN2008]

Chester County, Pennsylvania, Probate Records, Will of Mary Chamberlin, File No. 1402, copy in Will Book 3, P. 315 (FHL #20,844); original will and related papers are in Case No. 1402 (FHL #1,429,111) [SN2008]

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