

ROBERT¹ OF CONCORD

Fourth Generation

No. 11425

NAME: John⁴ Chamberlin

Father: Robert³ Chamberlin (No. 11273)
[Robert² (Robert¹, Robert⁰)
and Cecily (Hall) Chamberlin]

Mother: Ann Painter (No. 15362)

Born: About 1756, Concord, Chester Co., PA

Died: 8 Aug 1812, Delaware Co., PA, "aged 56 years"

Buried:

Married: About 1780 (?), probably Chester Co., PA

Other Marriages:

No. 16532

SPOUSE: Esther Hampton

Father:

Mother:

Born: About 1758 (?), perhaps Chester Co., PA

Died: Before 1810, Birmingham Twp., Delaware Co., PA

Buried:

Other Marriages:

CHILDREN

(Order Unknown – Others)

- F 17633 Mary⁵ Chamberlin, b. About 1782 (?), Birmingham Twp., Chester Co., PA. Married James Johnson. In 1812, they were residents of Harford Co., MD, when she was named as an heir to her father's estate.
- F 17634 Hannah⁵ Chamberlin, b. About 1786 (?), Birmingham Twp., Chester Co., PA. Married Jacob Parks. Dead by 1812, when her sons, Vernon and John Parks, were named as heirs of her father. John Peirce was named as Guardian for Vernon and John Parks.
- F 17635 Sidney⁵ Chamberlin, b. About 1788 (?), Birmingham Twp., Chester Co., PA. Unmarried and of legal age in 1812, when she was named as an heir of her father.
- M 17552 John⁵ Chamberlin, b. About 1793 (?), Birmingham Twp., Delaware Co., PA. On 20 Oct 1812, he petitioned the Orphans Court for a guardian to be appointed, stating that he was a minor over the age of 14 years. Joseph Bennett was subsequently appointed his Guardian. Based on the foregoing, John's birth had to have occurred after 1791 and before 1798.

BIOGRAPHICAL

In 1790, John Chamberlin was living in Birmingham, Delaware Co., PA, heading a family of 1-1-5 (1 male 16 years of age and upwards, 1 male under 16 years of age, 5 females).

In 1800, John Chamberlain was again living in Birmingham Twp, Delaware Co., PA, heading a family of 10002-02202 (1 male under the age of 10 years, 2 males aged 45 years and upwards, 2 females between the ages of 10 and 16 years, 2 females between the ages of 16 and 26 years, 2 females aged 45 years and upwards).

In 1810, John Chamberlain was again still living in Birmingham Twp, Delaware Co., PA, heading a family of 00101-002 (1 male between the ages of 16 and 26 years, 1 male aged 45 years and upwards, 2 females between the ages of 16 and 26 years).

John was bequeathed the sum of five shillings by the terms of his father's will of 1786, and was to receive half of his mother's property by the terms of her will in 1805. He and his brother William were named as Executors of their mother's estate in 1807.

His death date given as "died about 8 Aug 1812, aged 56 years," is from an entry in Isaac Gilpin's Day Book.

John died intestate, as Letters of Administration were granted to his brother William Chamberlin, and John Brinton, who posted a bond of \$1,000. Sureties were Joseph Bennett and Jacob Parks. His Inventory was filed 14 Sep 1812. A final account was filed 25 May 1814 (*Administrators Docket, No. 1, P. 104. No. 445, FHL #930,583*).

On 4 Apr 1814, William Chamberlin and John Brinton, Administrators on the estate of John Chamberlin, of Birmingham Township, Delaware Co., PA, deceased, in a public sale, conveyed the land of John Chamberlin in Birmingham Township to David & Joshua Smith, of the same place. This deed reads in part:

"...And whereas a writ of partition was issued from the Orphans Court of Delaware County, aforesaid for dividing or valuing the said real estate dated the 19th day of Jan 1813, which valuation being made was returned to & confirmed by the said Court at the April Term, next succeeding, and all the heirs, agreed to the sale & petitioned the Court for an order to sell. An order was granted directing the above named Administrators to expose the said premises to public sale which was accordingly done on the 30th day of April the same year....highest bidders...Joshua Smith and David Smith....for the sum of \$2,644.31....returned to the said Orphans Court & was on the 27th day of July last (1813)"...Recorded 2 May 1814, Delaware County, Pennsylvania (*Delaware County, Pennsylvania, Deeds, Liber L, pp. 436-39*).

The referenced archive sheet is the sole source for Esther Hampton being the name of John's wife and date of their marriage being 1786. In view of latest information the marriage date of 1786 surely has to be wrong. The 1790 census indicates five children, thus, the marriage date was more likely to have occurred around 1780.

Reviewing the census records from 1790-1810, plus the Orphans Court petition of John Chamberlin, clearly indicate that John & Esther probably had at least two sons and four daughters. In 1790, the presence of a son under 16 cannot be the son John who was stated to be a minor in 1812. Thus, there had to be an older son, born before 1790. The 1810 census also indicates that Esther was dead by this time.

The records of John's estate file and of the Delaware County Orphans Court establish that John's wife was deceased, and that one son, John, and three daughters were named as children. This indicates that the male in John's family in 1790 was either not a son, or that he died without issue by 1812. Moreover, an inferred daughter was also deceased and without issue in 1812.

PREPARATION OF THIS RECORD

This record was prepared by the late David C. Chamberlin Sr., using data obtained from various sources as listed. Comments and additional information are welcome and should be sent to the World Chamberlain Genealogical Society. < www.chamberlain-society.org >
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