

Crosby Family

Sir Pierce Crosby

B. before 1430 in England

Sir John Crosby

B. after 1440 (Holme-On-Spaulling Moor, Yorkshire, England)

D. Between April 20, 1502 and date of will June 8, 1502 (Holme-On-Spaulling Moor, Yorkshire, England)

Married Agnes ??

Children: John, Robert, Richard, William, **Miles**

NOTE: See in the Crosby folder the professionally researched background on Sir John Crosby including his will translated from Latin, photographs of his burial in the Choir of Parish Church, Styllingfleet, Yorkshire, his noble ancestors, and his connection with King Richard III. Son Miles was an archer for Richard VIII.

Miles Crosby

B. 1483 (Holme-On-Spaulling Moor or Shipton, England)

D. 1538 in Shipton, Yorkshire, England)

Wife = ??

Children: **Thomas**, William

NOTE: Miles Crosby was Royal Archer for King Henry VIII.

Thomas Crosby

B. 1501 (Holme-On-Spaulling Moor, Yorkshire, England)

D. March 16, 1559 (Holme-On-Spaulling Moor, Yorkshire, England)

Married Jannetta ? in 1542 (Holme On Spaulling Moor England)

Anthony Crosby

B. 1545 (Holme On Spaulding Moor England)

D. 1599 (Wheldrake, Yorkshire, England)

Married Alison Blanchard In 1570 (Holme On Spaulding Moor England)

Children: Ellen, **Thomas**

Thomas Crosby

B. abt 1575 (Holme On Spaulding Moor England)

D. May 6, 1661 (Rowley MA)

Married Jane Sotheron on October 19, 1600 in Spaulding Moor England

Children: Anthony, Thomas, William, **Simon**

NOTE: Upon the death of Anthony in 1599, "Thomas inherited a 100-acre farm in Holme-on-Spaulding-Moor. Jane Southeron was the daughter of William and Constance (Lambert) Southern. Sotheron. 1609 tax records indicate that William Sotheron was the wealthiest resident of the parish. Tax records and other documents suggest that the family led a fairly well-to-do life." Relatively late in life, Thomas and Jane emigrated to New England, possibly in the autumn of 1638 with a group of Reverend Ezekiel Rogers' followers, but in any event prior to 1640. They may have lived with the widow of their son Simon in Cambridge, Massachusetts (who died in his 30s) until she remarried in 1645 -- at about that time, Thomas purchased a house in Cambridge. After a few years, he sold his holdings in Cambridge and the couple relocated, for the last time, to Rowley, Massachusetts. Thomas lived to over 85 years of age and died in Rowley in 1661, buried on May 6. Jane died the following year and was buried in Rowley on May 2, 1662.

Source: "Simon Crosby the Emigrant: His English Ancestry and some of his Descendants" by Eleanor Davis Crosby, 1914. May be found in old bookstores via internet search.

Simon Crosby

B. 1608 (Spaulding Moor Yorkshire)

D. September 1639 (Cambridge MA)

Married Anne **Brigham**, a daughter of Thomas and Isabel (Watson) Brigham, April 21, 1634 (Holme-on-Spalding Moor, Yorkshire). She was born in 1606.

Children: **Thomas**, Anthony, Simon, Joseph

NOTE: See book above. SIMON, Cambridge, came in the Susan and Ellen, 1635, aged 26; with w. Ann, 25; and s. Thomas, 8 wks.; freem. 3 Mar. 1636; had Simon, b. Aug. 1637; and Joseph, Feb. 1639; selectman 1636 and 8, d. Sept. 1639. His young wid. m. Rev. William Tompson of Braintree. His est. by sev. mesne conveyances pass. 1707, to Rev. William Brattle, being that partly occup. now by the Brattle home.

<http://www.usgennet.org/usa/topic/newengland/savage/>

In the Cambridge land inventory on 10 October 1635 "Anthony Couldby" held five parcels of land: one house with backside, about three acres, in the West End; one house with planting ground, about three acres, in West End Field; three acres by the Pine Swamp; four acres in the Neck of Land; and four acres in the Great Marsh; at least one of these lots, and perhaps more, purchased by Simon Crosby.

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In April 1635, the family embarked on a journey to New England. Evidence suggests that their move was motivated by religious (rather than taxation) concerns. They joined a company of followers of Reverend Thomas Shephard who were leaving their roots in Essex, Yorkshire and Northumberland to establish a new home in America. They set sail on the "Susan and Ellen" from London on April 18, 1635 and concluded the ten-week trans-Atlantic journey ended in Boston in July 1635.

The group settled in Cambridge, Massachusetts which had been established three years earlier by followers of Reverend Thomas Hooker who were now moving on to Connecticut. Having ample means, apparently through the generosity of his father, Simon purchased a homestead from William Spencer.

Simon and Anne had two more children: Simon Crosby, born in August 1637, and Joseph Crosby, born in February 1637/38.

Simon held a number of public offices including selectman, constable and surveyor of highways.

Simon died in Cambridge in September 1639, aged about 30 years and leaving a considerable estate. It is believed that Reverend Shephard probably conducted the funeral services.

Anne continued to raise her children in Cambridge for another six years and then married Reverend William Tompson, a widower, and moved to Braintree, Massachusetts where Tompson was minister. The couple had one child of their own, Anne Tompson.

In Reverend Tompson's later years, he was "afflicted with melancholia" and did not work for seven years prior to his death in 1666. His disability left his widow in difficult financial circumstances.

Anne died on October 11, 1675 in Braintree at about age 69.

Sources & Related Information

- "Simon Crosby the Emigrant: His English Ancestry and some of his Descendants" by Eleanor Davis Crosby, 1914
www.geocities.com/soho/nook/9400/bioscab.html

Thomas Crosby

B. February 26, 1635 (Spaulding Moor Yorkshire?)

D. June 27, 1702 (Boston?)

Married Sarah **Fitch** Crosby (B. abt 1643)

Children: **Thomas**, Simon (Bing Crosby ancestor), Sarah, Sears, Sarah, Joseph, John, Twin, William, Anna, Increase, Eleazer

Thomas Crosby

B. April 7, 1663 (Eastham)

D. April 21, 1731 (Harwich)

Married Hannah ?

Children: Hannah, Sarah, **Thomas**, Abigail

Thomas Crosby (10th Generation)

B. April 17, 1704 in Harwich MA

D. September 30, 1757 (Harwich MA?)

1st Married Mary (B. abt 1700 in Harwich, D. 1800) on October 6, 1725 (age 21)

2nd Married Elizabeth Hopkins on August 9, 1733 at age 29 (B. April 21, 1711 in Harwich, D. 1801, Gilead Burying Ground on old Thomas Crosby land). Elizabeth Hopkins was the daughter of Nathaniel Hopkins and Mercy Mayo.

Children: James, Elisha, Bethia (stepdaughter), Martha, Solomon, Phoebe (stepdaughter), **Tabitha**, Eunice, Lemuel, Hannah (stepdaughter)

NOTE: Thomas Crosby was ancestor of Fanny Crosby. NEHGR Vol 102, 1948 indicates that he and Elizabeth Hopkins Crosby moved to Patterson, Putnam Cty, New York

Tabitha Crosby

B. August 10, 1726 (Brewster MA)

D. March 6, 1809

Married **John Hurd III** in 1747 (Harwich MA)

Children: Elizabeth, John IV, Joseph, Sarah, Mary, Joshua

John Hurd IV

B. April 15, 1763 (Harwich)

D.

Married Rebecca Arey on April 28, 1785 (Eastham)

Seth Hurd

B. January 24, 1786 (Orleans MA)

D.

Married Lavinah Smith on May 9, 1809 (Eastham)

Bethuel Hurd

B. October 20, 1812 (Orleans MA)

D. 1886 (Orleans)

Married Lovey Mayo Brewer on November 30, 1837 (Eastham)

Etta Hurd

B. 1856 (Orleans)

D. March 12, 1884 (Worcester)

Married George Cushing Brigham on December 9, 1874 (Orleans)

Georgietta Fay Brigham Shaw

B. August 8, 1878 (Worcester)

D. March 17, 1957

Married Carlton Stanley Shaw March 25 , 1896 (Clinton MA)

Carlton

B. April 24, 1872 (Yonkers NY)

D. July 23, 1948 (Pomfret)

George Stanley Shaw, Sr.

B. May 30, 1898 (Clinton MA)

D. February 3, 1977 (Putnam)

Patricia Shaw Hall

James W. Hall III