

# Our Wilcox Ancestors

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## Context

The Wilcox originated in England and arrived in North America in the 1630s. The relationship to the author is provided in a chart near the end of this article.

### 1. Daniel (Wilcock) Willcocke 1565 m. Alice Unknown

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Wilcock-341> Daniel Willcocke formerly Wilcock aka Wilcok, Willcoke, Wilcoke, Wylcoke, Wylcock, Wilcox

- i. Thomas Wilcox bp 30 Nov 1589 North Elkington, Lincolnshire, England, m. Susan
- ii. Anne Wilcox bp 1 Mar 1591/2 bur 30 Sep 1593
- iii. Ellen Wilcox bp 1 Sep 1594 bur 23 Apr 1599
- iv. Alis Wilcox bur 20 May 1597
- v. Margaret Wilcox bp 4 Nov 1597
- vi. Francis Wilcox (Female) bp 20 Dec 1598

- vii. John Wilcox bp 8 Aug 1602 bur 29 Nov 1602
- 2. viii. Edward Wilcox bp 12 Feb 1603/4 m. Susan/Susanna Thomson

## **2. Edward Wilcox 1604- Bef 13 Apr 1660 Susan Thomson**

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Wilcox-462> Edward Wilcox

Edward Wilcox son of Daniel and Alice Wilcox and Alice was born presumably abt 12 Feb 1603/04 in South Elkington, Lincolnshire England. He married Mary Halgarthe who was buried at Croft Lincolnshire 27 Jun 1630. He married Susan/Susanna Thomson 12 May 1631 at Orby, Lincolnshire, England. She was probably Susana Thomson baptized at Orby 6 Sep 1607, daughter of Amos Thompson and Carynthaphuch who were married 10 Nov 1606 at Orby. Their children were

- 3. ix. Daniel Wilcox 1632- 1702 Elizabeth Cooke
- x. Stephen bp 26 Dec 1634 probably at Westerley Rhode Island, d. shortly before 6 Feb 1690, when mentioned as deceased

He was admitted freeman to the Island of Aquidneck, Rhode Island 2 Apr 1638.

Edward Wilcox, immigrant ancestor, was one of the free inhabitants of the island Aquidneck, now Rhode Island, in 1638, and joined in founding the compact of government in May 28 of that year. About the same time he had a trading house in Narragansett in company with Roger Williams. Sometime after they took into their business Richard Smith Sr., formerly from Gloucestershire, England, later of Taunton, Massachusetts. Edward Wilcox died probably at Narragansett before 1648, and in 1653, the above-mentioned Smith appears to have acted as guardian for eight children, supposed to have been those of Wilcox. Children: Stephen, mentioned below; Daniel, married November 28, 1661 [Elizabeth](#), daughter of John and Sarah (Warren) Cook. Doubtless others. [\[1\]](#)

## **3. Daniel Wilcox 1632 -1702 Elizabeth Cooke**

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Wilcox-367> Daniel Wilcox (1632 - 1702)

Daniel Wilcox, son of Edward Wilcox was born in Croft, East Lindsay District, Lincolnshire, England in 1632. He was baptized on 4 March 1632/33 at Croft, Lincolnshire, England. His first child, Daniel, was born in RI so he had emigrated by then. Also, land sale records that his father Edward had also emigrated from England. 13 Apr 1660; Portsmouth, Newport Co., RI 1. Daniel sold to John Briggs land on the east side of Portsmouth that had belonged to "my father Edward Wilcox" [Portsmouth Deeds, 1:16]

He married first wife, name unknown by whom he had 2 children

- xi. Daniel Wilcox b. 1656, d. 2 Jul 1702
- xii. Samuel Wilcox b. abt 1659, d. bef. 9 Jun 1702

He married Elizabeth Cooke his second wife November 28 1661 at Plymouth Massachusetts. By his second wife he had the following children,

- i. Mary Wilcox b. 25 Feb 1661/62, d. 26 Apr 1735 m John Earle
- ii Sarah Wilcox b. abt 1664 ? d. 6 May 1751 m Edward Briggs
- iii. Stephen Wilcox b. c 1668, d. 13 Nov 1736
- 4. iv. John Wilcox b. 1670 m. d. 28 Feb 1717
- v. Thomas Wilcox b. 1672, d. 1712
- vi. Edward Wilcox b. 1675, d. a 19 May 1718

- vii. Lydia Wilcox d. after 1744, m Thomas Potter
- viii. Susanna Wilcox b. c 1680, d. a 6 Dec 1748 m Jonathan Head

Daniel Wilcox died July 2 1702, aged 75 at Tiverton, Newport County, Rhode Island, USA<sup>i</sup> He left a will on 9 June 1702 named therein wife Elizabeth, children Daniel, Samuel deceased, Stephen, John, Edward, Susannah Wilcox, Mary wife of John Earle, Lydia, Sarah wife of Edward Briggs. His estate was proved on 25 August 1702.

#### 4. John Wilcox 1670 – 1717 Rebecca

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Wilcox-361> John Wilcox (1670 - 1718)

John Wilcox, son of Daniel Wilcox and Elizabeth Cooke was born in 1670 in Little Compton, Rhode Island. He married Rebecca \_\_\_\_\_ abt. 1698 in Little Compton, Newport Rhode Island.

Their Children

- i. Jacob Wilcox. b.14 Oct 1699 Little Compton, Newport Rhode Island
- ii. Daniel Wilcox b. 25 Feb 1701 Little Compton, Newport Rhode Island
- iii. Elizabeth Wilcox b. 13 Dec. 1702 Little Compton, Newport Rhode Island
- iv. John Wilcox b. 22 Sep. 1704 Little Compton, Newport Rhode Island
- v. Jabez Wilcox b.21 Mar. 1707 Little Compton, Newport Rhode Island
- vi. Barjona Wilcox 23 Nov. 1708 Little Compton, Newport Rhode Island
- 5. vii. Rebecca Wilcox b. 11 Aug 1711  
Portsmouth, Newport Rhode Island m. Nicholas Mosher d.  
viii. Thomas Wilcox b. 1713 Little Compton, Newport Rhode Island

#### 5. Rebecca Wilcox 1711 -Nicholas Mosher Jr

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Wilcox-1645> Rebecca (Wilcox) Mosher (1711 - aft. 1756)

Rebecca Wilcox, daughter of John Wilcox and Rebecca Mosher was born August 11 1711 in Tiverton, Rhode Island. She married Nicholas Mosher. Nicholas Mosher, son of Nicholas Mosher and Elizabeth Audley, who was born 1 January 1702/03 in Dartmouth, Bristol County, Massachusetts. He married Dorothy Potter on 12 Oct 1723. They had one son, James born 1725 and Elizabeth probably died in childbirth.

He married his second wife Rebecca Wilcox, (age 18) on 20 Jan 1729 at Little Compton, Rhode Island. Rebecca and Nicholas were first cousin sharing the same grandfather Hugh Mosher. Rebecca Wilcox, daughter of John Wilcox (1670-1718) and Rebecca Mosher

They had the following children

- i. Nancy Mosher in Tiverton, Rhode Island, married David Wickham
- ii. Deliverance Mosher b. 12 Mar 1730 in Tiverton, Rhode Island. M. Levi Preston
- 6. iii. Jabez Mosher b. 02 Sep 1731 at Tiverton, Newport, Rhode Island, United States, 1810 Cambridge, Washington, New York, United States, m Elizabeth Preston 1755 New York, United States.
- iv. Wilcox Mosher b. 16 Jan 1733 in Tiverton, Rhode Island, m. Hannah Wickman
- v. Freelove Mosher b. 1736 in Tiverton, Rhode Island, m. Obediah Wilbur
- vi. Elizabeth Mosher b. 1738 in Tiverton, Rhode Island, m. (1) Hurd, m. (2) David Tallman
- vii. Susannah Mosher b. 1740 in Tiverton, Rhode Island, m. John Simon Covell
- viii. Elizabeth Mosher b. 1738 in Tiverton, Rhode Island, m. (1) Hurd, m. (2) David Tallman

- ix. Susannah Mosher b. 1740 in Tiverton, Rhode Island, m. John Simon Covell
- x. Nicholas Mosher b. 26 Jul 1752 in Beekman, Dutchess, New York, d. 16 Jul 1835 Hope, Ontario, m. Sarah Allen 5 Jan 1774 in Cambridge, New York
- xi. Margaret Mosher b. abt 1753 in Tiverton, Rhode Island, m. Samuel Russell 18 Dec 1771
- xii. Rebecca Mosher b. 1754 in Quaker Hill, Dutchess New York, d. 1796 in White Creek Washington, New York
- xiii. Lewis Mosher b. 1756 in Quaker Hill, Dutchess New York, d. abt 5 Feb 1835 in Wolfe Island, Frontenac, Ontario, m. Mary Freeman

Nicholas left Tiverton Rhode Island for Beekman at least by 1752 when son Nicholas was born. Rebecca died sometime after 1756. Nicholas died there in 1765.

Beekman, New York

Website <https://www.townofbeekman.com/>

Beekman is a town in Dutchess County, New York, United States. It is part of the Poughkeepsie–Newburgh–Middletown, NY Metropolitan Statistical Area as well as the larger New York–Newark–Bridgeport, NY-NJ-CT-PA Combined Statistical Area. Beekman is located in the southeastern part of Dutchess County, about 70 miles (110 km) north of New York City. Most of the town is drained by Fishkill Creek, which flows west to the Hudson River at Beacon. The southern corner of the town is drained by Stump Pond Creek, part of the Croton River watershed that flows to the Hudson at Croton-on-Hudson.

The town had also been occupied by the Wappinger Indians, before the first European settlers arrived around 1710. The Beekman Patent, granted to Beekman in 1697, was the second largest land holding in Dutchess County. In 1737, Beekman became an official precinct, and local government was erected. 1788 was the initial period of establishing towns and counties in the newly independent state of New York, but parts were removed subsequently to form other towns. Beekman contributed part of its territory to the newer towns of LaGrange (1821) and Union Vale (1827). Iron ore extraction and smelting were important in the early economy. The Beekman Patent was a manor until after the Revolution. Residents could only lease the land and pay rent in wheat, fat fowls and work on roads. The series Settlers of the Beekman Patent chronicles the lives of all residents there in the 18th century.

## Appendices

### Abbreviations

Abt. About b. born bp baptized bur. Buried d. died. m married

## Calendar Old Style-New Style, Julian & Georgian<sup>1</sup>

The old calendar used up to about 1752 in Protestant countries was the Julian Calendar based on 365.25 days. In 1582 Great Britain and empire switched to the Julian Calendar and since the actual year is 365.2422 days long the switch over caused a 11 day out of synch problem. To solve this problem, it was proclaimed that September 2 would be followed by September 14. As well the old style calendar the calendar year began on Lady Day 25<sup>th</sup> of March i.e. the year ran from 25 March to 24 March. Hence January 24, 1712 old style would be January 24, 1713 new style. The correct way to describe a date in the “overlap” period from January 1 to March 24 is to state the Old/New Style as 1712 /1713 which means

<sup>1</sup> Greenwood, Val D. The Researcher’s Guide to American Genealogy, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co Inc 2000

“January 24, 1712 old style is what we call January 24, 1713”

Also, since the calendar began in March the months if numbered are as follows

March 1; April 2; May 3; June 4; July 5; August 6 ;September 7; October 8; November 9; December 10;  
January 11; February 12

## List of Freeman<sup>ii</sup>

The status of freeman was primarily of political importance, for it gave one the right to vote for colony officers. In some colonies, though, freeman was tied to church membership, and so the meaning was somewhat different. Massachusetts Bay and New Haven, the most Puritan of the Puritan colonies, made church membership a prerequisite for foremanship, while the rest of the New England colonies did not.

List of freemen may be used for a number of purposes beyond proving biographical information about an immigrant. Like tax lists later, a list of freeman provides basic information about the presence or absence of a person on a given date. And, as noted above, freemanship in Massachusetts Bay and New Haven supplies information about church membership, from which we can learn not just whether this individual was a church member at a given time; we can also reconstruct some of the history of churches whose records have been lost by studying the lists over a period of years.

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For more information on their religious background see: <https://www.rtson.ca/cooke.pdf>

## General Resources

David Hackett Fischer, *Albion's Seed: America: a cultural history*, Oxford University Press. Kindle Edition.

## Websites


Fiske, Janet Fletcher, "[Edward Wilcox of Lincolnshire and Rhode Island](#)," *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, vol 147 (1993). Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, pp. 187-191. <https://www.americanancestors.org/databases/new-england-historical-and-genealogical-register/image/?volumeId=11686&pageName=188&rId=0>




<sup>i</sup> Daniel Wilcox Find-a-Grave MEMORIAL ID 66598191

<sup>ii</sup> Anderson, Robert Charles, The Great Migration, Immigrants to New England 1634-1635, Boston, MA: New England Historical and Genealogical Society, 2011


10th great grandfather

	<b>Daniel Willcocke</b> b: 1565 England d: 25 Nov 1605 South Elkington, East Lindsey Dis
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9th great grandfather

	<b>Edward Wilcox</b> b: 12 Feb 1603 South Elkington, East Lindsey Dis d: Aft. 20 May 1638
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8th great grandfather

	<b>Daniel Pinchbeck Wilcox</b> b: 04 Mar 1632 Croft, Lincoln, Lincolnshire, Engla d: 02 Jul 1702 Tiverton, Newport, Rhode Island,
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7th great grandfather

	<b>John Wilcox</b> b: 1670 Little Compton, Newport, Rhode I d: 26 Feb 1717 Little Compton, Newport, Rhode I
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6th great grandmother

	<b>Rebeckah Wilcox</b> b: 14 Aug 1711 Little Compton, Rhode Island, Brit d: 26 Jul 1752 Beekman, Dutchess, New York, U
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5th great grandfather

	<b>Jabez Mosher</b> b: 02 Sep 1731 Tiverton, Newport, Rhode Island, d: 1810 Cambridge, Washington, New Yor
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4th great grandfather

	<b>Hezekiah "Ki" Mosher</b> b: 18 Oct 1756 Quaker Hill, Beekman, Dutchess d: Aug 1821 Augusta, Ontario, Canada
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3rd great grandmother

	<b>Sophia Mosher</b> b: 18 Apr 1799 Augusta Twp, 1654301, Ontario, d: 18 May 1880 Augusta Twp., Leeds & Grenville
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2nd great grandfather

	<b>Robert Nicholson Spicer</b> b: 11 Aug 1832 Augusta, Grenville, Ontario, Cana d: 26 Nov 1904 Maynard, Augusta, Grenville, Ont
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Great grandmother

	<b>Abigail Almeda Spicer</b> b: 13 Sep 1860 Prescott, Ontario, Canada d: 10 Jul 1940 Merrickville, Ontario, Canada
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Maternal grandfather

	<b>Edward Elbert Atkinson</b> b: 26 Feb 1887 Merrickville, Merrickville-Wolford, d: 14 Jan 1957 Vancouver, British Columbia
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Mother

	<b>Grace Elizabeth Atkinson</b> b: 11 Dec 1916 Waskada, Manitoba, Canada d: 04 Jun 2008 Truro, Colchester County, Nova S
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Self

	<b>James Clifford Retson</b> b: 28 Jul 1948 Truro, Colchester County, Nova S d:
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