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President's Letter

Members:

Your Dunham-Singletary Family Connections Board of Directors will be meeting in early fall. We try to represent you, but it is always easier if you tell us your interests and concerns directly. What would you like DSFC to work on? What do you want to see in our newsletter? We'd love to hear from you—feedback is a great motivator! Send us your ideas, complaints and compliments. We want them all!

We are scouting our members in search of new leadership for 2010. We need to replace our Treasurer, and need a new Chair for the DNA Project. I'd also be pleased to pass the virtual gavel of the President on to one who would care to take on this role. Elections won't be held till Spring, so you have plenty of time to think about it. We'd be happy to provide more information about roles and time commitment!

Where to send your feedback and interest in getting involved?

Trudy.dunham@gmail.com works, or write to me at 1624 Blair Aveune, St Paul MN 55104.

Hoping to hear from you soon!

Trudy Dunham, President

Editor's Corner

Three wonderful summer trips took a toll on this issue of the DSFC newsletter. I did do a bit of genealogical research on one on them!

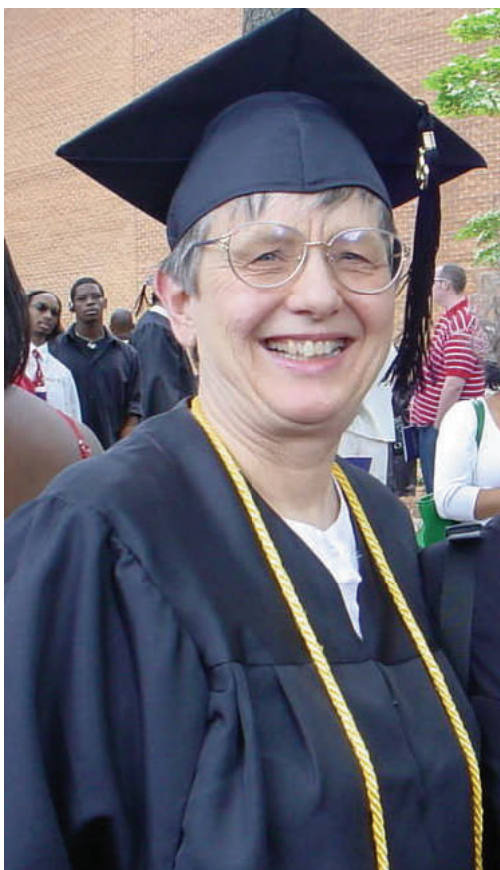
This issue contains only one major article. I like to include at least two articles in each issue. However, this article, [The Newport, Rhode Island DUNHAM Family](#) will be an important one for several of our members.

While doing my research on Dunhams, which has been ongoing for many years, I purposely left the Rhode Island Dunhams until last. The reason being that I felt that if I was successful in identifying most of the other Dunham families, and establishing the lines of those Dunhams, then some of the ones that were left unidentified might be from the Rhode Island line. There are very few vital records, and there are Dunhams who say they were born in Rhode Island, but connecting them to the proper line has not been easy.

Please be aware that this article is only the Dunhams of Newport, and does not include Dunhams living in Providence or elsewhere in Rhode Island.

Gratia Dunham Mahony, Editor

Member's Corner



Selma Blackmon Completes University Studies

A life long ambition was achieved on Saturday May 9th when DSFC member Selma Blackmon graduated from Clayton State University in Morrow, Georgia. Her BA degree in Integrative Study included classes in literature, history, and especially genealogy research. Selma and her husband Joey celebrated her achievement by going to the NGS (National Genealogical Society) conference at Raleigh.

Selma Ethel (Kampe)¹¹ Blackmon's DUNHAM ancestry is through her mother's side as follows: Mildred Louise Schuler¹⁰, Nettie Ethel Couch⁹, Eugene Delos Couch⁸, Elisha Tomkins Couch who married **Jane Angeline⁷ Dunham**, Joseph⁶ Dunham, Joseph⁵ Dunham, Daniel⁴ Dunham, Daniel³ Dunham, Joseph² Dunham, Deacon John¹ Dunham. (See article on Rhode Island Dunham line in this newsletter.)

Her Research Project of Interest to Dunhams

A project that Selma did for an American Literature class last spring will be of interest to those interested in DUNHAM heritage. The subject of Selma's project was **Christine Dunham**, of American Indian heritage, who is devoting her life to preserving her native history and culture through writing down stories of her Lakota Sioux forebears. In describing her project Selma writes, "Christine has authored several children's books, which center on the themes of creation and Iktomi." In a telephone conversation with Selma Blackmon, Christine Dunham explains that Iktomi means "spider", and he appears in many oral legends. Iktomi has mystical powers including the ability to talk with men, beasts, trees, stones, and everything that lives. He uses his supernatural powers for both good and bad. However, Iktomi is weak and he gets what he wants by trickery. Christine explained that "Native American tradition displays the magnitude of animals and nature. In Native American culture, animals edify morality and standards."

Selma also states "Mrs. Dunham is part of the women against abuse and violence program. She has authored a video and guide called Listen to Grandmothers which incorporates cultural traditions of Native American women to help combat abuse and violence."

Christine Dunham is a member of the Brulé subdivision of the Lakota Sioux. She was born in 1930 and is the daughter of Vernon LONG WARRIOR and Mary Molly HAND of Rosebud, Todd County, South Dakota. [Ref. 1930 Federal Census of Todd, South Dakota, ED 43; Roll: 2231, p. 3B] Christine has lived most of her life on the Rosebud Reservation which is located in south central South Dakota. She had previous marriages, and children, but in June of 1963 she married **JOHN WILLIAM DUNHAM**, and they are the parents of three children, a daughter and two sons.

Selma contacted me (Gratia Dunham Mahony) to see if I knew the ancestral line of John William Dunham. Selma had been given information from Christine Dunham that her husband's parents were John Dunham and Hattie Burk. This John Dunham appears on the 1920 Federal Census in Jefferson, Caddo County, Oklahoma, Family #3:
John Dunham 29 (single) b. KS, both parents b. IL.

The 1930 Federal Census of Miller, Kay County, Oklahoma, Family #138 shows this John Dunham with his family as follows:

John Dunham (looks like 44, but age should be 39) KS IL IL

He is employed as a supervisor, Indian Farm

Hattie	30	OK KS OK
Winnie M.	7	OK KS OK
Phebe J.	4	OK KS OK
John W.	2	OK KS OK (John William)
Dean R.	1	OK KS IL

So, the child of John and Hattie (Burk) Dunham who was the husband of Christine Long Warrior is John William Dunham b. in Oklahoma 9 July 1927.

The ancestry of John William ⁷ Dunham can be traced back by using the Federal Census. As shown above his father was John ⁶ Dunham born in Kansas 10 October 1891. This John ⁶ appears on the 1910 Federal Census in Jefferson, Caddo County, Oklahoma with his parents William A. ⁵ Dunham and wife Mary E. (--) Dunham. William A. ⁵ Dunham appears on the 1860 Census in Shelby County, Illinois as the 13 year old son of Henry ⁴ Dunham.

My research data shows this Henry as Henry B. ⁴ Dunham (William ³, Henry H. ², probably Joseph ¹) born 14 May 1823 in Warren County, Tennessee, died in March 1898 in Illinois. He is buried in the Wright Cemetery, Moultrie, Illinois. He married first Mary RAMSEY in Effingham, Illinois on 31 August 1843. She was born about 1823 in Wayne County, Illinois, and died about 1847 in Shelby, Illinois. He married second Jane Ferguson in Shelby, Illinois on 15 Feb. 1851.

My research data shows William ³ Dunham (Henry H. ², probably Joseph ¹) born about 1783 in Rutherford County, North Carolina, died after March 1841 in Effingham County, Illinois. He married Mary FISHER about 1810 in Rutherford County, North Carolina. She was born 17 February 1788 in Rutherford County, North Carolina and died about 1850 in Effingham County, Illinois. She is buried in Renfro Cemetery, Effingham, Illinois.

Continuing with my research data, Henry H. ² Dunham (probably Joseph ¹) was born about 1750 in that part of Frederick County which became Shenandoah County, Virginia in 1778. He died in Wake County, North Carolina in 1820. Henry H. ² Dunham married Elizabeth MEDLIN about 1775 in Rutherford County, North Carolina.

DNA tests results for two men, one of whom is a descendant of Henry H. ² Dunham (Michael Dale Dunham), the other a descendant of John ² Dunham (William Elmer Dunham) have been returned. The results show a close match (a one step mutation in one marker). From the research of William Elmer Dunham and others, it appears that the Dunhams found in Washington and Green Counties, Tennessee (and who went to Fort Nashborough, later Nashville TN) were somehow connected to a Joseph Dunham, Sr. born about 1725 who died before March 1761 in Frederick County, Virginia. More work needs to be done to prove that Henry ² and John ² Dunham are the sons of Joseph ¹ Dunham. It is also hoped that one of the sons of John William ⁷ and Christine (Long Warrior) Dunham will participate in DNA analysis.

ARTICLES WANTED FOR DSFC NEWSLETTER

Please help make this **YOUR** newsletter. Send information or stories about the activities that your Dunham family participated in. These can be current things like birthdays, reunions, or organized events. They can also be stories about solving a research question, or interviews with other family members. They can be memories of days gone by; letters that tell about moving to, or living in a new place; or diaries with bits of family information. They can be bible records of your family; pictures that were drawn by someone in your family; or photos of your family members.

Please think about things that you feel would be of interest to all of us, and share them by sending them to me for use in the DSFC newsletter. Send them to: gratia@woh.rr.com

Headstone of Jacob ⁷ Dunham (Samuel ⁶ William ⁵, Jonathan ^{4,3,2}, John ¹) in Thompson Street Cemetery, Catskill, New York. Taken by Gratia D. Mahony while on a recent research trip to Catskill.

Jacob Dunham wrote a most interesting memoir entitled JOURNAL OF VOYAGES: Containing an account of The Author's being twice captured by the English and once by Gibbs the Pirate; his narrow escape when chased by an English War Schooner; as well as his being Cast Away and Residing with Indians.



New York Census Project Nearly Finished

By Gratia D. Mahony

William G. Burke, of Watertown, Lewis County, New York, and Gratia Dunham Mahony of Dayton, Montgomery County, Ohio are nearing the completion of the documentation of **all Dunhams in all counties in New York**. This enormous project has been undertaken to help identify the migration routes of Dunham families, and to try to locate and identify the children and grandchildren of Dunhams who moved into the state.

Of course, not every Dunham moved to New York at some point between the Federal Census years of 1790 - 1930, but enough of them did live in New York at some point that finding them on the census records is helpful. Many of the counties in New York also took a state census in the half decade year, such as 1845, 1855, or 1865. These state census records are beneficial to Dunham research as well.

To supplement the knowledge gained from the census data, Bill and Gratia have also visited many county courthouses or register of deeds offices in New York state. We have been gathering information from deeds or probate records which provide more information about Dunham families. The collection of these important land and probate records has not been done as systematically as the census research, but more research to fill in the blanks of these records will be done in the future. Any DSFC readers who have collected land and/or probate records for Dunhams or related families living in New York are invited to share these with Bill or Gratia. Please contact Bill or Gratia at the following email addresses: willgburk@aol.com or gratia@woh.rr.com

Cemetery research is also an important clue in tracing families. Bill and Gratia have visited numerous New York cemeteries searching for Dunham or related families. Many of the cemetery records can be found on line under various New York county web sites. Jane Devlin, an early web searcher, has provided many cemetery records for us. Other web sites, such as findagrave.com are helpful too.

Military pension records for both the Revolutionary War and the Civil War have been collected as well. Assembling all of the above data on all the Dunham families that migrated into or through New York state has been an enormous task. It is not finished yet, but the completion of the census data will be a huge step in documenting Dunham lines.

DSFC member Bill Burke did original research to document the connection between Joseph² Dunham (John¹), and Nathaniel³ Dunham. He has also finished a comprehensive family study of his own Dunham line. Bill's Dunham line is: John¹, Joseph², Nathaniel^{3,4} David⁵, Jeremiah^{6,7}, Henry J.⁸, William J.⁹, Bert F.¹⁰, Avis Irene¹¹ Dunham who married Leon Willis Burke, William G.¹² Burke.

The Newport, Rhode Island DUNHAM Family

By Gratia Dunham Mahony

The Dunham family of Newport, Rhode Island has been difficult to trace. Help in documenting this line comes from an early census taken in 1774, sixteen years prior to the 1790 Federal Census. Family members are given in age categories under the head of the family, so work is still needed to identify them. We can begin this process with Daniel³ Dunham, a known son of Joseph² and Hester (Wormall) Dunham.

Daniel³ Dunham (Joseph² John¹) was baptized in Plymouth in 1687. He died in Newport 2 February 1758, the date given on his cemetery headstone. Daniel married **Sarah (probably Wiles)** about 1709. We do not know when Sarah died but it was after 12 March 1750 as she is mentioned in Daniel's will where she received all the estate. His will states "My children already had portions and their mother has greater occasion".

Daniel resided in Newport by 15 April 1709, the date on which he sold his portion of the land left to him by will of his father.

...I Daniel Dunham of Newport on Rhode Island, late of Plymouth...for 5£ 10 shillings paid by William Canady of Plymton...1/2 part of 40 acres both upland and swamp my honored father Joseph Dunham, late of Plympton aforesaid, deceased bequethed...unto my brother Benajah Dunham and myself...in Plympton being a neck of land lying to northward of Swan Hold Swamp, which by said will is called a homestead...

In another deed of sale, Daniel identifies himself as a chairmaker.

...I Daniel Donham of New Port in Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New England, Chairmaker, for 16£ paid by Thomas Edwards of Boston, goldsmith, sell all my right title..to all the Cedar Swamp and lands herein after mentioned lying and being in Plymouth and Plimpton...

dated 23 September 1727
Daniel Dunham and Sarah his wife
set our hands and seals

It is interesting to try to identify the members of the Dunham family who appear on the first census taken in 1774 by John R. Bartlett. Daniel⁴, Robert⁴, Joseph⁴, and Benjamin⁴ all appear on the 1774 census and will be further identified under their respective families. Members of the fifth generation, John⁵, Daniel⁵ Jr., and Benjamin⁵ also appear. The Sarah Dunham who appears with 2 females over 16 years old may be the widow of Daniel³ although she would be in her eighties if still living.

From "Census of Inhabitants of the Colony of RI & Providence Plantations 1774"

	Name	Male +16	M-16	Female +16	F-16	Ind.	Blacks	Total
1.	John Dunham	1	1	1	0	0	0	3*
2.	Sarah "	0	0	2	0	0	0	2*
3.	Benjamin "	1	0	1	0	0	0	2*
4.	Joseph "	4	0	2	4	0	0	10
5.	Daniel "	2	2	3	0	0	1	8*

6.	Daniel, Jr. “	1	2	1	3	0	0	7*
7.	Benjamin “	2	1	3	1	0	0	7
8.	Robert Donham	2	1	1	2	0	0	6*

Identification of the Dunhams on the 1774 Census

1. John Dunham is John Duckworth⁵ Dunham, son of Daniel⁴ Dunham. He was born in Newport 15 June 1740. He married 20 September 1759 **Elizabeth Phillips**. The 1774 census shows one male under 16 years of age, but if this was a son I find no further record of him.

2. Sarah Dunham with 2 females over 16 is probably the widow of Daniel³ Dunham. Probably a daughter is living with her.

3. Benjamin with 1 male over 16 and 1 female over 16 is Benjamin⁵ Dunham, son of Benjamin⁴ Dunham. He was born about 1751.

4. This is Joseph⁴ Dunham, son of Daniel³ Dunham. He was born 24 February 1723/4.

5. This is Daniel⁴ Dunham, son of Daniel³ Dunham. He was born 3 August 1712.

6. Daniel, Jr. is Daniel⁵ Dunham, son of Daniel⁴ Dunham. He was born in June 1738.

7. This is Benjamin⁴ Dunham, son of Daniel³ Dunham. He was born 19 April, 1730.

8. This is Robert⁴ Dunham, son of Daniel³ Dunham. He was born ca. 1716.

Children of Daniel³ and Sarah (--) Dunham born at Newport, Rhode Island^[6]

- 47. i. Persis⁴ Dunham b. 7 February 1710 (nfi)
- 48. ii. Daniel⁴ Dunham b. 3 August 1712 (line cont. Isaac⁵ went to Dunham, Canada)
- 49. iii. John⁴ Dunham b. 19 Dec. 1715
 - m. 29 July 1738 **Mary Lucas**
(no surviving issue)
- 50. iv. Robert⁴ Dunham b. ca. 1716
- 51. v. Sarah⁴ Dunham b. 6 September 1718
- 52. vi. Esther⁴ Dunham b. 5 March 1720 (nfi)

53. vii. Joseph⁴ Dunham b. 24 February 1723/4
 54. viii. Mercy⁴ Dunham b. 3 November 1727
 m. 1746 Benjamin Mortimore
 55. ix. Abigail⁴ Dunham b. ca. 1728 (nfi)
 56. x. Benjamin⁴ Dunham b. 19 April 1730

Documentation of These Children

48. Daniel⁴ Dunham (Daniel³ Joseph² John¹) born in Newport, Rhode Island 3 August 1712, died in January 1796 at Great Barrington MA. Daniel married first **Ann Wiles/Wyles** who was born in 1710 and died soon after marriage. Daniel married second at Newport 1 January 1737 **Abigail Hart**. He married third 16 October 1766 **Ann (Amy) Murphy**.

Early American Newspapers

Excerpts from America's Historical Newspapers, copyrighted by NewsBank and/or the American Antiquarian Society, document the following members of the Newport Dunham family. The surname is spelled variously Dunham and Donham in these newspapers.

Newport, RI

1 June 1764: The Newport Mercury, Issue 301, 11 June 1764, p. 3

Town Officers for the year ensuing:

Overseers of the Work-House:

Daniel Donham

Newport, RI

Issue dated 9 May 1772, The Providence Gazette: And Country Journal, Vol. IX, Issue 435, p. 3;

For Newport:

Justices of the Peace:

Daniel Dunham

Newport, RI

Issue dated 8 May 1773, The Providence Gazette: and Country Journal, Vol. X, issue 487;

“At the annual General Election, held at Newport the 5th instant, the following Gentlemen were elected to the Offices prefixed to their respective names, viz:

Military Officers:

Daniel Dunham, Esq. Colonel, Isaac Dayton, Esq. Lieutenant Colonel, and John Forrester, Esq. Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of Newport.

Tiverton and Little Compton, RI

Issue dated 17 April 1775, Newport Mercury, Issue 867, p. 3:

Last Tuesday the militia of Tiverton and Little Compton, to the number of 400, very able bodied men, mustered and went through the manual exercise with a dexterity nearly equal to any of the independent companies. .

.they were reviewed by Colonel Dunham

Newport, RI

Issue dated 3 May 1796, The Newport Mercury, Issue 1776, p. 3;

“Died at Great Barrington (Massachusetts) in January last, in the 84th year of his age, Col. Daniel Dunham, formerly a very respectable citizen of this town.”

The above excerpts illustrate events in the life of Daniel ⁴ Dunham. Daniel was a Captain in the Continental Army of Rhode Island, and was in the 1745 expedition to Louisbourg and Crown Point. He was also a Colonel in the Rhode Island Militia from 1770-1774. He lived in Newport until about 1778 when he moved to Plainfield, Connecticut. In October of 1794 he sold his property in Plainfield and moved to Great Barrington, Massachusetts where he died. His body was returned to Newport where he is buried.

Children of Daniel ⁴ and Abigail (Hart) Dunham all born at Newport:

187. ii. Daniel ⁵ Dunham, b. June 1738
(m. Elizabeth ⁴ Dunham, dau. of Benajah ³, Joseph ² John ¹)
188. iii. John Duckworth ⁵ Dunham, b. 15 June 1740
189. iv. **Isaac ⁵ Dunham**, b. 1743 (**line continues in this issue**)
190. v. Abigail ⁵ Dunham, b. 1744
191. vi. Benjamin ⁵ Dunham, b. 1745
192. vii. Patience ⁵ Dunham, b. 1746
193. viii. Elizabeth ⁵ Dunham, b. 1748
194. ix. Sarah ⁵ Dunham b. 1750
195. x. Benajah ⁵ Dunham, b. 1753
196. xi. Esther ⁵ Dunham, b. 1755
197. xii. Martha ⁵ Dunham, b. 1757
198. xiii. Almy ⁵ Dunham, b. 1759
199. xiv. **Joseph ⁵ Dunham**, b. 1761 (**line continues in this issue**)

50. Robert ⁴ Dunham (Daniel ³ Joseph ² John ¹) born in Newport, Rhode Island ca. 1716, died before 1790. He probably married **Barbary** (--). Robert ⁴ Dunham was a cooper at Newport. From Early American Newspapers:

Issue dated 12 June 1784, Newport Mercury, Issue 1185, p. 3;

At a City Council held in the City of Newport, June 4, 1784, the following persons were elected into the respective offices:

Constable: **Daniel Dunham, Jun.**

Corders of Wood: **Benjamin Dunham, Joseph Dunham, Robert Dunham**

Surveyors of Heading, Staves, and Hoops: **Robert Dunham**

Packers of Beef, Pork, and Fish: **Robert Dunham**

Children of Robert ⁴ and possibly Barbary (--)
Dunham:

- i. Robert ⁵ Dunham b. 16 July, 1742
- ii. Son ⁵ Dunham b. after 1758
- iii. Dau. ⁵ Dunham b. after 1758
- iv. Dau. ⁵ Dunham b. after 1758

51. Sarah⁴ Dunham (Daniel³ Joseph² John¹) born in Newport, Rhode Island 6 September 1718, died at Exeter, Rhode Island 1 February 1801. She married at the Second Congregational Church in Newport 14 Dec. 1737 **Lewis Ginnedo**. Lewis Ginnedo was born in 1713, presumably in France. He was a French Huguenot, and emigrated from France settling in Newport sometime before his marriage there in 1737. He was a Captain. He was still in Newport at the time of the 1774 Census, but was in Exeter at the time of the 1782 Census and the 1790 Census. He died 25 May 1791 probably at Exeter since his will was written and proved there in 1791 and he was buried with his wife and their daughter Mercy in Exeter, Rhode Island.

Lewis and Sarah (Dunham) Ginnedo had 10 children.

53. Joseph⁴ Dunham (Daniel³ Joseph² John¹) born in Newport, Rhode Island 24 February 1723/4, died between 28 April and 15 May 1802. Joseph married in Newport 21 October 1744 **Elizabeth Orne**.

Excerpt from Early American Newspapers:

Newport, RI

Issue dated 7 June 1783, Newport Mercury, Issue 1132, p. 2;

At a town meeting held here last Tuesday the following persons were chosen town officers for the year ensuing, viz.

Corders of Wood: **Benjamin Dunham, Joseph Dunham**

(Probably Benjamin⁴ and Joseph⁴ Dunham)

Newport, RI

Issue dated 12 June 1802, Rhode-Island Republican, Vol. II Issue 89, p. 3;

“We the subscribers, being by the Honorable Court of Probate of the town of Newport, appointed commissioners, to receive, examine, and adjust the claims of the creditors to the estate of **Joseph Dunham**, late of Newport aforesaid, Chair-maker, deceased, represented insolvent--hereby give notice to all persons having any claims against said estate, to bring them in to either of us, at our respective dwellings, within six months from the date hereof, being the time allowed by said Court therefore.

Anthony Dixon

Fleet S. Greene, Commissioners

And all persons indebted to said estate, are required to make immediate payment to

Abraham Corey

Hannah Corey, Executors

The will of Joseph Dunham, Newport Probate 3:364-365, “chairmaker, far advanced in age” dated 28 April 1802 mentions daughters Sarah Ginnido, Mary Read, Hannah Corey wife of Abraham Corey, and an unnamed daughter who was the mother of “Vaughn grandson, called Nathan Vaughn, under age 21”. The will also mentions three grandsons named John Read, Philip Dunham, and Joseph Dunham Corey. The will was witnessed by George Spooner Dunham (son of Robert⁵ Dunham), Edward Simmons Jr., and Jonathan Almy.

The will of Joseph Dunham does not name any sons, however I believe that he had three sons. Note that the 1774 census indicates 4 males (who would be Joseph⁴ and 3 other males).

It was not unusual for a man who had already given a grown son his inheritance (or “his portion”) to neglect to name that son or sons in his will. After researching the Dunhams who appear in Washington County, New York [see my article in DSFC Vol. 2, Issue 4, 15 October 2005 entitled *The Dunhams of Washington County, New York*] I believe that these three sons were:

- i. Daniel⁵ Dunham b. 1762-63 in Rhode Island
- ii. Samuel⁵ Dunham b. 15 January 1765 in RI (per pension application)
- iii. Joseph⁵ Dunham b. between 1770-1774

A Joseph Dunham appears on the 1800 census of Newport with an older man, probably Joseph⁴ Dunham (the one who died in 1802). This is probably the Joseph Dunham who appears in New Bedford, Bristol County, Massachusetts in 1830 and 1840.

The grandson, Philip Dunham, named in the will of Joseph⁴ Dunham was probably a son of Joseph⁵ Dunham.

So the children of Joseph⁴ and Elizabeth (Orne) Dunham born in Newport would be:

NOTE: Birth order uncertain:

- i. unnamed Daughter⁵ Dunham b.
 - m. _____ Vaughn
had son, Nathan Vaughn
- ii. Mary⁵ Dunham b.
 - m. _____ Read
had son, John Read
- iii. Sarah⁵ Dunham b.
 - m. December 1798 Daniel Ginedo
- iv. Daniel⁵ Dunham b. 1762-63 in Rhode Island
- v. Samuel⁵ Dunham b. 15 January 1765 in RI (per pension application)
- vi. Hannah⁵ Dunham b.
 - m. Abraham Corey 27 June 1790
had son, Joseph Dunham Corey
- vii. Joseph⁵ Dunham b. between 1770-1774

56. Benjamin⁴ Dunham (Daniel³ Joseph² John¹) born in Newport, Rhode Island 19 April 1730.^[1] He married at Newport 13 December 1750 **Mary Johnson**.^[2] She was born ca. 1734.^[3] We do not know when Mary (Johnson) Dunham died, but there is a notice that Benjamin Dunham married a woman named Anstress (--) who died in April 1813.

Again, American Historical Newspapers contain interesting information, as follows:

Newport, RI

Issue of 28 October 1765, Newport Mercury, Issue 373, supplement p. 2;

Newport, October 29, “Last Sunday happened a most melancholy accident at the house of **Mr. Benjamin Dunham**, at the Point Ferry-House, at about half after two o’clock in the afternoon, viz. One of his sons, a child about seven years old, was sitting upon a table, at which instant another of his sons, a lad about fourteen years old, being in the next room, chanced to take up a gun loaded with goose shot, to view it, when it immediately discharged, pierced through the partition, and shot the youngest in the forehead, and some of the shot came out at the back part of his head. He lingered till about six o’clock, and died.”

Children of Benjamin ⁴ and Mary (Johnson) Dunham:

- i. Probably Benjamin ⁵ Dunham, Jr. b. about 1751
- ii. Son b. about 1758, killed in shooting accident
- iii. John ⁵ Dunham b. about 1759
 - d. 20 April 1762 age 2 ½ years
- iv. Esther ⁵ Dunham b. about 1763
 - m. 26 March 1786 George Weeden
- v. Son b. after 1766 (under 16 on 1782 census)
- vi. Son b. after 1766 (under 16 on 1782 census)

A Dunham living in Dunham, Quebec, Canada

There was a Dunham living in the town of Dunham, Quebec, Canada which is located just a few miles north of the Vermont border. However, the town was not named for him. The town of Dunham was named in honor of Sir Thomas Dunn, one of the thirty-five concession-owners of the township in 1796. Isaac Dunham moved to Dunham, Canada from Monkton, Addison County, Vermont shortly after 1800 when he appears on the census of Monkton.

189. Isaac ⁵ Dunham (Daniel ^{4,3} Joseph ² John ¹) born in Newport, Rhode Island say 1743, died in 1833. He married **Sarah Spooner**, daughter of Ebenezer and Sarah (Robinson) Spooner. She was baptized 22 February 1746 in Rochester, Plymouth Co. MA. Her parents moved to Hardwick, Worcester Co. MA about 1750. Sarah Spooner was b. about Feb. 1745/46, died about 1810 in Dunham, Quebec, Canada.

A descendant of Isaac ⁵ and Sarah (Spooner) Dunham provides the continuation of this line giving the children and some of the grandchildren of Isaac ⁵ Dunham. From research by descendant Ernie Turner the children are:

- i. Mary ⁶ Dunham b. abt. 1768
 - m. Parmlee Barnes, Monkton, Vt.
- ii. Sarah ⁶ Dunham b. abt. 1772 in Monkton, Addison Co. VT
 - m. abt. 1793 Wolcot Alvord in MA

He was b. abt. 1769 in MA
Children of Wolcot and Sarah ⁶ (Dunham) Alvord:

- i. Almira ⁷ Alvord b. abt. 1794 Chateaugay, Franklin Co. NY
- ii. Elijah ⁷ Alvord b. abt 1796 Chateaugay
- iii. Augustus ⁷ Alvord b. abt. 1798 Chateaugay
- iv. Tylor ⁷ Alvord b. abt. 1800 Chateaugay
- v. Amanda ⁷ Alvord b. 2 Dec. 1803 Chateaugay
- vi. Mary ⁷ Alvord b. abt. 1804 Chateaugay
- vii. John ⁷ Alvord b. abt. 1806 Chateaugay
- viii. Sarah ⁷ Alvord b. abt. 1808 Chateaugay
- ix. James ⁷ Alvord b. abt. 1810 Chateaugay
- x. Leonard ⁷ Alvord b. 1812 Chateaugay

- iii. Elizabeth⁶ Dunham b. 1 Sept. 1774, d. 1 Oct. 1853 Canada
m. Artemus Turner 1798 in Dunham Canada
 He was son of Abraham Turner and Sarah Niles
 He was b. 18 June 1775 in Whately, Franklin co. MA
 He d. 19 April 1860 in Dunham, Sutton Twp., Brome Co. Quebec, Canada
 Children of Artemus and Elizabeth (Dunham) Turner:
 i. Son⁷ Turner b. abt. 1799 VT
 ii. Isaac Niles⁷ Turner b. 5 March 1804 Sutton, Brome Co. Quebec, Canada
 d. 2 Nov. 1888 Sutton, Brome Co. Quebec Canada
 iii. Elizabeth⁷ Turner b. abt. 1806 Dunham Sutton Twp. Brome Co. Quebec, Canada
 d. 20 Nov. 1841 Dunham, Sutton Twp. Brome Co. Quebec Canada
 m. Prentice C. Wilcox 24 Feb. 1833 in St. Armand, Missisquoi County
 He was son of Paine and Merium (Bates) Wilcox
 He was b. 5 May 1793 in Petersburg, Rensselaer Co. NY
 He d. 25 Jan. 1856 in Sutton Canada
 She is buried in Scottsmore Cemetery, West Brome, Canada
 iv. Herman G./Heman G.⁷ Turner b. 7 Aug. 1811 Dunham, Sutton Twp. Brome Co. CA
 d. 30 Nov. 1901 East Berkshire, Franklin Co. VT
 m. Lucy Cook 19 June 1836 in Richford, Franklin Co. VT
 she was b. 20 Jan. 1819 in Dunham, Sutton Twp. CA
 she d. 4 March 1869
 Both are buried in Stone Church Cemetery, Brome Quebec Canada
- iv. Hannah⁶ Dunham b. abt. 1776 in Dunham Quebec, Canada
 v. Bethia⁶ Dunham b. 12 Feb. 1779 Dunham, Quebec, Canada
 m. 7 Jan. 1806 Alanson Roswell, Litchfield, Ct.
 she d. Dunham, Ontario, Canada 3 Dec. 1859
- vi. Alice⁶ Dunham b. 9 Jan. 1780, d. 3 Dec. 1833
 m. Samuel Demond abt. 1816 in Canada
- vii. Isaac⁶ Dunham b. 1786, d.1 March 1849 Sutton, Quebec, Canada
 m. Lilly Keeler abt 1806 in Canada
 She was b. 1788
 She d. March 1873
- viii. Martha⁶ Dunham b.
 m. Dudley Gilman

199. Joseph⁵ Dunham (Daniel^{4,3} Joseph² John¹) born in Newport, Rhode Island say 1761, died in Oneida Co. NY 8 February 1840. The name of his wife has not been found on any records. She is referred to however in the following Lenox, Massachusetts Church record.

Lenox Church records also state "Joseph Dunham and wife dismissed 18 September 1808 to Rome New York".

From Abstracts of Rev. War Pension Files; "Joseph S12831, RI Line, appl 12 Dec. 1832 Oneida Co., NY, aged 71, sol. Lived at Brooklyn Ct. at enl. And after the Rev. War sol. Lived at Plainfield Ct. for 10 years then moved to Lenox, Berkshire Co., Ma., then moved to Rome in Oneida Co. NY, sol. was b. in 1761 at Newport RI and had also enl. At Richmond Town, RI, 6 or 8 surviving children rec'd final payment on 21 Sept. 1842 & were paid to 8 Feb. 1840."

Children of Joseph and (--)(--) Dunham:

- 501.10 i. John⁶ Dunham baptized 2 November 1794 in Lenox MA. with 4 siblings
 m. 23 Sept. 1803 in Lenox, MA Abigail Goodwin
 child: William Henry⁷ Dunham b. 19 March 1815 in Rome, NY
- 501.11 ii. Benezah⁶ Dunham bapt. 2 November 1794
- 501.12 iii. Joseph⁶ Dunham bapt. 2 November 1794 **(line of Barbara Hanson & Selma Blackmon)**
 Children: Jane Angeline⁷ Dunham b. 26 Nov. 1823 in Rome, NY
 d. 27 April 1906 Seneca, LaSalle Co. IL
 m. Elisha T. Couch in Rome NY 24 December 1846.
 Children of Elisha T. and Jane Angeline (Dunham) Couch:
 i. Harriet Couch, baby, d. 1848
 (buried in Greenway Cemetery, Rome NY)
 ii. Lewis Augusta Couch, b. May 1850
 iii. Eugene D. Couch b. 28 May 1851
 iv. Carrie (or Sarah) Couch , b. 10 November 1857
 Lindsey W.⁷ Dunham b. in NY, moved to Wisconsin
 m. Esther A. James
 Child of Lindsey W. and Esther A. (James) Dunham:
 i. Jay F.⁸ Dunham b. Dec. 1852 in WI
- 501.13 iv. Elizabeth⁶ Dunham bapt. 2 November 1794
- 501.14 v. Abigail⁶ Dunham bapt. 2 November 1794
- 501.15 vi. Robert⁶ Dunham bapt. 23 Aug. 1795
- 501.16 vii. Daniel⁶ Dunham bapt. 1 July 1798
- 501.17 viii. Thomas⁶ Dunham bapt. 26 Apr. 1801
 d. Prattsburg, Steuben Co. NY 7 August 1882
 m.² abt. 1833 Lovina/Lavina Fox
 Thomas⁶ Dunham was a Baptist minister. He and Lovina (Fox) Dunham
 were the parents of 14 children:
 i. Cyrus A.⁷ Dunham b. 28 August 1832, Rome, Oneida County New York
 ii. David⁷ Dunham b. 1833
 iii. Martha⁷ Dunham b. 1835
 iv. Lydia⁷ Dunham b. 1836
 v. James⁷ Dunham b. 1839
 vi. Hannah⁷ Dunham b. 18 September 1840, Utica, New York (twin)
 vii. Ruth⁷ Dunham b. 18 September 1840, Utica, New York (twin)
 viii. Mark (Marquis) H.⁷ Dunham b. 30 August 1842 Sherburne, Chenango County, NY
 ix. Joseph⁷ Dunham b. 1844, probably Chenango County New York, (unmarried)
 x. Mary B.⁷ Dunham b. 1846, probably Chenango County New York
 xi. Sarah⁷ Dunham b. 1848, probably Chenango County New York
 xii. Thomas Franklyn⁷ Dunham b. 26 April 1850, probably Chenango County, NY
 xiii. Lois⁷ Dunham b. 1853, probably Steuben County New York
 xiv. Anna⁷ Dunham b. 1854, Prattsburg, Steuben County New York
- 501.18 ix. Sarah⁶ Dunham bapt. 4 Dec. 1803