

## The *Dispatch* Finds A Friend NOW TO TRACE THE DAD...

The Jan. '95 issue of DD included a query (with photos) from Betty Jane Dunham of Kalkaska, MI. She was searching for the parents of her husband's great grandfather, a man named Friend Dunham, who had been born in 1850 or 1852 in or near Kalamazoo, MI. Editor Phyllis Kitson figured that in either case Friend should appear in the 1860 Michigan census as a child. Since the local library has an 1860 Michigan census index in convenient book form, she checked that book for all Dunham entries in southwestern Michigan, & then began to read the actual entries. Well, he wasn't with any of the Kalamazoo County Dunhams, but she DID find him in adjacent Van Buren County, in the town of Hartland. Here's the entry:

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| Moses J. Dunham,  | 50, | b. Canada,  | farmer,     | R1 Est: \$2500.00 |
| Ursula            | "   | 48,         | b. Vermont  |                   |
| Job               | "   | 23,         | b. Canada,  | farmer            |
| McKenzie          | "   | 19,         | b. Canada,  | farmer            |
| John              | "   | 17,         | b. Canada,  | farmer            |
| Abigail           | "   | 15,         | b. Canada   |                   |
| FRIEND            | "   | 10,         | b. Michigan |                   |
| Wilson R.         | "   | 1,          | b. Michigan |                   |
| Elizabeth Whipple | 21, | b. Canada   |             |                   |
| Alice             | "   | 2,          | b. Michigan |                   |
| Florence McNutt   | 5,  | b. Michigan |             |                   |

In checking our Dunham Index we found 9 men named Moses Dunham, many of them uncontinued. They appeared to be either too young or too old to be this particular man. However, if we can get a bit more information on Moses, a tie-in seems quite possible. Van Buren County histories should be checked, & the later census to see how long the Moses Dunham household remained in the area. It could also be very useful for Betty Jane to try to trace Friend's brothers forward in time.



Here is Friend's grandson, Harold Ross Dunham (1898-1971) with HIS grandson, Robert Allen (Robbie) Dunham, born 1958. Photo from Betty Jane Dunham. Betty Jane & her husband, Robert Harold Dunham, are Robbie's parents.

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| DUNHAM ALEXANDER | 170 | GAL WIL |
| DUNHAM ALFRED    | 138 | CUY BED |
| DUNHAM AMOS      | 467 | BRO PIK |
| DUNHAM AMOS      | 100 | CLA HAR |
| DUNHAM AMOS      | 381 | WAS MW2 |
| DUNHAM ASA       | 274 | HAM WHI |
| DUNHAM ASAHIEL   | 394 | LIC NLW |
| DUNHAM AZARIAH   | 105 | TRU HAR |
| DUNHAM BENJ      | 085 | HAM CW4 |
| DUNHAM RENJ      | 104 | HAM CW4 |
| DUNHAM BENJ W    | 225 | WAR UNI |
| DUNHAM BENNAJAH  | 136 | PIK SEA |
| DUNHAM BETSY     | 006 | MIA WAS |
| DUNHAM BOWEN     | 499 | BRO PER |
| DUNHAM CHAS      | 497 | BRO PER |
| DUNHAM DANL      | 198 | CLE TAT |
| DUNHAM DANL      | 050 | DEL BER |
| DUNHAM DAVID     | 461 | BRO CLA |
| DUNHAM DAVID     | 499 | BRO PER |
| DUNHAM DAVID     | 247 | WAR T C |
| DUNHAM DAVIS     | 368 | HUR OXF |
| DUNHAM EDWARD    | 240 | WAR T C |
| DUNHAM ELEAZER   | 174 | BUT REI |
| DUNHAM ELI       | 366 | HUR MAR |
| DUNHAM EPHRIAM   | 225 | WAR UNI |
| DUNHAM EZEKIEL   | 200 | GEA THU |
| DUNHAM FRANCIS   | 369 | HUR OXF |
| DUNHAM GIDEON    | 497 | BRO PER |
| DUNHAM HANNAH    | 099 | CLA HAR |
| DUNHAM HARLOCK   | 052 | DEL BER |
| DUNHAM ISAAC     | 055 | HAM CW2 |
| DUNHAM JACOB     | 269 | KNO CLI |
| DUNHAM JAMES     | 055 | HAM CW2 |
| DUNHAM JAMES     | 248 | WAR T C |
| DUNHAM JNO       | 364 | HUR MAR |
| DUNHAM JOHN      | 138 | CUY BED |
| DUNHAM JOHN      | 163 | HAM FUL |
| DUNHAM JOHN      | 003 | HIG LIB |
| DUNHAM JOHN      | 136 | PIK SEA |
| DUNHAM JOHN      | 228 | WAR UNI |
| DUNHAM JOHN      | 060 | WAY S C |
| DUNHAM JONATHAN  | 050 | DEL BER |
| DUNHAM JOSEFUS   | 256 | WAR T C |
| DUNHAM JOSEPH    | 228 | WAR UNI |
| DUNHAM LEVI      | 367 | HUR OXF |
| DUNHAM LEWIS     | 206 | HRN STO |
| DUNHAM MARTHA    | 364 | HUR MAR |
| DUNHAM MARY      | 499 | BRO PER |
| DUNHAM MERCAICA  | 109 | JAC BLO |
| DUNHAM MOSES     | 228 | WAR UNI |
| DUNHAM MOSES     | 058 | WAY S C |
| DUNHAM NATHAN    | 206 | HRN STO |
| DUNHAM NICHOLAS  | 476 | COL FOX |

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| DUNHAM P        | 168 | AST HAR |
| DUNHAM RODNEY   | 116 | SCI UNI |
| DUNHAM ROSS     | 041 | MIA NEW |
| DUNHAM RUFUS    | 089 | CUY CLE |
| DUNHAM SAML     | 402 | BRO BYR |
| DUNHAM SILAS    | 051 | DEL BER |
| DUNHAM STEPHEN  | 439 | BRO PLE |
| DUNHAM THOS     | 050 | DEL BER |
| DUNHAM THOS     | 252 | WAR T C |
| DUNHAM THOS     | 058 | WAY S C |
| DUNHAM WALTER   | 283 | KNO BLO |
| DUNHAM WM       | 206 | HRN STO |
| DUNHAM WM       | 343 | WAS WAT |
| DUNHAM WM A     | 117 | CLA SPR |
| DUNHAM* AQUILLA | 145 | HAM AND |

Thanks go to whichever cousin sent in the above census extract. Unfortunately, the material got separated from the envelope it came in, & thus we cannot identify the sender. Sorry.

## POLICY STATEMENT

In our over 18 year history of publishing family newsletters, it has been our policy NOT to give out the addresses of providers of materials, & that policy has kept us out of more than a few family feuds. (While those feuds did not involve any Dunhams, we have to adhere to the same policy for ALL newsletters, for the sake of simplicity.) The only exception to this policy is with the publication of queries. Therefore, if you wish to contact someone whose name appears in DD, & if your local library has a collection of phone books, see if you can locate the individual in this manner. If not, send us an unaddressed postcard, with a message for that person. We'll be glad to address it & forward it to the one you want to contact. Sorry for the inconvenience, but that is the best we can do.





ABOVE-From Lilla Hayden, Framingham, MA, we have this photo of the Cochi-tuate section of Wayland, MA Dunham homestead of her branch of the family. This branch originates with Gershom Dunham & descends with Constant (1760-1830), who lived in Kings Co., Nova Scotia; then Stephen (1794-1866), & William (1820-1879). Many of William's children moved to Massachusetts. A possible placement for Gershom would be to put him in the 4th generation, after Deacon John 1, Rev. Jonathan 2, Gershom 3. Gershom (3) (d. ca. 1738) was an Edgartown fisherman. He had a son named after him who lived to grow up & marry, & then disappeared from IWD's records. A quite natural thing for the younger Gershom to have done would have been to move up the coast to try his luck in Nova Scotia.



ABOVE RIGHT- Here are close-up & long range views of the home of Seneca Dunham (1807-1887) in Cooper, MI, just north of Kalamazoo. The home was passed on to his son, Albert Seneca, who married Amanda R. Dunham. She was the daughter of Hartwell Dunham (shown in 9/94 DD). The relationship between Albert Seneca & his wife has never been clarified for their descendants. One of them (a great granddaughter), Elizabeth Brown, Littleton, CO, shared these photos with DD.



## Arthur Dunham Dies at Racine

Arthur W. Dunham, 70, a former resident of Oshkosh, died at 3:45 a.m. today at St. Mary's Hospital, Racine. He had been in failing health for the last two years, but had been confined to the hospital only since last Friday.

He was born June 12, 1882, in Oshkosh, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Dunham. He was married Jan. 1, 1906, in Fond du Lac, to Susan Elizabeth Hall.

Following his graduation from Oshkosh High School, Mr. Dunham worked in the office of the Oshkosh Gas Light Company. Later, he was president of the Sun Ray Manufacturing Company in Oshkosh, and moved to Houston, Tex., 15 years ago, where he was in the boat sales business.

From Houston he moved to Detroit, Mich., where he was advertising manager of a boating magazine. Mr. and Mrs. Dunham moved to Racine about two years ago.

He was a life member of Fond du Lac Masonic Lodge 140, and a 40-year member of Oshkosh Elks Lodge 292. He was a past commodore of the Oshkosh Power Boat Club and of the Mississippi River Valley Power Boat Association and was an executive director of the American Power Boat Association. While in Oshkosh, he attended First Congregational Church.

His wife, Mrs. Susan Dunham, preceded him in death Oct. 30, this year. A daughter, Miss June Dunham, preceded him in death June 26, 1930.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Gilbert Comstock, Cincinnati, O.; one son, James H. Dunham, Racine; four brothers, Alton F. and Rex J. Dunham, Oshkosh, Clyde E. Dunham, Glendale, Calif., and Dio E. Dunham, Detroit; two sisters, Miss Ruby B. Dunham, Oshkosh, and Mrs. Noble Christensen, Rochester, Minn.; two grandchildren, several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. at the Spikes & McDonald Funeral Home, with the Rev. Lowell Reykdal, of First Methodist Church, conducting. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home Friday after 4 p.m. The casket will remain closed.

LEFT-This obituary, from the OSHKOSH (WI) NORTHWESTERN of Nov. 13, 1952, is for Arthur Dunham (1882-1952) (10) (Deacon John 1, Joseph 2, Micaiah 3, Micaiah 4, Joseph 5, Benjamin 6, Robert F. 7, Ephraim 8, James W. 9). It comes to DD from Bob W. Dunham of Madison, WI.



RIGHT-Mabel Cogswell Dunham (1894-1954) was the wife of Henry Alpheus Dunham (1872-1946) (9) (Deacon John 1, Joseph 2, Nathaniel 3, Isaac 4, Calvin 5, Alpheus 6, Alpheus 7, George W. 8). This lady won a special title: World's Best Cook.

It looks as if she is about to serve up something in this ca. 1945 photograph, which comes to DD from grandson Bill Wood, Stephens City, VA.

### OFFER OF HELP

Mrs. P. C. Alger, 14 Leslie Circle, Derry, NH 03038-4448, has a copy of the 1895 SOLDIERS & SAILORS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE 1861-1865: WAR OF THE REBELLION. She notes that there are many, many Dunham entries in the book. She will be glad to check these, or any other surname for readers, for a stamped return envelope. This book includes the names of men from all over, from many distant states & from Europe, & gives their place of origin.

### QUERIES

WILLIAM G. BURKE, 645 Boyd St., Watertown, NY 13601-3454, is looking for 2 sisters, Betsey & Mary C. Dunham (both born 1820-1835), who left NY & settled in Kent Co., MI in the 1850's. Betsey was the wife of Truman Satterlee or Satterler. Mary's married name is not known. He is also searching for Cicero Dunham, b. 1816. Wife was Sally A. Children: Eleato A., b. 1835; Jeremiah S., b. 1842; Jonas, b. 1845; Prosper, b. 1848. This family was living in Oswego, NY at the 1850 census, but left after that.



QUERIES, continued

THIS CA. 1910 photograph has been cut down from its original size--purpose unknown. Whoever did it did a peculiar job of it! It shows the office of Samuel E. Dunham (1850-1915) (9) (Deacon John 1, John 2, John 3, Ebenezer 4, Ebenezer 5, Jonathan 6, Ralph 7, Francis S 8). He is at his desk -- & WHY is he wearing a cap indoors? Note the unusually wide mouthpiece on the candlestick phone. We can be certain that the object at the extreme top left is NOT a computer, though it looks a bit like one.

From 1949:

DURWARD P. DUNHAM. Westfield, NJ. May 16. Durward P. Dunham, of Upper Prospect St., for 50 years head of a painting & decorating company bearing his name, died Saturday night at his home, of a heart attack at the age of 77. He was born here. Mr. Dunham was long active in the work of the Watchtower Bible Society.

NOTICE: If DD is to maintain its every-month publication schedule, we need to receive some photos (any age) or newspaper clippings or old letters, from branches of the family that have not been covered previously. The April 1995 issue will depend upon it.

DR. RICHARD S. CLARK, 506 Wood St., Troy, NY 27371: Ephraim Donham of Plympton, son of Nathaniel Donham & Elizabeth Tilden, married 1st/ Annis Smith in Dec. 1725, Middleboro, MA. She was the daughter of John Smith & Mary Ellenwood. Vital records of Middleboro record the marriage of Ephraim Donham, JR to Mercy Tinkham, Nov. 30, 1741 in Middleboro. Is this a 2nd marriage of the above stated Ephraim or that of his son Ephraim? If it were his son, the son would have been under 16 years of age, since the 1st marriage was in 1725 & the 2nd in 1741, which would be most unusual. However, I see no references to Ephraim Donham, JR in regard to the marriage to Annis Smith, but the name is repeated in the marriage with Mercy Tinkham in the HISTORY OF MIDDLEBORO.

NEW YORK TIMES Obituaries

From 1940:

REV. CLARENCE M. DUNHAM

Episcopal Minister 44 Years Had Served Here and in Orange, N. J.

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.  
VALLEY STREAM, L. I., Oct. 28 --The Rev. Clarence M. Dunham, a minister of the Episcopal Church for forty-four years, died here today. He was rector emeritus of All Saints Church, Orange, N. J., which he had served as rector for many years following his appointment in 1912. Mr. Dunham received his A. B. from St. Stephen's College in 1895 and was graduated from the General Theological Seminary three years later.

He was assistant rector of Calvary Church, New York, 1900-02; rector of St. Jude's Church, Brooklyn, 1902-09; assistant rector of St. Mary-the-Virgin, New York, 1909-12.

Mr. Dunham was long active in the work of the Watchtower Bible Society.