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From the President:

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Our condolences to the families of Kenneth Alan Simpson Streeter and Anna Mae Dean. Both were long time members of The Dunham Genealogy Research Association. They both provided genealogical information and research assistance to our organization. Their obituaries are included in this issue of the newsletter. Again, our thoughts and condolences go out to their family and friends.

In our last board meeting we discussed moving to a new model for membership in our association. All members will now be members for life and all benefits will be provided to all members. Instead of asking for dues every year –we will solicit donations from those willing to support the organization. There will be levels of support and we will solicit the membership for donations to cover our annual costs.

The thought is “once a Dunham, always a Dunham and always a part of this association”.. Beyond that, we will move to a “pbs fundraiser” model for supporting our activities.

In our last newsletter, I spoke to you about Autosomal DNA testing. I was able to reach out to a distant relative and descendent of Elijah Dunham of Deer Isle Maine. Luckily she didn’t think I was some crazy person calling and asking for her DNA. She will be participating in family finder (autosomal) DNA testing. The results could prove that the Deer Isle Dunham’s are linked to the Dunham family in St Andrews, NB, Canada (my dunham line).

And, finally, as a “public service announcement” – I always ask that you think of two things...

1. Write articles to share with others here about your family history! We want to know!
2. Please encourage others to join our organization. It is through the membership here that enables us to help other Dunham’s find their roots.

Thanks!,
Jeffrey M. Dunham
President
Dunham Genealogy Research Assn.

Editor's Corner

My ongoing work of helping researchers to identify the various Dunham/Donham family lines continues in this issue. The line under discussion is that of the Nathaniel Donham who was first noted in Perth Amboy, New Jersey, and moved to Washington County (then Greene County) Pennsylvania, and later on to Clermont County, Ohio.

I have worked with descendants of this line for over twenty years and much good research has been done on the descendants of this Nathaniel Donham whose birth year is given as about 1733. DNA analysis has proven that this line matches very closely to the line of Dunhams beginning with Richard Singletary through his son Jonathan Dunham. Discovery of the fact that Jonathan's son David³ Donham has two illegitimate children prior to his marriage to Mary Ilsley has prompted me to consider that some of the here-to-fore unconnected New Jersey Donhams must be descendants of one or both of these fourth generation illegitimate children.

That hypothesis is the subject of my article on "The Elusive Nathaniel Donham".

Researchers should be aware that information on continuing descendants of the lines that I have indicated in my article is available on the ancestry.com web site in well researched fashion.

Gratia Dunham Mahony, Editor

The Elusive Nathaniel Donham

“of Clermont Co. Ohio”

by Gratia Mahony

Several recent inquiries have prompted me to publish research on the line of Nathaniel Donham who was born in New Jersey about 1733, and went to Pennsylvania and then on to Clermont County, Ohio. This line has been the subject of much research by many people over the past twenty years and that work is still on-going. In an effort to assemble the known facts about this branch of the New Jersey line the following article will aid interested researchers. Note that the surname was usually (but not always) spelled Donham by descendants of the Dunham-Singletary line from Woodbridge, NJ.

Who Was Nathaniel's Father?

There are no existing Vital Records to tell us who was the father of Nathaniel Donham. He is of record in New Jersey ca. 1765 when he married Mary Sutton of Piscataway, NJ. Descendants place his birth at about 1733. He moved to Greene Co. PA, where his two oldest sons remained, and then went to Clermont Co. OH.

While the parentage of Nathaniel Donham has not been proven, the ancestry of Mary Sutton is believed to go back to Deacon John Dunham of Plymouth. Mary Sutton, b. (---), was daughter of John Sutton and Mary Martin. Mary Martin, born in Piscataway NJ 21 September 1707 was daughter of Jonathan Martin and Elizabeth Dunham. Elizabeth Dunham born in Piscataway NJ 26 November 1689 was daughter of Edmund Dunham and Mary Bonham. Edmund Dunham born in Eastham MA 25 July 1661, was son of Benajah Dunham and Elizabeth Tilson who moved to Piscataway New Jersey. Benajah Dunham born in Plymouth about 1638 was son of John Dunham and Abigail Ballou of Plymouth. Mary Sutton is also a descendant of Mayflower passenger Edward Fuller.

Children of Nathaniel and Mary (Sutton) Donham: surname DONHAM

2. i. John ² Donham b. 7 April 1767
3. ii. David ² Donham b. say 1769
4. iii. Lewis Donham b. 24 June 1771
5. iv. Henry Donham b. 6 February 1773
6. v. Mary Donham b. 5 May 1774 (included as a dau. of Mary Sutton based on naming pattern of children: (David Sutton Lee)--see below

Children of Nathaniel and Keziah (Crosley) Donham: surname DONHAM

7. vi. Abel Donham b. 19 July 1777

8. vii. William Donham b. say 1779
9. viii. Amos Donham b. say 1782
10. ix. Robert Donham b. say 1784
11. x. Jonathan Singleton Donham b. 15 February 1786

DNA Evidence

The most important clue as to the origin of Nathaniel Donham are the results of DNA analysis from some of his descendants.

DNA test results for James Donald Donham [#12738] were returned 17 October 2003. They are a 1 step mutation from the Singletary/alias Dunham line. This indicates a very strong connection to the line of Jonathan Donham-Singletary through one of his sons.

This is the line of James Donald Donham [#12738] DNA, test results showed match to Singletary/Donham line.

Line of James Donald Donham:

Nathaniel¹ Donham b. ca. 1733; d. Clermont Co. OH near 10 Aug. 1820

He m.¹ Mary Sutton (mother of Lewis Donham)

He m.² Keziah Crosley

Lewis² Donham b. 24 June 1771; d. Greene Co. PA in 1845

He m. Amy Maple in 1805

John³ Donham b. 28 Sept. 1806 Greene Co. PA; d. 12 Nov. 1884 in Greene Co. PA

He m. Rebecca Engle in 1828

Lewis Newton⁴ Donham b. 1 April 1833 in Greene Co. PA; d. 6 August 1902 in Monongahela Co. West

Virginia. He m.¹ Martha A. Lucas

He m.² Lydia Catherine Barb 3 Oct. 1855 (mother of John G.)

John Gideon Mapel⁵ Donham b. 16 September 1858 in Greene Co. PA; d. 10 August 1937 in Fairmont, West Virginia

He m. Effie June Adams in 1886 in Fairmont WV

Paul Ernest Jennings⁶ Donham b. 6 Nov. 1897 in Fairmont, West Virginia; d. 29 June 1993 in Fairmont, WV

He m. Norma Marion Hecker, 16 Sept. 1929 in Fairmont, WV

James Donald⁷ Donham b. 30 October 1930 in Fairmont, West Virginia

He participated in DNA analysis.

A Circumstantial Evidence Possibility

David³ Dunham/Donham (Jonathan² Singletary/alias Dunham, Richard¹ Singletary) b. 10 March 1673/4 in Woodbridge, Middlesex Co. NJ; d. 1750 in Woodbridge. He married in New

York City, NY 16 or 18 August 1699 **Mary Ilsley**. She was born in Woodbridge, NJ 13 Aug. 1680, daughter of John Ilsley.

It appears from the record given below that this David Donham had two illegitimate children born before September 1697, and before his marriage to Mary Ilsley in 1699. The following excerpt is taken from *Ye Olde Middlesex Courts*:

The Establishment of an Early Court System in One of the Original Counties of New Jersey, by George J. Miller, originally published in 1932, p. 48. In the September 1697 term:

“David Dunham of Woodbridge was indicted for having an illegitimate child by a woman of the same place. The Jury found him guilty and the court ordered him to pay five pounds, to be carried to the whipping post and to receive ten lashes on his bare back, and to pay two shillings every week for seven weeks for the support of the child.”

“At the same court the same man was found guilty of the same offence and the court ordered the same punishment in the second case.”

The record given above does not tell us who these children were, or even whether they were male or female. The record also does not give the names of the Woodbridge women who were the mothers of these children. While we do not know for certain, these two children were likely raised by their mothers, and they may have retained the Dunham/Donham surname.

Children of David ³ Donham and unknown women:

- i. possibly John ⁴ Donham b. before September 1697
- ii. possibly Nathaniel ⁴ Donham b. before September 1697

If one of these children grew up and married the dates are correct for him to have been the father of the Nathaniel Donham b. about 1733. Given the DNA test results which indicate that Nathaniel is descended from the Dunham-Singletary line, then the scenario given above must be considered a distinct possibility.

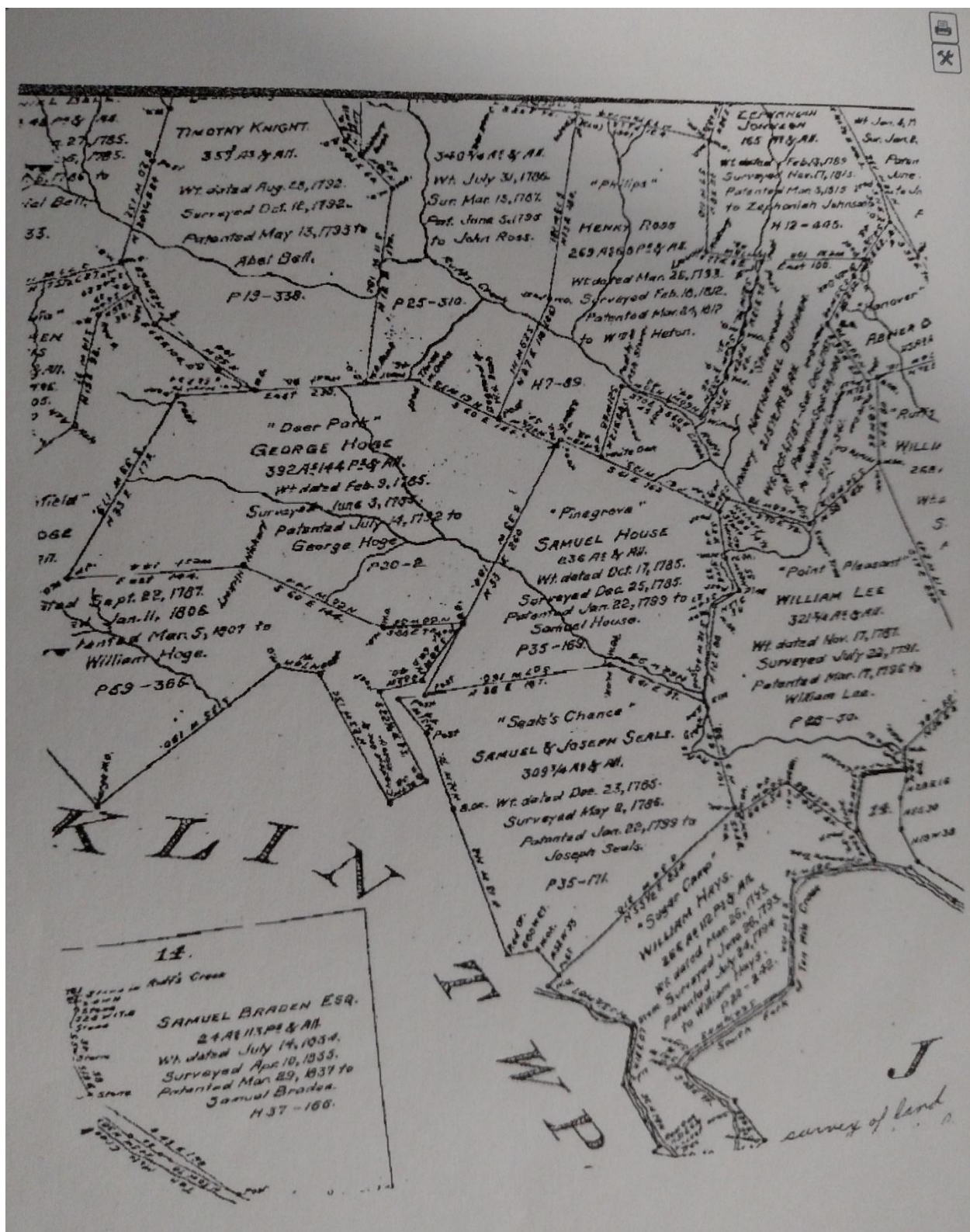
Nathaniel Donham in Pennsylvania

The date of Nathaniel Donham's settlement in Mapletown, Greene Co. PA has not been proven through land records but it is thought that he went to Pennsylvania about 1776/7. He (and Kezia) sold 111 1/3 acres in Somerset Co. NJ to Joseph Manning 3 April 1777, so he may have been getting ready to move at that time.

In a deed not recorded until 1930 [Greene Co. PA land record Vol. 340, p. 419-20] but also given in Book 2, p. 68 [#8274 bounty warrant issued 16 July 1789 for 100 acres], in 1787 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania had granted Nathaniel Donham 215 ½ acres on Ruff's Creek, adjoining William Lee's and called Sherwood; “The Supreme Executive Council of the

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to All to whom these presents shall come, Greeting: Know ye, that in Consideration of the monies paid by Nathaniel Donham into the Receiver Generals Office of this Commonwealth at the granting of the warrant hereinafter mentioned there is granted by the said Commonwealth unto said Nathaniel Donham a certain tract of land called "Sherwood" situate on Ruff's Creek in Washington county Beginning at an Ironwood tree in the said creek thence along the same south seventy degrees east forty three perches to a post on the bank thereof thence by land of Henry Ross south sixty degrees east thirty six perches to a Willow tree north thirty five degrees east forty one perches to a White Oak north twenty four degrees east forty perches to a white oak and north twenty one degrees east seventy two perches to a post thence by land of Zephaniah Johnston east one hundred perches to black oak thence by land of Paul Brown south thirty five degrees west sixty eight perches to white oak south thirty degrees east sixty nine perches to post and north seventy two degrees east ten perches to a white oak thence by land of James Bell south eight degrees west eighty six perches to a white oak thence by William Lees Claim south fifty four degrees west eighty one perches and a half to a sugar tree north sixty eight degrees west seventy eight perches to an hickory and south thirty nine degrees west fourteen perches and a half to a post thence by land of Samuel House north sixty one degrees west one hundred and twenty three perches to a white oak thence by said Henry Ross's land north twenty one degrees east sixty eight perches to the place of beginning. Containing two hundred and fifteen and a half acres and allowance of six per cent for roads and with the appurtenances (which said tract was surveyed in pursuance of a warrant granted to the said Nathaniel Dunham dted the first day of October 1787).

See the map below showing Nathaniel Donham's 215 ½ acre parcel on Ruff's Creek. His land is shown on the upper right section of this Nathaniel Donham Land Warrant map.



In 1794 he moved with his wife and all children except sons David and Lewis to Ohio. The family probably came down the Ohio River by flat boat to the mouth of the Little Miami River where they established a home at Covalt's Station, "Round Bottom". About 1800 he moved into Clermont County where he settled on Ten-Mile Creek.

The History Of Clermont Co. Ohio, by Louis Everts p. 468 states "The first election in the original township of Miami (which then embraced the entire county north of the East Fork as far east as Jackson). . . was held at the house of Nathaniel Dunham April 2, 1804, for the purpose of choosing three county commissioners ...Forty eight votes were polled..." Among the names of the voters were Nathaniel Donham, Henry Donham, and William Donham.

Children of Nathaniel ¹ Donham

While I feel quite certain that the children of Nathaniel Donham are actually the sixth generation in America (Richard ¹ Singletary; Jonathan ² Singletary alias Donham; David ³ Donham; illegitimate son probably John ⁴ or Nathaniel ⁴ Donham; Nathaniel ⁵ Donham b. about 1733; I am going to carry out this line using Nathaniel Donham b. 1733 as generation one. Since we do not have proof of my theory presented above, I hesitate stating the sixth generation as a fact.

2. **John** ² Donham (Nathaniel ¹) born in New Jersey 7 April 1767; died in Clermont Co. Ohio 15 Aug. 1856. John married first about 1790 **Sally Jennings** who d. about 1808. John married second at the Indian Creek Baptist Church in Clermont Co. Ohio 5 February 1811 **Elizabeth Brown** daughter of George and Margaret (Conrad) Brown. She was born in Kentucky 9 October 1792, died 22 August 1878. She is buried in the Donham Family Cemetery, on Donham Hill off Fagan Run Road, Pierce Township, Clermont Co. Ohio.

Sarah/Sally (Jennings) Donham is also buried in the Donham Family Cemetery. There is also a stone for a son inscribed "Lewis, son of John and Sarah Donham, d. Dec. 1801 aged about 3 years".

John Donham was sometimes called "King John", probably because he owned a huge amount of land. Descendant and researcher Diane Tichenor states that at the time of his death he owned twenty-eight thousand acres.

Children of John and Sally (Jennings) Donham: surname DONHAM

12. i. David ³ Donham b. 1795; d. 1849 Clermont Co. OH
m. Martha Pichard
- ii. Lewis Donham b. 1798; d. 1801 age 3 yrs.
13. iii. Isaac ³ Donham b. 7 June 1800; d. 22 Apr. 1883 Marshall Co. IA
m. Mary Porter
14. iv. Jonathan Donald Donham b. 9 May 1804; d. 10 Oct. 1869
15. v. Mary Jennings Donham b. 2 July 1806; d. 12 Mar. 1866
m. James Ferguson

Children of John and Elizabeth (Brown) Donham: surname DONHAM

16. vi. Sarah Donham b. 16 Jan. 1813; d. 30 July 1849
m. Elisha Fagin
17. vii. Margaret Donham b. 11 June 1815; d. 28 Aug. 1895 Clay Co. IN
18. viii. Nathaniel Donham b. 22 Feb. 1818; d. 8 Sept. 1881
m. Mary Swem
19. ix. Jeanette Donham b. 16 April 1820; d. 30 May 1896 Mt. Pisgah, Clermont Co. OH
m. John Price
20. x. Elizabeth Donham b. 3 October 1824; d. 23 July 1907
m. Bennett F. Lewis

3. **David² Donham** (Nathaniel¹) born in New Jersey say 1765, died in Greene Co. Pennsylvania after 1830 when he appeared on the census age 60-70, and before 24 January 1831 date of administration. David married before 1790 **Elizabeth Garrison**, daughter of Frederick and Margaret Garrison. David Donham remained in Pennsylvania and raised a family there.

Children of David and Elizabeth (Garrison) Donham:

21. i. David Donham, Jr. b. 1785 Greene Co. PA; d. 1861 Wetzel Co. WV
m. Mary Wilson
22. ii. Job Donham b. 1791; d. after 1861
23. iii. Mary Donham b. 1798 Mapletown, Greene Co PA; d. 1810 WV
m. Joseph Boone

4. **Lewis² Donham** (Nathaniel¹) born in New Jersey 24 June 1771, died in Greene Co. PA in 1845. Lewis married in 1805 **Amy Maple**, daughter of Stephen and Mary (Slack) Maple.

Children of Lewis and Amy (Maple) Donham:

24. i. John³ Donham b. 1806
d. 1884 (will dated 10 December 1883) Greene Co. PA Will Book 5 p. 491
m. 1828 Rebecca Engle, dau. Peter and Susannah (Bugh) Engle Sr.
b. d. after 1884

Perhaps other children including Amy, Lewis N., Peter, Catherine, David, and Barnett Engle Donham

5. **Henry² Donham** (Nathaniel¹) born in New Jersey 6 February 1773, died in Riley Township Vigo County Indiana 18 December 1852. He is buried in Old Oak Hill/Old Thompson Cemetery, Riley Township, Vigo Co. IN. Henry married **Mary Crosley**.

6. **Mary² Donham** (Nathaniel¹) born in New Jersey 5 May 1774, died in Riley Township Vigo County, Indiana 4 May 1838. She is buried in McMasters Cemetery, Vigo Co. IN. Mary

married probably in Morgan Township, Washington County Pennsylvania in 1794-95 **Henry Lee**, son of William Lee (b. 1741, d. 1807 in Warren Co. OH). He was born in Virginia in 1769, died before 8 February 1838 in Riley Township, Vigo County IN. They are buried in a cemetery on the Clay/Vigo county line (McMasters Cemetery, Vigo Co. IN).

Children of Henry and Mary (Donham) Lee: surname LEE

25. i. Anna ³ Lee b.1795; d. 1817
26. ii. John Ross ³ Lee, b. 7 June 1797 Greene Co. PA; d. 22 Mar. 1864 Clay Co. IN
m. ¹ Elizabeth Greene
m. ² Serilda Perkins Cummins
27. iii. William Donham ³ Lee, b. 1798 Greene Co. PA; d. 1860
m. 1821 in Clermont Co. OH Sarah Jane Hook
28. iv. Rachel ³ Lee, b. 27 June 1800 Warren Co. OH; d 26 May 1877 Fayette Co IN
m. ¹ Isaac Pearce
m. ² Clayton Lambert (widower of her sister Rhoda)
29. v. Rhoda ³ Lee, b. 17 or 25 July 1803 Warren Co. OH; d. 22 Sept. 1850
m. Clayton Lambert
30. vi. Henry Donham ³ Lee, b. 20 July 1805 Warren Co. OH; d 20 July 1871 Riley, IN
m. Harriet Evelyn Gordon
31. vii. Nathaniel ³ Lee, b. 10 January 1807 Warren Co. OH; d. 29 Oct. 1884
m. Elizabeth Hawley
32. viii. Jonathan ³ Lee, b. 22 October 1809 Warren Co. OH; d. 27 Feb. 1851
m. Elizabeth Harriet Ray
33. ix. David Sutton ³ Lee, b. 25 May 1812 Warren Co. OH; d. 27 Apr. 1884
m. Anna A. Ferrall
34. x. Mary Mooney ³ Lee, b. 27 January 1815 Warren Co. OH; d. 16 Nov. 1848
m. Nathaniel Donham, son of Robert L. and Ruth (Ferguson) Donham

7. Abel ² Donham (Nathaniel ¹) born in Greene County Pennsylvania 19 July 1777, died in Clermont County Ohio 17 May 1853. He is buried in a private Cemetery at Love Farm, Clermont Co. OH. Abel married first **Elizabeth Ferguson**, daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Leedom) Ferguson. She was born in Nottingham Township, Washington County PA 20 March 1780, died in Clermont County Ohio 16 November 1851. Abel married second in Clermont Co. OH 2 September 1852 **Sarah Ann Hancock**.

Children of Abel and Elizabeth (Ferguson) Donham: surname DONHAM

35. i. Sarah Donham b. 1800; d. 6 March 1861
m. Solomon Fitpatrick
36. ii. John Donham b. 22 Oct. 1802; d. 15 Oct. 1860
m. Susannah Reese
37. iii. Mary Donham b. 29 Sept. 1803; d. 11 Feb. 1897
m. William John Behymer
38. iv. Elizabeth Cynthia Donham b. 1 Aug. 1806; d. 27 Oct. 1881

- m. Enoch Tracy
- 39. v. Lewis Singleton Donham b. 22 Oct. 1809; d. 26 Nov. 1893
 - m. Sarah Fagin
- 40. vi. Abel S. Donham b. 11 Oct. 1811; d. 16 Sept. 1892
 - m. Matilda Reese
- 41. vii. Hiley Ann Donham b. 9 Feb. 1813; d. 12 Nov. 1900
 - m. Thomas Butler Randall
- 42. viii. Penina Donham b. 8 Dec. 1814; d. 28 May 1897 in IL
- 43. ix. Elvira Donham b. 1816; d. 14 Oct. 1905 in CA
 - m. Isaac van Nader
- 44. x. Evaline Rebecca Donham b. 1818; d. 1897
- 45. xi. Julia A. Donham b. 1821; d. 10 Aug. 1900 Terre Haute, IN
- 46. xii. Nancy Donham b. 1824

8. William² Donham (Nathaniel¹) born in Greene Co. PA say 1779, died prob. before 1840, not listed in 1840 census of Clermont Co. OH. William married **Sarah Arthur**, daughter of James and Rachel (Brown) Arthur, Jr. From 1850 census of Honey Creek, Vigo Co. IN Sarah was age 67 (so b. 1783) and gives birth place as Virginia. Sarah is living in family of William A. Donham.

William Donham is listed as a sergeant in Captain Robert Haines' Mounted Volunteers in the War of 1812.

Children of William and Sarah (Arthur) Donham: surname DONHAM

- 47. i. Rachel Donham b. 1 March 1811; d. 1864
 - m. ¹ Philip Silvers
 - m. ² Jeremiah Bunker
- 48. ii. Keziah Donham b. 22 Jan. 1806; d. 4 Nov. 1888
 - m. James E. West
- 49. iii. Daniel Donham b. 1808; d. ?
- 50. iv. George Donham b. 2 June 1810; d. 31 May 1884
 - m. Sarah Clarke
- 51. v. Abijah Donham b. 30 Jan. 1812; d. 16 Oct. 1864
 - m. Margaret Donham, dau. of John and Elizabeth (Brown) Donham
- 52. vi. Joseph Donham b. 1816; d. 9 Aug. 1881
 - m. Lucinda Jeffers
- 53. vii. Ira Donham b. 13 Oct. 1817; d. 2 July 1902
 - m. Cynthia Towsley
- 54. viii. Darius Donham b. 11 Dec. 1819; d. 28 Feb. 1902
- 55. ix. William O. Donham b. 1821; d. ?
- 56. x. Melissa Donham b. 2 March 1824; d. 28 Jan. 1891
- 57. xi. Abel M. Donham b. Jan. 1829;

9. **Amos² Donham** (Nathaniel¹) born in Greene Co. PA say 1782, died probably in Brown County Ohio.

Amos removed to Brown County Ohio which is just to the east of Clermont County. Amos appears on the 1830 Federal Census in Pike Township, Brown Co. OH p. 467.

10. **Robert² Donham** (Nathaniel¹) born in Greene Co. PA say 1784, died before 25 March 1847. Robert married before 1810 **Ruth Ferguson**. She was born in Pennsylvania about 1785, died after 25 March 1847 (called widow in administration of estate of Robert Donham on that date.

She was daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Leedom) Ferguson. She was born in Nottingham Township, Washington County PA, died in Clermont County, OH.

Children of Robert and Ruth (Ferguson) Donham: surname DONHAM

- 58. i. John S.³ Donham b. 1809, Clermont Co. OH
- 59. ii. Isaiah³ Donham b. 10 May 1810
- 60. iii. Nathaniel Donham b. 17 December 1811; d. 30 Aug. 1849
m. Mary M. Lee
- 61. iv. Zachariah Donham b. 1814
- 62. v. Robert Donham b. 1820
- 63. vi. Nancy Donham b. 1822
- 64. vii. Eliza Donham b. 1824; d. 18 Oct. 1877
m. Stephen Fagan
- 65. viii. Mary Donham b. 1826
- 66. ix. Ruth Donham b. 1828
- 67. x. Thomas Donham b. 1830
- 68. xi. Isaac Donham b. 1836

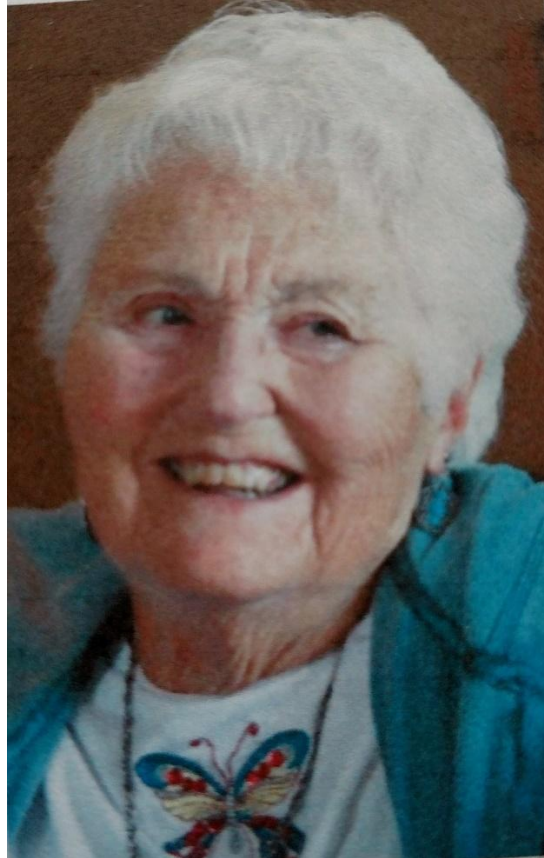
11. **Jonathan Singleton² Donham** (Nathaniel¹) born in Greene Co. PA 15 February, 1786, died in New Richmond, Clermont Co. OH near 21 September 1856. He is buried in the Franklin Chapel Cemetery, Monroe Township, Clermont Co. OH. Jonathan married first **Hila/Hilda Ross**. Jonathan married second 19 April 1818 **Elizabeth Ayers**. She was born in Kentucky in 1798. She died after 10 February 1855 as she was "appointed guardian of my minor children until they become of age and as my widow hold all her rights of dower".

Children of Jonathan Singleton and Elizabeth (Ayers) Donham: surname DONHAM, all born in New Richmond, Clermont Co. Ohio and named in will of Jonathan Singleton Donham:

69. i. Hila Ann³ Donham b. 28 August 1819; d. 26 July 1904 Campbell Co. KY
m. Thomas W. Kennedy
70. ii. Emeline Donham b. 22 February 1821; d. 24 Oct. 1868
m. Thomas L. Nichols
71. iii. Perry Jackson Donham b. 25 May 1822; d. 15 Jan. 1903
m. Melissa Dudley
72. iv. Florella Jane Donham b. 20 April 1824; d. 17 Mar. 1897
73. v. Harrison Lafayette Donham b. 26 May 1825; d. 15 Mar. 1898
74. vi. Eliza Mary Donham b. 4 February 1827; d. 20 Jan. 1891
75. vii. Sarah Elvira Donham b. 11 November 1828; d. 25 Dec. 1844
76. viii. Elizabeth Caroline Donham b. 14 February 1830; d. 9 Apr. 1897
m. Hezekiah Lindsay
77. ix. Erasmus Jonathan Donham b. 3 April 1831; d. 15 Jan. 1910
m. Helen Mar Lindsay
- x. Lucien Ross Donham b. 13 May 1832, prob. d. y.
78. xi. Harriet Louisa Donham b. 10 Aug. 1834; d. 13 Nov. 1878
- xii. Nancy Mariah Donham b. 13 Sept. 1836; d. 1 Mar. 1841
79. xiii. Robert Warren Donham b. 2 October 1840; d. 18 Aug. 1934
m. Helena Elizabeth South
80. xiv. Elvira Cordelia Ann Donham b. 20 Jan. 1847; d. 19 Dec. 1944
m. James Augustus Hitch

Obituary

Anna Mae Dean



ANNA MAE DEAN Anna Mae Dean, age 99, of New Salem, Ill., passed away on Saturday, October 12, 2019, at Eastside Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Pittsfield, Ill. She was born on February 29, 1920, in New Salem, Ill., to Andrew Eli and Vera Pearl Gray Dunham. She married Norman Goodrich Dean of New Salem on January 14, 1941, in Bowling Green, Mo.; he preceded her in death on January 21, 2006.

Anna Mae graduated from Pittsfield High School in 1937 and then went to work as an assistant to Homer Johnson, Pike Co. Superintendent of Schools. After her marriage she lived in southern Calif. and in the St. Louis area where Norman assembled aircraft during World War II. After the war, they returned to Pike County and purchased a farm southwest of New Salem where they lived the remainder of their lives. Anna Mae began working at Farmers State Bank in 1956 where she did bookkeeping for over 50 years. She also sent out congratulatory cards for the bank until 2015, touching many lives over the years. Anna Mae served as the Pike County

Cancer Society Treasurer for over 25 years. She also served as a 4-H leader and Baylis PTA Officer. Her memberships included Pike County Historical Society, Griggsville Area Genealogical and Historical Society, Pike County HCE and Good Buys Investment Club.

Much of Anna Mae's retirement time was spent researching genealogy. She connected with and assisted genealogists around the country. Her extensive genealogy research materials will be available in the future at the Pittsfield Public Library. Anna Mae liked to travel with her husband, especially if genealogy was involved. She enjoyed needlework, knitting, crocheting, and painting. Anna Mae was a caring and detail oriented person who was always there for her children and family.

She is survived by two sons, Everett Norman (Judy) Dean of New Salem, Ill., and Gary William (Mary) Dean of Jacksonville, Ill., three daughters, Vera Ruth Felts of Sequim, Wash., Martha Mae "Marty" Dean of San Francisco, Calif., and Karen Ann (Don) Loos of St. Louis, Mo., fourteen grandchildren; and twenty-two great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Norman G. Dean; her parents, Andrew Eli and Vera Pearl Dunham; a brother, Andrew Everett Dunham; and a son-in-law, William Troy Felts III.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. at the Pittsfield United Methodist Church in Pittsfield. Interment will follow at Gray Cemetery near New Salem. Visitation will be held prior to the service on Wednesday from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the church.

Researcher's Dunham Lines – Anna Mae (Dunham) Dean

Richard ¹ Singletary and prob. Susanna Cooke
Jonathan ² Singletary-alias Dunham and Mary Bloomfield
David ³ Dunham and Mary Illsley
David ⁴ Dunham, Jr. and Mary Freeman
Amos ⁵ Dunham and Mary (unknown)
Lewis ⁶ Dunham and Martha (unknown)
William ⁷ Dunham and Mary Ann ("Polly") Chaney
Lewis ⁸ Dunham and Sarah Ann Nelson
Richard ⁹ Dunham and Julia Esther Hubbard
William Frederick ¹⁰ Dunham and Anna Jane Wilson
Andrew Eli ¹¹ Dunham and Vera Pearl Gray
Anna Mae (Dunham) and Norman Goodrich Dean

(also line of Anna Mae's brother Andrew Everett Dunham who participated in DNA analysis)

Obituary

Kenneth Alan Simpson Streeter

20 March 1924 – 23 July 2019

by James A. Streeter

Kenneth Alan Simpson Streeter, 95, died 23 July 2019, in Fresno, Ca. He was born 20 March 1924, the son of Kenneth Alan Simpson and Eleanor Donham in Burlington, Vt.

Alan was a 11th generation New England descendant from 13 May-flower Passengers and a 4th generation descendant from Scotland.

At a very early age, he went to live with his grandparents, George and Edith Donham who lived on a farm in West Upton, Mass. He attended Charlestown, NH High School, where he met Roberta Jean Nelson, also an 11th generation New England/Mayflower descendant, and graduated in 1942. They were married on 18 May 1946, in Charlestown, NH.

In Charlestown, Alan was involved with Boy Scouts where he reached the rank of Life Scout. Later, he became a Scout Leader in Torrance, CA for his sons. Alan served as a Radioman in the U.S. Navy during World War II from 1943-1946. Alan worked at a radio Station in Utica, N.Y. and then as an Engineer for Northrop Aerospace Corporation for 27 years.

Alan and Roberta retired in 1983 and moved to Oakhurst, CA where he was active in the VFW Post 8743, Kiwanis, the local Stamp Collectors Club and enjoyed genealogy and traveling. In 2011 they moved to Coarsegold with their son James. In 2016, Alan went to be with Roberta at Cottonwood Assisted Living Facility in Fresno, until her passing in 2018 and continued residing there until his death.

Alan was preceded in death by his wife Roberta (Nelson) Streeter, parents, mother Eleanor (Dunham) Streeter, step-father Herbert Eugene Streeter, sister Alice Simpson & half-brother Arthur "Buz" Streeter. He is survived by his 2 half-sisters: Nancy A. (Fred) Wright of Keene, NH and Sarah "Sally" A. (Loomis) Waldron of Torrington, CT; 2 sons: James A. (Sussie) Streeter of Coarsegold and Robert H. (Janice) Streeter of Torrance; 5 Grandchildren: Katherine (Gabriel) Benard, Michael Streeter, Jenifer Johnson, Michelle Streeter & Melanie (Andrew) Stoller; 3 Great Grandchildren: Wyatt Stoller, Nathaniel Benard & Casey Stoller along with other Family & Friends.

Life Story of Kenneth Alan Simpson Streeter

1924 - 2019

Kenneth Alan Simpson was born on 20 March 1924, in Burlington, Vermont, the son of Kenneth Alan Simpson and Eleanor Donham. Alan moved in September 1925 to Upton, Massachusetts, the home of his grandparents George Hermann Donham and Edith Boardman Briggs and later attended 1 & 2 grade in 1931-2. Alan's sister Alice Simpson was born in 1926 in Milford, Massachusetts and she died in 1927 in Upton. Alan was found in the 1930 US Census still living in

Upton. Alan's parents divorced in October 1931 and Eleanor then married Herbert Eugene Streeter in November 1931.

Alan had 2 half-sisters Nancy Ann Streeter born 19 November 1936 and Sarah (Sally) Adelaide Streeter, born 18 March 1938 both born in Lawrence, Massachusetts. Alan graduated from Salem, New Hampshire Elementary School on 22 June 1938. He was living in Saugus, Massachusetts when the town was battered by the Great New England Hurricane of 1938. A tree fell on the house just missing his sister Nancy, who had just gone to bed for the night. The family moved to Charlestown, New Hampshire just after the 1938 Hurricane and were living on Maple Street in the 1940 Census. Alan graduated from Charlestown High School in 1942 and joined the US Navy the same year.

Alan attended basic training and then radio school before he shipped out on a Liberty ship across the Atlantic. The ship ran aground and spent some time getting the large hole in the bow repaired. Besides serving in the Atlantic, Alan served in the Mediterranean Sea and visited Egypt, the Red Sea and Iran. With the war being won in Europe he returned to the US and then to the Pacific where he served until the end of World War 2. He visited the Philippines and China before returning to the US via the Panama Canal to New Orleans and by rail to Boston, Massachusetts where he was discharged as a Radioman, third class on 1 February 1946.

On 18 May 1946, Alan married Roberta Jean Nelson in Charlestown, New Hampshire. They lived upstairs with his mother and stepfather. He attended Radio School in New York City and was able to return home on the train. Alan and Roberta's 1st son James Alan Streeter was born on 4 April 1948 in Springfield, Vermont just across the river from Charlestown. On 10 September 1948 a half-brother, Arthur (Buz) Herbert Streeter was born to Alan's mother Eleanor and his stepfather Herbert Streeter.

By 1950 Alan and family was living in Clinton, New York where he was working as a Radio Engineer for a local station. Of note, a young radio reporter also worked for the station before moving to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and broadcasting his own TV program. That program was American Bandstand and the host was Dick Clark.

On 30 January 1955 a 2nd son was born to Alan and Roberta, Robert Harold Streeter, in Utica, New York. By 12 September 1957 the family of 4 had moved to Florida and they were living in Eau Gallie at the Lucky Clover Mobile Home Park. A month later they had moved to Melbourne, Florida into a house they purchased. Alan was working for the Northrop Corporation and he remained in Florida until the end of 1960 when the family moved to Inglewood California near the headquarters for Northrop.

By March 1961 Alan was on a new project and the family moved to Rapid City, South Dakota. In June 1962, it was back to California, Where the family moved to Torrance and Alan started a new project. Both James and Robert graduated from South High School in Torrance. James attended college and served in the US Army and he was married in 1973 to Sussie Anne Dawson. Robert also attended college and was married in 1975 to Janice Kaye Allen.

Alan was working for Northrop at the main plant, in Hawthorne, writing support services proposals for the F5 Fighter Aircraft. The F5 became a very popular aircraft for many nations around the world and over the next 15 years Alan became a world traveler for Northrop selling the Support Services. He visited Switzerland, Egypt, Sudan, Ethiopia, Kenya, Morocco, Brazil, Argentina and Chile selling the F5 Support Services.

In Alan and Roberta's spare time they went camping, rock hunting made rock jewelry and made several vacation trips to New England to visit family.

Things were also happening in Hawthorne at the main plant. In the fall of 1982 people started to disappear, Alan would come to work in the morning and their desk had been cleaned off and no one knew where they went or what project they were working on. He also would show up Monday morning and a big section of the office floor had been divided off with floor to ceiling walls and a security keypad on an entry door. Having worked for Northrop Alan knew that a Big New Secret Project was in the works so he decided that it was time to retire.

In the spring of 1983 both Alan and Roberta retired and moved to Oakhurst. That year also began taking road trips with a trailer. They went to Canada, New England 6 times, Yellowstone, Nova Scotia, Florida and all the places in between over the next 12 years. They also visited New Zealand and Ireland, cruised to Alaska twice and went camping many times. Alan was active in the Oakhurst Kiwanis Club and received a Distinguished Service Award in 1991 and 1995. Alan and Roberta moved to Yosemite Lakes Park in 2011 and lived with their son James. Roberta moved into Cottonwood Assisted Living, Fresno in 2012 and Alan joined her in 2016. Both were kept busy with the many activities that were provided. Roberta died 28 June 2018 at the age of 92. Alan moved into a new apartment and traveled to Washington, D.C. as part of a Veterans Honor Flight in October 2018. Alan had been in good health up to when he passed away 28 July 2019 at the age of 95.