

JOHN WILLCOCKSON

560. JOHN WILLCOCKSON

Born 14d 09m 1667 (O.S.) Manley, Cheshire, England

Died

Married 561. Dorothy Hall 25 Apr 1686 Morrige, Staffordshire, England

Born (02d 12m 1655 Morrige, Staffordshire, England?)

Died

Children:

Anne Willcockson

b. 28d 02m 1687 Staffordshire, England

d.

m. Jonathan Green 11d 12m 1713/4 Breach, Derbyshire, England

John Willcockson Jr

b. 24d 09m 1688 Staffordshire, England

d.

m. Phebe Taylor 04d 03m 1711 Breach, Derbyshire, England

Dorothy Willcockson

b. 28d 01m 1690 Staffordshire, England

d.

m. John Bower 25d 05m 1715 Breach, Derbyshire, England

Isaac Willcockson

b. 16d 11m 1691 Staffordshire, England

d.

m.

280. George Willcockson

b. 31d 05m 1695 Staffordshire, England

d. c1739 Chester County, Pennsylvania

m. 281. Elizabeth Powell 15 Apr 1719 Chester County, Pennsylvania

David Willcockson

b. --- 11m 1698/9 Staffordshire, England

d. 19d 12m 1766 Longhill, York, England

m. Alice Anderson 18d 01m 1724 Rilstone, Yorkshire, England

John Willcockson of Cossal in Nottinghamshire, England, whose son George married Elizabeth Powell,¹ appears to have been the son of Arthur and Dorothy Willcockson, who was born on the 14th day of the 09th month 1667 at Manley (Mandley), Cheshire, England. He married Dorothy Hall, daughter of John Hall, at the Hall home at Morrige in Staffordshire, England.²

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Name	Residence/Description/Names of Parents/Parents Abodes
Willcockson, John	(No entries)

To Whom Married Name	Where Married Residence	Date of Marriage Year Mo Day	Meeting
Dorothy Hall	(No entry) John Hall's house in Morridg	1686 2 25	Staffordshire

This marriage is entered more fully in the register of the Leek Monthly Meeting:³

1686 John Willcockson did take to wife Dorothy Hall in a meeting at her father John Halls house in Morridg in the presence of the Lord and in an assembly of his people being many witnesses upon the 25th of the second month called Aprill

Dorothy Hall may have been born on 02d of 12m 1655, although this would make aged 31 at marriage.⁴

	Born	Parents	Abode	MM
Hall, Dorothy	1655 12m 02d	John and Ann	Morrige Psh of Ipston's	Staffordshire
Hall, John	1658 03m 16d	William and Alice	Chesterfield	Staffordshire

The town of Manley is north of Kelsall which is east of the city of Chester. There is a town named Ipstones, south-southeast of Leek in Staffordshire, which may bear on the location of Morrige. Leek is about 35 miles, as the crow flies, east-southeast of Manley. Cossal is a village, about the same distance southeast of Leek, situated on the Nottingham Canal, west of the city of Nottingham, near the border of Derbyshire. Staffordshire and Nottinghamshire are separated by Derbyshire.⁵

The births of children of John and Dorothy Willcockson are recorded in the minutes of Staffordshire Monthly Meeting of the Friends (surname spelling variants are verbatim):⁶

Willcockton, Anne	1687 02m 28d
Willcockson, John	1688 09m 24d
Wilcocson, Dorothy	1690 01m 28d
Willcockson, Isaac	1691 11m 16d
Wilcockson, George	1695 05m 31d
Wilcockson, David	1698/9 11m

It is a significant coincidence that George Willcockson, Jr., the presumed son of George Willcockson and Elizabeth Powell, married Elizabeth Hall. Later, in 1768/9, he was involved in a lawsuit with Samuel Hall, in Rowan County, North Carolina. John Willcockson, brother of George, Jr., witnessed a deed by William Hall in Rowan County in 1788.⁷

Elizabeth Hall, who married George Willcockson, Jr., may have been a granddaughter of Samuel Hall, a weaver, who lived in Kennet Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, in 1710. He died in 1738, leaving twelve children, Mary, who married Robert Whitacre; Sarah, who married David Bailey; Phebe, who married Calvin Cooper; Elizabeth, who married Robert Whiteside; Hannah; Dinah; Susanna; Margaret; George, who married Sarah Hoopes, daughter of Daniel Hoopes and Jane

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Worrilow, and reputedly had twenty-four children; Samuel; James; and Charles Hall.⁸

Mary Hoopes, another daughter of Daniel and Jane Hoopes, married Philip Yarnall,⁹ who was closely associated with George and Elizabeth Powell Willcockson.

Daniel Hoopes was a son of Joshua and Isabel Hoopes, who came to Bucks County, Pennsylvania, from Cleveland in Yorkshire, England. Daniel moved to Chester County about 1696. He married Jane Worrilow, daughter of Thomas and Jane Worrilow of Edgmont.¹⁰

John Willcockson, who apparently was the eldest son of George Willcockson and Elizabeth Powell, married Sarah Boone, daughter of Squire Boone and Sarah Morgan.¹¹ Squire Boone, George Willcockson and Samuel Hall were weavers.

Elizabeth Powell, who married George Willcockson, was a daughter of Rowland Powell and Maud Richard of Chester County, Pennsylvania. George Willcockson and Elizabeth Powell were married on the 15th of the 2nd month (April) 1719:¹²

Page 37 George Wilcockson, son of John Wilcockson of Nottingham, Great Britain and Elizabeth Powel, daughter of Rowland Powel of Haverford married in meetinghouse in Haverford 2.15.1719

Elizabeth Powell, daughter of Rowland and Maud Powell, was born on the 10th of the 1st month (March), 1696. Rowland Powell and Maud Richard were married on the 10th of the 03rd month (May), 1695 at Haverford.¹³

George Willcockson died before 25 October 1739 in Chester County, Pennsylvania, when Elizabeth Willcockson was granted administration of his estate, against a bond in the amount of 160 pounds, secured by Philip Yarnall and Joseph Pugh.¹⁴ Elizabeth Powell Willcockson died shortly thereafter, with the administration of her estate occurring in 1740. Philip Yarnall, administrator for Elizabeth Willcockson (Wilcox), widow and relict of George Willcockson (Wilcox), her late husband, who had died intestate, leaving several children to survive them, particularly Mary Willcockson (Wilcox), aged about five years, who needed support, petitioned the court for Mary Willcockson (Wilcox) to be bound out to John Yarnall until age eighteen, and to be taught to read and write, and "housifrey."¹⁵

Philip and John Yarnall provide a thread of circumstantial evidence connecting George and Elizabeth Powell Willcockson with the Boone family. After the death of Samuel Boone, brother of Squire Boone, Sr., his widow Elizabeth Cassel Boone married Joseph Yarnall, son of Francis Yarnall and Hannah Baker, on the 29th of the 07th month, 1748.¹⁶ The relationship between Philip, John and Joseph Yarnall has not been determined, but they must have been kin.

Anne Willcockson, daughter of John Willcockson and Dorothy Hall, married Jonathan Green on 11d 12m 1713/4 at Breach, Derbyshire, England.¹⁷ His parents have not been determined.

Dorothy Willcockson, daughter of John Willcockson and Dorothy Hall, married John Bower, possibly the son of Henry Bower, on 25d 05m 1715, also at Breach. Their children were born at Ashover in Derbyshire.¹⁸

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David Willcockson, son of John Willcockson and Dorothy Hall, married Alice Anderson on 18d 01m 1724 at Rilstone in Yorkshire. The parents of Alice, who died at age 85, have not been identified. David was a resident of Upper Bradley, Kildwick Parish, Yorkshire, when he married. Rilstone came under the Knaresborough Meeting.¹⁹ Knaresborough is north of Leeds.

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JOHN WILLCOCKSON JR

Born 24d 09m 1688 Staffordshire, England

Died

Married Phebe Taylor 04d 03m 1711 Breach, Derbyshire, England

Born (03d 11m 1693?)

Died

Children:

Ann Willcockson

b. 26d 12m 1711/2 Derbyshire, England

d. (04d 03m 1769?) Breach, Derbyshire, England

m.

Hannah Willcockson

b. 05d 09m 1714 Derbyshire, England

d.

m.

John Willcockson, Jr. was a resident of Biggin in (Wirksword?) when he got married. Phebe Taylor may have been the daughter of John and Mary Taylor, who was born on 03d 11m 1693 in Staffordshire.

JOHN BOWER

Born

Died

Married Dorothy Willcockson 25d 05m 1715 Breach, Derbyshire, England

Born 28d 01m 1690 Staffordshire, England

Died

Children:

Mary Bower

b. 04d 04m 1716 Ashover, Derbyshire, England

d. 04d 06m 1719 Ashover, Derbyshire, England

m.

John Bower

b. 01d 09m 1718 Ashover, Derbyshire, England

d.

m.

Henry Bower

b. 30d 04m 1721 Ashover, Derbyshire, England

d. (bur.) 30d 11m 1721 Ashover, Derbyshire, England

m.

Jonathan Bower

b. 30d 02m 1724 Ashover, Derbyshire, England

d.

m.

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DAVID WILLCOCKSON

Born --- 11m 1698/9 Staffordshire, England

Died 19d 12m 1766 Longhill, York, England

Married Alice Anderson 18d 01m 1724 Rilstone, Yorkshire, England

Born 1694

Died 02d 01m 1780 Longhill, York, England

Children:

John Willcockson

b. 16d 12m 1724 Upper Bradley, Yorkshire, England

d. 21d 08m 1792 Airtton, Yorkshire, England

m. Elizabeth Neale 03d 11m 1763

Isaac Willcockson

b. 26d 04m 1727 Yorkshire, England

d. 18d 05m 1791 Wray, Lancashire. England

m. (1) Mary Gilpin 06d 04m 1751 Yorkshire, England

(2) Agnes Beckwith 04d 12m 1777 Yorkshire, England

(3) Margaret Lambert 05d 06m 1783 Yorkshire, England

David Willcockson Jr

b. 03d 01m 1730 Yorkshire, England

d.

m.

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