

-- ADAMS --

The family groups represented in this collection may not be complete, because information was entered bit by bit as I found it or happened upon it; I have not done any systematic research on these families. Because they do not compose whole family genealogies, these listings are arranged differently from most genealogical records or histories. Each listing is a family group, and is arranged and filed alphabetically under the name of the head of the family.

Names are generally in alphabetical order (disregarding spelling variations and middle names), then in approx. chronological order. The first sorting is by surname (mixing together any and all spelling variations), then by given name, then by approximate birthdate (when known) in approximate chronological order. For easier reference, surnames in headings are grouped together under the most common spelling usage that evolved in this geographical location, regardless of individualistic spellings in the records themselves. Cross references are used in most cases where surname spellings substantially vary.

Within the quoted records, the individual spellings have been (mostly) retained because they sometimes provide clues (although in general—but with exceptions—they seem to largely reflect the record keeper's particular orthography and not always, at this early period, any special family preference). Those interested can see the variety and evolution of a particular name's spelling and the interesting and sometimes amusing attempts at phonetic reproduction. Keep in mind that before names and spellings were standardized, records reflected the individualistic whim of the particular recorder (often two different spellings of the same name within the same document). In addition, all records were handwritten, and sometimes deciphering a handwritten name in early records can be quite challenging! So expect to search under all possibilities of spelling (for both surnames and given names).

Given names are grouped together without regard for middle initials or middle names. Because middle names and/or initials are sometimes used, sometimes not used in various records, it seemed simplest to arrange entries as if the middle names or initials did not exist. Usually all variations of a given name are grouped together as though spelled one way: Jan, Johannes, John, etc. are all grouped as one (but also look under the other forms).

Sources and references are included with each "family" grouping, but may or may not include sources that are cited (or are obvious, such as baptismal records, etc.) within the narrative or listing itself.

As with any compiled genealogical record, researchers should regard this information as leads and clues, and should verify all data with independent research.

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Adams, Abel

Abel Adams
son of

m. 22 Oct 1772

Nine Partners Quaker rec.

Deborah

(widow of **Samuel Thorn**)

---Sources: Dutchess County, New York Quaker Records, Nine Partners Monthly Meeting, database at Ancestry.com

Adams, Abel

Abel Adams
son of Samuel Adams &
Anna

m. 8 Feb 1854

NY Quaker MM

Hannah T. Palmer

(widow of **Charles Bruff**)
dau. of Harrison Palmer &
Phebe

---Sources: Hinshaw, William Wade, Encyclopedia of Quaker Genealogy, Vol III, New York Monthly Meeting, p. 15

Adams, Darius

Darius Adams
d. 5 Nov 1765 ae 21

buried Old Cemetery, Amenia, NY

---Sources: Foley, Janet Wethy, Early Settlers of New York State: Their Ancestors and Descendants, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1993, Vol. II, (Old Cemetery, Amenia, NY) (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 786

Adams, David

David Adams

m.

Sarah

---children of David Adams & Sarah

• **Son Adams**, d. 6 Oct 1784 ae 16?; buried Old Cemetery, Amenia, NY

---Sources: Foley, Janet Wethy, *Early Settlers of New York State: Their Ancestors and Descendants*, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1993, Vol. II, (Old Cemetery, Amenia, NY) (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 786

Adams, David

David Adams m.
b. 15 Feb 1784
d. 7 Feb 1867 ae 82.11.21

buried Clift or Drew Cem., South East, Putnam Co., NY

---Sources: Nicholson, William A., "Inscriptions from Clift or Drew Cemetery about 2 miles south of Bewsters, in Town of South East, Putnam County, NY" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Oct 1918 (Vol. 49, No. 4), p. 326

Sarah

b.
d. 9 Feb 1860 ae 73.-.14

buried Clift or Drew Cem., South East, NY

Adams, Edward

Edward Adams m.

[No date given] Abraham and John Adams of Fairfield, CT, sold 2/3 of home-lot in Westchester, formerly belonging to their father Edward Adams. (Westchester Town Records)¹

---children of Edward Adams &

• **Abraham Adams**

• **John Adams**

---Sources:

[1] Bristol, Theresa Hall, "Westchester County, N.Y., Miscellanea" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, July 1919, p. 242;

Adams, Edward

Edward Adams m.
b. about 1825 NY

They were listed in the 1850 Federal Census, New York, Westchester Co., North Salem, p. 4, Dwelling 22, Family 28 -- Edward Adams, 25, Blacksmith, value real estate \$1,000, b. NY; Sarah J., 22, b. NY; Emma, 2/12, male [?], b. NY; Geo. Tillford, 23, Blacksmith, b. NY; Mary E. Mead, 16, b. NY.

---Sources: 1850 Federal Census, New York, Westchester Co., North Salem, p. 4, Dwelling 22, Family 28 (Family of Edward Adams)

Sarah J.

b. about 1828 NY

Adamszen, Jan (Jan Adamszen Metselaer) (at least some of his descendants assumed the name **Messler/Messier**)

Jan Adamszen m. about 1657
son of Adam
b. 1626 Worms, Rhenish Hesse, Germany
d. 1696-1697 NY

Geertruyd Dircx (van Meppel)

dau. of Dirck
b. (prob) Meppel, Drenthe, Holland
d.

Jan Adamszen was a Corporal on the South River, now the Delaware River. Evidently he had emigrated (perhaps via Holland) to New Amsterdam, and had joined Stuyvesant's forces which had gone to the Delaware. He returned to New Amsterdam in 1654. On June 11, 1654, he gave testimony as "Corporal Jan Adamse, aged 28 years, a native of Worms. Inhabitant of Fort Casimier, sworn at New Amsterdam June 11, 1654, again sworn confirming the above at N. A. Mch. 16, 1655, regarding the Capture of the Fort by a Swedish force in May, 1654." (Col. Doc. of N. Y., Vol. I, p. 605)

He is also mentioned as a creditor of the Colony, June 14, 1664, for one pound sterling for powder to fill cartridges for the sloop 'Mos,' going with soldiers to the 'Kill von Kol.' He is also mentioned in the list of names of the Dutch who took the oath of allegiance to the King of England, October 21, 22, 24 and 25, 1664, after the surrender of New Amsterdam to the British forces in that year. Abraham Metselaer, his son, also took the oath of allegiance at the same time."

Geertie Dircks was the sister of Barentje Dircks, of Meppelen (who m. Nelis Matthyssen, a Swede) and Egbertie Dircks (who m. Hage Bruynsen, a Swede).

Jan Adamszen wit. bp. 18 Jan 1665 NYCRefCh of Matthys, son of Cornelis Matthys and Barentje Dircks.

---children of Jan Adamszen & Geertruyd Dircx:

- **Sebastiaen Jansen [Metselaer]**, bp. 4 Sep 1658 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Tomotheus Gabry, Annetje Harmens)
- **Geertie Jansen**, bp. 23 Nov 1659 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Dirck Siecken, Claertie Ebels)
- **Dirck Jansen [metselaer]**, bp. 6 Feb 1661 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Marten Roelantszen, Barentje Dircks)
- **Abraham Jansen [Metselaer]**, bp. 28 Aug 1662 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Stephen Croesen, Hendrickje Stephens); m. (as "Abraham van Worms, alias Metselaer") 17 June 1694 **Harmptje Dircks Woertman**. His descendants used the surname "Messler."
- **Maria Jansen**, bp. 14 Jan 1665 NYCRefCh (wit: Steven Courtszen, Agniet Lodovycksz)
- **Barbertie Jansen**, bp. 12 Sep 1666 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Cornelis Matthyssen, Willemetje Joosten)
- **Jacobus Jansen**, bp. 5 Aug 1668 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Roelof Albertszen, Cornelis Lodovycksz, Catharine Boots)
- **Abraham Jansen**, b. 1671, bp. 22 March 1671 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Albert Bosch, Barentje Dircx). His descendants settled on the Raritan.
- **Isaac Jansen**, bp. 15 April NYC Ref Ch; prob. d.y.
- **Hendrick Jansen**, bp. 2 Aug 1676 NYCRefCh (no wit)

---Sources: Baptisms from 1639 to 1730 in the Reformed Dutch Church, *New York* (Collections of the New York Genealogical & Biographical Society, Vol. II) printed 1901; reprinted 1968; Riker, James, *Revised History of Harlem...New York*, 1904, p. 107; Neafie, John, "Important Corrections in the 'Messler Family' Genealogy" in *Somerset County Historical Quarterly*, Vo. V, p. 263;

Adams, John

John Adams

m.

Engeltje

---children of John Adams & Engeltje

• **Cathalyntje Adams**, b. 2 Jan 1786; bp. Pompton Plains Ref Ch (no wit)

---Sources: Reformed Dutch Church records of Pompton Plains, pages 1-210 : records of Montville, pages 211-258 : typescript, 1923, (online at HeritageQuest)

Adams, John

John Adams

m.

Charlotte

b. about 1764

b. about 1762

d. 19 Nov 1819 ae 55.8.3

d. 7 June 1847 ae 85

buried Adams Corners, NY Cemetery

buried Adams Corners, NY Cemetery

---children of John Adams & Charlotte

• **Eli Adams**, b. about 1794; d. 19 March 1812 ae 17.11.10; buried Adams Corners, NY Cemetery

• **Catherine Adams**, b. about 1808; d. 18 Nov 1845 ae 37; buried Adams Corners, NY Cemetery

---Sources: Horton, W. P., "Graveyard Inscriptions, Putnam Co., N.Y. -- Cemetery at Adams Corners, 6 miles northeast of Peekskill" in New York Genealogical & Biographical Record, April 1918 (Vol. 49, No. 2), p. 177

Adams, John

John Adams

m.

Esther

---children of John Adams & Esther

• **Child Adams**, bp. Feb 1807

Foley, Janet Wethy, Early Settlers of New York State: Their Ancestors and Descendants, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1993, Vol. II, (Amenia Church of Christ in the Nine Partners, Dutchess Co., NY) (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 776

Adams, Joseph

Joseph Adams

m.

Lydia

---children of Joseph Adams & Lydia

• **Sarah Adams**, d. 28 Nov 1777 ae 3; buried Old Cemetery, Amenia, NY

---Sources: Foley, Janet Wethy, Early Settlers of New York State: Their Ancestors and Descendants, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1993, Vol. II, (Old Cemetery, Amenia., NY) (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 786

Adams, Joseph

Joseph Adams

m.

Mary Jane

b. about 1812 NY

b. about 1817 NY

d.

d. 8 Aug 1892 ae 75.5.5

buried

buried Clift or Drew Cem. South East, NY

They were listed in the 1850 Federal Census, New York, Westchester Co., North Salem, p. 5, Dwelling 33, Family 39 -- Joseph Adams, 38, Farmer, b. NY; Mary J., 33, b. NY; Daniel S., 12, b. NY; Nathaniel, 11, b. NY; Margaret A., 9, b. NY; Charlotte E., 7, b. NY; Mortimer, 4, b. NY.

---children of Joseph Adams & Mary Jane

• **Daniel S. Adams**, b. about 1838 NY; m. **Anna E. -?-.** She was b. 20 March 1834; d. 31 Jan 1890; buried Clift or Drew Cem., South East, Putnam Co., NY.

• **Nathaniel Adams**, b. about 1839 NY

• **Margaret A. Adams**, b. about 1841 NY

• **Charlotte E. Adams**, b. about 1843 NY

• **Mortimer Adams**, b. about 1846 NY

---Sources: 1850 Federal Census, New York, Westchester Co., North Salem, p. 5, Dwelling 33, Family 39 (Family of Joseph Adams); Nicholson, William A., "Inscriptions from Clift or Drew Cemetery about 2 miles south of Bewsters, in Town of South East, Putnam County, NY" in New York Genealogical & Biographical Record, Oct 1918 (Vol. 49, No. 4), p. 326

Adams, Joseph

Joseph Adams

m. about 1896

Elizabeth Palmer

son of Samuel Adams &

dau. of Walter Palmer &

Mary Elizabeth Wetherill

b. May 1845

b. about March 1867

They were listed in the 1900 Federal Census, Westchester Co., Lewisboro Town (South Salem was then part of Lewisboro Town), ED 74, p. 9B, Dwelling 207, Family 216: Joseph J.? Adams, b. May 1845, age 55, married 4 yrs., b. NY, his parents b. NY. Farmer, Owned property; Elizabeth P. [Adams], wife, b. Mch 1867, age 33, married 4 yrs., mother of 2 children, 2 children now living, b. NY, her parents b. NY; Howland R.? [Adams], son, b., Sep 1887, age 2, b. NY; Mary E. [Adams], daughter, b. March 1899, age 1, b. NY; Samuel [Adams], father, b. Feb 1810, age 90, Widower, b. NY, his parents b. NY; Julia [Adams], sister, b. Aug 1855, age 44, Single, b. NY, her parents b. NY; Chista? Brown, servant, black, b. Mch 1878, age 21, Single, b. NC, his parents b. NC, Servant.

They were listed in the 1910 Federal Census, NY, Westchester Co., Lewisboro, ED 42, p. 10B, Dwelling 248?, Family 259? (this census is very difficult to read; faded in places): Joseph H.? Adams, age 68, married (first m.) 16 years, b. NY, his parents b. NY, Occupation not legible, Owned property; Elizabeth [Adams], wife, age 42?, married (first m.) 16 yrs, , mother of 4 children, 3 children then living, b. NY, her parents b. NY; Howland R. [Adams], son, age 13, b. NY; Mary E.? [Adams], age 11, b. NY; Joseph H.? [Adams], son, age 2, b. NY; name illegible, Servant, black, age 31, b. Virginia, his parents b. Virginia.

They were listed in the 1920 Federal Census, New York, Westchester Co., Lewisboro (South Salem), ED 58, p. 4B, Dwelling 46, Family 47: Joseph H. Adams, age 72, b. NY, Farmer, Home Farm; Elizabeth [Adams], wife, age 52, b. NY; Harland K.? [Adams], son, age 22, Single, b. NY, Farmer, Home Farm; Mary E. [Adams], daughter, age 20, Single, b. NY; Joseph H. Jr. [Adams], son, age 12, b. NY; Julie E. or L. [Adams], sister, age 64, Single, b. NY.

They were listed in the 1930 Federal Census, New York, Westchester County, Lewisboro, ED 168, p. 8B (Ancestry image 16), Osealeta? Road, Dwelling 116, Family 121 -- Adams, Joseph H., Head, Owned House, age 82, married at age 29, b. NY, his father b. NY, his mother b. CT, Farmer; [Adams], Elizabeth, Wife, age 62, married at age 29, b. NY; [Adams], Mary, Daughter, age 31, Single, b. NY; [Adams], Julia, Sister, 74, Single, b. NY

---children of Joseph H. Adams & Elizabeth Palmer:

- **Howland R. Adams**, b. Sep 1897
- **Mary E. Adams**, b. March 1899
- **Joseph Adams**, b. about 1908

Adams, Nicholas (Nicolaus)

Nicholas Adams
son of

m. 27 June 1722
NYC Ref Ch
(License 27 June 1722)

Mary Gallway
dau. of

---Sources: Marriages from 1639 to 1801 in the Reformed Dutch Church, New Amsterdam-New York City, 1940 (Vol. IX of Collections of the New York Genealogical & Biographical Society), reprinted 1997 by Heritage Books

Adams, Samuel

Samuel Adams
b. Feb 1810

m.

-?-
b.

---children of Samuel Adams &

- **Joseph H. Adams**, b. May 1845
- **Julia Adams**, b. Aug 1855

Adams, Samuel

Samuel Adams
son of Edward Adams &

m. 15 July 167-
Fairfield, CT

Mary Meeker
dau. of Robert Meeker &

Inv. 10 Feb. 1693/4. Widow Mary appointed Adm'x, with Daniel Meeker and Abraham Adams. Son Abram was bound out to Abraham Adams.

On 14 Mar. 1721, Daniel, David, and John Adams, Isaac Castle, Elijah Crane, and Elizabeth Adams, conveyed to Mr. John Denny the homelot of their father Samuel Adams dec'd; Mary Thorp confirmed the deed. The same grantors, 8 Mar. 1719/20, Elijah Crane in right of wife Abigail, and Isaac Castle of Woodbury in right of wife Sarah, agreed to divide lands of their bro. Abraham Adams, Jr.

Mary Meeker m. (2) **Moses Lyon**, and (3) **John Thorpe**.

---children of Samuel Adams & Mary Meeker:

- **Samuel Adams**, b. 1 Jan 1677 (recorded Fairfield, CT); d. 1698
- **Daniel Adams**, b. 17 May 1679 (recorded Fairfield, CT); m. (1) **Rebecca** (prob. Cable); m. (2) **Sarah Turney**, dau. of Benjamin 2nd.
- **Sarah Adams**, b. 3 Oct 1780 (recorded Fairfield, CT)
- **Abigail Adams**, b. 25 March 1682 (recorded Fairfield, CT); m. (1) **Joseph Cable**; m. (2) **Elijah Crane**
- **Elizabeth Adams**, b. 3 Feb 1684 (recorded Fairfield, CT), She lived at Stratford in 1719.
- **Abraham Adams**, b. 1 Jan 1685 (recorded Fairfield, CT); d. 1718; m. **Sarah -?-**. Only child, Sarah, bapt. 16 Sept. 1716, d. y. Adm'n granted, 12 Apr. 1718, to widow Sarah and bro. Daniel; child Sarah. Agreement, 21 Aug. 1719; Daniel and David Adams of Fairfield, John Adams of Greenwich, and Elizabeth Adams of Stratford, and Elijah Crane and Abigail of Fairfield, with Sarah, widow of Abraham Adams, Jr.
- **Jonathan Adams**, b. 31 Oct 1686 (recorded Fairfield, CT); d.y.
- **David Adams**, b. 24 June 1689 (recorded Fairfield, CT); bp. 18 Jan 1712/13' d. 1723; m. **Abigail Silliman**. His will was dated 5 Feb 1722/3. proved 22 April 1723. Abigail Silliman m. (2) 22 March 1737 John Hide.
- **Benjamin Adams**, b. 28 Dec 1690 (recorded Fairfield, CT); d.y.
- **John Adams**, b. 6 Sep 1692 (recorded Fairfield, CT); bp. 4 July ,1714; d. 1727 Greenwich; m. 1717 **Elizabeth Husted..**

---Sources: Jacobus, Donald Linés, History and Genealogy of the Families of Old Fairfield, vol.1. The Tuttle, Morehouse & Taylor Company. Connecticut. 1930, p. 8

Adams, Samuel

Samuel Adams

m.

---children of Samuel Adams &

- **James Adams**, m. **Ustatia Underhill**, dau. of Isaac Underhill & (1) Anne Pugsley. She was b. 1780. Either James or his father, Samuel, was an Orthodox Friend preacher.

---Sources: Frost, Josephine S. Underhill Genealogy. Vol. 2, 1932, p. 194

Adams, Willem

Willem Adams m.

Maria Pieters (Louweres)

---children of Willem Adams & Maria Pieters:

- **Susanna Adamse**, bp. 15 Nov 1699 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Jan Vincent, Helena Griegs) (mother's name in bp. record is Maria Louweres)

- **Jan Willemsz Adams**, bp. 16 Oct 1700 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Jan Vinsent, Helena Griegs, Wede.)

---Sources: Baptisms in the Reformed Dutch Church, New York [City], 1901 (Collections of the NY Genealogical & Biographical Society, Vol. III)

Adams, William

William Adams m.

Jannetje Waldron (Waldrom)

---children of William Adams & Jannetje Waldron:

- **Elizabeth Adams** (twin), bp. 28 May 1721 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Pieter Stoutenburg, Anna Catharina Beek)

- **Johanna Adams** (twin), bp. 28 May 1721 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Willem Waldrom, Johanna Waldrom)

---Sources: Baptisms in the Reformed Dutch Church, New York [City], 1901 (Collections of the NY Genealogical & Biographical Society, Vol. III)

Adams, William (Capt.)

William Adams m.

Hannah

d.

d. 7 April 1806 ae 35.4.8

buried

buried Old Cemetery, Amenia, NY

---Sources: Foley, Janet Wethy, Early Settlers of New York State: Their Ancestors and Descendants, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1993, Vol. II, (Old Cemetery, Amenia, NY) (online at <genealogy.com>), p. 786