

-- BRITTON --

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 evolvement 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.

I welcome, and would be grateful for, any additions or corrections, especially with source citations.

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**Britton**

Nathaniel Britton, b. in Batcombe, Somersetshire, England settled on L.I. in the 1650s. His brother, William, had sons who moved into NJ at an early date.

**Britan, Abraam**

Abraam Britan m.

**Mary Petiljon**

*---children of Abraam Britan & Mary Petiljon:*

• **Mary Britan**, bp. 20 July 1701 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Thomas Jansse va Steenberg; Mary Jansse va Steenberg)

---Sources: Hoes, Roswell Randall, Baptismal and Marriage Registers of the Old Dutch Church of Kingston..., 1891 (reprinted 1997 by Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD)

**Britton, Abraham**

Abraham Britton  
son of Nathaniel Britton &  
Mary Fountain

m.  
(NY license  
31 Dec 1773<sup>1</sup>)

**Phoebe Vanderbilt**

dau. of Cornelius Vanderbilt &  
Eleanor/Neeltje Van Tuyl

b.  
bp.

b. 1 March 1758  
bp. 5 April 1758 Moravian Ch, Staten Island

Phoebe Vanderbilt m. (2) **Wilhelmus Cozine**, widower of Elinor Haughwout.

Nathaniel Britten, cooper, of Castleton [Staten Island] in his will probated 1 Aug 1792, mentioned grandchildren Mary and Cornelius, to have their father, Abraham Brittain's share if they come to age 21 years.

---children of Abraham Britton & Phoebe Vanderbilt:

- **Cornelius Britton**, b. 1 March 1778 prob NJ; m. 2 Jan 1802 Bergen Co., NJ, **Sarah Prior**
- **Mary Britton**, b. about 1780

---Sources:

[1] Replies to Queries, 2004-21 in *New Netherland Connections*, Vol. 9, No. 3 (2004), p. 69 (from Pamela J. Sears <pjsears@stratos.net>);

**Britten, Abraham**

Abraham Britten  
son of

m. 22 Dec 1825  
Bergen Ref Ch

**Gitty Van Clief**  
dau. of

---Sources: Westervelt, Frances A., Bergen County New Jersey Marriage Records, 1929, p. 64

**Britton, Anthony**

Anthony Britton

m.

**Johanna** (poss Banta)

On 6 March 1806 (recorded 27 March 1806, Bergen Co. X:244) Whereas Seaby Banta, deceased, and Henry Banta, now living in the English Neighborhood, concerning a lot said Hendry Banta conveyed to Seaby Banta; a mill dam and in possession of Leah Banta, Anthony Britton and Johans Britton, his wife, on S side of Turnpike Road leading from Hoboken to Hackensack; also lot adjoining John Fairbourn, where he now liveth. Signed by Leah Banta (her mark), Anthony Britton, Johanna Britton, Henry H. Banta (his mark). Witnessed by John Evans, Henry Banta.<sup>1</sup>

On 6 May 1806 (recorded 14 June 1806, Bergen Co. Y:96) Anthony Britain of the Township of Hackensack and Johannah, his wife, conveyed to George J. Ryerson of the same place, for \$723.50, 2 acres above and under the water, beginning at line of Henry Banta, on W side of the turnpike road. Signed by Anthony Britton, Johanna Britton (her mark). Witnessed by Henry Banta, John Outwater. Also, for \$1, a release of dower right by Leah Banta, widow of Seba Banta. 6 May 1806 (Y:98).

---Sources:

[1] Bergen County, NJ Deeds, at Bergen Co., Division of Cultural & Historic Affairs, Hackensack, NJ, abstracted by Patricia A. Wardell;

**Brittan, Benjamin**

Benjamin Brittan  
son of

m.

**Hannah Lewis**  
dau. of Jonathan Lewis &  
Abigail

Hannah, widow of Benjamin Brittan was mentioned in the will of her father, Jonathan Lewis

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol VI 1760-1766, pages 377 & 378 (will of Jonathan Lewis).

**Britten, Benjamin**

Benjamin Britten  
son of

m.

**Abigail Hoff**  
dau. of (poss) William Hoff &  
Abigail Walling

b. 1740

---Sources: Information posted online Aug 2007, Dutch-Colonies List, from Constance Britten <roots@britten.com>;

**Briton, Cornelius**

Cornelius Briton  
son of

m. 2 Jan 1802  
Bergen Ref Ch

**Sarah Prior**  
dau. of

---Sources: Westervelt, Frances A., Bergen County New Jersey Marriage Records, 1929, p. 58

**Britton, Daniel** See also: Britton, Nathaniel

**Brittain, Daniel** (Capt.)

Daniel Brittain  
son of  
d. 1733

m. about 1699

**Elizabeth Powell**  
dau. of Richard Powell &  
d.

They were living at Woodbridge, NJ by 1700.

In his will, dated 5 April 1733, Brittin (Britten), Daniell, Sen'r of Woodbridge, Middlesex Co. [NJ]; will of; Son, Daniell, and his children, Nicholas and Elizabeth Britton. Sons, William and Benjamin, both under age. Daughters, Mary and Elizabeth, at 18 years. Grandson, Daniel, son of John Moores. Daughter, Deliverance, and her children, viz; James, Sarah and Elizabeth Moore. Land in Perth Amboy; lands bought of William Elstone. Moses Rolfe, Peter Codricke, Noah Bishop, John Jaquiss; land joining David Donham, Jr., Executors--wife, Elizabeth, John Moores, and son William Britton. Witnesses-- Charles Wright, Benjamin Codington, David Donham, Jun'r. Proved April 28, 1733." (Archives., Vol. XXX, p. 62.)

---children of Daniel Brittain & Elizabeth Powell:

- **Mercy Brittain**, b. 24 Feb 1700 (rec. Woodbridge Vital Records)
- **Daniel Britten**. He was mentioned, as grandson, in the will of Richard Powell, of Woodbridge, NJ, dated 3 Jan 1704/5.

- **William Britten**
- **Benjamin Britten**
- **Mary Britten**
- **Elizabeth Britten**

• **Deliverence Britten, m. -?- Moore**

---Sources: Monnette, Orra Eugene. *First Settlers of Ye Plantations of Piscataway and Woodbridge Olde East New Jersey*. The Leroy Carman Press. California. 1932, p. 233; *Calendar of New Jersey Wills*, Vol. II, 1730-1750 (online at Ancestry.com), p. 62 (will of Daniell Brittin)

**Britton, Daniel** (Brittain)

Daniel Britton

m.

**Apphia**

Estate of Daniel Britton/Brittain, Perth Amboy, Middlesex, NJ, 11 Dec 1736, Bond of Apphia Brittain his widow as administratrix. Moses Rolfe, Esq., fellow Bondsman.

---Sources: *Calendar of New Jersey Wills*, Vol. II, 1730-1750 (online at Ancestry.com), p. 62 (estate of Daniel Britton/Brittain)

**Britton, Francis**

Francis Britton

bp. (as adult?) 12 Sep 1702 St. Mary's Church, Burlington, NJ

The bp. record is: "Long Island Oyster Bay [12 Sep 1702], ffrancis Britton Baptized."

---Sources: *The Pennsylvania Genealogical Magazine*, Volume II, Register of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, N. J., p. 243

**Britten, George W.**

George W. Britten

son of

m. 21 Dec 1873  
Paramus Ref Ch

**M. Catherine Bogert** (Kate; Maria Catherine)

dau. of Albert Bogert &

Martha Wortendyke

b. 1850

bp. 21 Sep 1850 Paramus Ref Ch

d. 1914

buried Valleau Cemetery, Ridgewood, NJ

b. about 1853 NJ

bp.

d.

buried

At the time of their marriage, he was of Jersey City, NJ; she was of Paramus. Witnesses at their marriage were Wm. H. Naylor and Albert Z. Bogert.

They were listed in the 1880 Federal Census, New Jersey, Hudson Co., Jersey City, District 33, p. 35, enumerated 18 June 1880, Dwelling 212, Family 342 (all b. NJ, all their parents b. NJ) -- Britten, Geo W., 27, Mason; [Britten], Catherine, 29, Wife, Keeps House; [Britten], Martha A., 5, Daughter; Bogart, Fred H., 21, Boarder, Single, Works in Hardware [Store?].

He was listed in the 1930 Federal Census, New Jersey, Hudson Co., Jersey City, District 115, p. 46, enumerated 18 April 1930, 265 Hudson Boulevard, Dwelling 254, Family 538 (both b. NJ, both their parents b. NJ) -- Britten, George W., Head, Owned home, age 77, Widower, retired; [Britten], George B., Son, 48, Single, lawyer.

---children of *George W. Britten & M. Catherine Bogert*:

• (prob) **M. Alberta Britten**, b. 1873; d. 1885; buried Valleau Cemetery, Ridgewood, Bergen Co., NJ

• **George B. Britten**, b. about 1882 NJ

---Sources: Ackerman, Herbert S., and Arthur J. Goff, *Valleau Cemetery (Ridgewood, Bergen County, NJ) Gravestone Inscriptions* (typescript), copied Feb 1944, p. 66; Ackerman, Herbert S. and Arthur J. Goff, *Paramus Reformed Dutch Church Records* (Marriages 1799-1900; Baptisms 1851-1900), 1944, typescript printed [1998?] by Bergen Historic Books;

**Briton, Isaac**

Isaac Briton

son of

m. 13 June 1815

Bergen Ref Ch

**Mary Welch**

dau. of

---Sources: Westervelt, Frances A., *Bergen County New Jersey Marriage Records*, 1929, p. 61

**Briton, James** (Esq.)

James Briton

son of

m. 28 March 1792

NY, by Rev Richard Moore  
(*Ladies Weekly Museum*

7 April 1792)

**Violetta Disosway** (Dissosway)

dau. of

b.

b.

In their marriage record, they were both of Staten Island.

---Sources: New York #2, 1740s-1880s Marriage Index online at genealogy.com

**Britten, Joseph**

Joseph Britten

son of William Brittain &

Maria

b. about 1669

bp. 14 July 1678 (aged 9) Flatbush Ref Ch

---children of *Joseph Britten*

• **Jeams Britten** (James), bp. 23 April 1707 Port Richmond Ref Ch, Staten Island (wit: Jeams Hanzen and wife) (no

m.

**Elizabeth**

dau. of

b.

bp.

mother's name in bp. record)

---Sources: Staten Island Church Records, Collections of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Vol. IV, 1909

**Britton, Nathaniel**

Nathaniel Britton  
son of Richard Britton<sup>1</sup> &

m. 1660

**Anne Stillwell**

dau. of Nicholas Stillwell &  
(2) Annetje Van Dyke

b. 1643 New Amsterdam

b.

d. 1683 Old Town, Staten Island, NY

---*children of Nathaniel/Daniel Britton & Annetje Stillwell:*

• **Nathaniel Britton**, b. about 1666; d. 1729; m. (1) -?-; m. (2) **Elizabeth Gerrits**

• **Sarah Britton**, b. 1664

• **Ritsard Britton** (Richard), bp. 5 Aug 1668 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Ritsard Derdeman, Annetje Stillewil) (parents in bp. record are: Daniel Britting, Annetje)

• **Rebecca Britton**, m. (NY License: 9 March 1695), **Abraham Cool**

• **Abigail Britton**, b. 1674

---Sources:

[1] Information online Dec 2005, Dutch-colonies List, from "Pamela J. Sears" <pjsears@stratos.net>;

[2] Stilwel, Benjamin Marshall, Early Memoirs of the Stilwell Family: Comprising the Life and Times of Nicholas Stilwell, the Common Ancestor..., 1878, p. 278 online at Google Books;

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

**Brittain, Nathaniel**

Nathaniel Brittain  
son of William Britton &  
Mary Stillwell

m. about 1687

**Mary**

dau. of

b. 1665

bp. 14 July 1678 Flatbush, Brooklyn Ref Ch

d. before 10 April 1708 (1702?)

b.

bp.

d.

Mary sold 400 acres at Old Dorp on Staten Island in 1694; the following year, on 28 Oct 1695, Nathaniel Britton bought a 96-acre tract at New Dorp from Obadiah Holmes, to whom it had been patented by Gov. Andros in 1677.

On 10 April 1708, letters of administration on his estate were granted to his wife, Mary, then wife of Mr. Duchan.

Mary m. (2) before 10 April 1708, Mr. **Duchan** (DuChene; Du Chesne?). She m. (3) **Lambert Garrison** of Staten Island.

He is likely the Nathaniel Brittain, late of Richmond County, died intestate, Letters of administration are granted to his wife, Mary Ducklan, April 10, 1708.<sup>1</sup>

---*children of Nathaniel Brittain & Mary*

• **Nathaniel Brittain**, b. 1688; d. before 13 May 1760 Bybury, PA; m. 13 April 1710, **Elizabeth Saunders**. They removed to PA.

---Sources:

[1] Pelletreau, William S., Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol. II 1708-1728, p. 1 (estate of Nathaniel Brittain);

Monnette, Orra Eugene, First Settlers of Ye Plantations of Piscataway and Woodbridge Olde East New Jersey. The Leroy Carman Press. California. 1932, Part 5, p. 798; Bailey, Rosalie Fellows, Pre-Revolutionary Dutch Houses and Families in Northern New Jersey and Southern New York, 1936 (Reprinted 1968 as a softcover book by Dover Publications), p. 121

**Britton, Nathaniel**

Nathaniel Britton  
son of Nathaniel Britton &  
Ann Stillwell

m. (1)

-?- (Mary Stillwell?)

dau. of

b. 1666

d. before 11 Nov 1729

b.

d.

m. (2) by 1714

**Elizabeth Gerritszen** (Van Oldenburg/de Haes)

dau. of Jan Gerritszen [Van Oldenburg] &

Elizabeth Gysberts

b. about 1688

On 12 Oct 1723, Nathaniel Britton, yeoman, of Richmond County, in consideration of love and affection for his son, conveyed unto Nathaniel Britton, yeoman, of Richmond County, 120 acres on the south side of Staten Island, being the east 3/4 of land conveyed to grantor by Richard Hall and Ann, his wife, on 7 Mar 1703. [RD C:335]. A similar deed was recorded for Nathaniel's other 'elder' son Richard, also on 12 Oct 1723, for land that was purchased in 1703 and 1716 [RD C:254].

In his will, he wrote: June 1, 1729. I, Nathaniel Britton, of Richmond County, Esq., being at this time dangerously ill, whereas it has pleased God to give unto me thirteen children, which are all now living, being six sons and seven daughters, namely, Nathaniel, Richard, Nicholas, Abigail, Elizabeth, Alice, Rebecca, John, Samuel, Mary, Sarah, Rachel, and William. And whereas the first four have been portioned and provided for out of my estate, and the fifth and sixth have been partially provided for. I will that all funeral charges and debts be paid. I leave to my wife Elizabeth, a negro woman, and one third of my personal estate. I leave to my son William, a lot of land, 60 acres, and 6 acres of salt meadow, thereto belonging, situate at the head of Fresh kill, which was sold to me by James Dye. And he is to pay to my grandson, Nathaniel, son of my son Abraham, deceased, £30, when he is of age. If my son William dies without issue, then I leave the above to my sons, John and

Samuel. I leave to my sons, John and Samuel, all my farm or Plantation where I now live, in the South Precinct of Richmond County; lying between the Plantations of Col. Nicholas Britton and Vincent Fountain, Jr., with all appurtenances. The north-east part, joining Col. Nicholas Britton, is to be for my son John; and the southwest part to my son Samuel. The Hommachs, in the Fresh meadow are to be in the part of my son Samuel; and the rest of the meadow equally between them. And they are to pay £250 to six of my daughters, viz.: Elizabeth, wife of James Poillon, Alice, wife of John Cowell, each £25. And to my daughters, Rebecca, Mary, Sarah, and Rachel, each £50 when of age or married. I leave to my grandson Nathaniel, 2 cows and 2 mares. I leave to my son William, £100. To my son Nicholas, 6 shillings. I leave to my sons, John and Samuel, two thirds of my personal estate, and to my wife the use of the farm. I make my wife and my son John, executors. Witnesses, Lewis Stillwell, James Carman, Daniel Sayre, Jr. Proved, November 11, 1729.

Elizabeth Gerritse (Van Oldenburg) m. (2) 16 April 1737 **Abraham Brouwer**, widower of Cornelia Colyer.

*---children of Nathaniel Britton &*

• **Abraham Britton**, d. before 1 June 1729; m. -?-. He had a son Nathaniel, mentioned in his grandfather Nathaniel Britton's 1729 will.

• **Nathaniel Britton**, b. 1688; d. about 1747; m. **Frances -?-**.

• **Richard Britton**

• **Nicholas Britton**

• **Abigail Britton**

• **Elizabeth Britton**, b. 19 Sep 1704; m. **James Poillon**, son of Jean Poillon & Sarah Lake.

• **Alice Britton**, m. **John Cowell**

• **Rebecca Britton**

• **John Britton**

• **Samuel Britton**

• **Mary Britton**

• **Sarah Britton**

• **Rachel Britton**

• **William Britton**, b. abt. Jan 1722/23; m. 30 Nov 1743, **Mary Collins**

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Unrecorded Wills, Vol XI, Prior to 1790, pages 150 & 151 (will of Nathaniel Britton)

### **Brittain, Nathaniel**

Nathaniel Brittain  
son of Nicholas Brittain &  
Frances Stillwell  
d. before 10 Oct 1736

m.

**Martha**  
dau. of

d.

In his will, he wrote: October 2, 1736, I, Nathaniel Brittain, of Staten Island, being very sick. After payment of debts I leave all estate to my wife Martha and my two children Mary and Francis. "As also I do suppose my wife to be pregnant, now with child, if soe, that to have as much as any of the rest." I make my father, Nicholas Brittain and Paul Musho [Micheau?], executors. Witnesses, Barent Martling, Christopher Riley, Ebenezer Salter. Proved, October 10, 1736.

Nathaniel's three daughters, Mary, Francke, and Natalie Brittain, were mentioned in the will of their grandfather, Nicholas Brittain, dated 5 Jan 1740.

*---children of Nathaniel Brittain & Martha*

• **Mary Brittain**

• **Francis Brittain** (Frances)

• **Natalie Brittain**

---Sources: Information online May 1999 from <WayneLII@aol.com> citing Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of New York Wills*, Vol III 1730-1744, page 213; Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol III 1730-1744, p. 287 (will of Nicholas Brittain)

### **Britton, Nathaniel**

Nathaniel Britton  
son of Nathaniel Britton &  
Elizabeth Garrison  
b. 1688  
d. before 24 Feb 1747

m.

**Frances**  
dau. of

b.

d.

It was probably this Nathaniel who was deacon of the Presbyterian church and took his father's earmark on June 25, 1737 (SHGM 1:48). He enlisted in the Militia of 1715 as a private (SIP 1:145) He later became Captain of the West Division, Richmond County, Militia in 1738 and a member of the Expedition to Canada in 1746/47 as stated in his will, which resulted in his demise (NY State Historian's Report; BR 156).

Nathaniel may have left in March 1745 which is when an invasion force of over 4000 New England militia and 4 British ships of war prepared to attack Louisbourg (a fortress at Ile Royale on Cape Breton Island). In the spring of 1744 France had declared war on Britain. The fortress at Louisbourg protected French fishing fleets on the Grand Banks and kept the St. Lawrence River open as a supply route from France to New France (present day Quebec). Privateering ships from Louisbourg had previously captured many New England ships fishing on the Grand Banks but by 1745 the fortress held just over 400 soldiers and 800 sailors/fishermen. Food supplies were low, and it was an ideal time for an attack. After a 7 week seige, Louisbourg surrendered. In 1748 (after peace was declared in Europe) Louisbourg was given back to New France.<sup>1</sup>

According to Van Name's Britton Family genealogy, this Nathaniel 1688-1747, s/o Nathaniel 1666-1729, did not make it

back from his sojourn in Canada, nor have the names of any children ever been recovered for him. No surname has been recovered for his wife Frances. Van Name says it was probably this Nathaniel who was deacon of the Presbyterian church and took his father's earmark on June 25, 1737 (SHGM 1:48). He enlisted in the Militia of 1715 as a private (SIP 1:145) He later became Captain of the West Division, Richmond County, Militia in 1738 and a member of the Expedition to Canada in 1746/47 as stated in his will, which resulted in his demise (NY State Historian's Report; BR 156).<sup>2</sup>

In his will, he wrote: I, Nathaniel Britton, of Staten Island, being in perfect health of body, "but now resolved, with God's assistance, to adventure on the present expedition against Kenede (Canada) now in the possession of the French." I leave to my wife Frances my house and lot in Richmond County, for the support of my family; Also 2 lots of land in Somerset County, in the Jerseys, and my negro wench and all movable estate, and I make her executor. Witnesses, James Egbertse, Benjamin Britton, John McCawl. Proved, February 24, 1746/7.

---Sources:

[1] Information online Dec 1999, Dutch-Colonies List, from "Lorine McGinnis Schulze" <lschulze@bconnex.net>;

[2] Information online Dec 1999, Dutch-Colonies List, from Debbie Barrett <MrsGrinnin@aol.com> citing Van Name, Leonard G., *The Britton Genealogy*, 1970; Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol IV 1744-1753, page 110 (will of Nathaniel Britton)

**Britton, Nathaniel** (Brittain)

Nathaniel Britton  
son of Nathaniel Britton &  
Mary -?-

m. 13 April 1710  
by Rev. John Sharpe<sup>1</sup>

**Elizabeth Saunders**  
dau. of

b. 1688

b.

d. before 13 May 1760

d.

Having sold his property on Staten Island, he removed to Abington, Montgomery Co., PA where he became one of the organizers of the Presbyterian Church there.

"Stillwell Genealogy" p. 125 shows that on 13 Apr 1715 Nathaniel Brittin, yeoman of Richmond County on account of love and affection for his mother, Mary Britten conveyed to her one acre of land lying on the south side of Staten Island, and also the privilege of cutting wood upon his land. Signed the deed with his wife Elizabeth.

Nathaniel Britton died leaving a will dated 15 Jun 1754, proved in Philadelphia 13 May 1760, naming his wife, Elizabeth, mother, Mary Garrison, and children Elizabeth, Mary, John and Rachel. WILL: Dated June 15, 1754; proved May 13, 1760 in which he stated that he was a resident of Bybury, Philadelphia, PA and signed his name Nathaniel Brittain. He mentioned: "wife Elizabeth; my mother, Mary Garrison, who received a legacy during her life, conditioned on dwelling with his wife and son; only son John; eldest daughter Elizabeth Durland; daughter Mary Vansandt; daughter Rachel; sons-in-law, Nicholas Vansandt and Isaac Belue. Executors: John Brittain, Nicholas Vansandt, and Isaac Belue.

---*children of Nathaniel Brittain & Elizabeth Saunders:*

• **Elizabeth Brittain**, b. about 1713; m. 1731 First Presbyterian Ch, Philadelphia, PA, **Lambert Dorland**, son of Jan/John Lammertse Dorland & Barbara Aukes Van Nuys

• **Mary Brittain**, b. about 1722; m. 18 May 1744 Presbyterian Ch, Abington, Montgomery Co., PA, **Nicholas Vansandt**

• **John Brittain**, b. about 1715; m. (as John Brittin) 24 Jan 1751 Presbyterian Ch, Abington, Montgomery Co., PA,

**Eve Dorland** (twin), dau. of Jan/John Lammertse Dorland & Barbara Aukes Van Nuys. Eva was bp. 3 April 1720 Ref Ch Port Richmond, Staten Island.

• **Rachel Brittain**, b. 29 Dec 1724; m. 22 Oct 1747 Presbyterian Ch, Abington, Montgomery Co., PA, **Isaac Billiou**

---Sources:

[1] "Baptismal and Marriage Records 1704-1713" extracted from the journal of Rev. John Sharpe, and was published in "The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography" Vol XXIII (1899) by the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, p. 105;

Information posted online September 2008, Dutch-Colonies List, by Pam Sears <pjssears@stratos.net> citing Elmer Garfield Van Name's Britton Genealogy, published by the Gloucester County [NJ] Historical Society in October 1970, p. 32, 107-108; Pennsylvania Archives, Second Series, Vol. IX, Published under direction of Matthew S. Quay, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Edited by John B. Linn and Wm. H. Egle, M.D., Harrisburg: Lane S. Hart, State Printer, 1880, "Marriage Record of the Abington Presbyterian Church, Montgomery County, 1716 - 1821," pages 181-200, p. 184

**Britton, Nathaniel**

Nathaniel Britton

m.

**Esther Belleville**

---*children of Nathaniel Britton & Esther Belleville:*

• **Sara Britton**, bp. 9 April 1732 Port Richmond Ref Ch, Staten Island (wit: Sara Parein)

---Sources: *Staten Island Church Records*, Collections of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Vol. IV, 1909

**Britton, Nathaniel**

Nathaniel Britton

m.

**Mary** (Fountain)

Nathaniel Britten, cooper, of Castleton [Staten Island] in his will dated 29 Dec 1791, probated 1 Aug 1792, mentioned dau. Catharine, wife of John Bodine; four sons Nathaniel, Joseph, Antone, and William; remainder to be divided equally between his wife, not named, and sons; mentioned grandchildren Mary and Cornelius, to have their father, Abraham Brittain's share if they come to age 21 years.<sup>1</sup>

---*children of Nathaniel Britton & Mary*

• (poss) **Mary Britton**, bp. 23 Sep 1753 St. Andrew's Ch, Richmond, Staten Island (no wit) (no mother's name in bp. record)

• (poss) **Abraham Britton**, m. (NY license 31 Dec 1773<sup>1</sup>), **Phoebe Vanderbilt**, dau. of Cornelius Vanderbilt & Eleanor/Neeltje Van Tuyl. She m. (2) Wilhelmus Cozine, widower of Elinor Haughwout.<sup>1</sup>

• (poss) **Katharine Brittain**, b. 6 April 1757; bp. St. Andrew's Ch, Richmond, Staten Island (no mother's name in bp.

record); m. **John Bodine**

- **Joseph Britton**, b. 15 Nov 1760; bp. St. Andrew's Ch, Richmond, Staten Island
- **Richard Brittain**, b. 22 March 1766; bp. St. Andrew's Ch, Richmond, Staten Island
- **William Britton**, b. 19 Sep 1768; bp. 12 Feb 1769 St. Andrew's Ch, Richmond, Staten Island
- **Nathaniel Britten**
- **Antone Britton**

---Sources:

[1] Replies to Queries, 2004-21 in *New Netherland Connections*, Vol. 9, No. 3 (2004), p. 69 (from Pamela J. Sears <pjsears@stratos.net>); *Staten Island Church Records*, Collections of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Vol. IV, 1909

**Britton, Nathaniel**

Nathaniel Britton m. **Catherine**  
 ---*children of Nathaniel Britton & Catherine*

- **Mary Britton**, b. 4 April 1775; bp. 5 June 1775 St. Andrew's Ch, Richmond, Staten Island
- **Nathaniel Britton**, b. 5 June 1781; bp. 8 July 1781 United Brethren Moravial Ch, Staten Island (no wit)

---Sources: *Staten Island Church Records*, Collections of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Vol. IV, 1909

**Britton, Nathaniel**

Nathaniel Britton m. 31 Oct 1779 **Sarah Pugh**  
 son of Moravian Cong., dau. of  
 Richmond [Staten Island]

---Sources: New York #2, 1740s-1880s Marriage Index online at genealogy.com

**Britain, Nathaniel**

Nathaniel Britain m. (1) **Elsje** (Van Buskirk?)  
 son of dau. of (poss) Cornelius Van Buskirk &  
 Deborah Smith  
 d. by 30 Dec 1804  
 d. m. (2) 30 Dec 1804 **Margaret Bedell**  
 Staten Island, NY dau. of

Nathaniel Britton and Else Van Buskirk resided "at the mill" in Bergen Point, Bergen, NJ during the Revolution, and later (perhaps between 1781-1790, when he possibly appears in the census) having moved to Staten Island.

---*children of Nathaniel Britain & (1) Elsje*

- **Deborah Britain**, bp. 14 Sep 1782 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Abraham & Antje Boogert)
- **Cornelius Britton**
- **Abraham Britton**
- **John Britton**
- **Nathan Britton** (Nathaniel), b. 1793

---Sources: *Baptisms in the Reformed Dutch Church, New York [City]*, 1901 (Collections of the NY Genealogical & Biographical Society, Vol. III); Information posted Sep 2008, Dutch-Colonies List, by Janet <janetbritton@att.net>

**Britten, Nicholas** (Nicolaas)

Nicholas Britten m. **-?-**  
 ---*children of Nicholas Britten &*

- **William Britten**, bp. 11 Oct 1708 Port Richmond Ref Ch, Staten Island (wit: Nicolaes Britten, Rachel Stillwell)

---Sources: *Staten Island Church Records*, Collections of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Vol. IV, 1909

**Britton, Nicholas**

Nicholas Britton m. **Frances Stillwell**  
 son of William Britton & dau. of Thomas Stillwell &  
 Mary Martha Billiou  
 b. 1679 b.  
 bp. 17 Oct 1680 Flatbush Ref Ch bp.  
 d. 1740 d.

In his will, he wrote: ...January 5, 1740. I, Nicholas Brittain, of Richmond County, Gent., being very sick. My wife Francke is to have a good and sufficient maintainance, and to be furnished with good clothes, and a good horse and saddle when she wants to go abroad, also a negro man, with the proviso that she surrender and relinquish the 60 acres of land that she claims to be her own. I leave to my two daughters, Martha Moore and Rachel Brittain, all my lands, messuages, and tenements, and other estate, and they are to pay to my son Nathaniel's 3 daughters, Mary, Francke, and Natalie Brittain, £50 each when of age. They are also to give to Randal Slive, my apprentice, a good horse, saddle, and bridle. I make Samuel Moore and Samuel Holmes, and my two daughters, executors. Witnesses, Richard Stillwell, Vincent Fountain, Salem Comes. Proved before Walter Dongan, Esq., February 27, 1739.

---*children of Nicholas Britton & Frances Stillwell:*

- **Nathaniel Britton**, d. before his parents; m. **Martha -?-**; had children.

• **Martha Britton, m. Samuel Moore**

• **Rachel Britton, m. (Col.) Thomas Dongan**, son of Walter Dongan. He m. (2) Magdalena Charlton, dau. of Rev. Richard Charlton of Staten Island.

---Sources: Bailey, Rosalie Fellows, Pre-Revolutionary Dutch Houses and Families in Northern New Jersey and Southern New York, 1936 (Reprinted 1968 as a softcover book by Dover Publications), p. 130, 150; Pelletreau, William S., Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol III 1730-1744, p. 287 (will of Nicholas Brittain)

**Britton, Nicholas**

Nicholas Britton  
son of

m. 25 Sep 1783  
25 Sep 1783  
Moravian Congregation,  
Richmond, Staten Island

**Judith Johnson**  
dau. of

b.

b.

---Sources: New York #2, 1740s-1880s Marriage Index online at genealogy.com

**Brittain, Peter**

Peter Brittain  
b. about 1682

m.

**Judith (Judy)**  
b. about 1685

They were listed in the Xbr. 9th 1710 List of Inhabitants of New Rochelle -- Peter Brittain, 28; Judy Brittain, 25; Peter Brittain Junr., 03.<sup>1</sup>

---*children of Peter Brittain & Judith*

• **Peter Brittain**, b. about 1707

---Sources:

[1] O'Callaghan, E.B., Documentary History of the State of New York, 1849, Vol. 3, p. 946;

**Brittain, Richard**

Richard Brittain

m.

**Gezelna**

In his will, he wrote: ...I, Richard Brittain, of New York, mariner, being sick. After payment of debts I leave all estate to my loving wife Gezelna, and make her executor. Dated February 4, 1747. Witnesses, John Burnet, Jonathan Morell, Henry Jaimain. Proved, May 4, 1750. The widow, Gazelna Brittain, was then the wife of William Rousby.

Gazelna m. (2) before 4 May 1750, **William Rousby**.

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society (Vol. IV, 1744-1753, pub. 1895), p. ? (will of Richard Brittain)

**Britten, Samuel**

Samuel Britten

m.

**Mary**

d. before 22 Nov 1777

d.

In his will, he wrote: October 22, 1777. I, Samuel Britten, of Richmond County being very sick. I direct all debts to be paid. To my wife Mary the use of all my estate, real and personal, while she remains my widow or until my youngest child is 21, she bringing them up and schooling them. If she marries, she is to have ≈100 and a negro wench, and as much household furniture as will furnish a room. I leave all the rest of my estate to all my children, reconing for one, the child my wife is now pregnant with. Only to my eldest son, James, £20 before any division. [Other children not named.] I make my wife and my uncle, John Poillon, and my brother-in-law, James Guyon, executors." Witnesses, Thomas Frost, Joseph Lake. Proved, November 22, 1777.

---*children of Samuel Britton & Mary*

• **Patience Britten**, bp. 15 Dec 1765 St. Andrew's Ch, Richmond, Staten Island

• **Addra Brittan** (Audra?), b. 7 July 1771; bp. St. Andrew's Ch, Richmond, Staten Island

• **Mary Britton**, b. 31 July 1773; bp. 1 Aug 1773 St. Andrew's Ch, Richmond, Staten Island

---Sources: Pelletreau, William S., Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol IX 1777-1783, pages 14 & 15 (will of Samuel Britten); Staten Island Church Records, Collections of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Vol. IV, 1909

**Britton, Samuel**

Samuel Britton  
son of

m. 24 May 1797  
St. Andrew's Ch,  
Richmond, Staten Island

**Polly La Tourette**  
dau. of

---Sources: Staten Island Church Records, Collections of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Vol. IV, 1909

**Britton, William**

William Britton

m.

**Mary -?-**

b.

b. about 1647

bp.

bp. (as adult ae 31) 14 July 1678 Flatbush Ref Ch

d. 1683 intestate

d.

In Feb 1661 he was "an Englishman living at Mespat (Newtown, L.I.). William Britton was appointed constable at Staten Island in 1678.

Mary Britton, widow, conveyed land on Staten Island to their son, Nathaniel, in 1686.



---*children of William Britton & Mary*

- **William Britton**, b. about 1663; bp. 14 July 1678 ae 15, Flatbush Ref Ch (wit: Ananias Torier, Joris Commens, Nathanael Britton, Pieter Pietersz, Pieter Bolsouw, Thomas Stillewel, Daniel Stillewel, Jan Aukersz) (bp. also rec. Brooklyn Ref Ch); m. **Rachel Stillwell**, dau. of Thomas Stillwell & Martha Billeau. Rachel was b. 1677.
- **Nathaniel Britton**, b. 1665; bp. 14 July 1678 ae 13, Flatbush Ref Ch (wit: Ananias Torier, Joris Commens, Nathanael Britton, Pieter Pietersz, Pieter Bolsouw, Thomas Stillewel, Daniel Stillewel, Jan Aukersz) (bp. also rec. Brooklyn Ref Ch); d. about 1708; m. **Mary -?-**
- **Richard Britton**, b. about 1667; bp. 14 July 1678 ae 11, Flatbush Ref Ch (wit: Ananias Torier, Joris Commens, Nathanael Britton, Pieter Pietersz, Pieter Bolsouw, Thomas Stillewel, Daniel Stillewel, Jan Aukersz) (bp. also rec. Brooklyn Ref Ch)
- **Joseph Britton**, b. about 1669; bp. 14 July 1678 ae 9, Flatbush Ref Ch (wit: Ananias Torier, Joris Commens, Nathanael Britton, Pieter Pietersz, Pieter Bolsouw, Thomas Stillewel, Daniel Stillewel, Jan Aukersz) (bp. also rec. Brooklyn Ref Ch)
- **Benjamin Britton**, b. about 1671; bp. 14 July 1678 ae 7, Flatbush Ref Ch (wit: Ananias Torier, Joris Commens, Nathanael Britton, Pieter Pietersz, Pieter Bolsouw, Thomas Stillewel, Daniel Stillewel, Jan Aukersz) (bp. also rec. Brooklyn Ref Ch)
- **Jan Britton**, b. about 1673; bp. 14 July 1678 ae 5, Flatbush Ref Ch (wit: Ananias Torier, Joris Commens, Nathanael Britton, Pieter Pietersz, Pieter Bolsouw, Thomas Stillewel, Daniel Stillewel, Jan Aukersz) (bp. also rec. Brooklyn Ref Ch)
- **Daniel Britton**, b. about 1676; bp. 14 July 1678 ae 1-1/2. Flatbush Ref Ch (wit: Ananias Torier, Joris Commens, Nathanael Britton, Pieter Pietersz, Pieter Bolsouw, Thomas Stillewel, Daniel Stillewel, Jan Aukersz) (bp. also rec. Brooklyn Ref Ch)
- **Nicholas Britton** (Col.), bp. 17 Oct 1680 Flatbush Ref Ch (wit: Jaques Guion, Sara Casier); m. **Francina Stillwell**, dau. of Thomas Stillwell & Martha Billeau. Francina Stillwell was bp. 31 March 1679 Flatbush Ref Ch (wit: Peter Noe, Maria Arends); d. 1748.

---Sources:

[1] Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of New York Wills Vol I 1665-1707*, page 404 (will of Thomas Stillwell); *Ibid*, Vol III 1730-1744, page 213 (will of Martha De Bonrepos); *Ibid* Vol II 1708-1728, page 77 (estate of Thomas Stillwell)

Flatbush Dutch Church Baptisms, in *Holland Society Yearbook*, 1898, p. 113; Bailey, Rosalie Fellows, *Pre-Revolutionary Dutch Houses and Families in Northern New Jersey and Southern New York*, 1936, p. 149; Voorhees, David William, *Records of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Flatbush, Kings County, New York, Vol. I, 1677-1720*, Holland Society 1998; van der Linde, A.P.G. Jos., *Old First Dutch Reformed Church of Brooklyn, New York First Book of Records, 1660-1752*, Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1983

**Brittain, William**

William Brittain

m.

**Ann**

Ann, widow of William Brittain, m. (2) **Nathan Whitman**.

Whereas William Brittain, of Richmond County, lately died intestate, Letters of administration are granted to his wife, Ann Whitman, April 10, 1708.

---Sources:

[1] Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York*, pub. as *Collections of the New York Historical Society*, Vol. II 1708-1728, p. 1 (estate of William Brittain)

**Britton, William**

William Britton

m.

**Sarah**

31 Dec 1748, Woodbridge, Middlesex Co., NJ, William Britton, yeoman. Bond of Sarah Britton, his widow, and Samuel Moore, of Raway, as administrators. Edward Crowell, Esq., fellow bondsman.

---Sources: *Calendar of New Jersey Wills*, Vol. II, 1730-1750 (online at Ancestry.com), p. 62 (will of William Britton)