

-- **BROOKS** --

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.

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

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Brooks, Abraham

Abraham Brooks m. **Hannah Oglesbey**

---children of Abraham Brooks & Hannah Oglesby:

• **Abraham Brooks**, bp. 23 Feb 1709 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Jan Greergs, Maria Aartze)

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

Broeks, Abraham

Abraham Broeks m. **-?- Spier**

---children of Abraham Broeks & -?- Spier:

• **Cornelis Broeks**, b. 27 Jan 1750; bp. 16 Dec 1750 Second River (Belleville) Ref Ch (wit: Cornelis Van Giesen, Jannetje Deremis)

---Sources: "Baptismal Register of Second River (Belleville) Dutch Reformed Church, 1727-1794" in *The Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey*, beginning Vol. III, No. 2, October 1927, p. 43

Brooks, Abraham

Abraham Brooks m. **Ruthy Ann Vreeland**

---children of Abraham Brooks & Ruth Ann Vreeland:

• **Monson Brooks**, b. 2 Dec 1827; bp. 9 March 1828 Stone House Plains Ref Ch

---Sources: Stone House Plains Ref Ch Baptisms, Online at: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~mqueman/stone.html>

Brooks, David

David Brooks m.

Elizabeth Brower

---children of David Brooks & Elizabeth Brower:

- **Reuben Brooks**, b. 12 Nov 1806; bp. 4 Jan 1807 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
 - **Cornelius Brooks**, b. 6 Nov 1813; bp. 17 April 1814 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
 - **William Brooks**, b. 22 Dec 1815; bp. 5 May 1816 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
 - **Peter Brooks**, b. 29 Jan 1818; bp. 10 May 1818 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
 - **Abraham Brooks**, b. 5 May 1820; bp. 25 May 1823 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
 - **Eliza Jane Brooks**, b. 18 Nov 1822; bp. 25 May 1823 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
- Sources: Stone House Plains Ref Ch, Baptisms, Online at: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~mqueman/stone.html>

Brooks, James

James Brooks m.

-?-

---children of James Brooks &

- **Elizabeth Brooks**, bp. 3 Jan 1768 Presbyterian Ch, Rumbout, NY (no wit) (no mother's name in bp. record)
- Sources: "Presbyterian Church at Rumbout Baptisms" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 68, No. 3, July 1937, p. 296

Brooks, James

James Brooks m. 18 Jan 1807
son of Paramus Ref Ch

Charity Christopher (Gitty)
dau. of John Christopher &
Aaltje Zabriskie

b.
bp.

b.
bp. (poss) 14 Sep 1788 RefCh (North Side)
Staten Island

---children of James Brooks & Charity Christopher:

- **Eliza Brooks**, m. **John Harden** (he d. by Nov 1868)
- **Annylysa Brooks** (Anna Eliza?; Ann), bp. 21 Aug 1808 New Prospect Methodist Ch (Waldwick, NJ);
m. **Richard Ackerson**
- **Jane Brooks**, b. 1816 NYC; bp. 6 April 1817 New Prospect Methodist Ch (Waldwick, NJ)

---Sources: Zabriskie, George Olin, *The Zabriskie Family: A Three Hundred and one Year History of the descendants of Albrecht Zaborowskij (Ca 1638-1711) of Bergen County, New Jersey*, 1963; "Bergen County Church Records: Waldwick United Methodist Church, Marriages and Baptisms, 1797-1847" in *Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey*, Sep 1989, p. 100, 103; 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

Brooks, James

James Brooks m. 18 June 1862
son of

Deborah Waldron
dau. of Resolvert Waldron &
Elizabeth Ten Eyck
b. 6 April 1826 NY
d. 24 Aug 1899

b. Dec 1819 NY
d.

They were listed in the 1880 Federal Census, New York, Orange Co., Warwick, Belvale Village, District 45, p. 2, enumerated 16 June 1880, Dwelling 327, Family 400 (all b. NY, all their parents b. NY except as noted) -- Brooks, James, 60, Head, Manufacturer Woolen Goods, his parents b. England; [Brooks], Deborah, 54, Wife, House Keeper; [Brooks], Wilbur W., 16, Son, Works in Factory; [Brooks], James L., 11, Son.

He was listed in the 1900 Federal Census, New York, Orange Co., Warwick, District 52, p. 30, enumerated 22 June 1900, Dwelling 309, Family 327 (all b. NY, all their parents b. NY except as noted) -- Brooks, James, Head, b. Dec 1819, age 80, Widower, his parents b. England, Spinner Woolen Goods, Owned home; [Brooks], Wilbur W., Son, b. Aug 1863, age 36, Single, Weaver; Waldron, Matilda, S Law [sister in law?], b. Aug 1821, age 78, Single, house keeping.

---children of James Brooks & Deborah Waldron:

- **Wilbur W. Brooks**, b. Aug 1863 NY; m. **Maud S. -?-.**

He was listed in the 1920 Federal Census, California, Santa Clara Co., San Jose, District 163, p. 10, enumerated 7 Jan 1920, 79 No.? 14th Street, Dwelling 136, Family 143 -- Brooks, Wilbur W., Head, Owned home, age 56, , b. NY, Bookkeeper, Real Estate; [Brooks], Maud S., Wife, age 46, b. NY; [Brooks], Esther, Daughter, age 15, b. CA.

- **James L. Brooks**, b. about 1869 NY

---Sources: Riker, James, *Revised History of Harlem...New York*, 1904, p. 711, 723-724;

Brooks, John

John Brooks m.
d. before 3 Jan 1769

Nanne
d.

In his will, he wrote: In the name of God, Amen. I, John Brooks, of Westchester County. September 21, 1767. I leave to my three grandchildren, Rebecca, Isaac, and John Brooks, children of my daughter Jane, £50. If my son Isaac never returns home again, his share is to go to my daughter, Mary Blank, and my grandson, John Brooks. "But if my granddaughter Rebecca,

who is now a Lunatic, never comes to her Senses, her share is to go to my daughter, Mary Blank, after her death." I leave to my daughter, Mary Blank, £50. All the rest to my wife, Nanne Brooks. I make my good friends, Henry Allen, Henry Stocker, and Richard Thorn, executors. Witnesses, Isaac Barnes, Nathaniel Stanley, Miriam Braine, spinster. Proved in Queens County, before Henry Dawson, January 3, 1769.

---children of John Brooks & Nanne

• **Jane Brooks**, m. -?-

• **Isaac Brooks**

• **Mary Brooks**, m. 16 July 1755 NYC Ref Ch, **Paulus Blank**

---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. VII, 1766-1771, pub. 1898), p. 230 (Will of John Brooks)

Brooks, John

John Brook

m.

Hannah Paul (Henna; Ann)

---children of John Brook & Hannah Paul:

• **Joseph Brooks**, b. 16 April 1770; bp. 24 May 1770 Clarkstown Ref Ch (no wit)

• (prob) **Jacob Brooks**, b. 17 Feb 1773; bp. 21 March 1773 (no wit) (no mother's name in bp. record)

• **Catrina Brook**, bp. (or b.) 29 Jan 1776 Clarkstown (no wit)

• **John Brook**, b. 25 Oct 1779; bp. 28 Oct 1779 Clarkstown Ref Ch (no wit)

---Sources: Cole, David, (Clarkstown Ref Church Baptisms, included in) *History of Rockland County, New York*, 1884 (reprinted 1986)

Brooks, John

John Brooks

m.

Mary Coney

b. 1768

b. 1778

---children of John Brooks & Mary Coney:

• **Lavinia Brooks**

• **William Brooks**, b. about 1795; d. 3 April 1846; m. **Nancy DeGroot**

• **Oliver C. Brooks**, b. 11 April 1804; d. 13 July 1879; m. **Catharine Burns**

• **John J. Brooks**, b. 19 Oct 1806; d. 25 Sep 1870; m. **Caroline A. Rose**

• **Brewster Brooks**, b. 6 Nov 1808; d. 12 May 1892; m. **Mercy Dykens**

• **Mary Ann Brooks**, b. 17 Feb (Jan?) 1810; d. 13 Oct 1915; m. 3 July 1830 New Hempstead Presbyterian Ch (Haverstraw Session), Rockland Co., NY, **Peter Ackerman**.

• **Samuel Brooks**, b. 30 April 1813

• **Jane Brooks**, b. 17 Nov 1815; m. **William McCauley**

• **Hiram Brooks**, b. 1 Sep 1818; m. **Margaret -?-**

• **Nathaniel Brooks**, b. 4 Oct 1821

---Sources: Information online Nov 1999, NJ-Bergen-List, from Joan Brooks <jcbrooks@spyrall.net>

Brooks, John I.

John I. Brooks

m.

Hannah Deniston

son of Jonathan Brooks &
Hettie Lewis

dau. of

b. 1774

b. 1779

d. 1852

d. 1807

---children of John I. Brooks & Hannah Deniston:

• **Charles Edward Brooks**, b. 1805; d. 1875; m. **Adeline Cannon**

---Sources: *Genealogical record, Saint Nicholas Society of the City of New York*, 1905, p. 25, online at <<http://historical.library.cornell.edu/cgi-bin/cul.nys/docviewer?did=nys059&view=50&frames=0&seq=5>>

Brooks, Jonathan

Jonathan Brooks

m.

Hannah Bloomfield

b. 1722

b. 1725

---children of Jonathan Brooks & Hannah Bloomfield:

• **Jonathan Brooks**, b. 1748; d. 1811; m. **Hettie Lewis**

---Sources: *Genealogical record, Saint Nicholas Society of the City of New York*, 1905, p. 25, online at <<http://historical.library.cornell.edu/cgi-bin/cul.nys/docviewer?did=nys059&view=50&frames=0&seq=5>>

Brooks, Jonathan

Jonathan Brooks

m.

Hettie Lewis

son of Jonathan Brooks &
Hannah Bloomfield

dau. of

b. 1748

b.

d. 1811

d.

---children of Jonathan Brooks & Hettie Lewis:

• **John I. Brooks**, b. 1774; d. 1852; m. **Hannah Deniston**

---Sources: Genealogical record, Saint Nicholas Society of the City of New York, 1905, p. 25, online at <<http://historical.library.cornell.edu/cgi-bin/cul.nys/docviewer?did=nys059&view=50&frames=0&seq=5>>

Broeks, Joshua (Jozua)

Joshua Broeks
son of

m. about 31 Jan 1731
Kinderhook Ref Ch

Geeszie Bond
dau. of

---Sources: Vosburgh, Royden Woodward, Records of the Reformed Dutch Church of Kinderhook, Columbia County, NY, Vol. 1 (online at New York Genealogical & Biographical Society)

Brooks, Michal (Michel)

Michael Brooks

m.

Anne McKuen

---*children of Michael Brooks & Anne McKuen:*

- (poss) **John Brooks**, b. 29 Dec 1776; bp. 1 March 1777 Clarkstown Ref Ch (no wit)
- (poss) **Catrin Brooks**, b. 29 Dec 1776; bp. 1 March 1777 Clarkstown Ref Ch (no wit)

---Sources: Cole, David, (Clarkstown Ref Church Baptisms, included in) History of Rockland County, New York, 1884 (reprinted 1986)

Broeks, Richard

Richard Broeks

m.

Sara

---*children of Richard Broeks & Sara*

• **Jards Brooks**, b. 27 April 1777; bp. 27 April 1777 Bergen Ref Ch (wit: Gergs Maeds, Samalli Richard, Ann Matkins)

---Sources: Versteeg, Dingman, and Thomas E. Vermilye, Jr., with contributions by Nicholas G. Vreeland, et. al., Bergen Records: Records of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Bergen in New Jersey, 1666 to 1788 (excerpted and reprinted from Year Books of the Holland Society of New York, 1913, 1914, 1915) Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1976; reprinted for Clearfield Co., Inc., 1990

Brooks, Reuben

Reuben Brooks

m.

Fanny

b. about 1809

b. about 1819

Reuben Brooks, 41, laborer, and Fanny, 31, were listed in the 1850 Federal Census, living in Hackensack Township, Bergen County, NJ. Listed living with them were Mary, 12; Belinda, 10; Catharina, 8; Abbey, 6; Sarrah, 1; David Gilder-sleeve, 8; and George A. Bloomer, 17, at school.

---*children of Reuben Brooks & Fanny*

- **Mary Brooks**, b. about 1838
- **Belinda Brooks**, b. about 1840
- **Catharina Brooks**, b. about 1842
- **Abbey Brooks**, b. about 1844
- **Sarah Brooks**, b. about 1849

---Sources: 1850 Federal Census, New Jersey, Bergen County, Hackensack Township, taken August 1850, dwelling 345, family 365 (family of Reuben Brooks)

Brooks, Samuel

Samuel Brooks

m.

Margaret

b. about 1818

b. about 1817

Nicholas Hammond, head of household, 50, carpenter, and Mary, 50, were listed in the 1850 Federal Census, living in Manchester Township, Passaic County, NJ. Listed living with them were: John, 18; Catherine, 23; and Albert, 12. Listed living in the same dwelling, but a separate family, were: Samuel Brooks, 32, wood turner, Margaret Brooks, 33; Leonard Brooks, 10; Mary A. Brooks, 8; Delia Brooks, 7; Sarah M. Brooks, 5; and Samuel Brooks, 1.

---*children of Samuel Brooks & Margaret*

- **Leonard Brooks**, b. about 1840
- **Mary A. Brooks**, b. about 1842
- **Delia Brooks**, b. about 1843
- **Sarah M. Brooks**, b. about 1845
- **Samuel Brooks**, b. about 1849

---Sources: 1850 Federal Census, New Jersey, Passaic County, Manchester Township, taken Aug 1850, dwelling 169, family 259 and 260

Brooks, Thomas

Thomas Brooks

m.

Susanna Laurier

---*children of Thomas Brooks & Susanna Laurier:*

- **Selley Brooks**, b. 16 July 1784; bp. 5 Sep 1784 Acquackanonk Ref Ch (no wit)

---Sources: Kelly, Arthur, Vital Records of the Protestant Dutch Reformed Church at Acquackanonk, 1977 (reprinted 1992)

Brooks, Thomas

Thomas Brooks

m.

Ann

son of

dau. of

b. abt. 1785

b. 1787

They lived at Stony Point, Rockland Co., NY.

All seven children were baptized 18 Dec 1821 at New Hempstead Presbyterian Church.

---children of Thomas Brooks & Ann

- **Walter Brooks**, b. abt. 1818; d. abt 1872 North Haverstraw, NY; m. **Dorcas Youmans**
- **Daniel Brooks**
- **John Brooks**
- **Robert Brooks**
- **Hannah Brooks**
- **Samuel Brooks**
- **William Brooks**

---Sources: "Brooks" Query in Newsletter of the Genealogical Society of Rockland County, December 1987

Brooks, Walter

Walter Brooks

m.

Dorcas Youmans

son of Thomas Brooks &

dau. of

Ann

b. abt. 1818

b. abt. 1824

d. abt 1872 North Haverstraw, NY

d. betw 1854-1860

---Sources: "Brooks" Query in Newsletter of the Genealogical Society of Rockland County, March 1986, p. 4

Brooks, William

William Brooks

m.

Helena Jacobus (Lena)

---children of William Brooks & Helena Jacobus:

- **Catharine Brooks**, b. 25 March 1800; bp. 4 May 1800 Second River Ref Ch (no wit)
- **Maria Brooks**, b. 26 Nov 1801; bp. 3 Jan 1802 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
- **Abraham Brooks**, b. 29 Nov 1803; bp. 1 Jan 1804 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
- **Jannetje Brooks**, b. 8 May 1806; bp. 8 June 1806 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
- **Rachel Brooks**, b. 26 Sep 1808; bp. 1 Jan 1809 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
- **Sarah Brooks**, b. 27 Aug 1811; bp. 1 Dec 1811 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
- **Ann Brooks**, b. 24 Nov 1813; bp. 1 May 1814 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
- **Henry Brooks**, b. 10 Jan 1817; bp. 29 June 1817 Stone House Plains Ref Ch

---Sources: Stone House Plains Ref Ch, Baptisms, Online at: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~mqueman/stone.html>; [Register of baptisms, births, marriages, membership of the Dutch Reformed Church at Second River, New Jersey, 1794-1848](#), Newark, N.J.: Nova Caesarea Chapter, D.A.R., 1929 (Online at HeritageQuest through Godfrey Library)