

-- BURHANS --

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 source citations.

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Burhans, Barent

Barent Burhans
son of Jan Burhans &
Helena Traphagen

m. 5 March 1704
Kingston Ref Ch

Margareta Jansen [Van Keuren]

dau. of Jan Mattysen [Van Keuren] &
Magdalena Blanchan

In the Kingston Ref Ch record of their marriage, they were: Barent Burhans, j.n. born in Braband, and Margriet Tyssen, j.d. born under the jurisdiction of Kingstouwn, and both resid. under the jurisdiction of Kingstouwe.

Margareta, wife of Barent Burhans, was mentioned in the 3 Oct 1719 will of her father, Jan Mattysen.

---children of Barent Burhans & Margrietjen Jans [Van Keuren]:

- **Magdalena Borhans**, bp. 8 Jan 1706 Albany Ref Ch (wit: Jan and Magdalena Matthyse)
- **Johannes Borhans**, bp. 26 Aug 1711 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Mathys Jansz, Hiletjen Borhans)
- **Catryna Borhans**, bp. 10 Jan 1714 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Jan Chroekm Catryntjen Jansz)
- **Jacob Borhans**, bp. 22 July 1716 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Willem Borhans, Rachel Brink)
- **Elisabeth Borhans**, bp. 24 Aug 1718 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Jan Plog, Elisabeth Borhans)

---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 II 1708-1728, page 160 (will of Jan Mattysen); Hoes, Roswell Randall, *Baptismal and Marriage Registers of the Old Dutch Church of Kingston...*, 1891 (reprinted 1997 by Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD); *Records of the Reformed Dutch Church of Albany, New York 1683-1809*, Marriages, Baptisms, Members, Etc., excerpted from the Year Books of the Holland Society, NY, reprinted by Clearfield Publishing Co., 1999

Burhans, Cornelius

Cornelius Burhans
b. about 1764

m.

Maria Ten Broeck

b. about 1760

d. 27 Nov 1831 age 67.0.28
buried Kingston Ref Chyd

---Sources: Roney, Lila James, "Inscriptions of the Ancient Gravestones in the Churchyard of the Old First Dutch Reformed Church at Kingston, N.Y." in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Oct 1927 (Vol. 58, No. 4), p. 321

d. 2 Dec 1828 age 68.6.16
buried Kingston Ref Chyd

Burhans, Daniel, Jr.

Daniel Burhans Jr.

In his will, he wrote: In the name of God, Amen, June 1, 1761. I, Daniel Burhans, Jr., of Brabant, in the Corporation of Kingston, being weak and sick. I leave to my brother, Jacob Burhans, my wagon and three sleds, "and my part of the plough and harrow," and all my farming tools, and my horse and colt and pistols, and my two negroes, "and all things which are belonging to housekeeping in the house." I leave to my brothers Wilhelmus and Jacob "all my clothes belonging to my body." To Barent Whitaker, son of Edward, my new gun. To Barent, son of Wilhelmus Burhans, my old gun. To Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel Dubois, £15. To the heirs of my brother Johanes, deceased, one seventh of all the rest of my estate, real and personal, and 1/7 to my sister Helena, wife of Philip Vielen, and to my sister Margaretie, wife of Samuel Dubois, and to my sister Catharine, wife of Samuel Whitaker, and to the heirs of my late sister Elizabeth, wife of Johanes Van Wagenen, and to my brother Wilhelmus and my brother Jacob, each one seventh of my estate. I make my father, Jacob Burhans, and my friend and neighbor, James Hamilton, executors. Witnesses, James Whitaker, Phillip Meller, Edward Whitaker, Jr. Proved, July 1, 1761.

---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, p. 96 & 97

Burhans, Jacob

Jacob Burhans

m.

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---*children of Jacob Burhans &*

• **Jan Burhans, m. Helena Traphagen**

Burhans, Jan (Jan Jacobs Burhans)

Jan Burhans

m.

Helena Traphagen

dau. of William Jansen Traphagen &

Jannetje Groevis

d. before Oct 1708

Jan Jacobs Burhans arrived 16 April 1663 on the "Bonte Koe."

In her will, she wrote: (Written in Dutch language.)--In den Name des Heeren, Amen, October 19, 1708. I, Helena Burhans, widow of Jan Burhans, of Kingston, in Ulster County, being sick in body. I leave to my son, David Burhans, my negro slave "Robin." To my daughter Elizabeth, wife of Jan Pleogh, my negro "Dick." All the rest of my estate I leave to my children, Barent, William, Abraham, Isaac, Samuel, and David Burhans, Helitie, wife of Edward Whitaker, Janake, wife of Peter Dubois, Elizabeth, wife of Jan Pleigh, and the children of my son, Johanes Burhans, deceased. I make my sons, Barent and William, executors. Witnesses, Jan Petersen Osterhout, William Traphagen, Jr., Gerritt Van Wagenen. Proved, May 11, 1732.¹

---*children of Jan Burhans & Helena Traphagen:* (12 children)

• **Janake Burhans, m. Peter/Pierre Dubois.**

• **Helitje Burhans** (Hilletje), m. 18 June 1700 Kingston Ref Ch, **Edward Whitaker**

• **Jacob Burhans**, bp. 2 March 1679 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Wessel Ten Broeck, Annetie Matysse)

• **Barent Burhans**, bp. 24 April 1681 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Johannis Trophaegen); m. **Margriet Matthyssen [Van Keuren]**, dau. of Jan Mattysen [Van Keuren] & Magdalena Blanchan.

• **Johannes Burhans**, bp. 27 Aug 1682 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Jan Hendricz, Rebecca Traphaage); d. before Oct 1708.

• **Lysbeth Burhans** (Elizabeth), bp. 7 July 1684 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Joosie [surname not given], Willem Traphagen); m. **Jan Pleogh**

• **Willem Burhans**, bp. 7 March 1686 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Pieter Pieterz, Geertruy Hendric)

• **Hendrick Boerhans**, bp. 6 Nov 1687 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Henderick Traphagen, Magdalena Schenck); d. 1720-1732 Kingston, Ulster Co., NY

• **Abraham Borhans** (twin), bp. 28 Jan 1692 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Cornelis Hogenboomm Johannes Wynkoop, Annetje Slegt, Maria Ten Eyk)

• **Isak Borhans** (Isaac) (twin), bp. 28 Jan 1692 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Cornelis Hogenboomm Johannes Wynkoop, Annetje Slegt, Maria Ten Eyk)

• **Samuel Burhans**, bp. 3 June 1694 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Wilhelm de Meyer, Catrina Bayard)

• **David Bourhansse**, bp. 24 Nov 1695 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Aart Teunisse, Annetje Jillisse)

---Sources:

[1] Pelletreau, William S., *Abstracts of New York Wills*, Vol III 1730-1744, p. 61;

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

Burhans, Johannes (Borhans)

Johannes Burhans

m.

Margriet Leg (Legg)

dau. of Willem Legg &

Susanna Merritt

son of

bp. bp. 27 Jan 1684 Kingston Ref Ch
 Margriet Legg m. (2) 7 April 1726 Kingston Ref Ch, **Barent Van Benthuyzen**, widower of Jannetjen Van Wageningen.
---children of Johannes Burhans & Margriet Legg:
 • **Susanna Borhans**, bp. 18 March 1711 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Willem Leg, Susanna Maroe); apparently d.y.
 • **Susanna Borhans**, bp. 19 Dec 1714 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Wiljem Leg, Zusanna Meeri-mond)
 • **Wiljem Borhans**, bp. 16 June 1717 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Willem Borhans, Zara du Bois)
 • **Helena Borhans**, bp. 19 April 1719 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Eduwert Witticher, Hillettjen Borhans)
---Sources: Hoes, Roswell Randall, Baptismal and Marriage Registers of the Old Dutch Church of Kingston..., 1891 (reprinted 1997 by Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD);

Burhans, Jan W.

Jan W. Burhans son of	m. 20 Jan 1785 Katsbaan Ref Ch (both of Ulster Co.)	Catharina Post dau. of
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---Sources: "Marriages of the Dutch Reformed Church of Katsbaan in Saugerties, Ulster County, New York" in New York Genealogical & Biographical Record, Vol. 91, No. 1, Jan 1960, p. 22

Burhans, Jan

Jan Burhans son of	m. 21 Jan 1795 Katsbaan Ref Ch (he of Bethlehem; she of Jericho)	Engeltje Myby [Mabie?] dau. of
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b. b.
---Sources: "Marriages of the Dutch Reformed Church of Katsbaan in Saugerties, Ulster County, New York" in New York Genealogical & Biographical Record, Vol. 91, No. 1, Jan 1960, p. 24

Burhans, John (John Jeraalman Burhans)

John Burhans son of Samuel Burhans & Margaret Jeraalemon b. 7 April 1783 bp. 18 May 1783 Totowa Ref Ch d. 11 June 1850 age 67.2.4 They lived at Oldham, NJ (now Haledon).	m. 9 July 1807 Paramus Ref Ch	Sally Hopper dau. of Capt. John Hopper & Mary Cooper b. 16 May 1785 (or 5 June 1785 bp. record) bp. 5 Sep 1785 Paramus Ref Ch d. 23 July 1873 age 77.2.7
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On 20 June 1803 (recorded 4 Jan 1804, Bergen Co. R:262) Lawrence Van Norden and Hendrickie his wife, of the County of Bergen, conveyed to John Burhanse of the County of Bergen, for \$90, a small lot of 4 acres strict measure in the Township of Saddle River, beginning at corner of lot of the Widow Margaret Burhanse. Bounded S by Richard Degray, W by land now or late of Jacob Ackerman, N by Jacob Berdan, and E by land of said Lawrence Van Norden. Signed by Laurence Van Order, Hankie Van Norder (her mark). Witnessed by Michael Ortley, Caty Berdan.¹

Samuel Burhans, 35, farmer, and Ellen, 27, were listed in the 1850 Federal Census, living in Manchester Township, Passaic County, NJ. Listed living with them were: Eliza, 9; Mary, 6; Anna, 1; Ellen McWilliams, 27; and John D. Romine, 20, laborer. Also living with them were: Sally Burhans, 64; Jan, 25; and John 67, farmer.

---children of John Jeraalman Burhans & Sally Hopper:

- **Son Burhans**, b. 19 July 1808; d. 3 Aug 1808
- **John Hopper Burhans**, b. 15 July 1809; bp. 6 Aug 1809 Acquackanonk Ref Ch (no wit); m. **Augusta Westerfield**.
- **James Burhans**, b. Aug 1812 (Bible); d. 16 March 1874 age 62.1.1
- **Samuel Burhans**, b. 4 Aug 1814 (Bible); m. 18 Nov 1840 (Bible), **Ellen/Eleanor Merselis**
- **Maria Burhans**, b. 11 Dec 1816 (Bible); m. 10 May 1841 (Bible), **John Jacob Zabriskie**
- **Jane Burhans** (Sarah Jane Boyd Burhans), b. 29 July 1823 (Bible); m. 12 Dec 1854 Second Ref Ch of Paterson, (Rev.) **John Hudson Duryea**, widower.

---Sources:

[1] Bergen County, NJ Deeds, at Bergen Co., Division of Cultural & Historic Affairs, Hackensack, NJ, abstracted by Patricia A. Wardell; Westervelt, Frances A., *Bergen County New Jersey Marriage Records*, 1929, Paramus, p. 71; Kelly, Arthur, *Vital Records of the Protestant Dutch Reformed Church at Acquackanonk*, 1977 (reprinted 1992); Clayton, W. Woodford & Nelson, William, *History of Bergen and Passaic Counties, New Jersey*, Philadelphia 1882, p. 560; 1850 Federal Census, New Jersey, Passaic County, Manchester Township, taken Aug 1850, dwelling 300, family 424; Nelson, William, *History of the Old Dutch Church at Totowa [Paterson, NJ]*, 1892 including Baptisms 1756-1808; Hopper, Maria Jean Pratt, *The Hopper Family Genealogy: Descendants of Andries Willemszen Hoppe(n)*, 2005 (Sally Hopper is no. 589)

Burhans, John Hopper

John Hopper Burhans son of John J. Burhans & Sally Hopper b. 15 July 1809 bp. 6 Aug 1809 Acquackanonk Ref Ch	m.	Augusta Westerfield dau. of b. about 1820 bp.
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John H. Burhans, 41, farmer, and Augusta, 30, were listed in the 1850 Federal Census, living in Manchester Township, Passaic County, NJ. Listed living with them were: William, 4; Bridget Miller, 21; John Upham, 55, laborer; Sally Westerfield, 70; Charlotte Westerfield, 40; and Martin Westerfield, 8.

---children of John Hopper Burhans & Augusta Westerfield:

- **William Burhans**, b. 16 Oct 1845; bp. 4 May 1855 Second Ref Ch, Paterson, NJ
- **Charles Burhans**, b. 14 July 1850; bp. 4 May 1855 Second Ref Ch, Paterson, NJ
- **Sarah Hopper Burhance**, b. 19 Sep 1852; bp. 27 July 1853 Second Ref Ch, Paterson, NJ

---Sources: 1850 Federal Census, New Jersey, Passaic County, Manchester Township, taken Aug 1850, dwelling 301, family 425; Second Reformed Church at Paterson, NJ, Baptisms 1828-1882 online March 2001 at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~njpchsgc/chu/second_reformed_chu.htm>

Burhans, Samuel (Zamuel Borhans)

Samuel Burhans
son of

m. 16 Dec 1720
Kingston Ref Ch
(banns 27 Nov 1720
Kingston Ref Ch)

Janneken Brink
dau. of

b. Brabant (section of Kingston), NY

b. Kingston, NY

In the Kingston Ref Ch record of their marriage, they were: Zamuel Borhans, j.m., born in Brabant [Brabant], and Janneken Brink, j.d., born under the jurisdiction of Kingstown.

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

Burhans, Samuel

Samuel Burhans
son of Jan Burhans &
Catherine Whitaker

m. 1782
Totowa

Marregriet Jeralemon
dau. of John Jeralemon &
Elizabeth Ryerson

b.
bp. 16 Nov 1755 Kingston Ref Ch
d. before 25 May 1798

b. 12 Apr 1750
bp. 20 May 1750 Second River (Belleville) Ref Ch
d. 19 Sep 1830

Samuel Burhans fought in the Continental Army in the Revolutionary War, after which he came from New York State to New Jersey.

On 25 May 1798 (recorded 4 Jan 1804, Bergen Co. R:259) Lawrance Van Buskirk of the Township of Saddle River conveyed to Margaret Burhans of the same Township, widow, for £232, 10 shillings, 23-1/4 acres strict measure, in the same Township, beginning on Main Road that leads from the Town of Paterson to Wagraw; mentions land heretofore sold by Uriah Westervelt to Samuel Burhans; mentions corner John Earl's Shop; Lawrence Van Norden's house. Signed by Laurens Van Buskirk. Witnessed by Abel McPherson, Abrm. Willis.¹

---children of Samuel Burhans & Marregriet Jeralemon:

- **Johannes Yeralemon Burhans** (John Jeroleman Burhans), b. 7 Apr 1783; bp. 18 May 1783 Totowa Ref Ch (wit: De Vader en Moeder); d. 11 June 1850 age 67.2.4; m. 9 July 1807 Paramus Ref Ch, **Sally Hopper**, dau. of Capt. John Hopper & Mary Cooper.
- **Catrina Burhans**, b. 26 June 1785; bp. 24 July 1785 Totowa Ref Ch (wit: De Vader en Moeder); m. **Peter Westervelt**.
- **Samuel Burhans**, b. 17 Jan 1788; bp. 24 Mar 1788 Totowa Ref Ch (wit: De Vadeer en Moeder)
- **Jacobus Borhans**, b. 25 Sep 1789; bp. 18 Oct 1789 Totowa Ref Ch (wit: De Vader en Moeder); apparently d.y.
- **Jacobus Borhans**, b. 20 Oct 1791; bp. 4 Dec 1791 Totowa Ref Ch (wit: De Vader en Moeder)

---Sources:

[1] Bergen County, NJ Deeds, at Bergen Co., Division of Cultural & Historic Affairs, Hackensack, NJ, abstracted by Patricia A. Wardell; Nelson, William, History of the Old Dutch Church at Totowa [Paterson, NJ], 1892 including Baptisms 1756-1808; Clayton, W. Woodford & Nelson, William, History of Bergen and Passaic Counties, New Jersey, Philadelphia 1882, p. 560; Ryerson, Albert Winslow, The Ryerson Genealogy, 1916, p. 12

Burhans, Samuel

Samuel Burhans
son of John J. Burhans &
Sarah Hopper
b. about 1815

m. 18 Nov 1840
Paterson, NJ, by Rev.
E. Wiggins¹

Ellen Merselis (Ellenor; Mercelis)
dau. of Cornelius E. Mercelis &
Cornelia? Van Saun
b. about 1823

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---children of Samuel Burhans & Ellen

- **Eliza Jane Burhans**, b. 27 April 1841; bp. 9 Jan 1842 Second Ref Ch, Paterson, NJ
- **Mary Burhans**, b. 21 Jan 1845; bp. 18 Jan 1846 Second Ref Ch, Paterson, NJ
- **Anna Burhans**, b. about 1849

---Sources:

[1] Sawyer, Ray C., New Jersey Marriages, as published in the Christian Intelligencer of the Reformed Dutch Church from 1830 to 1871, Vols. 1 & 2, pub. 1932-1933 (reprinted 1998 in one vol., by Bergen Historic Books); 1850 Federal Census, New Jersey, Passaic County, Manchester Township, taken Aug 1850, dwelling 300, family 424; Second Reformed Church at Paterson, NJ, Baptisms 1828-1882 online March 2001 at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~njpchsgc/chu/second_reformed_chu.htm>