

-- CARSTENG, KARSTENG --

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.

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**Karsteng, Gideon**

Gideon Karsteng  
son of

m. about 1705

**Catharina Cokever** (Tryntje)  
dau. of (prob) Alexander Cokever &  
(1) Judith Jans (or (2) Winifred -?-)  
d. 23 June 1759 NYC<sup>1</sup>

d. 11 Aug 1759 NYC

He was said to have been a Frenchman and a Huguenot refugee. He was a rope-maker in NYC.<sup>1</sup>

On 22 May 1717 (Minutes of the Common Council of New York, Vol. III, p. 141) -- Ordered Gideon Kersteng, Rope-maker, have Liberty to Exercise his Trade in the Street called Fairstreet, lying between Spring Garden and the house and ground of Mr. Cure and Running Easterly, he taking Care that no person, horses, Carts, &c., be Obstructed in passing and Repassing the said street &c."<sup>2</sup>

Catharine/Tryntje Cokever was mentioned in the will dated 14 Sep 1750 of her brother, John Cokever, in which he calls himself "very aged and infirm" and refers to her as "my sister Trineche Castang" and elsewhere in the will as "Treneche Casstang."

Gideon Karsteng, along with Judith Karsteng, h.v.v. Hermanus Bensing, witnessed the baptism 12 Aug 1744 NYC Ref Ch, of Margarita, dau. of Gusberr Gerritse & Margarita Leshner.

---*children of Gideon Karstang & Catharina Cokever:*

- **Jan Caston**, bp. 13 Aug 1706 Tarrytown Ref Ch (wit: Pieter Sie, Pietronelle his wife) (no mother's surname in bp. record); d. before 4 June 1733; m. before 11 March 1730, **Elsie Gretten/Grietman**, dau. of William Gretman & Margaret -?-. She m. (2) 4 June 1733 (as widow "van Jan Carstang van Hamstede"), Samuel Makre.
- **Maria Castan**, bp. 1 June 1708 Tarrytown Ref Ch (wit: Herrik Krankheyt, Maria Cocheweer) (no mother's surname in bp. record); d 26 Nov 1774 NYC; m. (1) -?- **Isles**; m. (2) 12 Aug 1733 NYC Ref Ch, **Adolphus/Adolph Bras/Brass**.
- **Martha Castang**, bp. 14 May 1710 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Theunis Van Woert, Maria Huysman); m. (prob) before Nov 1747.

**John Karby** (Caerbi)

- **Jannetje Castang**, bp. 21 April 1712 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Isaac Van Deurse, Jannetje Cokever); d. after 2 Oct 1763; m. 14 Aug 1737 NYC Ref Ch, **Pieter White**
- **Isaac Kastang**, bp. 2 May 1714 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Jan & Christina Marinus)
- **Gideon Castang**, bp. 6 May 1716 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Servaas Vliereboom, Catharina Schott); d.y.
- **Catharina Castang**, bp. 2 Feb 1718 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Isaac Blank, Lisia Blank); m. 5 Aug 1742 NYC Ref Ch, **Pieter Margezin** (Margeson)
- **Judith Castang**, bp. 24 April 1720 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Pouwelus Hoppe, Marretje Hoppe); m. (1) 30 June 1742 NYC Ref Ch, **Herman Benson**, son of Harman Benson & Aeltie Bicker; m. (2) 4 Oct 1746 NYC Ref Ch, **William Nicholson**, widower
- **Pieter Castang**, bp. 1 April 1722 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Pieter Marviel, Isabel Marviel). He was likely the Pieter Carstang who was a mariner and one of a crew of 80 of the Brigantine *Dolphin*, a private Man of War of the City of New York, “who on 13 Aug 1747, executed a Power of Attorney to his commanding officer, Capt. Michael Beezley to collect monies due.” (N.Y. Conv., Liber 133, p. 168)<sup>2</sup>
- **Gideon Castang**, bp. 3 May 1724 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Jacob Quackenbos, Anna Elizabeth Quackenbos); d. before 1791; m. 1748, **Susanna Walgrave**, dau. of Joris Walgraaf & Magdalena Lesjer.

---Sources:

[1] Kerr, John Clapperton, “Who Was the Tryntie (Catharine) Cockever Who Married Gideon Carstang (168?-1759)?” in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, July 1927 (Vol. 58, No. 3), p. 209;

[2] Kerr, John Clapperton, “Gideon Carstang (168?-1759) and Some of His Descendants” in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, July 1927 (Vol. 58, No. 3), p. 221; *Baptisms in the Reformed Dutch Church, New York [City]*, 1901 (Collections of the NY Genealogical & Biographical Society, Vol. III); Cole, David, *First Record Book of the “Old Dutch Church of Sleepy Hollow”...The First Reformed Church of Tarrytown, NY*, 1901

**Carsteng, Gideon**

Gideon Carsteng  
son of Gideon Carstang &  
Catharina Cockever  
bp. 3 May 1724 NYC Ref Ch  
d. before 1791

m. 1748

**Susanna Walgraaf**

dau. of Joris Walgraaf &  
Magdalena Lesjer  
bp. 25 May 1729 NYC Ref Ch  
d. before 11 Aug 1796

Gideon Carstang was a life long resident of NYC, living for many years on the south side of Fair Street (now Fulton Street), between Nassau and Dutch Streets. He was a rope-maker, and registered as such 21 June 1748.

He was a Tory during the Revolution.

Her will was dated 3 Oct 1691, probated 11 Aug 1796, in which she calls herself a widow and mentioned “my loving children John Carstang, Mary Carstang, Magdalena Hopson, Gideon Carstang, Susanna Twaddle and George Carstang” and disposes of her house and lot of ground in Catharine Street.

She was a member of the John Street M.E. Church and is listed as such in 1787 and 1790.

---children of Gideon Carsteng & Susanna Walgraaf:

- **Susanna Carsteng**, bp. 26 March 1749 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Adolph Bras, Maria Carsteng, z.h.v.); m. (1) 7 Aug 1768 Luth Ch NY, **Francis Van Wagenen**; m. (2) **James Twaddle**; they removed to St. Johns, New Brunswick.
- **Catharina Carstang** (twin), bp. 14 Nov 1750 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Pieter Whith, Jannetje Carstang, syn h.v.); apparently d.y.
- **Magdalena Carstang** (twin), bp. 14 Nov 1750 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Joris Walgraaf, Magdalena Lesser, Wed, Van Joris Walgraaf); apparently d.y.
- **Gideon Kersteng**, bp. 20 Nov 1751 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Gideon Kersteng, Catharina Kockever, z. huis v.); d. before 26 Jan 1818 [New Castle, Westchester Co., NY?]; m. (1) **Mary Burris/Burrows**; m. (2) **Catharine Fowler**.
- **Magdalena Certenge**, bp. 16 Jan 1754 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Pieter Margesen, Magdalena Lasjer, Wed. Van Joris Wallegraaf); d. prob. before 1799; m. **-?- Hopson**
- **Catharina Carsting**, bp. 21 July 1756 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Catharina Brass, j.d., Adolph Bras, Junr.)
- **Maria Carsting**, bp. 31 Aug 1757 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Gysbert Gerritse, Elizabet Collens, z.h.v.). She was unmarried; was a member of the John Street M.E. Church in 1790; was suspended from fellowship on 15 April 1793 for “reproachful language.” She was a schoolmistress in 1792.
- **Jannetje Kersting**, bp. 2 Oct 1763 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Pieter Wihte, Jannetje Kersting, z.h.v.)
- **George Kersteng**, bp. 3 Nov 1765 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Pieter Whyt, Elizabet Burbank, z.h.v.). He was named in his mother’s will and in 1799 joined in the transfer of real estate left by her.
- **John Kersting**, bp. 22 Jan 1769 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Francis Van Wagenen, Susanna Kersting, z.h.v.); m. 5 Jan 1794 Trinity Ch, NYC, **Elizabeth Mowow**<sup>1</sup>

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[1] Kerr, John Clapperton, “Gideon Carstang (168?-1759) and Some of His Descendants” in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, July 1927 (Vol. 58, No. 3), p. 228; *Baptisms in the Reformed Dutch Church, New York [City]*, 1901 (Collections of the NY Genealogical & Biographical Society, Vol. III); “Lutheran Church Marriages in New York City [1752-]” in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 73, No. 4, Oct 1942, p. 264

**Carstang, Gideon**

Gideon Carstang  
son of Gideon Carsteng &  
Susanna Walgraaf  
bp. 20 Nov 1751 NYC Ref Ch  
d. before 26 Jan 1818 [New Castle, Westchester Co., NY?]

m. (1) about 1772

m. (2) 11 May 1779

**Mary Burris/Burrows**

dau. of

bp.  
d. about 27 July 1776  
**Catharine Fowler**

Trinity Ch, NYC

dau. of John Fowler &

He was a rope-maker.

---children of Gideon Carstang & (1) Mary Burris/Burrows:

- **John Carstang**, b. about 1774-5; d. about 1823; m. 13 March 1796 Christ P.E. Ch, NYC, **Eleanor Ackerson**
- **Gideon Carstang**, b. about 27 July 1776; d. 30 June 1849 NYC; m. (1) **Phebe Huestis**; m. (2) **Gertrude Bennett**

---children of Gideon Carstang & (2) Catherine Fowler:

- **William Burras Carstang**, b. 24 Jan 1780; bp. 13 Feb 1780 Trinity Ch Parish, NYC (wit: Gideon & Catharine Carstang, & Daniel Many); d.y.
- **Mary Burrows Carstang**, b. 31 Jan 1781; bp. 11 Feb 1781 Trinity Ch Parish, NYC (wit: Francis & Jane Sawyer, Ann Warner); d.y.
- **William James Carstang**, b. 31 Dec 1781; bp. 20 Jan 1782 Trinity Ch, NYC (wit: William Sutton, Dan. Many & the Mother); d.y.
- **James Mahoney Carstang**, b. 9 Oct 1783; bp. 19 Oct 1783 Trinity Ch, NYC (wit: Gideon Carstang, John Callennon, Jane Callennon); d. 1844; m. **Sarah Hathaway**
- **Susannah Carstang**, b. 5 Oct 1785; bp. 9 Oct 1785 Trinity Ch Parish, NYC (wit: George, Catherine and Susanna Carstang) (no mother's surname in bp. record); d. 6 Dec 1850; m. **Jonathan Woolsey**
- **Mary Burrows Carstang**, b. 3 Nov 1787; bp. 18 Nov 1787; d.y.
- **William Thomas Burrows Carstang**, bp. 18 Dec 1791; d.y.

---Sources:

[1] Kerr, John Clapperton, "Gideon Carstang (168?-1759) and Some of His Descendants" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, July 1927 (Vol. 58, No. 3), p. 230; O'Brien, Michael J. In *Old New York*, 1928, Reprint, Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore 1997, p. 186; "Records of the Trinity Church Parish, New York City" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 68, No. 3, July 1937, p. 279; "Records of Trinity Church Parish" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 68, No. 4, Oct 1937, p. 380; "Records of the Trinity Church Parush, New York City" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 69, No. 1, Jan 1938, p. 61; "Records of Trinity Church Parish" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 69, No. 2, April 1938, p. 156; "Records of Trinity Church Parish, New York City [Marriages]" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 71, No. 2, April 1940, p. 185; "Records of Trinity Church Parish, New York City [Baptisms]" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 90, No. 4, Oct 1959, p. 212

### **Karstang, Jan**

Jan Karstang

m.

son of Gideon Carstang &  
Catharine Cockever

bp. 13 Aug 1706 Tarrytown Ref Ch  
d. before 19 May 1733

Jan Carstang was a cooper.

Elsje Grietman m. (2) (as widow "van Jan Carstang van Hamstede") 4 June 1733 NYC Ref Ch, **Samuel Makre**, j.m. from Ireland.

---children of Jan Karstang & Elsjje Grietman:

- **Catharina Karstang**, bp. 11 March 1730 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Gideon Karstang, Catharina Karstang)

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

### **Carstang, Karsteng Women:**

**Jannetje Kersteng**, m. before 1745, **Pieter Wyd** (de Witt?)