

-- GRIGGS --

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.

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

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Griggs, Benjamin

Benjamin Griggs m.
son of John Griggs &
Martha Lake
b. about poss. 1688 Gravesend
bp.
d. betw. 23 Marc 1762 & 20 Jan 1768 Griggstown,
Franklin Twp., Somerset Co., NJ

---children of Benjamin Griggs & Margerietje Janse/Johnson:

- **John Griggs**, b. about 1715 Gravesend; d. before 20 Jan 1758 Toms River, Monmouth Co., NJ; m. -?-
- **Samuel Griggs**, bp. 20 Sep 1717 Gravesend Ref Ch (wit: Samuel Griggs, Martha Griggs); d. after 13 Feb 1770 & before 20 Feb 1772 South Ward, New Brunswick, Middlesex Co., NJ; m. **Willemptje Terhune**, dau. of Albert Terhune & Elizabeth -?-.
- **Barend Griggs** (Barent), bp. 13 July 1718 Gravesend (mother's name in bp. record is Martha) (wit: John Gridge, Antje Gridge); m. **Jacomentje Gulick**, dau. of Johannes Gulick & Rensje Van Sicklen
- **Benjamin Griggs**, m. (poss) 23 June 1763 Freehold, Monmouth Co., NJ, **Jacomyntje Sutphen**, dau. of Dirck Sutphen & Grietje Van Pelt
- **Daniel Griggs**, m. **Anne Moone**, dau. of (Dr.) Jacob Moone & Anne -?- of Rocky Hill, Somerset Co., NJ
- **Reuben Griggs**, d. between 31 Jan 1765 & 18 March 1765. He never married. He was a physician.
- **Martha Griggs**, m. **Rem Vanderbeek**

Margerietje Janse/Johnson

dau. of Jan Barentse Van Driest (Van Zutphen) &
Jannetje Willemse Van Barkeloo
b.
bp. 20 Nov 1695 Flatbush Ref Ch
d.

• **Jannetje Griggs** (Jane), m. **Adrian Bennett**

• **Eleanor Griggs**, m. (1) **Theodore Monfort**; m. (2) **John Sutphen**

---Sources: Divine, Peter. Gravesend Ref Ch Records, transcription July 2001, from LDS Microfilm #1016877, Item #2, originally transcribed by Dingman Versteeg, online July 2001 at <<http://olivetreegenealogy.com/nn/church/gravesend1.shtml>>; Streeter, Perry, "The Griggs Family of Gravesend and New Jersey" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 137, No. 2, April 2006, p. 122

Griggs, Daniel

Daniel Griggs
son of John Griggs &
Martha Lake

b. about 1689 Gravesend

d. before 14 Nov 1759 Amwell Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ

m. (1) about 1714
or earlier

m. (2)

Catharina

dau. of

b.

d.

Jacomyntje Gulick

dau. of Jochem Gulick &

Jacomyntje Teunis Van Pelt

In his will, dated 22 Aug 1757 Amwell Township, Hunterdon Co., NJ, Daniel Griggs mentioned Wife, Jacomincha. Children--John, Joacham, Daniel, Samuel, Catline, Mary and Margaret. Home farm; land on Mount Carmel, bought of Charles Cox. Personal estate. Executors--the four sons. Witnesses--Samuel Hulluck (Hulick), Martin Schuffels (?), (signs in German script), Jacob Mattison, Proved Nov. 4, 1759. (Lib. 10, p. 124.)

---*children of Daniel Griggs & (1) Catharina*

• **Leben Griggs** (Feben; Phebe), bp. 25 Sep 1715 Gravesend Ref Ch (wit: John Griggs, Martha Griggs his dau.)

---*children of Daniel Griggs & (2) Jacomyntje Gulick*:

• **John Griggs**, b. NJ; d. before 3 Aug 1805 Amwell Township, Hunterdon Co., NJ; m. **Catherine Bower**, dau. of Philip Bower of Amwell.

• **Joakem Griggs** (Joachim; Jochem), b. 28 Aug 1723; d. 18 Sep 1806; m. **Anna Bennet**

• **Daniel Griggs**, d. before 27 Sep 1762 Amwell Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ, apparently unmarried and childless

• **Samuel Griggs**, b. about 1740 NJ; d. before 29 Oct 1812 Amwell Twp., Hunterdon Co., NJ; m. **Catherine -?-**

• **Catherine Griggs** (Catline), m. **Peter Williamson**, son of William Williamson

• **Mary Griggs**, m. **Thomas Peterson**, son of Thomas Peterson & Antje Lammerts

• **Margaret Griggs**, d. before 2 April 1805; m. **Harpert Peterson**, son of Thomas Peterson & Antje Lammerts

---Sources: Divine, Peter. Gravesend Ref Ch Records, transcription July 2001, from LDS Microfilm #1016877, Item #2, originally transcribed by Dingman Versteeg, online July 2001 at <<http://olivetreegenealogy.com/nn/church/gravesend1.shtml>>; Streeter, Perry, "The Griggs Family of Gravesend and New Jersey" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 137, No. 2, April 2006, p. 124; *Calendar of New Jersey Wills*, Vol. III, 1751-1760 (online at Ancestry.com) (will of Daniel Griggs)

Griggs, John

John Griggs

m. (poss 1)

m. (poss 2)

-?-

Martha

(widow of **Obadiah Wilkins**)

---*children of John Griggs & Martha*

• **John Griggs, Jr.**, m. **Annatje Willemsen**, dau. of Willem Willemsen & Mayken Pieterse Wyckoff.

Griggs, John, Jr.

John Griggs, Jr.
son of John Griggs &
Martha Lake

b. poss. about 1686

bp.

d. before 14 April 1761 [Gravesend], Kings Co., NY

m. about 1715

Annatje Willemsen (Anna)

dau. of Willem Willemsen &
Mayken Pieterse Wyckoff

b.

bp. 29 May 1695 Gravesend

d. after 19 May 1773

---*children of John Griggs & Antje Willemsen*:

• **Maria Griggs**, bp. 30 Dec 1716 Gravesend Ref Ch (wit: William Williamse, Martha Griggs); m. (poss) **Samuel Garretsen**

• **Martha Griggs**, bp. 26 April 1719 Gravesend Ref Ch (wit: Benjamin Griggs, Margrieta Griggs); m. (1) **John Van Dyke**, son of Hendrick Van Dyke & Engeltie [Terhune?]; m. (2) **Adolph Benson**

• (prob) **Rachel Griggs**, bp. 11 Sep 1726 New Brunswick, NJ

• **John Griggs**, b. before 1731' m. (prob) NY license dated 2 Feb 1758, **Martha Schenk**

• (prob) **Willem Griggs**, b. before 1731

• **Lydia Griggs**, bp. 25 Feb 1732/3 New Utrecht; m. 16 June 1757 **Joost Van Brunt**, son of Rutgert Van Brunt & Elizabeth Van Voorhees. They lived at Jamaica, Queens Co., NY. Joost m. (2) Elizabeth Duryea.

• **Ann Griggs**, m. (prob) NY license 12 Aug 1755, **Bernardus Voorhees**

---Sources: Divine, Peter. Gravesend Ref Ch Records, transcription July 2001, from LDS Microfilm #1016877, Item #2, originally transcribed by Dingman Versteeg, online July 2001 at <<http://olivetreegenealogy.com/nn/church/gravesend1.shtml>>; Garretson, Aline L., "The Gerritsen-Willemsen Family Record, and the Williamson Family of Gravesend," *The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record* [July 2002], p. 170; Streeter, Perry, "The Griggs Family of Gravesend and New Jersey" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 137, No. 2, April 2006, p. 120

Griggs, John

John Griggs

John Griggs of Tom's River, Monmouth Co., NJ, farmer, d. before 20 Jan 1758, on which date intentions to administer his estate were filed, Bond of Nicholas Veghte, of Somerset Co., principal creditor, as Adm'r; Barnt Griggs, of Middlesex Co., fellowbondsmen. (Lib. F, p. 486.)

---Sources: Calendar of New Jersey Wills, Vol. III, 1751-1760 (online at Ancestry.com) (estate of John Griggs)

Grigg, John

John Grigg m.
son of

b. 7 May 1765
d. 22 April 1852

buried St. Paul's Ch Cem, Eastchester, Westchester Co., NY

---Sources: Spies, Francis Ferdinand, St. Paul's Church, Eastchester, NY Gravestone Inscriptions with Genealogical Notes, Mount Vernon, NY 1931 (online at Ancestry.com), p. 48

Mary Pell

dau. of Joshua Pell &
Abigail Archer

b. 2 Aug 1769
d. 2 Jan 1841

buried St. Paul's Ch Cem, Eastchester, NY

Griggs, John (Griggs)

John Griggs m. 18 Feb 1825¹
son of

b. 18 June 1798 NJ (or NY)
bp.

d. 1882 Wolcott, Wayne Co., NY²

They were listed in the 1850 Federal Census, New York, Wayne Co., Wolcott, p. 45, enumerated 31 July 1850, Dwelling 360, Family 360 (all b. NY) -- John Griggs, 53, Joiner, value real estate \$1100; Ann [Griggs], 45; Jane [Griggs], 23; Lansing [Griggs], 13.

They were listed in the 1860 Federal Census, New York, Wayne Co., Wolcott, p. 52, enumerated 2 Nov 1860, Dwelling 515, Family 515 (all b. NY) -- John Griggs, 64, Farmer, value real estate \$1550, value personal estate \$640; Ann [Griggs], 46; Jane [Griggs], 34; Lansing [Griggs], 24.

They were listed in the 1870 Federal Census, New York, Wayne Co., Town of Wolcott, Red Creek? P.O., p. 41, enumerated 30 June 1870, Dwelling 321, Family 332 (all b. NY) -- Griggs, John, 74, Farmer, value real estate \$2500, value personal estate \$1500; [Griggs], Ann, 66, Keeping House; [Griggs], Jane, 45. Listed just before them was the family headed by Alanson (age 34) & Maryetta W. (age 39) Griggs.

They were listed in the 1880 Federal Census, New York, Wayne Co., Wolcott, District 194, p. 36, enumerated 16 June 1880, Dwelling 432, Family 452 -- Griggs, John, 83, Retired Farmer, b. NJ, his parents b. England; [Griggs], Ann, 78, Wife, Keeping House, b. NY, her parents b. CT; [Griggs], Maria, 42, Daughter, Single, Keeping House, b. NY. Listed just after them was the family headed by Lanson (age 42) & Margaret A. (age 35) Griggs.

---*children of John Griggs & Ann Dunham Haring:*

• **Jane Grigs**, b. 3 Feb 1826

• **Lansing Griggs**, b. about 1836 NY; m. **Margaret A. -?-** (and/or **Maryette W. -?-**)

• **Mary Ann Griggs** (Maria), b. April 1838 NY; m. about 1855, **George Lafayette Horton**², son of (poss) John Horton & Rachel Sweet. George Lafayette Horton was b. 7 July 1834 Boston, Erie Co., NY.

---Sources:

[1] The Haring Family Note Book 1810, Transcribed by Louise Burnett, online July 2001 at <<http://www.dutchdoorgenealogy.com/>>;

[2] Family Tree posted online at Ancestry.com;

Grigg, Joseph

Joseph Grigg m.
d.

Mary

d. before 7 Nov 1695

In her will, she wrote: I, Mary Grigg, of New York, widow, being at present sick in body." "I leave to Lydia Rose my black crape suit." Legacies of wearing apparel to Mary Holland and Elizabeth Bulkeley. Legacies to Robert Stevenson, when 21, Deliverance Chaddock and Katharine Potter. "To the Poor of New York £10." "To my son, Jacob Smith, £100." Leaves to Lieut. John Bulkeley and Wm. Bickley, executors, "all my housing and ground in New York" to enable them to pay debts and legacies. "And if it should happen that notwithstanding the sorrowful tydings of the death of my beloved husband Joseph Grigg (which hath been reported) hee shall yet remain in the land of the living, and shall returne to New York before my estate is disposed of by my executors, he is to have it upon paying debts and legacies." Dated October 26, 1695. Witness, David Jamieson. [NOTE.--The husband, Jacob Grigg, never returned, and on January 20, 1699, John Bulkeley sold to William Bickley "one half of a certain house and lot, then in tenure of Sarah Lane and known by the sign of the Three Cornish Daws. Being in the street called the Cingell or Wall street. Being the house and lot bequeathed to them by Mary Grigg, widow, deceased." This house and lot was on the south side of Wall street, east of William street.--W. S. P.] New York on November 7th, 1695, the last will of Mary Grigg was proved, and Letters of administration granted to Lieutenant John Bulkeley and William Bickley, executors.

---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 I 1665-1707, p. 258 (will of Mary Grigg)

Griggs, Robert (Robbert Greges; Griecx)

Robert Griggs
son of

m. 16 Dec 1694
NYC Ref Ch
(License 15 Dec 1694)

Helena Fell (Lena)
(widow of **Jean Le Montez**)
dau. of Simon Fell & Annetje Vincent
bp. 3 June 1660 NYC Ref Ch
d.

bp.

d. prob. before 16 Oct 1700

In the NYC Ref Ch record of their marriage, they were: Robbert Grege, Mariner, en Helena Fellart, Wede Van Jean Le Montez, beyse wonende alhier.

In his will, he wrote: I, Robert Griggs, of New York, mariner, "being now bound on a voyage beyond Seas, and knowing that all People are mortal." I leave to my wife's daughter, Rachel Montes, £50, silver money, and a negro girl about 14 years old, and now in Jamaica, West Indies. I leave to my wife Lena (Helena) 1/2 of my estate, and the other 1/2 "to the children that are or may be begotten before my decease." "And my wife shall take care to bring up her children in the best way and manner, as it doth become any mother to do" (children not named). I make my wife executor. Dated April 26, 1695. Witnesses, Giles Shelley, Richard Potter, Samuel Burgess, John Barbarie. Proved, February 16, 173 2/3. The widow, Helena Griggs, whose first husband was John Le Montes, married Caleb Cooper. She left a daughter, Mary Cooper, who married Archibald Campbell, merchant, and a son John Le Montes. The widow Helena Griggs, alias Cooper, alias Le Montes, died without having proved the will, and Archibald Campbell, and wife Mary, and John Le Montes, were appointed administrators.

Helena Griegs, Wede., along with Jan Vinsent, witnessed the baptism 16 Oct 1700 NYC Ref Ch, of Jan, son of Willem Adams & Maria Pieters.

Helena Fell m. (3) **Caleb Cooper**. As Helena Cooper, she wrote a will 24 May 1726 (see under Cooper, Caleb).

---children of Robert Griecx/Griggs & Helena Fell:

- **Margareta Griecx**, bp. 13 Oct 1695 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Georgius Schrogie, Jannetje Griecx); not mentioned in mother's 1726 will.

---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; Baptisms in the Reformed Dutch Church, New York [City], 1901 (Collections of the NY Genealogical & Biographical Society, Vol. III); 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, pages 91 & 92 (will of Robert Griggs)

Gricks, Sander

Sander Gricks

m.

Mary

---children of Sander Gricks & Mary

- **Sarah Gricks**, b. 2 Nov 1712 at Oudman's Kill; bp. 30 April 1713 NYC Luth Ch (at house of Pieter Lassen in the Lange Rack beyond the Highlands) (wit: Pieter & Catharina Lassen)

---Sources: "Some Early Records of the Lutheran Church, New York" published in Holland Society Yearbook, 1903, p. 54

Griggs, Thomas (Greegs)

Thomas Griggs
son of John Griggs &
Martha Lake

m.

Lena Du Puy (Magdalena)
dau. of Jean/John DePuy &
Petroneltje Swaim

b. about 1692 Gravesend

b.

---children of Thomas Griggs & Lena Du Puy:

- **Martinus Greegs**, bp. 18 Oct 1719 Staten Island Ref Ch (wit: Jan du Puy, Susanna du Puy)
- **Pieternelle Greegs**, bp. 7 May 1721 Ref Ch Port Richmond, Staten Island (wit: Nicolas dupuy, Neeltje Dekkers)
- **Anna Greegs**, bp. 20 May 1722 Staten Island Ref Ch (wit: Barent Chjristopher)
- **John Greegs**, bp. 19 April 1724 Staten Island Ref Ch (wit: Francois Bodin, Maria Dey)
- **Maria Greegs**, bp. 12 Dec 1725 Staten Island Ref Ch (no wit); m. 26 Nov 1741, **Abraham Van Middleswarth**

---Sources: Staten Island Church Records, Collections of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, Vol. IV, 1909; Streeter, Perry, "The Griggs Family of Gravesend and New Jersey" in New York Genealogical & Biographical Record, Vol. 137, No. 2, April 2006, p. 127

Unplaced Griggs Women

Mary Greegs, m. 16 Dec 1718 NYC Ref Ch, **John Lorton**

Rachel Griggs, m. 26 Aug 1725 NYC Ref Ch, **Jeremias Davis**

Wibroe Griggs, m. (1) -?- **Pierson**; m. (2) **John Cooper**