

-- HANCOCK --

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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Hancock, Jacob

Jacob Hancock
son of

m. 2 Nov 1853
Greenwich Ref Ch, NYC

Hester Decker
dau. of

She was a member of the Second Ref Ch of Paterson from 1859-1871.

---Sources: Vosburgh, Royden Woodward, Records of the Reformed Dutch Church at Greenwich in the City of New York, p. 174 (online at New York Genealogical & Biographical Society); Wells, Theodore W., The pastor and the church, or, Rev. John H. Duryea, D.D., and the Second Reformed Church at Paterson, N.J., New York: Board of Publication of the Reformed Church in America, 1984 (Marriages, Baptisms, Members), p. 112 (online at HeritageQuest);

Hancock, John (Jan Handkock)

John Hancock
son of

m.

Jannetje Van Blarcom (Jenne)
dau. of Anthony Van Blarcom &
Maria Ryerson

Jannetje Van Blarcom had a son who was bp. "at the home of Adrian Van Houten by the Bridge": **David**, b. 2 Oct, bp. 26 Nov 1775 Totowa (wit: Hendrick Jacobusse and Lena Van Blerkom).

He is likely the John Hancock who was listed on the 1790 March, June 1792, June 1793, 1797, July 1813, and Aug 1816 Tax lists for Saddle River Township, Bergen Co., NJ.¹

John Hancock owned considerable land at Haledon, including the site of the residence formerly occupied by the late William S. Hudson; he bought this property from Cornelius Van Blarcom and Tryntje his wife, Henry A. Van Blarcom and Caty his wife, and others; he sold it to John Lambert in 1819.

---children of John Hancock & Jenne Van Blarcom:

- **Anthoni Handkock** (Anthony), b. 13 Sep 1789; bp. 18 Oct 1789 Totowa Ref Ch (wit: De Vader en Moeder)
- **Tomas Hencok** (Thomas Hancock), b. 7 June 1793; bp. 30 June 1793 Totowa Ref Ch (wit: De vader en Moeder)
- **William Hencock**, b. 7 Sep 1795; bp. 17 Jan 1796 Totowa Ref Ch (wit: De Vader en Moeder). He lived at Small Lots
- **Maria Hencock**, b. 31 May 1798; bp. 1 July 1798 Totowa Ref Ch (wit: Mert Van Blarcom an Antye Van Veht); prob. d.y.
- **Polly Hencock**, b. 31 May 1799; bp. 16 June 1799 Totowa Ref Ch (wit: De Vader en Moeder)

---Sources:

[1] New Jersey Census, 1772-1890 online at Ancestry.com;

Nelson, William, *History of the Old Dutch Church at Totowa [Paterson, NJ], 1892 including Baptisms 1756-1808*; Nelson, William, *History of the City of Paterson and the County of Passaic*, 1901, p. 220; Zabriskie, George Olin, "The Van Blarcom Family of New Jersey" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, April 1969, p. 76

Hancock, John (Rev.)

John Hancock
son of John Hancock &
Mary
b. about 1777 NJ

m. 3 April 1802

Phebe Ward

dau. of David Ward &
Hamutal Ladner
b. 30 Oct 1781 NJ

They lived in East Madison, Morris Co., NJ.

They were listed in the 1850 Federal Census, New Jersey, Morris Co., Chatham Township, Dwelling 74, Family 87, enumerated 16 Sep 1850 (all b. NJ) -- John Hancock, 73, Clergyman Meth., value property 7000; Phebe [Hancock], 68; Mary G. [Hancock], 38. Living in the same dwelling, Family 88 -- Monroe [Hancock], 30; Sarah A. [Hancock], 30; George H. [Hancock], 7; Albert Doremus, 18.

---*children of John Hancock & Phebe Ward:*

- **Jane Hancock**, b. 8 Oct 1803; m. 22 Feb 1835, **Vincent B. Budd**, widower of Nancy Ladner, and son of (Dr.) John C. Budd
 - **John Wesley Hancock**, b. 30 Aug 1805 NJ; m. 17 Dec 1828, **Mary Anne G. Griswold**, dau. of Chauncy Griswold & Polly -?-. She d. 15 Feb 1849. John Wesley Hancock m. (2) **Eliza -?-**.
 - **Phebe Hancock**, b. 16 Oct 1807; d. 28 March 1823
 - **Mary Graham Hancock**, b. 4 Nov 1814 NJ
 - **Monroe Hancock**, b. 26 Feb 1817 NJ; m. **Sarah A. Cole** (Sally), dau. of Henry Cole. They were listed in the 1860 Federal Census, New Jersey, Morris Co., Chatham Township, Chatham P.O., Dwelling 229, Family 229 (enumerated 2 July 1860) (all b. NJ) -- Monroe Hancock, 42, Farmer, value real estate 10,000, value personal estate 1000; Sarah A. Hancock, 45, Lady; George H. Hancock, 17, Apr. Jeweler; Wm. F. Hancock, 10; Martha E. Cole, 17, House Work; Swain Thackera, 40, Silversmith.
 - **Emeline Hancock**, b. 8 March 1819; d. 23 Nov 1836
- Sources: Littel, John, *Genealogies of the first settlers of Passaic Valley and Vicinity above Chatham with their Ancestors and Descendants. Passaic Valley, New Providence, 1852* (online at Ancestry.com)

Hancock, John

John Hancock
son of

m. 24 Apr 1810
Acquackanonk, by Rev.
J. Henry Schoonmaker

Peggy Lyons (Lions)

dau. of

---Sources: "Essex County Marriage Records (Acquackanonk; by Rev. J. Henry Schoonmaker)" in *Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey*, April 1936, p. 36; Kelly, Arthur, *Vital Records of the Protestant Dutch Reformed Church at Acquackanonk*, 1977 (reprinted 1992)

Hancock, John

John Hancock
son of

m. 25 Dec 1811
Acquackanonk, by Rev.
J. Henry Schoonmaker

Hannah Youmans

dau. of

---Sources: "Essex County Marriage Records (Acquackanonk; by Rev. J. Henry Schoonmaker)" in *Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey*, April 1936, p. 36; Kelly, Arthur, *Vital Records of the Protestant Dutch Reformed Church at Acquackanonk*, 1977 (reprinted 1992)

Hancock, John Wesley

John Wesley Hancock
son of (Rev.) John Hancock &
Phebe Ward
b. about 1806 NJ
d.

m. (1) 17 Dec 1828

Mary Anne G. Griswold

dau. of Chauncy Griswold &
Polly -?-

b.
d. 15 Feb 1949

m. (2)

Eliza -?-

He was listed in the 1850 Federal Census, New Jersey, Morris Co., Chatham Township, Dwelling 70, Family 83, enumerated 16 Sep 1850 (all b. NJ) -- John W. Hancock, 44, Surveyor, value property 4000; Phebe [Hancock], 17; John E. [Hancock], 14; Marvin G. [Hancock], 10; Mary A. [Hancock]; Roswell M. [Hancock], 4?; Robert H. [Hancock], 2? or 7?; Eliza McCarl, 28.

They were listed in the 1860 Federal Census, New Jersey, Morris Co., Chatham Township, Chatham P.O., Dwelling 226, Family 226 (enumerated 2 July 1860) -- John W. Hancock, 55, Surveyor & Farmer, value real estate 8000, value personal estate 2000, b. NJ; Eliza Hancock, 51, Lady, b. NJ; John Hancock, 24, Surveyor, value real estate 2800, b. NJ; Carra? S. Hancock, Lady, b. PA; Mary A. Hancock, 19, Seamstr.?, b. NJ; Roswell M. Hancock, 14, b. NJ; Robert W. Hancock, 12, b. NJ;

Thomas Donahue, 26, Labor, b. Ireland.

They were listed in the 1870 Federal Census, New Jersey, Morris Co., Chatham Township, Madison P.O., Dwelling 596, Family 617 (enumerated 5 July 1870) (all b. NJ) -- Hancock, John W., 65, Surveyor, value real estate 10,000, value personal estate 1500; [Hancock], Eliza, 61 Keeping House; [Hancock], Roswell, 23, Farmer; [Hancock], Robert, 22, Clerk in store; Conklin?, Joseph, 13, Farm laborer.

---children of John W. Hancock & (1) Mary Anne G. Griswold:

- **Jane Hancock**, b. 9 Nov 1829; d. 20 July 1833
- **John Wesley Hancock**, b. 6 Jan 1831; d. 22 July 1833
- **Phebe Hancock**, b. 17 April 1833 NJ
- **John Emory Hancock**, b. 18 Dec 1835 NJ
- **Ellen Hancock**, b. 6 Nov 1837; d. 4 June 1839
- **Mervin Griswold Hancock**, b. 25 Dec 1839 NJ
- **Mary Anne Hancock**, b. 20 Dec 1841 NJ
- **Roswell M. Hancock**, b. 24 Sep 1845 NJ
- **Robert Harris Hancock**, b. 1 Feb 1848 NJ

---Sources: Littel, John, *Genealogies of the first settlers of Passaic Valley and Vicinity above Chatham with their Ancestors and Descendants*, Passaic Valley, New Providence, 1852 (online at Ancestry.com)

Hancock, Thomas (Hancock)

Thomas Hancock m. **Anne**

Anne -?- m. (2) 20 April 1692 NYC Ref Ch (with License), **Thomas Shaw**.

---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

Hancock, Thomas

Thomas Hancock m. **Neeltje Johnson**

---children of Thomas Hancock & Neeltje Johnson:

- **John Hancock**, bp. 24 Jan 1768 NYC Ref Ch (wit: John Johnson, Catharina Van Wyck, z.h.v.)

---Sources: NYC Reformed Dutch Church Baptisms, in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Apr 1898, p. 87

Hancock, Thomas

Thomas Hancock m. **Betsey Cartwright**

---children of Thomas Hancock & Betsey Cartwright:

- **Maria Hancock**, b. 26 Nov 1815; bp. 21 April 1816 Acquackanonk Ref Ch (wit: Rachel Simmons)

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

Hancock, William

William Hancock m. 11 Aug 1758 **Hannah Sise** (Siese)

son of NYC Ref Ch dau. of

NY m. license:

b. 9 Aug 1758 b.

---Sources: "New York Marriage Licenses, 1756 and 1758" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Oct 1871, p. 199; *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

Hancock, William

William Hancock m. (1) 26 May 1817 **Mary Harris** (Polly)

son of (prob) John Hancock & Saddle River Landing dau. of

Jannetje Van Blarcom by Wilhelmus Eltinge

b. (Paramus Ref Ch) b. d. bef. Sep 1834

m. (2) abt. 13 Sep 1834 **Hannah Terhune**

He is likely the William Hancock listed on the June 1819 Tax List for Saddle River Township, Bergen Co., NJ.²

---children of William Hancock & (1) Mary Harris:

- (poss) **Jane Hancock**, b. about 1817; d. 5 Jan 1853 Saddle River, Bergen County, NJ, aged 36, of consumption¹;

m. **Jacob Goetschius**

- **Nancy Hencock**, b. 7 March 1821; bp. 8 April 1821 Paramus Ref Ch
- **Mary Hencock**, b. 5 Oct 1823; bp. 2 Nov 1823 Paramus Ref Ch
- **John Anthony Hencock**, b. 1 Feb 1828; bp. 2 March 1828 Paramus Ref Ch
- **Jacob Hencock**, b. 18 April 1832; bp. 20 May 1832 Paramus Ref Ch

---Sources:

[1] "Vital Records, Township of Washington, Bergen Co., NJ" copied 1991 by Mrs. Basil LoPresti, Polly Wyckoff Chapter, NSDAR;

[2] NJ Tax Lists Index 1772-1822 online at Ancestry.com;

Randolph, Howard S. F., and Russell Bruce Rankin, *Paramus...Reformed Dutch Church Baptisms...Together with Records from the Gravestones...*, 1935; Martha Ann Zabriskie Memorandum Book (Typescript at Bergen County Historical Society Library); Westervelt, Frances A., *Bergen County New Jersey Marriage Records*, 1929, p. 85; 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

Hancock, William

William Hancock

m.

Maria (poss. Post?)

b. about 1796-1805 NY (Ireland?)

b. about 1813-20 NJ

1850 Federal Census, New York, New York Co., New York Ward 17, Family 2816 -- William Hancock, 26, Shoe Maker, b. Ireland; Maria/Marya/Mary? [Hancock], 30, b. Ireland; Elizabeth [Hancock], 2, b. NY.

1860 Federal Census, New Jersey, Passaic Co., Paterson North Ward, Dwelling 735, Family 944 (living in same dwelling with family of Elis. Terhune, 50) -- Wm. Hancock, 55, Shoemaker, b. NY; Maria [Hancock], 46, b. NJ; Elis. [Hancock], 13, b. NY.

1870 Federal Census, New Jersey, Passaic Co. (Reel M593-885), Paterson, 1st Ward, 16 June 1870, Dwelling #148; Family #254 -- Post, Cynthia, 79, F, W, At Home, b. NJ; [Post], Catherine, 40, Keeping house, b. NJ; [Post], Ellen, 40, at home, b. NJ; Hancock, William, 74, Shoe Maker, b. NY; [Hancock], Maria, 57, Keeping house, b. NJ. (Same dwelling, Family #255), Conover, Lizzie, 23, Works shoe shop, b. NY; [Conover], William, 5, at home, b. NJ; [Conover], Annie, 2, at home, b. NJ. ---children of William Hancock & Maria

• **Elizabeth Hancock** (Leah Elizabeth?), b. about July 1848 (poss NYC) NY; m. (poss) (1) about 1864, **Charles Conover**, son of (poss) William H. Conover & Mary A. Post; m. (poss) (2) **-?- DeWitt**; m. (poss) (3) **-?- Messinger**; m. (poss) (4) **Peter Van Riper** (b. about 1842 NJ); m. (5) (poss) about 1870, **James Stewart**

Unplaced Hancock Women:

Jane Hancock, d. 1855; m. **Jacob Goetschius** (b. 5 Jan 1806), son of John J. Goetschius & Jannetje Ackerman

Susannah Hancock, of Westchester Co., NY and Essex Co., NJ, m. **John Sydenham** (Sidman)