

-- MESSENGER --

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.

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Messenger See also separate file: **Maysinger**

It appears that some members of the Maysinger family began spelling their surname Messenger by the late 1700s and early 1800s. Look for their records in the separate file: Messenger.

But note that there was at least one other Messenger family separate from the Maysinger branch.

Messenger, Abraham

Abraham Messenger
son of John Messenger &
Sarah Ann Post
b. abt. 1810

m.

Catherine
dau. of

b. abt. 1810

Abraham Messenger, 40, laborer, and Catherine, 40, were listed in the 1850 Federal Census, living in Hohokus Township, Bergen County, NJ, living in the same dwelling with John & Sarah Messenger. Also listed with them were: Cornelius, 5; and George, 2.

---children of Abraham Messenger & Catherine

• **Cornelius Messenger**, b. abt. 1845

• **George Messenger**, b. abt. 1848

---Sources: 1850 Federal Census, Bergen County, Hohokus Township, dwelling 396, family 435

Messenger, Albert

Albert Messenger
son of Frank Albert Messenger &

m. 29 June 1910¹

Irene Strong (Renee; Rena)*
dau. of Albert Strong &

Anna Louisa Stuart
b. 12 Aug 1885¹
d. 1960¹

Annie -?-
b. 8 Sep 1890 Paterson, NJ¹
d.

Irene's name, in the 1900 and 1905 census records, was given as "Renee F. Strong," and "Rena L. Strong."

---children of Albert Messenger & Irene Strong:

- **Beatrice Messenger**, b. 9 Dec 1912; bp. 8 June 1913 Saddle River Ref Ch (sponsor: Mrs. F. Messenger)
- **Frank A. Messenger**, b. 22 Jan 1916; bp. 10 June 1917 Saddle River Ref Ch
- **Child Messenger**, bp. 29 May 1919 Saddle River Ref Ch [child's name omitted in church record]
- **Robert Messenger**, b. 4 Feb 1922; bp. 6 Aug 1922 Saddle River Ref Ch

* Irene Strong was probably the twin of Royal F. Strong.

---Sources:

[1] Information April 1997 from Ethel K. Kolenut, 245 Erie Ave., Midland Park, NJ 07432; Saddle River Reformed Church (in what is now Upper Saddle River, Bergen County, NJ) Baptisms; 1905 New Jersey State Census, Bergen County, Borough of Allendale, (June 1905) Dwelling #11, Family #13 (Vanderbeck); 1900 Federal Census, New Jersey, Bergen County, Franklin Township, taken June 1900, dwelling 307, family 323 (family of Annie Strong)

Messenger, Andrew

Andrew Messenger

Andrew Messenger was one of the founders and first settlers of Greenwich, CT, in 1640. He was granted a house lot in Jamaica in 1655.

On 11 April 1662, he and his son (son-in-law?) Richard Darling, entered into a contract with the Town [of Jamaica?], to erect a "minester's house 26 ffoot long & 17 ffoot wide."

---children of Andrew Messenger &

- **Samuel Messenger**, d. 1685; m. 20 April 1669, **Susannah Mills** (?)

---Sources: Ferris, Morris Paterson, Notes on the Messenger and Hendrickson families and descendants of John S. Messenger and Ruth Rhodes and of Abraham H. Hendrickson and Elizabeth Ludlam, 1916?, p. 1 (online at Heritage Quest);

Messenger, Andrew

Andrew Messenger

In the early part of 1670, Claes Claesen Bording and Pieter Jacobsen Marius brought suit against Andrew Messenger, who was indebted to them for goods and merchandise to the sum of fl. 331,12 in seawan. They won their case, and Andrew also had to pay the costs of the suit. But as late as November, Andrew had not paid them, and they complained. The court ordered the Sheriff, Allard Anthony, to collect the money and pay it himself. Allard Anthony failed to collect, and on 16 Dec the court ordered execution on the estate of Allard Anthony.

---Sources: Evjen, John O., Scandinavian Immigrants in New York 1630-1674, Minneapolis 1916, reprinted 1996 by Clearfield Co., p. 163 (Claes Claesen Bording)

Messenger, Andrew (Andrew Jackson Messenger)

Andrew Messenger
son of John N., Messenger &
Sarah Ann Bamper

m. 5 March 1864
Second Ref Ch, Paterson

b.
d.
buried

Margaret Owens

dau. of Edward Owens &
Ellen Sample
b. 10 May 1840 Scotland
d. about 1892 Paterson, NJ
buried Paterson, NJ

---children of Andrew Messenger & Margaret Owens:

- **Edward Owens Messenger**, m. **Isabel Stansfield**
- **Margaret Ann Messenger**, b. 1 Oct 1876 Paterson, NJ
- **Mary Ellen Messenger**, b. 21 July 1866 Paterson, NJ; d. 7 Dec 1888 Paterson, NJ

---Sources: Second Reformed Church at Paterson, NJ, Marriages 1828-1896 online March 2001 at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~njpchsgc/chu/second_reformed_marrigages.htm>; Messenger Information online at <<http://www.brees.net/breesnet/gendata/d0000/g0000111.html#11067>>

Messenger, Benjamin

Benjamin Messenger
son of John Messenger &
Sarah Ann Post

m.(1) 1 Mar 1834
Saddle River Ref Ch. NJ
(divorced)

b. 10 Aug 1812
d. (poss) before July 1860

m. (2) 9 Aug 1856
Pres. Ch., Nyack, NY

Martha Duryea

dau. of Albert Duryea &
Agnes Wortendyke
b. 30 Aug 1812
d. 18 Feb 1874
buried Park Ridge, Bergen Co., NJ
Jane Van Riper
(widow of **William Ramsey**)
dau. of
b. about 1814

Benjamin and Martha lived on Myrtle Ave. in Ramsey, Bergen Co., NJ in 1836. In 1837 they moved to Clarkstown, Rockland Co., NY.

Prior to 1855 Martha and Benjamin were legally separated and divorced. In the 1855 census, she and her children were listed as living in the tenant house at #706 South Pascack Road owned by her father.

His second wife, Jane, may be the Jane Messenger, 46, widow, listed in the 1860 Federal Census, living in Hohokus Township (Ramsey area), Bergen County, NJ. Listed living with her were: Matthew Hicks, 22, laborer; and James Butler, 9.

---children of Benjamin Messenger & (1) Martha Duryea:

- **Peter B. Messenger**, b. 25 Jan 1835; bp. 1 Mar 1835 Pascack Ref Ch; m. **Catharine M. E. Tice**, dau. of Harmon Tice.
- **Agnes Messenger**, b. 9 Aug 1838; bp. 23 Oct 1838 Pascack Ref Ch; d.y.
- **Agnes Messenger**, b. 2 Mar 1840; bp. Apr. 1840 Pascack Ref Ch; m. 1860, **Isaac Coe**, son of Samuel Coe & Louisa Degroat
- **Sarah Messenger**, bp. 7 Nov 1841 Pascack Ref Ch
- **Albert Benjamin Messenger**, b. abt. 1843; m. **Margaret Allen**
- **John Duryea Messenger**, b. 25 Nov 1845; bp. 1850 Pascack Ref Ch
- **James Henry Messenger**, b. 25 Nov 1847; bp. 1850 Pascack
- **Hannah Ursilla Messenger**, b. 15 July 1849; bp. 1850 Pascack

---Sources: Durie, Howard I., *The Durie Family*, p. 170; Saddle River Reformed Church (Upper Saddle River, Bergen Co., NJ) Records, including gravestones inscriptions from the adjacent chyd (typescript); Durie, Howard I., Pascack Reformed Dutch Church (Park Ridge, Bergen County, NJ) Baptisms in *The American Genealogist*, beginning Vol. 47, No. 3, July 1971, p. 176, concluded Vol. 48, No. 2, April 1972; 1860 Federal Census, New Jersey, Bergen County, Hohokus Township (Hohokus P.O., taken July 1860 by A. Van Emburgh), dwelling 751, family 824 (family of Jane Messenger); Bartlett, Joseph Gardner, *Robert Coe, puritan: his ancestors and descendants, 1340-1910, with notices of other Coe families*, 1911, p. 224, online at Google Books;

Messenger, Frank Albert

Frank Albert Messenger
son of Garret L. Messenger &
Margaret Youmans
b. 3 Oct 1856 (5 Oct 1856 Bible¹),
Bergen County, NJ

m. 1 Jan 1879
Airmont Luth Ch¹
(he of Tallmans; she
of Spring Valley)

Anna Louise Shuart (Anna Louisa)
dau. of Isaac G. Shuart &
Susan C. May
b. 10 Aug 1857 Ridgewood, NJ

d. 17 Dec 1897 Saddle River, NJ (Stockholm, Sussex Co., NJ¹)
buried Airmont Luth Cemetery, Suffern, NY

d. 25 Mar 1932 Saddle River, NJ
buried Airmont Luth Cemetery

Frank Messenger, 23, works in knitting mill, and Louisa, 22, his wife, were listed in the 1880 Federal Census, living in Washington Township, Bergen County, NJ. Living with them was their daughter, Blanch, 9/12 (b. Aug).

---children of Frank Messenger & Anna Louise Shuart:

- **Blanch Messenger**, b. 16 Aug 1879 NY; d. 1939¹; m. 27 Nov 1901 Upper Saddle River, NJ, **Irving Smith**¹. On 4 April 1911 Blanch Messenger Smith was dismissed from membership in the Saddle River Reformed Church to the Lutheran Church, Airmont.²
- **Clara Messenger**, b. 4 Oct 1880; d. 18 Jan 1964; m. 6 Sep 1904 Saddle River Ref Ch, **Willis H. Anthony** (Bible record).¹
In the church marriage record, he was of Pomona, NY and she was of Saddle River; witnesses to the marriage were Ida M. Anthony and Albert F. Messenger.
- **Albert Messenger**, b. 12 Aug 1885; d. 1960; m. 29 June 1910 **Irene Strong**.¹ Irene Strong was b. 8 Sep 1890 Paterson, NJ.¹
- **Anna Louise Messenger**, b. 14 May 1889 Suffern, NY; d. 3 Apr 1941 Suffern, NY; buried Upper Saddle River, NJ; m. 15 May 1909 **Wallace Eckerson**, son of Edward Wallace Eckerson & Katherine Litchult.¹ Wallace Eckerson was b. 7 March 1888 Upper Saddle River, NJ; d. 6 Jan 1971 Spring Valley, Rockland Co., NY.¹

---Sources:

[1] Information April 1997 from Ethel K. Kolenut, 245 Erie Ave., Midland Park, NJ 07432;

[2] Saddle River Reformed Church (Upper Saddle River, Bergen Co., NJ) Records, including gravestones inscriptions from the adjacent chyd (typescript); Ancestor Table of Kenneth Conklin, Genealogical Society of Rockland County, NY; 1880 Federal Census, New Jersey, Bergen County, Washington Township, taken June 1880, dwelling 260, family 295 (family of Frank Messenger); Airmont Lutheran Church Records, transcribed by Pat Wardell, online at <<http://www.dutchdoorgenealogy.com>>

Messenger, Garret L.

Garret L. Messenger
son of

m. 16 Aug 1851
Zion Lutheran Church,
Saddle River, NJ
(at Hohokus [Twp])

Margaret Youmans
dau. of Conrad J. Youmans &
Catherine/Tryntje Forshay
b. about 1833 Hohokus Twp.
d. 2 Jan 1905 Suffern, NY
buried Airmont Luth Cem.

b. 31 March 1830 Hohokus Twp. (Bible)¹

d. 1 Oct 1869 (Bible)¹

buried

---children of Garret L. Messenger & Margaret Youmans:

- **Frank Albert Messenger**, b. 3 Oct 1856 (5 Oct 1856, Bible¹) Bergen Co., NJ; d. 17 Dec 1897 Saddle River, NJ (Stockholm, Sussex Co., NJ¹); buried Airmont Cem.; m. 1 Jan 1879, **Anna Louise Shuart**, dau. of Isaac G. Shuart & Susan C. May.
- **Elizabeth Messenger**, m. **Stephen Winter**¹.
- **Catherine Jane Messenger**, b. 17 Oct 1854; bp. 14 Jan 1855 Saddle River Luth Ch

---Sources:

[1] Information April 1997 from Ethel K. Kolenut, 245 Erie Ave., Midland Park, NJ 07432 (citing death certificate of Margaret Messenger; Bible record of Garret L. Messenger & Margaret Youmans);

Ackerman & Goff, Records of the Zion Lutheran Churches of Saddle River & Ramapo (now at Saddle River, Bergen County, NJ) Marriages; Ancestor Table of Kenneth Conklin, Genealogical Society of Rockland County, NY; Airmont Lutheran Church Records, transcribed by Pat Wardell, online at <<http://www.dutchdoorgenealogy.com>>

Messenger, George L.

George L. Messenger
son of

m.

Emma Hammond (Mary Emma?)
dau. of -?- (Gary?) Hammond &

Mary -?-
 b. about May 1870 PA
 b. about 1869
 They were listed in the 1920 Federal Census, New Jersey, Passaic Co., Paterson Ward 10, District 139, enumerated 14 Jan 1920, 921 East 19th Street, Dwelling 157, Family 267 -- Van Houten, Edward, Head, Owned, 40, married, b. NJ, his father b. NJ, his mother b. NY, manager, hardware store; [Van Houten], Grace, Wife, 40, b. NY, her father b. NY, her mother b. NY; [Van Houten], Edna, Daughter, 15, b. NJ; [Van Houten], Melvin, Son, 2-11/12, b. NJ; Rumsey, George, Father in Law, 76?, married, b. NY, his parents b. NY; [Rumsey], Ester, Mother in law, 75, married, b. NY, her parents b. NY; (Same Dwelling, Family 218) -- Messenger, George L., Head, Renting, 51, married, b. NJ, his parents b. NJ, Handy Man, Machine Shop; [Messenger], Emma, Wife, 49, married, b. PA, her parents b. NY; [Messenger], Roy W., Son, 24, Single, b. NJ, his father b. NJ, his mother b. PA, Clerk, Office; Hammond, Grace, Sister in Law, 47, Single, b. NJ, her parents b. NY, Picker, Silk Mill; Fine?, Harold H., Cousin, 25, Single, b. NY, his parents b. NY, Mechanic, Automobile.
 ---children of George L. Messenger & Emma Hammond:
 • **Roy W. Messenger**, b. about 1896 NJ

Messenger, Hendrick [Maysenger?]

From The Minutes of the Board of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey from 1725 to 1744, Perth Amboy (Re: Ramapo Tract; paraphrased unless in quotes) (Vol. III, p. 403, chart)...19 August 1763...Board executed lease at Romopock to Hendk Messenger & Peter Van Zile, lot no. 123, 206 acres at 40 s, 9 August 1763.
 Claire Tholl Map of the Ramapo Tract:
 #24, 244 A, 149.49 A Sold to John Van Blarcom & Henry Messenger; remainder leased to John McCall & Hermanus Van Zile, May 11, 1787 (House shown) [present Wyckoff/Wortendyke vicinity; west of Park Ave.]

Messenger, Henry

Henry Messenger son of b. abt. 1795 NJ	m.	Margaret dau. of b. abt. 1795 Rockland Co. NY
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Henry and Margaret are listed in the 1855 NY State Census, Rockland Co., Town of Ramapo, 2nd ED, Dwelling 57, Family 63.
 ---Sources: 1855 NY State Census, Rockland Co., Town of Ramapo

Messenger, James

James Messenger son of John N. Messenger & Sarah Ann Bamber	m.	Julia Shaney Parker dau. of
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---children of James Messenger & Julia Shaney Parker:
 • **Will Messenger**, b. 1867/68 Paterson, NJ; d. Nov 1932 Paterson, NJ; buried Laurel Grove Cem., Paterson, NJ; m. 9 Oct 1887 Paterson, NJ, **Anna -?-**. Had a child, William Messenger
 • **Laura Shaney Messenger**, b. 16 Nov 1879 Paterson, NJ; d. 22 Aug 1925; m. 28 Nov 1900 **Arthur C. Holbrook**
 ---Sources: Messenger Information online at <<http://www.brees.net/breesnet/gendata/d0000/g0000111.html#I1067>>

Messenger, John (Esq.)

John Messenger son of Samuel Messenger & Susannah Mills	m.	-?- dau. of
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d. d.
 John Messenger was in 1734 one of the judges of the Court of Common Pleas in Queens Co., NY. He was elected the second Surrogate of Queens Co., in 1735.
 ---children of John Messenger &
 • **Samuel Messenger**, m. **Susannah -?-**
 • **Abigail Messenger**
 • **-?- Messenger**, m. **-?- Barnet**
 ---Sources: Ferris, Morris Paterson, Notes on the Messenger and Hendrickson families and descendants of John S. Messenger and Ruth Rhodes and of Abraham H. Hendrickson and Elizabeth Ludlam, 1916?, p. 4 (online at Heritage Quest);

Messenger, John (Masinger)

John Messenger son of b. abt. 1772 NJ	m. (poss 2?) 12 Mar 1812 Kakiat Ref Ch (she as "Anna Post")	Sarah Ann Post (Sally Ann) dau. of b. abt. 1774 NY
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In the m. record they are John Masinger of Ramapo and Anna Post of Masonicus.
 John Messenger, 78, and Sarah, 76, were listed in the 1850 Federal Census, Bergen Co., Hohokus Twp., Dwelling #396, Family #435. His occupation is listed as "none," and his real estate is valued at \$1,000. Listed in the same dwelling were:

Abraham Messenger, 40, laborer; Catharine Messenger, 40; Cornelius, 5; and George, 2.

---children of John Messinger & Sarah Ann Post:

- **Abraham Messinger**, b. abt. 1810; m. **Catherine -?-**. They had ch.: Cornelius Messinger, b. abt. 1845; George Messinger, b. abt. 1848.
 - **Benjamin Messenger**, b. 10 Aug 1812; m. 1 Mar 1834 Saddle River, **Martha Duryea**, dau. of Albert Duryea & Agnes Wortendyke.
 - **Peter Messenger**
 - **Nicholas Maisinger**, b. 6 Oct 1822; bp. 30 Jan 1823 Saddle River Zion Luth Ch
- Sources: Ackerman & Goff, Records of the Zion Lutheran Churches of Saddle River and Ramapo, NJ (now at Saddle River, Bergen Co., NJ), 1943; 1850 Federal Census, New Jersey, Bergen County, Hohokus Township (taken Aug 1850 by Levi Hopper), dwelling 396, family 435; Durie, Howard L., The Durie Family, p. 170; Kakiat Marriages

Maysinger, John N. (Masinger)

John Maysinger
son of

m. 15 Sep 1821
Kakiat Ref Ch

Sally Ann Bamper

dau. of Lodiwick Bamper &
Sarah Pound

b. about 1804

bp.

d. 1849, age 45, Paterson, NJ, of cholera

buried

In the m. record they are both of Ramapo.

---children of John N. Messenger & Sally Ann Bamper:

- (prob) **Nicholas Maisinger**, b. 6 Oct 1822; bp. 30 Jan 1823 Saddle Riv. Luth
- **Lewis Messenger**, b abt 1824 NY or NJ; d. 7 July 1904 Paterson, NJ; buried Paterson, NJ; m. m. (1) 1842, **Elizabeth Speer**; m. (2) 4 Oct 1851 Paterson, NJ, **Catherine Ann Van Houten**
- **William Messenger**, b abt 1834
- **Margaret Messenger**, b abt 1836
- **John M. Messenger**, b abt 1838; m. 24 Oct 1857 Second Ref Ch, Paterson, **Rachel Jane Van Houten**
- **Thomas Messenger**, b abt 1840. He fought in the Civil War. Died from TB at home after being discharged.
- **Andrew Messenger**, b abt 1842
- **James Messenger**, b abt 1845
- **Samuel Messenger**, b abt 1847

---Sources: Marriage Records of the Reformed Dutch Church of West New Hempstead, New York 1774-1898, also known as "Kakiat" and presently referred to as "Brick Church" online at <<http://www.dutchdoorgenealogy.com/>>; Ackerman, Herbert S., and Arthur J. Goff, Records of the Zion Lutheran Churches of Saddle River & Ramapo, NJ (incl. grave-stone inscriptions from the chyd in Saddle River, NJ)

Messenger, John M.

John M. Messenger
son of (prob) John N. Messenger &
Sally Ann Bamper

m. 24 Oct 1857
Second Ref Ch, Paterson

Rachel Jane Van Houten

dau. of

b. about 1838

b.

---children of John Messenger & Rachel Jane Van Houten:

- **Maggie May Messenger**, b. 7 Oct 1861 Paterson, NJ

---Sources: Second Reformed Church at Paterson, NJ, Marriages 1828-1896 online March 2001 at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~njpchsc/chu/second_reformed_marriages.htm>

Messinger, John N.

John N. Messinger

m.

Rachel

In April 1874 he was a mechanic.¹

---children of John N. Messinger & Rachel

- **Amy Messinger**, b. 11 April 1874, Mount Vale, Bergen Co., NJ¹

---Sources:

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

Messenger, Lewis

Lewis Messenger
son of John N. Messenger &
Sally Ann Bamper

m. 4 Oct 1851
Second Ref Ch, Paterson
by Rev. Duryea

Catherine Ann Van Houten

dau. of

b abt 1824 NY or NJ

d. 7 July 1904 Paterson, NJ

buried Paterson, NJ

b.

d. about 1895¹

buried

In their marriage record, they were both of Manchester.

Lewis Messenger fought in the Civil War. -- Pvt. NY H 25.

They were listed in the 1860 census 9th Ward, Paterson, pg 114, Household of Edward Cookeroo -- Lewis Messenger age 38 Laborer \$100.00 b NJ; Catherine 30; Sarah 8; John 5; Elizabeth 3.

They were listed in the 1870 census NJ 1st Ward Paterson pg 25 -- Lewis age 46 Beltmaker b NJ; Catherine 42 NY; John 15 Bobbin turner NJ; Elizabeth 14; Theodore 8; Walter 1/12 born June; Sarah 63 (?) NJ; Samuel 23 bobbin turner .

---children of Lewis Messenger & Catherine Ann Van Houten:

- **Sarah Messenger**, b. about 1852
- **John Messenger**, b. about 1855
- **Elizabeth Messenger**, b. about 1857
- **Theodore Messenger**, b. about 1862
- **Wallace Messenger** (Walter?), b. June 1870

---Sources:

[1] 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. 116 (online at HeritageQuest);
 Second Reformed Church at Paterson, NJ, Marriages 1828-1896 online March 2001 at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~njpchsgc/chu/second_reformed_marriages.htm>; Ackerman & Goff, Records of the Zion Lutheran Churches of Saddle River and Ramapo, NJ (now at Saddle River, Bergen Co., NJ), 1943; Messenger Information online at <http://www.brees.net/breesnet/gendata/d0000/g0000111.html#I1067>

Messenger, Michael

Michael Messenger
 son of

m. 17 Apr 1824
 Saddle River/Ramapo Luth.
 by David Hendricks, Pastor

Eliza Litcholt (Betsy)
 dau. of

---children of Michael Maysenger & Eliza/Betsy Litcholt:

- **Mary Ann Maysinger**, b. 29 Oct, 1824; bp. 15 Dec 1824 Saddle River/Zion Luth Ch (as Mary Ann, dau. of Michael Messenger & Betsy)

---Sources: Westervelt, Frances A., *Bergen County New Jersey Marriage Records*, 1929, Saddle River/Ramapo Lutheran, p. 83; Ackerman & Goff, Records of the Zion Lutheran Churches of Saddle River and Ramapo, NJ (now at Saddle River, Bergen Co., NJ), 1943

Messenger, Peter P.

Peter Messenger
 son of Peter Messenger &
 Sarah Peterson
 b. 20 Apr 1805
 d. 22 Feb 1889, age 83.10.-
 buried Island Ref Cem, Mahwah, NJ

m. 6 April 1828
 Hackensack Ref Ch, by Rev.
 James V. C. Romeyn

Hannah Van Horn (Naetje; Anna)
 dau. of John Van Horn &
 (2) Rebecca Waldron
 b. (28 Jan 1799-no. acc to ts)
 d. 21 Feb 1858, age 52.0.24
 buried Island Ref Cem, Mahwah, NJ

They lived in Mahwah, where he inherited his father's homestead and 33.50 acres of land.

They were listed in the 1850 Federal Census, Bergen Co., Hohokus Twp., Dwelling # 418, Family #459, immediately after Michael Messenger, 76. He is listed as a farmer, with real estate valued at \$3,000.

Peter P. Messenger, 55, farmer, was listed in the 1860 Federal Census, living in Hohokus Township, Bergen County, NJ. Listed living with him were: Rebecca, 28 young lady; and Peter P. Jr., 24, farmer.

At the time of the 1870 census, living with P. P. Maysenger, 65, farmer, were William H. Cook, 42, carpenter; Rebecca Cook, 33; Edward H. Cook, 11; and William B. Cook, 3.

Peter Messenger, 75, widower, Farmer, was listed in the 1880 Federal Census, living in Hohokus Township, Bergen County, NJ. Living with him was his daughter, Sarah J. Messenger, 50, single, keeping house. The next listed family was the William Cook family.

At the time of the 1885 New Jersey State Census, living with Peter Messenger were Sarah J. Messenger, Rebecca Cook, William L. Cook, and Lillie W. Cook.

---children of Peter Messenger & Hannah Van Horn:

- **Sarah Jane Messenger**, b. 7 Aug 1829; d. 22 Apr 1891; buried Island Ref Cem, Mahwah, NJ.
- **Rebecca Messenger**, b. abt. 1832; m. after July 1860 **William H. Cook**
- **Peter P. Messenger**, b. 28 Apr 1835; bp. 14 June 1835 Saddle River Zion Luth Ch; d. 15 Jan 1887; buried Island Ref Cem, Mahwah, NJ; m. 19 Feb 1862 Ramapo Ref Ch, Mahwah, **Anna Louisa Allcot**.

---Sources: Ackerman & Goff, Records of the Zion Lutheran Churches of Saddle River and Ramapo, NJ (now at Saddle River, Bergen Co., NJ), 1943; 1850 Federal Census; 1860 Federal Census, Bergen County, Hohokus Township, Hohokus P.O., dwelling 764, family 838 (Mahwah area); 1860 Federal Census, New Jersey, Bergen County, Hohokus Township (Hohokus P.O., taken July 1860 by A. Van Emburgh), dwelling 764, family 838 (family of Peter P. Messenger); 1870 Federal Census, Bergen County, Hohokus Township, Ramsey's P.O., dwelling 30, family 32; Westervelt, Frances A., *Bergen County New Jersey Marriage Records*, 1929, Hackensack, p. 31; 1885 New Jersey State Census, Bergen County, Hohokus Township, Dwelling 445, Family 536; Howard Durie, *The Kakiat Patent*, p. 203, 213; 1880 Federal Census, New Jersey, Bergen County, Hohokus Township (taken June 1880), Dwelling 130, Family 130; Clayton, W. Woodford & Nelson, William, *History of Bergen and Passaic Counties, New Jersey*, Philadelphia 1882, p. 332; Ackerman, Herbert Stewart, and Arthur J. Goff, *Hackensack Reformed Church Records, 1801-1886*, Copied from Book Number Two of Records, 1943 [facsimile reprint published 1996 by Bergen Historic Books]

Messenger, Peter B.

Peter B. Messenger
 son of Benjamin Messenger &
 Martha Duryea
 b. 25 Jan 1835
 bp. 1 Mar 1835 Pascack Ref Ch
 d. 29 June 1911
 buried Saddle River Ref Chyd, Upper Saddle River, NJ

m.

Catharine Maria Elizabeth Tice
 dau. of Harman Tice &
 Betsy

b. about 7 Dec 1840 Saddle River (7 Apr 1840 ts)
 bp.
 d. 21 June 1911
 buried Saddle River Ref Chyd, U.S.R., NJ

Peter B. Messenger and Catherine Messenger were listed in the 1865 New Jersey State Census, living in Hohokus Township, Bergen County, NJ (probably in or near the area that became Saddle River Borough).

---children of Peter B. Messenger & Catharine Maria Elizabeth Tice:

- **Martha E. Messenger**, b. 1858; d. 11 Dec 1858, age 0.7.7; buried Saddle River Ref Chyd, Upper Saddle River, NJ.

---Sources: 1865 New Jersey Census, Bergen County, Hohokus Township (taken June 1865), Individuals 1608 and 1609; Saddle River Reformed Church (Upper Saddle River, Bergen Co., NJ) Records, including gravestones inscriptions from the adjacent chyd (typescript)

Messenger, Peter P.

Peter Messenger
son of Peter Messinger &
Hannah Van Horn
b. 28 Apr 1835
bp. 14 June 1835 Saddle River Luth. Ch.
d. 15 Jan 1887
buried Island Ref Cem, Mahwah, NJ

m. 19 Feb 1862
Ramapo Ref Ch, Mahwah
(wit: Edmund Allcott,
Thomas Alcott)

Anna Louisa Allcot (Alcott)
dau. of
b. about 1844 NY
bp.
d.
buried

Peter Messenger, 46, worker in lock factory, and Anna L. Messenger, 36, his wife, were listed in the 1880 Federal Census, living in Hohokus Township, Bergen County, NJ. Living with them was their niece, Clarissa Alcot, 9, b. NY.

At the time of the 1885 New Jersey State Census, they lived in Hohokus Township, and living with them was Clarissa Alcott, aged 5-20.

---Sources: 1880 Federal Census, New Jersey, Bergen County, Hohokus Township (taken June 1880), Dwelling 132, Family 132; 1885 New Jersey State Census, Bergen County, Hohokus Township, Dwelling 446, Family 537; Ackerman, Herbert S., and Arthur J. Goff, [Records of the] Ramapo Reformed Church; Ramapo Lutheran Church, 1944 (reprint 1997 Bergen Historic Books)

Messenger, Philip

Philip Messenger
b. about 1828

m.

Catharine Scholtz
b. about 1828

Philip Messenger, 32, farmer, and Catharine, 32, his wife, were listed in the 1860 Federal Census, living in Hohokus Township (northern Mahwah area), Bergen County, NJ. Listed living with them were: Geo., 5; and John, 2/12.

---*children of Philip Messenger & Catharine*

- **George Messenger**, b. about 1855
- **John Maxwell Messenger**, b. 29 May 1860; bp. 8 Dec 1861 Ramapo Ref Ch
- **Caroline Maxwell Messenger**, b. 22 June 1863; bp. 30 Aug 1863 Ramapo Ref Ch

---Sources: 1860 Federal Census, New Jersey, Bergen County, Hohokus Township (Hohokus P.O., taken July 1860 by A. Van Emburgh), dwelling 798, family 874 (family of Philip Messenger); Ackerman, Herbert S., and Arthur J. Goff, [Records of the] Ramapo Reformed Church; Ramapo Lutheran Church, 1944 (reprint 1997 Bergen Historic Books), p. 43, 49

Messenger, Roy W.

Roy W. Messenger
son of

m. 25 Oct 1923
Wyckoff Ref Ch

Lisl M. Parmley
dau. of

In the church record of their marriage, he was of Paterson and she was of Wyckoff.

---Sources: Ackerman, Herbert S. and Arthur J. Goff, Records of the Wyckoff Reformed Protestant Dutch Church (Wyckoff, Bergen County, NJ) January 1945 (typescript), p. 33

Messenger, Samuel

Samuel Messenger
son of Andrew Messenger &
d. before March 1685/6

m.

Susannah (Mills?)
dau. of
d.

Samuel Messenger's name first appears in the Town records of Jamaica in 1670.

In his will, dated 20 Dec 1685, proved March 1685 (Liber A, p. 30), Samuel Messenger of Jamaica on Long Island in Queens Co, being very sick, mentions wife Susannah to be sole executor; mentions eldest son, Samuel; other three sons, Andrew, Nat--ll, & John; daus. Alice, & Susannah; mentions 5 acres of land "I bought of my brother Zachariah Mills." Named, to see will fulfilled, Zach Mills, Ben Jones, Jonas Wood, Rich Jones, Samuel Messenger. Witnesses, Jonas Wood (his mark), Richard Jones.¹

---*children of Samuel Messenger & Susannah*

- **Samuel Messenger**
- **Andrew Messenger**, m. (prob) **Rachel -?-**. In what prob. is his will: (Fairfield, CT Probate Records) Andrew Messenger of Norwalk, CT, dated 19 Aug 1727 -- wife Rachel Messenger; cousin Zachariah Mills of Bedford, NY; cousin Samuel Messenger, son of John Messenger of Jamaica, Long Island, NY; cousin Nehemiah Messenger, the second son of Dan Messenger of Hartford, CT.¹
- (poss) **Nathaniel Messenger**
- **John Messenger**, m. **-?-**
- **Alice Messenger**
- **Susannah Messenger**

---Sources:

[1] Eardeley, William Applebie, Records in the office of the county clerk at Jamaica, Long Island, New York : 1680-1781 : wills and administrations, guardians, and inventories. Brooklyn, N.Y.: unknown, 1918, p. 3 (online at HeritageQuest through Godfrey Library) (will of Samuel Messenger);

Ferris, Morris Paterson, Notes on the Messenger and Hendrickson families and descendants of John S. Messenger and Ruth Rhodes and of Abraham H. Hendrickson and Elizabeth Ludlam, 1916?, p. 1 (online at Heritage Quest);

Messenger, Samuel

Samuel Messenger
son of John Messenger &
d. 1770 Jamaica, Queens Co., NY

m.

Susannah
dau. of
d.

In his will, he wrote: ...I, Samuel Messenger, of Jamaica, in Queens County, being sick. I leave to my wife Susanah a certain Bond of £90, which I have against Nicholas Smith and Benjamin Everitt, and all such household furniture, and the cows which I had with her when I married her. I leave to my son John a certain piece of wood land, containing 10 acres, situate in Jamaica, bounded west by the brook running into Nicholas Smith's mill pond, south by a ditch that parts it from the land of Hope Roads, east by Hope Roads, north by Moses Higbie. I leave to my sons, Samuel and William, all my lands on the west side of said brook which I formerly purchased of Jonathan Waters; Also all my right in the undivided lands in Jamaica, and all my title to the Little Plains. I leave to my son William all my salt meadow on Long Neck, which my father gave me in his will; Also a 20-acre lot which I bought of John Carman, bounded west by Captain Burns, east by Samuel Messenger, Jr., north and south by highways. I leave to my sons, Andrew and Nehemiah, all my lands on the Hills in Jamaica, being a 50-acre Lot, which I bought of Ephraim Mills, bounded west by Joshua Carpenter, north by heirs of Ephraim Smith, east by highway, south by Stephens Herriman and Captain Troop. I leave to my sons, Andrew and Nehemiah, a parcel of Fresh meadow and upland, situate at Jamaica South, bounded west by a cross ditch, east by a fence, north by a ditch between this and the meadow of Johannes Williamson. I leave to my sons, Samuel and William, all the rest of my Fresh meadow and upland on the east side of said ditch, bounded east by the street fence, south by the Neck ditch, west by their other meadow, which my father gave them, and north by the meadow which I gave to my sons, Andrew and Nehemiah. I leave to my sons, Samuel and William, all my Fresh meadow which lies on the west side of the cross ditch and runs west to a Neck of upland of Dow Ditmas. And they shall pay to my daughter Rachel £60, and William shall pay £40. I leave to my sons, Andrew and Nehemiah, my best bed and furniture. "My sons, Andrew and Nehemiah, are to be brought up and taught to read and Cypher as far as the Rule of Three," and they are to learn trades. "The cleared land left to them is to be tilled once in six or seven years. But the Buckwheat Swamp they may till yearly. My sons, Samuel and William, may cut ten loads of wood each out of the Northwest Swamp." I make my sons, John, Samuel, and William, and my worthy friend, Moses Higbie, executors. Dated July 10, 1770. Witnesses, Isaac Rhodes, Daniel Smith, Frederick John, schoolmaster. Proved, October 14, 1771.

---children of Samuel Messenger &

- **John Messenger**
- **Samuel Messenger**, m. **Sarah** -?-
- **Rachel Messenger**
- **William Messenger**, b. 1752 Jamaica, Queens Co., NY; d. 1801/02; m. **Susanna Cheesman**
- **Andrew Messenger**
- **Nehemiah Messenger**

---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, p. 449 (will of Samuel Messenger)

Messenger, Samuel

Samuel Messenger
son of Samuel Messenger &
d. 1777-1784

m.

Sarah
dau. of
d.

---children of Samuel Messenger & Sarah

- **John Messenger**, m. 2 Jan 1799, **Ruth Rhodes**
- **Keziah Messenger**, m. 21 Feb 1798, **Benjamin K. Smith**
- **Sarah Messenger**, m. 3 July 1791, **Daniel Gracy**
- **Mary Messenger**, bp. 27 April 1776; d. unmarried 1801-2

Messenger, Samuel

Samuel Messenger
son of William Messenger &

m. 29 March 1812
Sugar Loaf St., NYC
Dutch Ref Ch

Mary Siebring
dau. of John Sebring &

---Sources: New York #2, 1740s-1880s Marriage Index online at genealogy.com

Messenger, Samuel

Samuel Messenger
son of John S. Messenger &
Ruth Rhodes

m.

Margaret Roe
dau. of

b.
d.

b. 24 Aug 1800/01
d. 7 May 1830

---children of Samuel Messenger & Margaret Roe:

- **Mary Martineau Messenger**, b. 3 Sep 1821; d. 3 June 1889; m. 15 May 1843, **William D. Thomas**
- **John S. Messenger**, b. 9 Feb 1823; d. 28 Aug 1839
- **Samuel Roe Messenger**
- **Ann Roe Messenger**
- **William Messenger**

---Sources: Messenger Information online at <<http://www.brees.net/breesnet/gendata/d0000/g0000111.html#I1067>>

Messinger, Samuel

Samuel Messinger
son of
b. about 1850

m. 2 Aug 1871
Washington Township¹

Eva Holden
dau. of
b. about 1852

At the time of their marriage, he was a mechanic. She was from Paterson.¹

---Sources:

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

Messenger, William

William Messenger
son of Samuel Messenger &
b. 1752
d. 1801-2

m.

Susannah Cheesman
dau. of
b.
d.

---children of William Messenger & Susannah Cheesman:

- **Locke Messenger**, m. 14 Dec 1821, **Charles Doughty**.
- **John W, Messenger**, m. **Mary Smith**
- **Samuel Messenger**, d. unmarried 1816
- **William Messenger**
- **Joseph Messenger**, bp. 5 June 1791
- **Richard Messenger**, bp. 13 July 1792
- **Phebe Messenger**, m. 17 Feb 1813, **Isaac Reeve**

---Sources: Ferris, Morris Paterson, Notes on the Messenger and Hendrickson families and descendants of John S. Messenger and Ruth Rhodes and of Abraham H. Hendrickson and Elizabeth Ludlam, 1916?, p. 5 (online at Heritage Quest);

Messenger, William

William Messenger

m.

-?-

---children of William Messenger &

- **Samuel Messenger**, m. 29 May 1812 Sugar Loaf St., NYC Dutch Ref Ch, **Mary Siebring**

---Sources: New York #2, 1740s-1880s Marriage Index online at genealogy.com

Messenger, William Frederick

William Frederick Messenger
b. 15 Feb 1813
d. 14 March 1874, age 61.0.27

m.

(poss) **Mary M. Lantz**
b. 28 Aug 1813
d. 21 Nov 1887, age 74.2.23
buried Oak Hill Cemetery, Clarkstown, NY

buried Oak Hill Cemetery, Clarkstown, NY

---children of William Frederick Messenger & Mary M. Lantz:

- **William Frederick Messenger**, b. 28 July 1840; d. 29 Aug 1862 in Second Battle of Bull Run; buried Oak Hill Cem, Nyack, NY

---Sources: Krell, Peter, So That All May Be Remembered, Vol. I Clarkstown, Rockland County [NY], published 1989 by Clarkstown Bicentennial Commission (Oak Hill Cemetery, Older Section, Clarkstown, Rockland Co., NY), p. 221; Barber, Gertrude A., Gravestone inscriptions of the Oak Hill Cemetery, Nyack, N.Y., (typescript), New York.: 1934, p. 54 (online at HeritageQuest)

Messenger, William

William Messenger
son of John N. Messenger &
Sarah Ann Bamber
b. about 1834 Paterson, NJ

m. 19 May 1855
Paterson, NJ

Elizabeth Secor
dau. of

b.

1860 census NJ 9th Ward Paterson pg 100 -- William Messenger age 27 Woodturner b NJ; Elizabeth 27; Mary 7; John 2 ; Isaac 8/12.

---children of William Messenger & Elizabeth Secor:

- **Mary Messenger**, b. about 1856
- **John Messenger**
- **Isaac Messenger**

---Sources: Messenger Information online at <<http://www.brees.net/breesnet/gendata/d0000/g0000111.html#I1067>>

Unplaced Messenger Women:

Keziah Messenger, m. 21 Feb 1798 Presbyterian Ch, Jamaica, NY, **Benjamin Smith**

Sarah Messenger, m. 23 July 1792 Presbyterian Ch, Jamaica, NY, **Platt Smith, Sr.**

