

-- MICHAELS, McKEEL --

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.

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

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Michiels, Andries

Andries Michiels

m.

Margrieta Bullering

---children of Andries Michiels & Margrieta Bullering:

• **Andries Michiels**, bp. 1 Sep 1748 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Jakob Lang, Anna Kochin, huis v. v. Joh. Mikkle)

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

[Kortregt/Michielszen], Bastiaen Michielszen

Bastiaen Michielszen Kortregt

m. 1689

Jelante Montanje (Galante; Iolanta; Anna)

son of Michiael Bastiaensen &

Harlem, NY

dau. of John de La Montagne (Montanye) &

Metje -?-

(recorded NYC Ref Ch;

(2) Maria Vermilye

b. 1662 Schoonrewoerd, Holland

banns: 28 March 1689

b. 1667 [according to Riker]

bp.

NYC Ref Ch)

bp.

d. prob. after 1753

d.

In the marriage record, they were: Bastiaen Michielszen, j. m. Van Schoenderwoert, en Galante de La Montagne, j. d. Van N. Haerlem. Beyde wonende tot N. Haerlem.

Bastiaen Michielszen [Kortright] came to New Amsterdam with his parents in 1663. Bastiaen Michielszen, who was always so styled in the town books though in the church records usually called Bastiaen Kortright, lived at Harlem.

On 19 Sep 1701, he bought from Peter Van Oblinus a tract of land in Harlem, at Sherman's Creek, laid out in 1691, as lot #20. This became the well-known Kortright farm, which continued in the family till 1786, consisting of 45 acres and 20 perches. Here Bastiaen Michielszen Kortright built and lived till very aged, at least his name in the tax list runs down to 1753.

He also was the owner of two pieces of meadow at Kingbridge, the town giving him a deed 4 Jan 1700.

Sebastiaen Michielszen, Annetie Michiels, and Neeltie Aldricx wit bp. 20 May 1682 of Neeltie, dau. of Laurens Janszen and Marritie Aldricx.

Bastiaen Michielszen and Johanna Montagne wit bp. 24 July 1695 at NYC Ref Dutch Church, of Theunis, son of Abraham Montagne and Rebecca Theunis.

Bastiaen Michielszen and Maria Oblimus wit. bp. 20 Nov 1695 at NYC Ref Dutch Ch, of Jacobus, son of Jacques Terneur and Aeltje Michiels [Kortright].

Abraham Montanje, Jelante Montanje, hs. vr. Van Bastiaan Kortregt, wit. bp. 9 April 1727 NYC Ref Dutch Ch, of Rebecka, dau. of Isaac de Lamontanje and Rachel Kortregt.

The name of Bastiaen Michielszen Kortright appears on tax lists up to 1753.

---children of Bastiaan Michielszen Kortregt & Jelante Montanje:

- **Maria Bastiaanse Kortright**, b. about 1690; d. after 1768; m. **Edward Meeks**, son of (prob) Edward Meeks & Sara Merritt. He was b. about 1681 Fordham Manor.
- **Aefie Bastiaanse Kortright**, b. about 1695
- **Michael Bastiaansz Kortright**, bp. 14 April 1697 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Johannes Vredenburg, Hester Van Vorst) (parents' names in bp. record: Bastiaan Machielse, Anna de Lamontagne)
- **Rachel Kortright**, b. about 1700; m. **Isaac de la Montagne**.
- **Johannes Bastiaansen Kortright**, bp. 6 May 1702 NYC Ref Ch¹ (wit: Jan de La Montagne, Maria de Lamontagne, h. v. van Jacob Kip); m. **Aeltie Vermilye**.¹
- **Aefje Kortregt**, m. **Johannes Devoir**. They had a dau., Jelante Devoir, bp. 6 Mar 1723 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Bastiaan Cortregt, Jelante Cortregt) who m. Abraham L. Ackerman.

---Sources:

[1] Toler, Henry Pennington, *The New Harlem Register*, 1903, p. 388; Baptisms in the Reformed Dutch Church, New York [City], 1901 (Collections of the NY Genealogical & Biographical Society, Vol. III); Abbott, John Howard, *The Courtright (Kortright) Family*, 1922, p. 30; Information online Sep 1999 from Gordon Courtright <Glcourtr@aol.com>; Riker, James, *Revised History of Harlem...New York*, 1904, p. 786;

Michielszen, Claes (Claes Michielszen van Amsterdam)

Claes Michielszen
son of

m.
(banns 14 April 1657
NYC Ref Ch)

Anne Marie Gerbrants
dau. of

In the NYC Ref Ch record of their marriage banns, they were: Claes Michielszen Van Amsterdam, en Anne Marie Gerbrants, Van Norden in Embderlt.

---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)

Michaels, Cornelius (Michgielse; Michgielze)

Cornelius Michaels
son of Michael Bastiaensen (Kortright) &
Metje -?-
b. 1660

m. (1) 9 April 1685

m. (2) 17 April 1692
NYC Ref Ch
(banns: 4 March 1692
NYC Ref Ch)

Neesje Elberts Ysebrants
dau. of Ysbrant Eldersz &
Neeltje
b. about 1665
Elizabeth Jacobs
(widow of **Wibrant Abrahamszen**)
dau. of
b.
d. 17 Aug 1724

In the (2) marriage record, they were: Cornelis Michielszen, Wedr. Van Niesje Ysenbrants, en Lysbeth Jacobs, Wede. Van Wibrant Abrahamszen, beyde wonende alhier.

Elizabeth, wife of Cornelis Michgielzen, was an early member from Van Cortlandt Manor, of the Sleepy Hollow Reformed Dutch Church at Tarrytown, NY.

Cornelis Michgielze, Lysbeth his wife wit. bp. 24 April 1699 at Sleepy Hollow Ref Ch, Tarrytown, NY, of Wybrant, son of Abraham Wybrant and Grietje his wife.

Cornelis Michgielze and Elisabeth his wife wit. bp. 18 Aug 1702 at Sleepy Hollow Ref Ch, Tarrytown, NY, of Maria, dau. of Abel Smith and Tryntje his wife.

---children of Cornelius Michaels & (1) Neesje Ysebrants:

- **Michiel Cornelisz**, bp. 2 Aug 1685 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Jean de Lamontagne, Marritje Brouwers); apparently d.y.
- **Michiel Cornelisz**, bp. 23 Feb 1687 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Johannes de Lamontagne, Elisabeth Jacobs); m. (poss) **Elizabeth de Vour**

• **Neeltje Cornelis**, bp. 25 April 1688 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Abraham Mol, Marritje Davids); apparently d.y.

• **Neeltje Cornelis**, bp. 23 July 1690 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Ysbrant Elderts, Marritie Tilburg)

---children of Cornelius Michaels & (2) Elizabeth Jacobs:

• **John Cornelisz**, b. about 1700; d. 1731

• **Machtel Cornelise** (Matilda Michaels¹), bp. 30 March 1708 Sleepy Hollow Ref Ch, Tarrytown, NY (wit: Barent d'Widt, Sara his wife)

• **Dina Cornelise** (Dinah Michaels¹), b. about 1695?; bp. 1 June 1708 Sleepy Hollow Ref Ch, Tarrytown, NY (wit: the parents themselves); m. 13 May 1715 NYC Ref Ch, **Jan/John Wels/Welsch**

• **Jannetje Cornelise** (Jannetje Michaels¹), bp. 1 June 1708 Sleepy Hollow Ref Ch, Tarrytown, NY (wit: The parents

themselves)

---Sources:

[1] Information Dec 1996 from Charlotte Black, 6238 Oak Valley Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 <cblack@sacinet.net >; Cole, David, *First Record Book of the "Old Dutch Church of Sleepy Hollow"...*The First Reformed Church of Tarrytown, NY, 1901, p. 31, 32; *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; *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;

[Michaelson?] **Mackeel, Daniel** (m. Abigail Reyt) See McLane/McLean, Daniel

Mekeel, Eli

Eli Mekeel

buried Peacedale Cem., Highland Falls, Orange Co., NY (Flag & military? markers near tombstone)

[1] Tombstone Photos online at <http://www.findagrave.com> (Peacedale Cem., Highland Falls, NY: Eli Mekeel; tombstone photo posted online)

Michielszen, Elias (m. 1665 Grietje Jacobs Wyngarten/Van Winkle) See: Vreeland, Elias Michielszen

Michielszen, Gerlach (Gerlach Michielszen Van Collumer Zyll)

Gerlach Michielszen

son of

m.

(banns 16 April 1654
NYC Ref Ch)

Lysbeth Thyssens

(widow of **Maryn Ariaenszen** [Van der Veere])

dau. of

In the NYC Ref Ch record of their marriage banns, they were: Gerlack Michielszen Van Collumer Zyll, em Lysbeth Thyssens, Wede. Van Maryn Ariaenszen.

---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

Michaelse, Hendrick (Hendrick [Ryer]; McKiel)

Hendrick Michaelse

son of Ryer Michaelson [Ryer] &

Jacomyntje Thibout

d. before 6 Nov 1789

Hendrick was named in his father's 1733 will.

In this transaction, his name may have been erroneously entered as "Frederick": On 26 April 1736 "Ryer Michaelson the younger, Frederick Michaelson and Tunis Michaelson, sons of Ryer Michaelson ye Elder, late of ye Manor of Fordham, yeoman, dec'd, to Benjamin Corsen of ye same place; land on Bronxes river, commonly called the Great Plain, within ye bounds of Fordham."¹

In his will dated 25 April 1771, Hendrick Michaelse, of the Manor of Fordham, yeoman; being in good health; mentioned son Hendrick, already provided for; wife Jane; son John; son Michael; son Tunas; grand daughter Hannah Bugby, dau. of dau. Jemima Ford, under age; dau. Elizabeth Michaelse under age; grand daughter Jane Brower, dau. of dau. Jane Brower, dec'd; remainder of estate to daus. Hannah Bugby, Eleanor Ferguson, and Elizabeth Michaelse; John Ferguson, husband of dau. Eleanor. Executors, sons Hendrick and John Michaelse. Wit: Isaac Corser, John Corser, Thomas Allen. Probated 6 Nov 1789. Appeared Isaac Corser of Fordham. Letters granted John Michaelse, Nov. 6, 1791.²

---*children of Hendrick Michaelse*

- **Hendrick Michaelse**
- **John Michaelse**
- **Michael Michaelse**
- **Tunas Michaelse**
- **Jemima Michaelse** [Jacomyntje?], d. before 25 April 1771; m. (poss) -?- **Ford**.
- **Jane Michaelse**, m. -?- **Brower**
- **Hannah Michaelse**, m. -?- **Bugby**
- **Eleanor Michaelse**, m. **John Ferguson**
- **Elizabeth Michaelse**, was under age in April 1771.

---Sources:

[1] "Westchester County Miscellanea" (Liber G, Westchester Co., Land Records, p. 204) in *The New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Jan 1922, p. 25;
[2] Bristol, Theresa Hall, "Abstracts of Wills Recorded at White Plains, Westchester County, New York, Subsequent to May 1, 1787 (Liber A), in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, April 1924, p. 149 (Will of Hendrick Michaelse);

Mekeel, Isaac

Isaac Mekeel

son of Michael Mekeel &

Judith Milche

b. 10 May 1756

d. 13 March 1826 Yorktown, Westchester Co., NY

m. (1)

Sarah Griffen

dau. of

b. 7 July 1756

d. 7 Nov 1816

buried Amawalk Friends Cemetery, Amawalk, Westchester Co., NY
m. (2) 14, 10 mo., 1818
Westchester Quaker
record, Westchester, NY

buried Amawalk Friends Cemetery
Hannah Underhill
(widow of **James Quimby**)
dau. of Isaac Underhill &
Sarah Field
b. 15 July 1769
d. 24 Oct 1846

---children of Isaac Mekeel & Sarah Griffen:

- **Anna Mekeel**, b. 16 Sep 1780; m. 12, 19, 1798 Amawalk, NY Friends ceremony, **Moses Underhill** of Yorktown, NY, son of Isaac Underhill & Sarah Field.
- **Mary Mekeel**, b. 22 Jan 1782; d. 9 Sep 1811
- **Jesse Mekeel**, b. 25 Nov 1784; m. 15 Feb 1809 Westchester, **Amy Quimby**, dau. of James Quimby & (1) Ann -?-
- **Jacob Mekeel**, b. 24 Aug 1787; d. 7 Aug 1869; m. **Hannah T. -?-**. She was b. 6 Nov 1790; d. 8 Sep 1853.
- **Caleb Mekeel**, b. 1 June 1793
- **Joshua Mekeel**, b. 25 June 1795; m. **Anna Underhill**, dau. of Jesse Underhill & Sophia Haight. She was b. 10, 9 mo., 1802; d. 1882; buried Scipio, Cayuga Co., NY
- **Isaac M. Mekeel Jr.**, b. 26 Aug 1797; d. 29 Oct 1880; m. 20 Dec 1820 North Castle, NY, **Phebe Quimby**, dau. of Josiah Quimby & Mary
- **George Mekeel**, b. 10 Jan 1801; d. March 1877; m. 16 Nov 1826 Chappaqua, NY, **Sarah S. Underhill**, dau. of Jesse Underhill & Sophia Haight

---children of Isaac Mekeel & (2) Hannah Underhill:

- **Susan Mekeel**, b. 10, 3, 1819

---Sources:

[1] Tombstone Photos online at <<http://www.findagrave.com>> (Amawalk Friends Cem., Amawalk, NY: Isaac Mekeel; Sarah Griffen Mekeel; no tombstone photos posted online) Quaker Records, Amawalk Monthly Meeting, Westchester Co., NY, online Aug 2000 at Ancestry.com; Frost, Josephine S. Underhill Genealogy, Vol. 2, 1932 (online at Genealogy.com), p. 220, 229

Mekeel, Isaac (Isaac M. Mekeel, Jr.)

Isaac Mekeel
son of Isaac Mekeel &

m. 20 Dec 1820
North Castle, NY

Phebe Quimby

dau. of Josiah Quimby &
Mary

b. 26 Aug 1797
d. 29 Oct 1880

b.
d. 16 June 1861 Yorktown, NY
buried Quaker Ground, Amawalk, NY

buried Quaker Ground, Amawalk, Westchester Co., NY

Her funeral was held at the Friends Meeting House, Yorktown, NY.

---children of Isaac Mekeel & Phebe Quimby:

- **Isaiah Mekeel**, d. 12 Nov 1844 age 21; buried Quaker Ground, Amawalk, NY
- **Arthur Mekeel**, d. 22 March 1856 age 23; buried Quaker Ground, Amawalk, NY

---Sources: Death Notice in *The New York Times*, 17 June 1861, p. 5 (death of Phebe, wife of Isaac Mekeel); Horton, William P., Cemetery Inscriptions of Westchester County, NY, Peekskill, NY, 1928 (online at Ancestry.com), Vol. 1, p. 37

Mekeel, Isaac

Isaac Mekeel

m.

Nancy Horton

b. about 1801
d. 25 April 1882 age 80.5.-
buried Hillside Cem., Peekskill, NY

b.
d.

buried

---Sources: Horton, William P., Cemetery Inscriptions of Westchester County, NY, Peekskill, NY, 1928 (online at Ancestry.com), Vol. II (Hillside Cemetery, Peekskill, NY), p. 193

Mekeel, Isaac P.

Isaac P. Mekeel

m.

A. Jane Jaycox

b. 1823
d. 1904
buried Nelsonville Cem, Cold Spring, NY

b.

d. 1881

buried Nelsonville Cem, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY

---Sources:

[1] Tombstone Photos online at <<http://www.findagrave.com>> (Nelsonville Cem., Cold Spring, NY: Isaac Mekeel, his wife A. Jane Jaycox; tombstone photos posted online)

Mekeel, Jacob

Jacob Mekeel

m.

Hannah Haight

b. 6 Nov 1790
d. 6 Sep 1853
buried Hillside Cem., Peekskill, NY

b. 24 Aug 1787

d. 7 Aug 1869

buried Hillside Cem., Peekskill, NY

---children of Jacob Mekeel & Hannah Haight:

- **Sarah G. Mekeel**, b. 2 June 1820; d. 7 May 1831; buried Hillside Cem., Peekskill, NY

---Sources: Horton, William P., Cemetery Inscriptions of Westchester County, NY, Peekskill, NY, 1928 (online at Ancestry.com), Vol. II (Hillside Cemetery, Peekskill, NY), p. 193; [Tombstone Inscriptions from] Hillside Cemetery, Peekskill, [Westchester Co., NY], Vol. 1, online at New York Genealogical & Biographical Society e-Library

Mekeel, Jacob

Jacob Mekeel m.
 b. 14 Aug 1829
 d. 22 Dec 1908
 buried Quaker Ground, Amawalk, Westchester Co., NY

Mary J. Haight

b. 11 March 1835
 d. 13 March 1914
 buried Quaker Ground, Amawalk, NY

---Sources: Horton, William P., *Cemetery Inscriptions of Westchester County, NY*, Peekskill, NY, 1928 (online at Ancestry.com), Vol. I, p. 37

McKeel, John

John McKeel m. **Martha** (Haight?)
 John McKeel and his wife Martha (perhaps Haight) wrote a letter (Nov 1785, Cortlandt Manor) to their Loyalist son Joseph (who left with a price on his head) in NB, mentioning that their daughter Mary had died in childbirth and inquiring about son Nathaniel.¹

---children of John McKeel & Martha

- **Joseph McKeel**. He was a Loyalist and settled in New Brunswick.¹
- **Mary McKeel**
- **Nathaniel McKeel**. He settled in Nova Scotia.¹
- **John McKeel**

---Sources:

[1] Information Oct 2010 from Alice Hyerstay <alice@hyerstay.com>:

Mekeel, John (John Mekeel, Jr.)

John Mekeel m. **Ann**
 d. prob. about 1781 d.

In his will dated 30 Nov 1780, probated 20 March 1781, John Mekeel Jr., carpenter, of the Manor of Cortlandt, in Westchester County [NY] being very sick, mentioned wife Ann; sons Moses and William (when of age); dau. Phebe (when of age). Made friends Michael Mekeel and Jacob Smith executors. Wit: Ebenezer White, Physicin; John Mekeel; Isaac Fowler. The executors resigned and administration was granted to the widow, Ann Mekeel.¹

---children of John Mekeel & Ann

- **Moses Mekeel**
- **William Mekeel**
- **Phebe Mekeel**

---Sources:

[1] 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. IX, 1777-1783, pub. 1899), p. 222;

Pelletreau, William S., *Early Wills of Westchester County, New York from 1664 to 1784...with Genealogical and Historical Notes*, 1898, p. 333 (will of John McKeel of the Manor of Cortlandt)

Michaels, John (Mitchell)

John Michaels m. **Susan Lyon** (Susannah Lyons)

---children of John Michaels & Susan Lyon:

- **Elizabeth Mitchell**, b. 19 Aug 1789; bp. 4 Sep 1789 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Richard Kip, Elizabeth Michaels)
- **Maria Lyon Michaels**, b. 8 July 1791; bp. 14 Aug 1791 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Mary Lyon)

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

Van Kortryke, Michiel "Chiel" Bastiaensen See Kortryk

Mekeel, Michael

Michael Mekeel m. about 1739¹

son of Michael Ryerse & Margery Dobbs

b. about 1719 Fordham, Westchester Co., NY¹

d. 1823 age 104 Yorktown, Westchester Co., NY¹

buried Quaker Ground, Amawalk, Westchester Co., NY

Michiel Mekeel was given his Lieutenant's commission in 1776.

---children of Michael Mekeel & Judith Milche:

- **Uriah Mekeel**, b. about 1740 Yorkstown, Westchester County, NY; d. 1797 Philipstown, Putnam Co., NY¹; m. 20 Oct 1764 Rombout, Dutchess Co., NY, **Elizabeth Davenport**, dau. of Thomas Davenport. He lived in Putnam County and served in Capt. Verplanck's company of militia.

- **Isaac Mekeel**, b. 10 May 1756; d. 13 March 1826 age 70; buried Quaker Ground, Amawalk, Westchester Co., NY; m. (1) **Sarah -?-**. She was b. 7 July 1756; d. 7 Nov 1816 age 60; buried Quaker Ground, Amawalk, Westchester Co., NY.

---Sources:

[1] Information Dec 1996 from Charlotte Black, 6238 Oak Valley Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 <cblack@sacinet.net >

Frost, Josephine C., *The Haviland Genealogy*, New York: The Lyons Genealogical Company. 1914, p. 44; Horton, William P., *Cemetery Inscriptions of Westchester County, NY*,

Peekskill, NY, 1928 (online at Ancestry.com), Vol. I, p. 1

Mekeel, Mikel

Mikel Mekeel

m.

b.

d.

buried

---Sources: The old Dutch burying ground of Sleepy Hollow in North Tarrytown, New York : a record of the early gravestones and their inscriptions. Perry, William Graves., Boston. Rand Press. 1990 (online at Ancestry.com at <http://content.ancestry.com/Browse/BookView.aspx?dbid=19535&iid=dvm_LocHist006142-00001-1>, p. 50;

Judith

b. about 1739

d. 29 July 1795 age 56.1.25

buried Sleepy Hollow BG, Tarrytown, NY

McKeel, Michael

Michael McKeel

m.

Mary Davies

---*children of Michael McKeel & Mary Davies:*

• **Dennis McKeel**, bp. 6 Aug 1775 First Presbyterian Ch, NYC

---Sources: O'Brien, Michael J., *In Old New York*, 1928, Reprint, Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., Baltimore 1997, p. 201

Mekeel, Michael

Michael Mekeel

d. 25 May 1850¹

buried Purchase Friends Meeting Cem., Purchase, Westchester Co., NY¹

---Sources:

[1] Tombstone Photos online at <http://www.findagrave.com> (Purchase Friends Meeting Cem., Purchase, NY: Michael Mekeel; tombstone photo posted online)

Mekeel, Michael Jr.

Michael Mekeel, Jr.

b. about 1810

d. 13 June 1865 age 55.0.28¹

buried Purchase Friends Meeting Cem., Purchase, Westchester Co., NY¹

---Sources:

[1] Tombstone Photos online at <http://www.findagrave.com> (Purchase Friends Meeting Cem., Purchase, NY: Michael Mekeel, Jr.; tombstone photo posted online)

Maghchielze, Petrus (Pieter)

Petrus Maghchielze

m.

Annatie

---*children of Petrus Maghchielze & Annatie*

• **Hendrikus Maghgielse**, bp. 4 Aug 1728 Kinderhook Ref Ch (wit: Joh. Staads, Catryntie Staads) (no mother's surname in bp. record)

• **Petrus Maghchielze**, bp. 27 July 1729 Kinderhook Ref Ch (wit: Gerrit Dinghman, Cornelia Dinghman) (no mother's surname in bp. record)

• **Elszie Machgielze (Elsie)**, bp. 24 June 1733 Kinderhook Ref Ch (wit: Yzaak Staats, Elizabeth Staats) (no mother's surname in bp. record)

---Sources: Vosburgh, Royden Woodward, *Records of the Reformed Dutch Church of Kinderhook, Columbia County, NY*, Vol. 1 (online at New York Genealogical & Biographical Society)

Michielsz, Richard

Richard Michielsz

m.

Marie Stillwell

---*children of Richard Michielsz &*

• **Louis Richards [Michielsz]**, bp. 14 July 1678 at New Utrecht, Flatbush Ref Ch (wit: Louis Lakeman, Maria Walte) (no mother's name in bp. record)

• **Annetje Michel**, bp. 25 Sep 1681 ('t Staten Eijland) Flatbush Ref Ch (wit: Jean Tiubrel, Anna Beet) (mother in bp. record: Marie Michel)

---Sources: Voorhees, David William, *Records of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Flatbush, Kings County, New York, Vol. I, 1677-1720*, Holland Society 1998

Michielszen, Ryer (Reyer MeKeel)

Ryer Michielszen

son of Michiel Bastiensen Van Kortrijk & Metje -?-

b. 1653 Schoenwoert*, Leerdam, Zuid Holland, Netherlands¹

bp.

d. before 20 Dec 1733 age 80, Fordham Manor, Westchester Co., NY²

Reyer Michielszen, eldest son of Michiel Bastiaensen Van Kortright, emigrated in 1663 with his parents on *de Bonte Coe*. He settled at Fordham, NY. He took part in building the church at Fordham, of which he was an active member.

m. 15 April 1686

NYC Ref Ch
at New Harlem, NY
(banns 26 March
NYC Ref Ch)

Jacomyntje Tibout

dau. of Jan Tibout &
(1) Sara VanderVlucht
b. Brooklyn, NY

bp. 4 June 1666 NYC Ref Ch

d.

Reyer Michielszen settled in the town of Fordham, NY. He took part in building the church there, in 1706 and [about 1850] a stone bearing his initials could be seen in the carriage house wall of Mrs. Moses De Voe, who took it from the foundation of the old church, which stood upon Mr. De Voe's farm. In 1688 Ryer Michielszen, with his father, brothers and sisters (along with their husbands), plus Nicholas Stuyvesant, Nicholas Bayard, Tunis De Key, Johannes Kip, and Isaac Van Vleeck forceably reclaimed their church from the Westchester town officials, who were attempting to gain control of the building and land, which had been willed and deeded to the Dutch Church of New York.

In their marriage record, they were: Reyer Michielszen, j. m. Van Schoonderwoert, en Jacomyntje Tibout, j.d. Van Breuckelen, beyde woonende tot N. Haerlem.

A Reyer Michielszen, with Annetie Michiels, wit. bp. 27 Sep 1676 NYC Ref Dutch Church, of Michiel, son of Hendrick Kiers and Metje Michiels.

A Reyer Michielszen, with Jannetie Aldrichs, wit. bp. 11 Nov 1676 NYC Ref Dutch Church, of Albert, son of Laurens Lanszen and Marritje Aldrichs.

A Reyer Michielszen, with Jacob Janszen and Belitje Jans, wit. bp. 3 Nov 1680 NYC Ref Dutch Ch., of Cornelis, son of Hendrick Janszen and Catharyn Jans.

A mortgage given by John Archer to Cornelis Steenwyck, of New York, in 1676, gave him full title and possession of the Manor of Fordham, which passed under his will and by certain deeds, to the Dutch church of NY. In getting possession, the church met with great opposition from the town of Westchester. This led in 1688 to a forcible entry by the officers and friends of the church. Elijah Barton, engaged with his father, Roger Barton, to keep possession for and in behalf of the town of Westchester, when on 7/16, in the afternoon, there came a great company of men with Nicholas Bayard, of NY, demanding admittance. This being refused, Reyer Michiels and Teunis De Key, at Bayard's word, broke open the door and the Bartons were ousted and roughly handled. With Bayard were also Nicholas Stuyvesant, Johannes Kip, Isaac Van Vleeck, Michiel Bastiaens (Van Kortright) and his wife, and sons Bastiaen, Reyer, Michiel, Hendrick Kiersen, and Jacques Tourneur. Also "in the exploit" was Hannah (or Anna) Odell. The Westchester authorities issued a warrant 7/20th, "to take the bodies of the said Reyer Michiels, with the said complyceters," but the church maintained its hold and the lands were ultimately sold.²

The first six children were mentioned by name in The Census Of Yonkers in 1698. The children of Ria Mekeel and his wife Yakamine, as given in the census of Yonkers in 1698 are: Mekeel, Sarah, Hannah, Geeny, Kamine, John.

Reyer's will was dated 1 July 1733; probated 20 Dec 1733. In it, he wrote: I, Ryer Michelsen, the elder, of the Manor of Fordham, in the County of Westchester, being now about four score years of age, and of sound and perfect memory. It is my will that my 3 sons, Ryer, Hendrick, and Tunis Michelsen, shall have the use and benefit of all lands, meadows, rights, and privileges in Westchester County, until July 1, 1736, and then all my lands are to be sold "for the most that can possibly be got," and each of my sons is to receive £18. And all of my personal property of horses, cattle, and sheep are also to be sold. I leave to my eldest son, Ryer Michelsen, 40 shillings as a preference for his birthright. And whereas it happened that in the life time of my eldest son, Michel Michelsen, deceased, I was bound for him for his only debt to Benjamin Corsa, for the payment of £21, 8s., on or before February 17, 1725, the same is to be paid out of 1/7 of the money, and the rest is to go to his son, Ryer Michelson. I leave to my daughter Mary, wife of Benjamin Haviland, £5. To Michel Michelsen, the second son of my deceased eldest son, Michel Michelson, £5. And whereas it so happened, that for the only debt of my son-in-law, Joseph Haviland, I and Benjamin Corsa became bound to Michael Furman, "in the sum of 20 odd pounds," the same is to be paid out of 1/7 of the money, and also an account of money which the wife of said Joseph Haviland is indebted to me, "and has left her cupboard and glass in pledge for the same." And the overplus is to be paid to my said daughter Sarah, wife of Joseph Haviland. The rest of the money is to be divided among my 3 sons, Ryer, Hendrick, and Tunis, and my daughters, Hannah, wife of Leonard Vincent, deceased, and Jane, wife of Benjamin Corsa. I leave to my son Tunis all my wearing apparell. I make my son Ryer, and my loving friend Peter Keer, executors. Dated July 7, 1733. Witnesses, Isaac Turner, Benjamin Betts, Roger Barton. Proved, December 20, 1733.⁵

On 26 April 1736 (Westchester Co. Land Records, Liber G, p. 204) -- "Ryer Michaelson the younger, Frederick Michaelson and Tunis Michaelson, sons of Ryer Michaelson ye Elder, late of ye Manor of Fordham, yeoman, dec'd, to Benjamin Corsen of ye same place; land on Bronxes river, commonly called the Great Plain, within ye bounds of Fordham."¹ [The "Frederick" of this conveyance is probably meant for "Hendrick," there being no son "Frederick" mentioned in Ryer Michielszen's 1733 will.]

---children of Ryer Michielszen & Jacomyntje Tibout:

- **Michiel [Ryerse]** (Michiel Michiels), b. about 1687² Fordham Manor, NY; d. before 7 July 1733 Yonkes, NY; m. about 1709, **Margery Dobbs**, dau. of Walter Dobbs & Mary Merritt. Michael Ryers died before his father made his will. See his record under Ryers, Michael.
- **Saertie [Ryerse]**, bp. 30 Jan 1689 NYC Ref Dutch Ch (wit: Bastiaen Michielszen, Jannetje Tibout); m. **Joseph Haviland**¹, son of Joseph Haviland & Mary -?-.
- **Hannah [Ryerse] Mekeel**, b. before 1691 Fordham, Westchester Co., NY²; m. **Leonard Vincent**¹, son of Charles Vincent & Elizabeth -?-. Hannah was mentioned in her father's 1733 will.¹
- **Hendrick Reyersen** (Henry), b. 1691?; m. **Jane -?-²**. As Henry Michaelson, he witnessed the 1770 will of his brother-in-law, Benjamin Corsen.
- **Jannetje [Reyers]** (Jane), b. about 1693 Fordham, Westchester Co., NY; bp. 18 June 1693 NYC Ref Dutch Ch (wit: Johannes Tibout, Metje Michiels); m. 17 April 1717 NYC Ref Ch, **Benjamin Corsse** (Corsen; Corsa), son of Jan Corszen & Metje Cray. In the marriage record, he was a young man of New York, and she (Jannetje Reÿers) was a young daughter from the "Mannor V. Fordam."
- **Jacomyntje [Ryerse]** (Jacomina), bp. 29 Dec 1695 NYC Ref Dutch Ch (wit: Jan Odel; Theuntje Romen). She was not named in her father's 1733 will.
- **Johannes [Ryerse] [Mekeel]**, bp. 2 Feb 1698 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Hendrik Oblinus & Aefje Roos, h.v.van Johannes Van Gelder). He was not named in his father's 1733 will¹.

- **Reyer [Ryerse; Mekeel]**, b. about 1700 Manor of Fordham, Westchester Co., NY; m. (as Ryer Michielsen) 16 Jan 1725 NYC Ref Ch, **Elizabeth Drake** (Betty), dau. of Josias Drake & Aeltje Brouwer.
 - **Teunis Reyer**, b. about 1703; m. about 1732 **Jane -?-**. He took the surname of "Reyer"; was mentioned in father's 1733 will.¹ As Tunis Michaelson, he witnessed the 1770 will of his brother-in-law, Benjamin Corsen.
 - **Mary [Ryerse Mekeel]**, b. about 1706? Fordham, Westchester Co., NY²; m. **Benjamin Haviland** son of John Haviland & Sarah -?-. She was named in her father's 1733 will.
- * Schoonderwoerd was so called from the Dutch schoonder, signifying fairer, finer, etc., and woerd, another term for polder, a tract of low land recovered from the overflow of the sea or surrounding rivers by dykes and drainage: this term (woerd) applying as well to islands that had undergone the same reclaiming process. Very many such places throughout Holland bear names of which this term forms the ending; variously written waerd, woerd, woert, etc. Schoonderwoerd was simply the Fairer-polder.⁴

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[Ryer?], Michielsze, Ryer

Ryer Michielsze [Ryersen]
 son of Ryer Michaelson Ryer &
 Jacomyntje Tibout
 b. about 1700 Fordham Manor, NY
 bp.

m. 4 Feb 1725
 NYC Ref Ch
 banns: 16 Jan 1725
 (m. as Ryer Michielsen)

Elisabeth Dreak(Betty Drake)
 dau. of Josias Drake &
 Aeltje Brouwer
 b. Long Island
 bp. (as Bettij) Brooklyn Ref Ch

In the marriage record, they were: Ryer Michielsze, j. m. V. Mannor V. Fordham, met Elisabeth Dreak, j. d. V. 't lang Eylt., woonende op Mannor Fordam.

They were of Fordham in 1735; later of Pines Bridge and Yorktown.

On 26 April 1736 "Ryer Michaelson the younger, Frederick Michaelson and Tunis Michaelson, sons of Ryer Michaelson ye Elder, late of ye Manor of Fordham, yeoman, dec'd, [conveyed] to Benjamin Corsen of ye same place; land on Bronxes river, commonly called the Great Plain, within ye bounds of Fordham."¹

---*children of Ryer [Michielse] Ryer & Elisabeth Drake:*

- **Susanna Ryer**, m. **John Ryer**, son of Michiel Ryer and Margary Dobbs
- **Josiah Ryer** (Josia), m. **Ann -?-**.
- **Ryer Ryer** (Uriah), m. 2 Oct 1764 Presbyterian Ch of Rumbout & Poughkeepsie, **Elizabeth Davenport**.

---Sources:

- [1] Bristol, Theresa Hall, "Westchester County Miscellanea" (Liber G, Westchester Co., Land Records, p. 204) in *The New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Jan 1922, p. 25;
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; Information Sep 1996 from Ethel Kolenut, who warns that she has no sources or references for the children of Ryer [Michielse] Ryer & Elisabeth Drake (just speculation in her notes); "Record of Marriages of the Presbyterian Churches in Rumbout and Poughkeepsie" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 69, No. 4, Oct 1938, p. 380

MeKeel, Stephen (McKeel)

Stephen MeKeel
 son of

 son of

 b. 1765
 d. 2 May 1853 age 87.9.3

m. (1)

 m. (2)

Nancy Haight
 dau. of William Haight &
 Phebe Fowler
Elizabeth Bell
 (widow of **William Likley**)
 dau. of Peter Bell &
 b. 22 Sep 1776 Putnam Valley, Putnam Co., NY
 d. 30 July 1867 age 90.9.8, Cold Spring,
 Putnam Co., NY
 buried Nelsonville Cem., Cold Spring, NY

buried

---*children of Stephen MeKeel &*

• **Phebe MeKeel**, d. 1853; buried Nelsonville Cem, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY

---*children of Stephen MeKeel & (2) Elizabeth Bell:*

- **Mary MeKeel**, b. 13 Nov 1813 Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; d. 9 Aug 1869 Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; buried Mountain Ave Cem., Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; m. **Harry MeKeel**, son of Thomas MeKeel & Abigail Sawyer

---Sources:

- [1] Tombstone Photos online at <http://www.findagrave.com> (Nelsonville Cem. Cold Spring, NY: Stephen MeKeel; Elizabeth, wife of Stephen MeKeel; tombstone photos posted online)

MeKeel, Thomas

Thomas MeKeel m.
son of Uriah MeKeel &
Elizabeth Davenport
b. 12 June 1766 Dutchess Co., NY
d. 12 May 1842 age 75.11.-, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY
buried Mountain Ave. Cem, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY

Abigail Sawyer

dau. of
b. 11 May 1775 Sullivan Co., NY
d. 22 May 1865 age 90.0.11
buried Nelsonville Cem, Cold Spring, NY

---children of Thomas MeKeel & Abigail Sawyer:

- **William Mekeel**, b. 29 Aug 1792 Dutchess Co., NY; d. 23 Aug 1859 age 66.11.24, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; buried Nelsonville Cem., Cols Spring, Putnam Co., NY; m. **Lydia Smith**. Lydia Smith was b. 15 Aug 1801 Dutchess Co., NY; d. 23 Aug 1853 age 52.-.18, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; buried Nelsonville Cem, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY.
- **Harry MeKeel**, b. 7 Sep 1810 Dutchess Co., NY; d. 17 Aug 1872 61.11.10, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; buried Mountain Ave Cem, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; m. **Mary MeKeel**, dau. of Stephen Mekeel & (2) Elizabeth Bell. Mary MeKeel was b. 13 Nov 1813 Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; d. 9 Aug 1869 age 55.8.26, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; buried Mountain Ave Cem, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY

[1] Tombstone Photos online at <<http://www.findagrave.com>> (Mountain Ave. Cem and Nelsonville Cem, Cold Spring, NY: Thomas Mekeel; Abigail Mekeel; William Mekeel; Harry MeKeel; Mary MeKeel; no tombstone photos posted online -- Lydia , wife of William Mc Keel; tombstone photo posted online)

McKeel, Uriah (MeKeel; Ryer McKeel)

Uriah McKeel m. 2 Oct 1764
son of Ryer Michielse Ryer [McKeel] & Presbyterian Ch of
Elisabeth Drake Rumbout & Poughkeepsie
b.
d. 1779

Elizabeth Davenport

dau. of
b. 1744
buried Cold Spring Cem., Cold Spring, NY¹

buried Mountain Ave. Cem, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY

---children of Uriah MeKeel & Elizabeth Davenport:

- **Stephen McKeel**, b. 1765; d. 1853; buried Nelsonville Cem, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; m. (1) **Nancy Haight**; m. (2) **Elizabeth Bell**
- **Thomas MeKeel**, b. 12 June 1766 Dutchess Co., NY; d. 12 May 1842 age 75.11.-, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; buried Mountain Ave. Cem, Cold Spring, Putnam Co., NY; m. **Abigail Sawyer**. Abigail Sawyer was b. 11 May 1775 Sullivan Co., NY; d. 1865

---Sources:

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"Record of Marriages of the Presbyterian Churches in Rumbout and Poughkeepsie" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, Vol. 69, No. 4, Oct 1938, p. 380

Mekeel, William

William Mekeel m.
b. about 1780
d. 11 Nov 1827 age 47.9.26
buried Sleepy Hollow BG, Tarrytown, Westchester Co., NY

Mary

b. about 1776
d. 15 Feb 1848 age 71.10.13
buried Sleepy Hollow BG, Tarrytown, NY

---children of William Mekeel & Mary

- **Jane Mekeel**, b. about 1812; d. 27 April 1825 age 12.8.13; buried Sleepy Hollow BG, Tarrytown, NY

---Sources: The old Dutch burying ground of Sleepy Hollow, in North Tarrytown, New York : a record of the early gravestones and their inscriptions.. Perry, William Graves., Boston. Rand Press. 1990 (aonline at Ancestry.com at <http://content.ancestry.com/Browse/BookView.aspx?dbid=19535&iid=dvm_LocHist006142-00001-1>, p. 68, 69

Unplaced Michael, McKeel Women:

Aeltje Mekeel, m. **Jonas Canniff**. He was b. about 1727.

Hannah Mekeel, m. **John Vail**, son of Moses Vail & Phebe Platt. John Vail was b. about 1724 Huntington, Suffolk Co., NY; d. about 1812 Somers, Westchester Co., NY. He also m. Tamar Budd.