

-- SIMPSON, SIMSON --

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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Simpson, Alexander

Alexander Simpson
son of

m.

Jannetje Stevense Van Voorhees

(widow of **Jan Martense Schenk**)
dau. of Steven Coerte Van Voorhees &
(2) Willemptje Roeloffse Seubering
b. about 1658 Netherlands

b.

Simson, Alexander

Alexander Simson
son of

m. (1)

-?-

dau. of

b.

Martha Lee (Metje; Lie)

(widow of -?-)

dau. of

b. New Amersfoort

m. (2) 10 Oct 1709
NYC Ref Ch
(banns 7 Sep? 1709
NYC Ref Ch)

In the NYC Ref Ch record of the (2) marriage, they were: Alexander Simson, Wedr. V. N. Amelsoort, met Metthe Lie, Wed. V. London in O. Engelt.

---children of Alexander Simson & Martha Lee:

• **Jannetje Simson**, bp. 28 Jan 1719 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Jeames Lee, Justina [Witvelt] Lee)

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

Simpson, Alexander

Alexander Simpson
son of
d. before Feb 1768

m. (1) (poss)

-?-
dau. of
d.

m. (poss 2)

Rachel
(widow of -?- Smith)

In his will, he wrote: ...August 8, 1767. I, Alexander Simson, being weak in body. I direct all debts to be paid. I leave to my wife Rachel a cow "and a horse four years old, of a mouse color," and a side saddle and bridle, "and cloth to make her a mourning suit," and two pots and a trammel which I had when I married her." I leave to my son John "2 steer calves, or 30 shillings in money." I leave to my son Samuel a horse and steers, and a horse valued at œ10. I leave to my son Henry 2 steers and a horse. I leave to my wife's son, Geritt Smith, 2 sheep, "And if there be a School kept here, him to be sent to it this winter." "If my wife does not choose to live in my family, my sons are to build her a suitable house to live in on the place." All the rest I leave to my sons Samuel, Henry, and Robert. Witnesses, John McCauly, Charity Buchanan, Bridget Sullivan. Proved in Orange County, before John Gale, February 3, 1768.

---children of Alexander Simpson &

- **John Simpson**
- **Samuel Simpson**
- **Henry Simpson**
- **Robert Simpson**

---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. 164 (will of Alexander Simpson)

Simson, Arthur

Arthur Simson
d. before 27 March 1703

m.

Margaret
d.

In his will, dated 6 March 1702/3 Perth Amboy, NJ, Arthur Simson mentioned wife Margaret. Wife's daughters--Katharin, wife of John Matthews, Jean, wife of John Brown and Hannah Hume, grandson Arthur Brown. Real and personal estate. The wife sole executrix. Witnesses--John L. Cammell, William Story, Thomas Gordon. Proved March 27, 1703. 1703 May 26. Inventory of the personal estate, £71.1; made by John Mathie and John Island for his widow.

---Sources: Calendar of New Jersey Wills, Vol. I, 1670-1730 (online at Ancestry.com), p. 420 (will of Arthur Simson)

Simpson, Israel (Simson)

Israel Simpson
son of

m. 4 Nov 1815
Stone House Plains Ref Ch

Jane Huston
dau. of

---children of Israel Simpson & Jane Huston:

- **John Huston Simpson**, b. 20 July 1817; bp. 31 Aug 1817 Stone House Plains Ref Ch
- Sources: Stone House Plains Ref Ch, Brookdale, Essex Co., NJ, Marriages, Baptisms, Gravestone Inscriptions, online at <<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~mqueman/stonecem.html>>

Simpson, James

Jeems Simson was accepted as a member of the Hackensack Church 29 July 1686. Jaemis Simson was baptized (as an asult) 1686 Hackensack Ref Ch, upon his confession.

---Sources: Records of the Reformed Dutch Church of Hackensack...., 1891 (Collections of the Holland Society of New York, Vol. I, Part I)

Sympson, James (Simpson)

James Sympson
son of

m.

Metje/Martha Damen
(widow of **John Remsen**)
dau. of Jan Damen &

In his will, James Sympson of Flatbush in Kings County, NY, dated 22 Nov 1704, to wife Martha all estate. In case wife does not sell estate then given same "unto my children and my wife's fore children procured by her former husband John Remsen by names of Sophia, John, Rem, Jonica, Peter, and Elizabeth." Executor: wife Martha. Witnesses: Henry ffilkin, Daniel Rapalie and Jeronimus Remsen. (Recorded Liber 3 of Kings Co. Conveyances, p. 19)

---Sources: McQueen, David, "Kings County, N.Y. Wills" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, July 1916, p. 228

[Simpson?], James (Tsyems Tstyanse)

Tsyems Tstyanse

m.

Annatje Van Blarcom

This surname may be Simpson? Jameson? Simmons?

---children of Tsyems Tstyanse & Annatje Van Blarcom:

- **Lena Tsyanse**, bp. 7 Aug 1726 Hackensack Ref Ch (wit: Pieter Van Blerkum, Antje Broekman)

---Sources: Records of the Reformed Dutch Church of Hackensack...., 1891 (Collections of the Holland Society of New York, Vol. I, Part I)

Simsons, Jan

Jan Simsons

m.

Elisabeth Jans

---children of Jan Simson & Elisabeth Jans:

• **Jan Jans Simsons**, bp. 22 June 1687 NYC Ref Ch (wit: John Seckum, Annekers Paulus, Willemyntje Simsons)

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

Simpson, John

John Simpson

m.

Magdalena Chine

---children of John Simpson & Magdalena Chine:

• **Catherine Simpson**, b. (prob) Essex Co., NJ; m. **Hendrick Bell**

---Information online Oct 2000, Dutch-Colonies List, from Sharilyn Whitaker <sharilyn@northcoast.com> citing Frank J. Doherty, Settlers of the Beekman Patent, Vol. II, p. 470

Simson, John

John Simson

m.

Isabel

son of

(widow of (poss) **-?- Neeley**)

d. before 4 March 1761

d. before 14 Feb 1763

In his will, he wrote: ...February 9, 1761. I, John Simson, of Orange County, yeoman, being sick. I leave to my wife Isabel £20, and all the goods she brought with her when married. I leave to my brother Alexander all my apparell, Horses, Saddles, and bridles. To my friend, Joseph Perry, 1 bed. To my friend, Benjamin Burt, 1 bed. To my brother Henry, 2 sheep. To my friend William Blinn, 3 calves. To John Blin, 2 steers. I make my wife and Richard Edsal executors. Witnesses, Samuel Vanse, Hugh Kirkpatrick. Proved, March 4, 1761.

In her will, she wrote: ...I, Isabella Simpson, of Goshen, in Orange County, widow of John Simpson, being now sick and weak. I leave to my son, Matthew Neeley, £50 when of age or married. And my executors are to put him to any trade he chooses for 4 years. I also leave him 2 pots, a Trammel, soup dish, 1/2 dozen plates, bedstead and bedding, and a desk. I leave to my granddaughter, Isabella Neeley, daughter of Thomas Neeley, £10 and a little round table. To my daughter, Mary Neeley, wife of Thomas Neeley, my riding horse and saddle, a cow, and my wearing apparell, and a new spinning wheel. All the rest of my estate I leave to my son, Matthew Neeley, and my grandchildren, the children of Thomas Neeley. I make my trusty friend, Arthur Beatty, executor. Dated October 26, 1762. Witnesses, Donald Cameron, Thomas Neeley, Archibald Beatty. Proved in Orange County, before John Gale, Surrogate, February 14, 1763.

---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. VI, 1760-1766, pub. 1897), p. 71 (will of John Simson); Ibid., p. 226 (will of Isabella Simpson)

Simpson, Julius M. (M.D.)

Julius M. Simpson

m.

Kate A. Grovesteen

b. 22 Feb 1838 NY

b. 22 July 1847

d. 11 June 1896

d. 11 April 1913

buried Woodside Cemetery, Dumont, NJ

buried Woodside Cemetery, Dumont, NJ

They were listed in the 1880 Federal Census, New Jersey, Bergen Co., Palisades Township, Village of Schraalenburgh, District 11, Dwelling 261, Family 274 -- Simpson, Julius M., 41, Phycician, b. Canada, his father b. Canada, his mother b. NY; [Simpton], Kate A., 32, Wife, Housekeeping, b. NY, her parents b. NY; [Simpson], Hattie M., 7, daugjhter, b. NJ; [Simpson], Willard G., 2, son, b. NJ.

---children of Julius M. Simpson & Kate A. Grovesteen:

• **Mamie A. Simpson**, b. 13 Aug 1871; d. 15 July 1872; buried Woodside Cemetery, Dumont, NJ

• **Hattie M. Simpson**, b. 2 May 1873; d. 8 Feb 1940; buried Woodside Cemetery, Dumont, NJ; m. **-?- Ives**

• **Willard G. Simpson**, b. 4 Feb 1878; d. 2 April 1923; buried Woodside Cemetery, Dumont, NJ

---Sources: Ackerman, Herbert S., and Arthur J. Goff, Thirty Seven Cemeteries, 1946 (reprinted by Bergen Historic Books) (Woodside Cemetery, Dumont, Bergen Co., NJ), p. 21

Simson, Moses

Moses Simson

m. 1 Jan 1705

Sarah Lilly

son of

NYC Ref Ch

dau. of

(banns 8 Nov 1704

b. London

NYC Ref Ch)

b. Rhode Island

In the NYC Ref Ch record of their banns and marriage, they were: Moses Simson, j.m. Van Loudon, met Sarah Lilly, j.d. Van RoodYlandt.

---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

Simpson, Peter

Peter Simpson

m.

Grietje (Margrietje)

d. before late 1696 (when wife is called a widow in land deed)

d.

2 May 1687 (Brooklyn, Kings Co., NY Conveyances, Book 2, p. 88) -- Peter Sympson of Gravesend and wife Greta ack. sale of property there to Rynier Van Sickland of Amersfort, reserving use of four acres during their lives and he to care for them. They had exchanged this property with Theofilus Johnson. All three sign, Peter by mark. Wit. by Stoffle Jansen, Adam

Machiell and John Tilton, Sr. and Jr., 2nd of 3rd month called May, 1687. Rec'd 3 March 1695/6 by Henry ffilkin, Reg.¹

---children of Peter Simpson & Grietje

• **Elizabeth Simpsons**, m. before Oct 1681, **Willem Brouwer**

---Sources:

[1] Frost, Josephine C., "Genealogical Gleanings from Book No. 2 of Conveyances, Brooklyn, Kings Co., N.Y." in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, July 1923 (Vol. 54, No. 3), p. 244;

Simpson, Robert

Robert Simpson
son of

m. 12 June 1755
at Florida, Orange Co., NY
by Rev. Jonathan Elmer

Elizabeth Burger
dau. of

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

Simpson, Thomas

Thomas Simpson

m.

Johanna Catharina Houtvat

---children of Thomas Simpson & Johanna Catharina Houtvat:

• **Elizabeth Simpson**, bp. 1 May 1769 NYC Ref Ch (wit: William Johnston, Elizabeth de Foreest Wede Pain)

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

Simson, Willem

Willem Simson

m.

Catharyn Mil

---children of Willem Simson & Catharyn Mil:

• **Jan Willemsz Simson**, bp. 24 Sep 1656 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Thomas Franszen, Maria Peeck)

• **Aron Willemsz Simsons**, bp. 31 March 1659 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Arent Huybertsen, Anna Verleth)

• **Marie Simson**, bp. 16 March 1661 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Joris Dapson, Jannetie Thomas)

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

Unplaced Simpson Women:

Tabitha Simson, m. 8 July 1738 NYC Ref Ch, **Willem Heyer**