

-- STEENWYCK --

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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Steenwyck, Van Steenwyck

Steenwyck, Abraham Jacobs (Abraham Jacobs Van Steenwyck)

Abraham Jacobs Van Steenwyck
son of

m.
(banns: 23 March 1642
NYC Ref Ch)

Geertruyd Willem
dau. of

In the record of their marriage banns, they were: Abraham Jacobs, j.m., Van Steenwyck, en Geertuyd Willem, j.d. Van Amsterdam.

---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

Steenwyck, Albert Jansen

Albert Jansen Steenwyck
son of

m. 27 Jan 1664
Kingston Ref Ch
(banns 6 Jan 1664
Kingston Ref Ch)

Hilletjen Hendricks (in t' Veld)
(widow of **Andries Barentsen**)
dau. of

b.

b. Meppelen

In the Kingston marriage record they were: Albert Jansen, of Steenwyck, j.m., tailor, and soldier of the Hon. [West India] Company of the Hon. Lord Director General (Stuyvesant), and Hilletjen Hendricks, of Meppelen, near Steenwyck, widow of Andries Barentsen, both resid. here (in Wiltwyck now Kingston).

Hilletjen Hendricks had siblings in America: Roeloff Hendricksen, who m. Aeltje Lubberts; and Femmetje Hendricks (in t'Veld), who m. 1663, Joost Adrianse Molenaar.

---children of Albert Jansen & Hilletje Hendricks:

- **Geertjen Alberts [Steenwyck]**, bp. 14 Dec 1664 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Joost Adriaensen, Meycken Holbeeck)
- **Andries Alberts [Steenwyck]**, bp. 21 Nov 1666 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Joost Ariaensen, Altjen Lubbers)
- (poss) **Aaltje Steenwyck**, m. 4 Sep 1687 Kingston Ref Ch, **Aaron Jacobsz Van Noorstrand**

---Sources: Hoes, Roswell Randall, *Baptismal and Marriage Registers of the Old Dutch Church of Kingston...*, 1891 (reprinted 1997 by Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD)

Steenwyck, Albert Janse

Albert Janse Steenwyck

m.

Pieterte Pieterdr.

---children of Albert Jansen Steenwyck & Pieterte Pieterdr.:

- **Anna Alberts Steenwyck**, bp. 30 Oct 1681 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Henric Aartz, Anna Hendricdr.)
- **Anna Alberts Steenwyck**, bp. 12 Aug 1683 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Simon Pels, Maria Hendricz)
- **Pietertje Alberts Steenwyck**, bp. 2 Aug 1685 Kingston Ref Ch (wit: Aeltje van Steenwyck)

---Sources: Hoes, Roswell Randall, *Baptismal and Marriage Registers of the Old Dutch Church of Kingston...*, 1891 (reprinted 1997 by Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD)

Steenwyck, Cornelis

Cornelis Steenwyck

m. 5 June 1658

Margreta Riemers (de Riemer)

son of (poss?) -?- Steenwyck & Grietje Godtschalck*

NYC Ref Ch

dau. of Isaac de Riemer &

(banns: 11 May 1658

Elizabeth Grevenraet

b.

NYC Ref Ch

b. 19 Sep 1640

d. 1686 (d. 21 Nov 1684 age 58.8.5^{3,4})

d. before 4 Feb 1712

In their marriage record, they were: Cornelis Steenwyck, Van Haerlem, en Margareta Riemers, Van Amsterdam.

He was called a poet.¹

Cornelis Steenwyck was one of the most prominent men in early New York, and was mayor in 1682. His house was on the south corner of Whitehall and Bridge streets. The tract of land called the "Manor of Fordham" was sold to him by John Archer in 1670. A portrait of Cornelis Steenwyck is in possession of the New York Historical Society.--W. S. P.

They apparently traveled back and forth to Amsterdam, Holland, where they were recorded several times as witnesses for baptisms of children of Nicolaes Gouverneur and Madtelde de Riemer: Jan 1, 1668: witness Cornelis Steenwijck; Jan 22, 1670: witness Margritta Steenwijck; Mar 2, 1672: witness Margritta Steenwijck; Jan 21, 1677: witness Margritta de Riemer Alias Steenwijck.¹

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 Kiensen, 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 complycetors", but the church maintained its hold and the lands were ultimately sold.

The last will and Testament of MR. CORNELIS STEENWYCK, late of this city, merchant, deceased. Know all men that we, Cornelis Steenwyck, and Margareta Reimers, lawful man and wife, residing in the city of New York. The said Cornelis Steenwyck being sick, and the said Margareta Reimers in full health. We revoke all former testaments, and in particular a certain will made before the Notary, Matthew De Vas and several witnesses, July 5, 1667. We do declare this our earnest will and last desire, that the general inheritance of us shall be after the former manner, custom, and practice of the Nether Dutch nation, and according to the Articles made upon the Surrendering of this place. And therefore the testator declares that if he shall first decease, he nominates his wife, Margareta, as heir for 1/2 of his estate, and the other 1/2 to his sister Janettie, the wife of John Van Gooten, residing at Harlem in Holland, and to Jacob Maurits, the testator's half brother on his mother's side, and Annettie Maurits, widow of Dr. Wilhelminus Van Nieuwenhuysen, also his half sister on his mother's side, and both residing in New York. But they are not to have any claim upon the estate until the death of the testatrix his wife. And for preventing all inconveniences which might befall in dividing the same (all lands within this Province, by the General Laws being declared to be lands of inheritance). The Testator declares that all his lands are to be held as chattels, and the heirs may sell the same as they shall see cause. And with the consent of his wife the testator leaves to the Nether Dutch Reformed Congregation, in this city, for the better support of the minister, all his rightand title to the manor of Fordham, in Westchester County, with all the lands now in his possession by deed or mortgage from John Archer deceased, the late owner and Proprietor of the said manor; and the same shall be conveyed to the Elders or overseers of said Congregation within six months. And I appoint my wife executrix. And I, the testatrix, Margareta Reimers, do declare that in case I shall be the first to decease, I bequeath to the said Cornelis Steenwyck, all my part of the estate, during his life, and then the next relations in blood of the testatrix shall be the universal heir, according to the custom of the Nether Dutch Nation. This we declare our joint will at New York, on the Island of Manhattan, the 20 November, 1684. Witnesses, N. Bayard, Johanes Kerfbyl, Johanes Van Brugh. Translated by Nicholas Bayard. Recorded in Liber 19 B, page 135.) Proved, April 28, 1685.

Inventory of estate of Cornelius Steenwyck by order of Mayor's Court, July 20, 1686: 1 House and lot in New York, to the

north of the houses of Sarah Kierstede and Paul Richards, to the west of Colonel Morris, to the south of the Bridge street, and to the east of the Fort, £700; 1 House and lot to the east of the Fort, to the north of the Bridge street, to the south of the house of Peter De Reimer, now in tenure of Jonathan Champion, together with a small strip of ground lying to the east thereof, with a small cottage thereon, all valued at £300; 1 Garden on the north of the Bridge street, between the houses of Peter De Reimer and Stephanus Van Cortlandt, £70; One small strip of ground in the Broadway on the back part of the lot of Leendert Van der Grift, in length about 22 feet and in breadth about 15 feet, £7; One half of the farm lying over the Fresh water, now in occupancy of Andries Cornellisen, with all utensils, etc., £316; One farm on Staten Island at Smokers Point, formerly of George Lockhart, and now in tenure of Richard Tattershall, £125; A tract of land in Bergen, New Jersey, bought of Samuel Edsall by deed of May 3, 1682, £200; 37 Ducatoons, at 7s. 10 1/2 each; 11 Rix Dollars, £3. 8s. 9d.; Old England money, £23, at 3d. per shilling advance, £29; Spanish gold, 112 pieces of 8, £33. 12s.; 4 Gold rings, 6s.; 1 Gold chain, 1 round Gold medall, and 1 "gold child's whissell," 1 pair Gold buttons, £49. 19s.;" 1 Gold chain broke, used at her husband's funeral," 723 ounces of Plate, at 6s. per ounce; 1/4 of the ship "Beaver," £180; 389 gallons of Rum from Barbadoes, at 21d. per gallon. The inventory is very long, covering 14 pages, enumerating a vast number of articles. Total, £4,382. Also a very long list of book debts, covering 16 pages and showing accounts with almost every man in the city, £1,588. Showing that Cornelis Steenwyck was one of the richest men of his time. [Note.--The house of Cornelius Steenwyck was the south corner of Whitehall and Bridge streets. The lot on the north corner was purchased by him from the heirs of George Holmes, who was also the owner of the "Turtle Bay farm." The "Garden" on the north side of Bridge street was a part of the ancient "Winckel street," or store street, so called from the five stone warehouses of the West India Company that stood on it. The street was sold to various parties by Governor Andross. The farm "over the Fresh water" is probably the south part of what was afterwards "Bayard's east farm," fronting on the Bowery lane.-- W. S. P.]

Juffr. Magareta de Riemer, wed. van den Hr. Cornelis Steenwyck, was listed in the 1686 Dominie Selyns list of members of the NYC Ref Ch. She was living on Beurs Straet, ["Exchange Place"] (Whitehall Street). Listed before her were: ...Jacob de Key, en syn huysvr. Hillegond Theunis; Sara Bedlo, h. v. Claes Borger; Pieter de Riemer, en syn huysvr. Susanna de Foreest; Isaac de Riemer. Listed after her were: Andries Greevenraedt, en syn huysv. Anna van Brug.²

Margareta de Riemer m. (2) 20 Oct 1686 NYC Ref Ch, **Henricus Selyns**, widower of Machtelt Specht.

---children of **Cornelius Steenwyck & Margreta de Riemer**:

- **Margariet Steenwyck**, bp. 17 Sep 1659 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Do. Samuel Drisius, Lysbeth Grevenraets); d. before 19 Nov 1684; m. (prob) **John Archer**.
 - **Jacob Steenwyck**, bp. 13 Nov 1661 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Marten Kregier, Burgerm., Johannes Van Brug, Schepen, Juffr. Judith Stuyvesants); apparently d.y. 9d. age about 7 months³)
 - **Jacob Steenwyck**, bp. 24 Feb 1664 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Gilles Van Hoornbeeck, Judith Bayard); (d. age about 12 years³)
 - **Isaacq Steenwyck**, bp. 28 Dec 1666 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Do. Samuel Drisius, Catharina Roelofs); (d. age about 12-1/4 yrs³)
 - **Cornelis Steenwyck**, bp. 7 April 1669 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Johannes Depeyster, Anneken Loockermans); apparently d.y. (d. age about 3 years³)
 - **Cornelis Steenwyck**, bp. 20 July 1671 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Jacob Pieterszen Marius, Elisabeth Grevenraedt); apparently d.y. (d. age about 8 weeks³)
 - **Cornelis Steenwyck (Jacobus)**, bp. 25 May 1676 NYC Ref Ch (wit: Do. Wilhelmus Van Nieuwenhuysen, Susanna De Foreest); d. age about 16 days³
- * Grietje Godtschalck m. (2) Maurits Sluyswachter.

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[1] Tuckerman, Bayard, Peter Stuyvesant: Director-General for the West India Company in New Netherland, Dodd, Mead, and Company, 1905, p. 147;

[2] Dominie Selyns' List of Members of the Dutch Church of New York City 1686, in Year book of Holland Society of NY, 1916, p. 22;

[3] Totten, John Reynolds, "Greevenraedt Family. With Notes on the Allied Families of De Riemer, Gouverneurjr and Meyer" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, July 1929 (Vol. 60, No. 3), p. 210;

[4] Hoffman, William J., "The De Riemer Family Bible Record" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, July 1932 (Vol. 63, No. 3), p. 289;

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Van Steenwyck, Gerrit Janse

Gerrit Janse Van Steenwyck
son of

m. (1)

-?-

dau. of

m. (2)

Pietertje Heertjes

(widow of **Claes Jacobszen**)

(banns 15 Aug 1654
NYC Ref Ch)

dau. of

On a "List of the farmers, men, women, children, male and female servants sent by Yoncker Henrick van der Capellen toe Ryssel to Staten-Island in New-Netherland in West-India since May 1650. And of those who were alive after the dreadful and bloody massacre by the savages in September 1655...." "Three children of Corporal Gerrit Jansen van Steenwyck, who have been brought at his Excellency's expense."

1 Sep 1654 Marriage Contract. Geerit Jansen van Steenwyck, widower, and Pietertje Heertjes, widow (in "Calendar of Historical Manuscripts in the Office of the Secretary of State, Albany NY" edited by EB O'Callaghan, Vol. III, p. 57 Dutch Manuscripts: Register of Provincial Secretary.)

In the (2) marriage record, they were: Gerrit Janszen Van Steenwyck, en Pietertje Heertjes, Wede Van Claes Jacobszen.

---children of **Gerrit Janse Van Steenwyck & (1) -?-:**

- **Jannetje Gerrits Van Steenwyck**, m. banns 31 March 1652 NYC Ref Ch, **Casper Steinmets**

---children of **Gerrit Janse Van Steenwyck & (2) Pietertje Heertjes:**

- **Geesje Gerritse Van Steenwyck**, m. (banns 14 Jan 1666 Bergen Ref Ch) **Jan Dirckszen Straetmaker**
- **Guert Gerritszen Van Steenwyck**, m. (banns 19 Oct 1663 NYC Ref Ch), as her third husband, **Lysbeth Cornelis**, widow of Marcus Pieterszen & Gerrit Hendrickszen [Van Harderwyck].

---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; Versteeg, Dingman, and Thomas E. Vermilye, Jr., with contributions by Nicholas G. Vreeland, et. al., Bergen Records: Records of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Bergen in New Jersey, 1666 to 1788 (excerpted and reprinted from Year Books of the Holland Society of New York, 1913, 1914, 1915) Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1976; reprinted for Clearfield Co., Inc., 1990; Fitz Randolph, Howard S., "Tryntje Jacobs and Her Four Husbands: Van Winkle, Stoffelsen, Tades and Steynmets" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, July 1925

Van Steenwyck, Guert Gerritszen (Gerrit) (Van Zutphen)
 Guert Gerritszen Van Steenwyck m.
 son of Gerrit Janse Van Steenwyck &
 (2) Pietertje Heertjes (banns 19 Oct 1664
 b. Zutphen NYC Ref Ch)
 d. 28 Feb 1697
 buried 28 Feb 1697 Bergen Ref Ch

Lysbeth Cornelis
 (widow of **Marcus Pieterszen &**
Gerrit Hendricks van Harderwyck)
 b.
 d. 24 Jan 1707
 buried 24 Jan 1707 Bergen Ref Ch

In the record of their marriage banns, they were: "Geurt Gerritszen, j.m. Van Zutphen, en Lysbeth Cornelis, Wede. Gerrit Hendrickszen."

Guert/Gerrit Gerritszen had sisters: Jannetje Gerrits, m. Caspar Steynmets; and Geesje Gerrits, m. Jan Dircksen Stratemaker.

Geurt Gerritszen, en syn huysv. Elisabeth Cornelis, were listed in the 1686 Dominie Selyns list of members of the NYC Ref Ch. They were living on Broadway. Listed before them were: ...Hendrick Obee, en syn huysv. Aeltje Claes; Evert Aertsen [Willem Aertsen], en syn huysvr. Styntie Nagel; Olphert Seurt, en syn huysvr. Margareta Klopper; Helena Pieterse, h. v. Abraham Mathysen. Listed after them were: Seurt Olphertsen, en syn huysv. Ytie Roelofse; Anneken Mauritz, wed. v. Dom. Wilhelmus van Nieuwenhuysen; Tryntje Bickers, h. v. Walter Heyers; de Hr. Francois Rombout, en syn h. Helena Teller; Isaac Stephanszen, en syn h. Margareta van Veen; etc.¹

They made a joint will: Know all men to whom these presents shall be read or see the same. That in the year of the Nativity of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, 1688, there appeared before me, Claas Arentsen Torrs, Clerk of the Jurisdiction of Bergen County in East New Jersey, Geritt Geritszen and Elizabeth Cornelisen his wife, well known to me and to the underwritten witnesses; the testator being sicke in body and the testatrix in health going and standing." They declare that out of tender affection to each other, their will is that the survivor should remain in possession of all the estate, but if he or she should marry, then an inventory to be taken to prevent its being wasted, upon which condition the heirs may take care of the same. The testator bequeaths to Antie Jans, the daughter of Jan Dircksen Straetmaker, and Geesie Gerittse, the sum of 50 shillings, or 100 guilders wampum value, and a silver spoon. To Elizabeth Ottose, the daughter of Otto Gerittse and Engeltie Peterse, a silver spoon as a token of remembrance. The testators have declared as their universal heirs: First, the children of the testator's sister, Janettie Gerittse, viz., Johanes, Gerittse, Antie, Christofells, Urselina, Mary, and Benjamin Stymetts, being 7 in number, to have one half, and the other half to the testator's sister, Geesie Gerrittse. "All that above is written being distinctly read to the testators, they declared the same to be their last will and testament." Dated at Wicke, in the Jurisdiction of Bergen in East New Jersey, at the house of the testators, in the presence of Cornelius Dircks and Jans Barents, Claas Arentsen Torrs. April 27, 1697, there appeared Claas Arentsen, before me Nicholas Bayard, one of his Majesty's council for New York and made oath that he did see Geritt Geritszen and Elizabeth his wife sign, seal, and publish the above, etc.

---Sources:

[1] Dominie Selyns' List of Members of the Dutch Church of New York City 1686, in Year book of Holland Society of NY, 1916, p. 21; Pelletreau, William S., Abstracts of Wills on File in the Surrogate's Office, City of New York, pub. as Collections of the New York Historical Society, Vol I 1665-1707, pages 280 & 281 (joint will of Geritt Geritszen and Elizabeth Cornelisen); Versteeg, Dingman, and Thomas E. Vermilye, Jr., with contributions by Nicholas G. Vreeland, et. al., Bergen Records: Records of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Bergen in New Jersey, 1666 to 1788 (excerpted and reprinted from Year Books of the Holland Society of New York, 1913, 1914, 1915) Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1976; reprinted for Clearfield Co., Inc., 1990; 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; Fitz Randolph, Howard S., "Tryntje Jacobs and Her Four Husbands: Van Winkle, Stoffelsen, Tades and Steynmets" in *New York Genealogical & Biographical Record*, July 1925, p. 266

Van Steenwyck, Piet Cornelisse (m. 31 July 1670 Hendricktje Hopper) see: Breyandt, Pieter Cornelis