

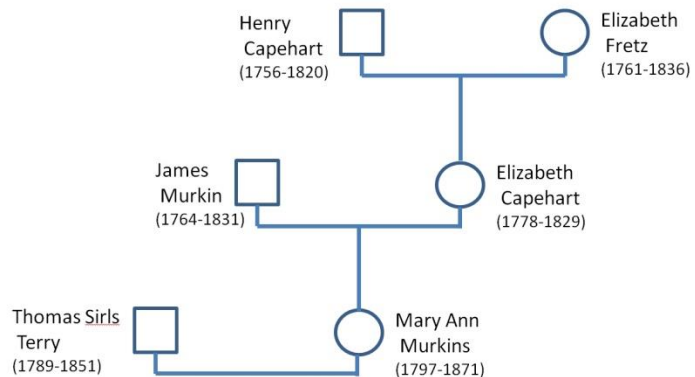
The Merkins Family: Connecting the Capehart and Terry Lineages

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The 18th century **Capehart** family ancestry has been traced¹ back to Charlemagne b. 742 (surnames: Capehart, Kephart, Gebhardt, Zincke, Zingge, von Erlach) and forward in time to the Terry line and other lineages. The English Murkin/Merkins family were the key intermediaries in this transition.



Adah Mackelprang Wood and children:
Linnah, Neldon, and Randall (abt 1911)



From the Calvin I. Kephart correspondence stored at the Pennsylvania Historical Society (he was president of the National Genealogical Society 1928-30 and 1938-1940), we have the 1945 letters² of Mrs. David H. Wood (Adah Mackelprang Wood, 1887-1976) describing research on the Merkins line. In those letters Mrs. Wood gleaned information from 'grandfather's record' (Thomas Sirls Terry Jr.; hereafter **TSTjr**) and from an aunt Mrs. Mary J.

¹ Kephart, Calvin; Proclamation: 'Medieval Counts of Raet (Bavaria) of the Danish Skiöldung Royal Dynasty' (1950); FHL Fiche 6018394. See also Kephart, Calvin I. *Herr Volcnant von Erlach, minnesinger : sponsor and associate of Walther von der Vogelweide in Franconia and Thuringia* (Strasburg, VA: Shenandoan Publishing House, 1943); FHL Fiche 6000447 and online at FamilySearch.

² Capehart documents of Calvin I. Kephart: Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Collection *GSP 001*, 13 boxes, 5 linear feet of paper. Capehart-relevant-material included personal notes, sometimes with markedly different and conflicting versions of the same matter, letters and other correspondence, interviews of living Capeharts (mostly in the Kensington district) made by Mr. Kephart's hired researcher, Mrs. Gertrude Fryburg of Philadelphia, hereafter **C.I.K. Capehart docs**.

More particularly to our current interests, there is included correspondence (1945) from Mrs. David H. Wood (gggdau of Thomas Sirls Terry b. 1789) to Calvin I. Kephart summarizing her research on Merkins, Capehart, and Terry; hereafter **Wood Correspondence**.

Bunker (Mary Elsie Terry Bunker, 1881-1944); a dau of **TSTjr** who also had genealogical interests and was the Terry family genealogist during her lifetime. Mary was custodian of her father's papers and also provided the connection to Col. Kephart. In these letters Mrs. Wood recounts that **TSTjr** stated 'John or James Merkins and his brother Peter ran away from home in England...and came to America.'³

The German Mierkens: Pennsylvania

There are three Peter Mierckin/Murckens (and other spelling variants) in Philadelphia during the mid-17th to early-18th century from Germany or England. In order to sort them out, the German family will have to be fleshed out first as they have many more records extant.

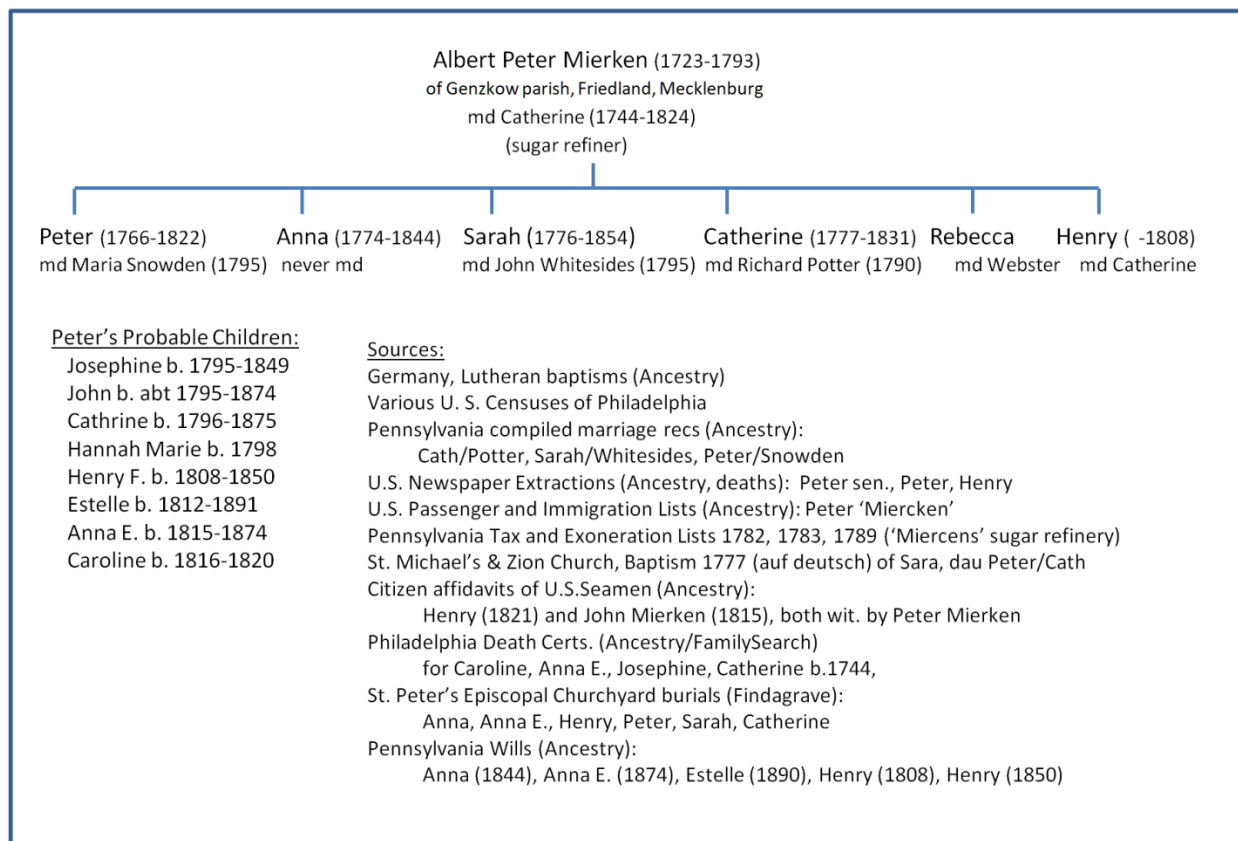


Figure 1. The German immigrant family Mierken

³ **Wood Correspondence**; letter of 26 Jun 1945 to Col. C. I. Kephart.



Figure 2. Saint Peter's Episcopal Church, Southwark

There are two immigration records⁴ for Peter Mierkens (father and son?) who arrived 1771 and 1774 in Philadelphia (German origin). They became sugar refiners in Southwark, South Philadelphia.^{5,6} From the newspaper archives we learn that Peter Miercken, esq. (the son) died 17 Jul 1822 at Philadelphia at age 57 (b. 1766).^{7,8}

Peter Mierken's Jr. wife's name was **Martha** (= Mary?)⁹ from the christening record of their daug Cathrine Mierkin, born 10 May 1796 and Hannah Maria Mierkin; both christened¹⁰ 6 May 1798 at Christ Church and Saint Peters in Southwark, Philadelphia. A Peter 'Murckin' had a dau Caroline born 1816, died 26 Sep 1820 at 4 yrs. on board the steamboat at New Castle of 'dropsy of the brain'; buried at St. Pauls Church

⁴ Peter Mierken immigration: U. S. and Canada, Passenger and Immigration Lists, source pub.3211.7; from Hocker, Edward W. *Genealogical Data Relating to the German Settlers of Pennsylvania and Adjacent Territory* (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1981); online at Ancestry.com (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

⁵ Peter 'Miercens', sugar refiner in 1782,1783,1789: Pennsylvania Tax and Exoneration Lists, 1768-1801; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

⁶ Peter Miercens, 1790 U. S. Census of Southwark, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Roll 9, Page 359, Image 599, FHL Film 0568149, household of 10 (5 males, 5 females all over 16 yrs); online at Ancestry.com (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

⁷ Peter Mierken death: U. S. Newspaper extractions from the Northeast; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

⁸ Pennsylvania, Philadelphia City Death Certificates; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:J6ZC-CPV>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

⁹ Pennsylvania, Compiled Marriage Records 1700-1821, there are records for 3 Miercken marriages: 29 Nov 1790 Catherine to Richard Potter, 16 Apr 1795 Peter to Maria Snowden, and 26 Mar 1795 Sarah to John Whitesides; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

¹⁰ Cathrine and Hannah Maria Mierkin christenings: Pennsylvania Births and Christenings 1709-1950; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:V2NN-X45> and <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:V2NN-FPJ>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

Burial Ground.¹¹ The Saint Peter's Churchyard in Southwark, South Philadelphia contains the graves of many of the family including Peter (d. 1822).¹² There is a **Catherine Merkin** in the 1820 U. S. census¹³ of Southwark, Philadelphia, born before 1775—this would be the widow (b. 1744) of Peter Mierken senior with the remnants of their family including some grandchildren. There is also a Peter 'Merkin' (Jr.) in the 1820 census of Southwark, Philadelphia (enumeration Aug 1820) with a large family (household of 11);¹⁴ probably the 1774 immigrant. His household includes a 4 yr old dau, therefore this must be the German family Miercken. Peter's dau Catherine married¹⁵ 19 Nov 1812 at Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania **John Myers**.^{16,17} Another probable dau is **Josephine P. Mierken**,¹⁸ b. 1795 and died 9 Apr 1849 at Philadelphia,

¹¹ Caroline 'Murkin' death: Pennsylvania, Philadelphia Death Certificates; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:JDBD-VYC>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 27 Mar 2019). The death record indicates she was buried at 'Saint Paul's Church Burial Ground', but there is no such cemetery in Philadelphia County (Allan M Heller, Philadelphia Area Cemeteries (Atglen, PA: Schiffer Publishing Co., 2005) or at Findagrave. There is also no record of her burial at Saint Peter's, where the rest of the family is buried.

¹² Findagrave, Saint Peter's Episcopal Churchyard Memorials: Anna d. 1844 #89181567, Anna E. d. 1874 #89174243, Henry F. d. 1850 #89174898, Maria Snowden d. 1840 #89174482, Peter d. 1822 #89174598, Sara d. 1854 #89813294.

¹³ Catherine Merkin: 1820 U. S. Census of Southwark, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Roll M33_110, Image 370, Page 105, enumerated 7 Aug 1820, 'Catherine Merken', household of six: 2 males (one 10-15, one 26-44) and 4 females (one over 45, three 16-25); online at Ancestry (accessed 2 May 2019).

¹⁴ Peter Merkin: 1820 U. S. Census of Southwark, Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Archives Roll M33, Roll 110, p. 103, household of 10: husband and wife over 45 yrs, 7 children—two males 16-18yrs, one male 26-45yrs, two females under 10 (one must be Caroline, age 4), one female 10-16yrs, one female 16-25yrs, one female 26-44yrs, and one add'l female over 45yrs; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XHGH-18N>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

¹⁵ Myers/Mierken marriage: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Marriages; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:V26R-BSZ>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 5 May 2019).

¹⁶ Katherina Myers, age 74: 1870 U. S. Census of Philadelphia Ward 8 District 23, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Archives Roll M593_1393, Page 151A, FHL Film 552892, Katharina is living with her two Miercken sisters, Estelle and Ann, 58 and 55 yrs, running a private school, all b. Pennsylvania; online at Ancestry (accessed 5 May 2019).

¹⁷ 1860 U. S. Census of Philadelphia Ward 8, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Archives Roll M653_1158, Page 449, FHL Film 805158, 'Cath Myers' age 63 with her sisters Estella Paget Mierkin (age 47) and Ann Mierkin (age 44), teachers at a private school, they are listed together in the Pennsylvania, Septennial Census with occupations listed as 'Lady'; online at Ancestry (accessed 5 May 2019).

¹⁸ Josephine P. Mierken death: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Death Certificates 1803-1915; attributed to the 1774 immigrant Peter Mierken because of the Roman Catholic burial, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:J6XQ-43V>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 4 May 2019).

buried at St. John's R. C., marital status unknown. These children had likely married and left home by 1820. A son **John W. Mierkin** was born 1795 of Philadelphia and died 18 Apr 1874; buried¹⁹ at Monument Cemetery Beverly, Burlington, New Jersey. He married²⁰ 25 May 1823 at Philadelphia **Lydia Langdale Coates**. He was a merchant sailor and had his citizenship papers²¹ witnessed by Peter 'Miercken' (his father). John and Lydia had two sons in 1830.²²

In the Peter Mierken household there were two younger daughters: **Estelle Paget Mierken** (b. 1812) and **Anna Elizabeth Mierken** (b. 1815). These spinster ladies (Estelle and Anna) and the widow **Catherine (Mierken) Myers** ran a private school in Philadelphia; Estelle wrote a will²³ that was useful in a genealogical sense. The will²⁴ of her aunt **Anna Elizabeth Mierken** 1774-1844) was even more useful in revealing the family structure; in particular naming her sister **Rebecca (Mierken) Webster**, who died before 1844.

Raymond Bastian ancestors: Pennsylvania and Suffolk, England

Mr. Bastian's current pedigree, based on paper sources, goes back to a James Merkins (d. 1831) of Philadelphia County, brother of Peter. At this point it seems that ALL the Philadelphia references are to the German Peter and his family. Not so, but not by much...there remains a Peter Merken in the 1840 census²⁵ of Kensington Ward 3, Philadelphia (household of 5); the German Peter died in 1822. This is the first appearance of Kensington (**north Philly**, on the

¹⁹ John W. Mierkien gravestone, 1874, Public Member Photos at Ancestry.com (accessed 29 Mar 2019).

²⁰ Mierken/Coates marriage: Pennsylvania Marriages 1709-1940 at FamilySearch, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:V26R-TKZ> (accessed 29 Mar 2019).

²¹ John W. Mierken: U. S. Citizenship Affidavits of US-born Seamen at Select Ports, 1792-1869, 12 Jun 1815, witnessed by Peter 'Miercken'; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

²² 1830 U. S. Census of West Southwark, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, John and Lydia were 30-40yrs and there was one additional female in that age group (John or Lydia's mother?), plus one male 5-10yrs, and one male 10-15yrs; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XHGY-SL6>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 29 Mar 2019).

²³ Estelle Paget Mierkin will: Pennsylvania, Wills and Probate Records, No. 132, Jan 19, 1892, names her father Peter Mierkin and others; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 5 May 2019).

²⁴ Anna Elizabeth Mierkin will: Pennsylvania, Wills and Probate Records, No. 169, filed 7 Sep 1844, names key nieces and nephews and deceased sister Rebecca Webster; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 5 May 2019).

²⁵ Peter Merken: 1840 U. S. Census of Kensington Ward 3 Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Archives Roll M704, Roll 488, p. 54, household of 5: husband and wife 50-60 yrs, 3 children—1 under 5, one 5-10yrs., and one 10-15yrs.(grand-children?); <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XHTC-1TT>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

Delaware river) in the Merkin record; the German Mierkens were all in Southwark (south Philly, on the Delaware river), Philadelphia county. No other records regarding this Kensington family have been uncovered. According to this census record Peter and his wife were born 1780-1790. There is no obvious genealogical identity for this Peter Merken. He is probably born too late to be the brother of James Merkins of Byberry Township, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania since James married in 1796. From the **at-DNA** data (discussed below) we are locked into believing James and his brother originated in Suffolk, England. There are no candidate families in western Suffolk who had a son Peter born 1780-1790. The Peter Merken of the 1840 census could be a son of Peter Murkin of Suffolk but there are no records to support this.

All Merkin/Murkin/Mierckin records in Pennsylvania have been investigated and attributed to one of the Merkins families, but there remains one outlier: William Murkin,^{26,27,28} born abt 1788 at Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania—he could also be a son of Peter b. 1767 at Suffolk. William married abt 1824 **Eva** _____ and they had at least two children: Nancy b. 1825 and William H. b. 1832.

James Merkin's forebears

James is often referred to as 'John James Merkins, b. 1770'—the 'John, b. 1770' part apparently comes from a single reference²⁹ to a 'John D. Merkin', age 45 in 1815. This record states he was a 'sugar refiner'—but this is the trade of the German Mierckens! This is probably NOT the James Merkins from Byberry as there is no other mention in the written record of the name 'John', no other mention of a middle name beginning with 'D' and no other indication that he was a veteran of the War of 1812; this record is therefore judged to be irrelevant to the English (Suffolk) family. Therefore 'James Merkins' is the correct name for the husband of Elizabeth Capehart consistent with the record.

²⁶ 'William Meirken', 1820 U. S. Census of Philadelphia, South Mulberry Ward, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, FHL Film 181,413; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XHLN-65L>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 5 May 2019).

²⁷ 'William Murkin', 1840 U. S. Census of New York Ward 3, New York, New York, Roll 299, FHL Film 0017194, William is now married; online at Ancestry (accessed 5 May 2019).

²⁸ 'William E. Markin', 1850 U. S. Census of German, Fayette, Pennsylvania, Roll M432_779, Page 38B, Image 82, Family 230; online at Ancestry (accessed 5 May 2019).

²⁹ John D. Merkin, U. S. Army Register of Enlistments, 17 May 1815, age 45 (b. 1770), occupation: 'sugar refiner'; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 29 Mar 2019).

This author has spent many hours searching for the birth/origin of James Merkins/Murkins in England; that search had not been completed and was not successful. *FamilySearch Family Tree* has parents for James Merkins: A John Murkin (Francis¹ John²) born 1753 and died³⁰ 1772, the son of Francis³¹ and Ann (Rushforth) Merkins of Debden Parish, Essex, England.³² However, there is no birth record for James, b. 1770 in Essex. Also, there is at least one James Murkin who died in Essex (1813) who could be reasonably considered to be a hypothetical son of John Murkin. If so, this would be proof that this James did not immigrate. The Debden parish Murkin family of Essex must be rejected as the origin of the Byberry Township James Merkins without more convincing data.

James' purported grandparents, Francis and Ann (Rushforth) Merkins, had a son Peter b. 1846,³³ but he married in Essex, had children and likely died in Essex as there are two possibilities from the Essex death records that cannot be distinguished without more information. He is also very unlikely (born too early) to be the immigrant Peter Merken.

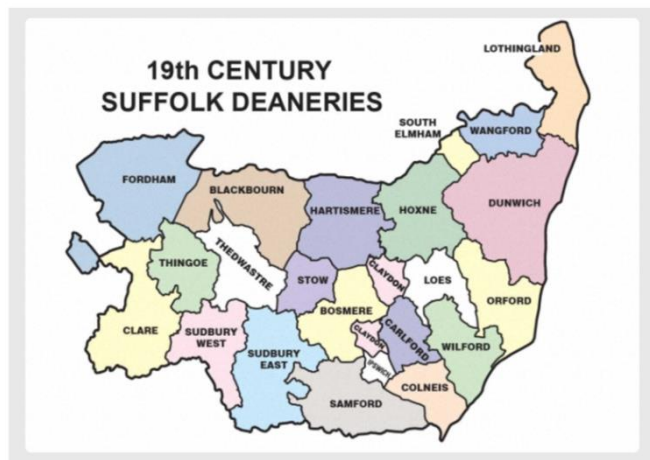


Figure 3. The Suffolk deaneries per the Suffolk Family History Society.

The at-DNA breakthrough

An **at-DNA** match has been able to shed some light on the situation. 'Carolyn Carter' (descendant of Benjamin Murkin of Poslingford, Suffolk, England) and 'Raymond Bastian' (descendant of James Merkins of Pennsylvania, USA) share 7.5 cM (single segment). From the amount of DNA shared it is clear that they are likely 7th cousins (see DNAPainter.com). Raymond's niece ('BastianM53') also shares 9 cM **at-DNA** with 'Carolyn Carter'.

³⁰ John 'Mirkin' burial 19 Nov 1772: England, Essex Parish Registers, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QLGB-4YWZ>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 27 March 2019).

³¹ Francis Murkin, UK, Poll Books and Electoral Registers, 1538-1893, year 1763, 2nd book, p. 5, Walden and Uttlesford Hundred, Debden Parish and UK, Land Tax Redemption 1798, Debden Parish, Essex, Vol 3; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 10 mar 2019).

³² 'Bell Family Tree', owner: fionamather99, trees.ancestry.com/tree/8351644, some sources and detail (accessed 9 March 2019).

³³ England, Parish Registers 1538-1991, son of Francis and Ann Mirkin; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QLGB-GT8D>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

It is clear that southwestern Suffolk is the ancestral home of the Murkin family as there are more than 50 Murkin baptisms in the Clare deanery in the time period 1754-1812; see Figure 3.



Figure 4. The southwestern Suffolk parishes, part of the Clare deanery, except for the eastern edge (Historical Atlas of Suffolk, 1894)

The Hundon and Poslingford parishes are adjacent in the Clare deanery (Figure 3, southwestern corner) and also in the Risbridge hundred (in 1830 deanery and hundred possessed nearly identical territories except at the northern border). Examination of the baptisms in the Clare deanery revealed that there is only one Peter Murkin, christened 1767 son of James and Mary (Harlock) Murkin of Stoke-by-Clare parish (St. John the Baptist church). Stoke-by-Clare parish is adjacent to and directly south of Hundon parish (Figure 4). He had a brother James christened 1764 in the same parish. We finally have a solid link from England to the American Merkins!

The distant cousins Raymond Bastian and Carolyne Carter therefore both possess ancestor Murkin families in very close proximity *vide infra* in the Clare deanery of Suffolk. Additionally, the brothers James and Peter Murkin do not have Suffolk burial dates³⁴ in the time period 1760-1840 supporting the supposition that they immigrated to America. James Murkin (father of James and Peter) was the son of Peter Murkin in the Stoke-by-Clare parish; this Peter Murkin is the most probable Common Ancestor of the cousins (see DNApainter.com) although it also could be Peter's father or grandfather.

Carolyne Carter ancestors: Suffolk, England

Carolyne Carter has a tree on Ancestry³⁵ describing her descent from Benjamin Murkin (b. 1857) of Poslington Parish, Suffolk. Benjamin was the son of George and Caroline (Wordley)

³⁴ Suffolk Burial Index, Suffolk Family History Society, c2005 CD-ROM (at FHL); search Murkin/Markin/Merkin/Mirkin (accessed 15 Jul 2019).

³⁵ 'Carolyne's Family Tree', owner Carolyne Carter, www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/54679300 (accessed 26 Jun 2019).

Murkin of Hundon parish.^{36,37} In all four English censuses George states his birthplace (in 1816) as Hundon parish. Unfortunately, there is no findable birth/christening record for George.

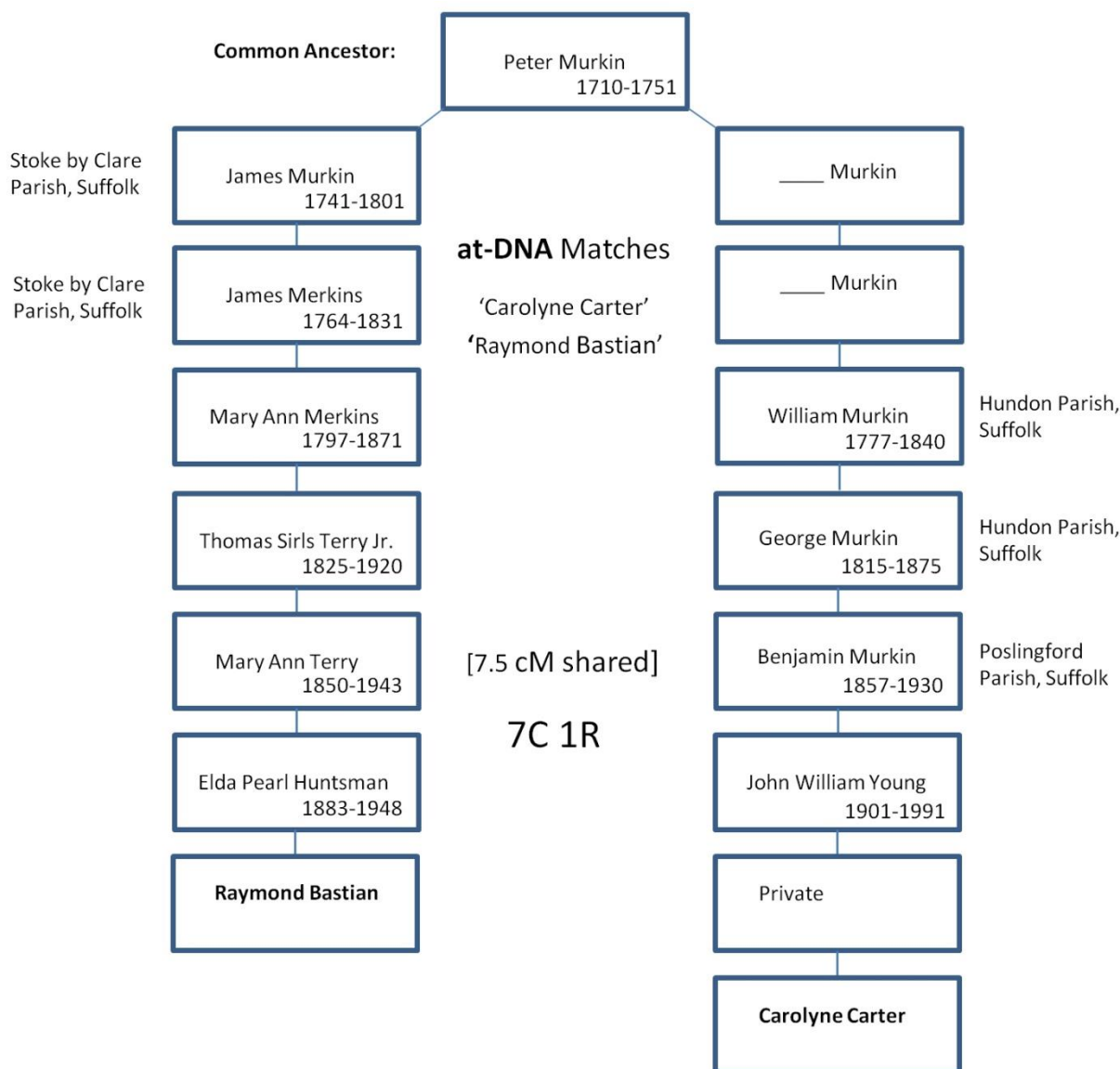


Figure 5. Common Ancestor chart for **at-DNA** matches of the Murkin/Merkins cousins.

³⁶ George Murkin family, 1851 England and Wales Census of Poslingford, Suffolk; online at FindMyPast and FamilySearch, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:SGRF-MCS> (accessed 15 Jul 2019).

³⁷ George 'Murking' Household, 1871 Census of England and Wales of Poslingford, Suffolk, George (age 61, b. 1810, Hundon, Suffolk) and Caroline (age 53), 4 children at FamilySearch including Benjamin, age 14; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:VFN3-X7W> (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

A search (surname: Murkin and location: Suffolk) of Carolyne Carter's **at-DNA** matches got 7 hits: (1) 'Leonard Pickstone', 17cM; (2) 'H. S.', 17cM; (3) 'Joan Beard', 16cM; (4) 'LisaLawrence', 16cM; (5) 'Rebecca Ronk', 14cM; (6) 'richiefp13', 8cM; and (7) 'julesEuro', 6cM.

No. 4, (her tree is private) is a 3rd cousin (common ancestor George Murkin, b 1816).

No.'s (2), (3), (5) and (6) are 4th cousins (common ancestor Wm Murkin, b. 1777).

No. 7 is undetermined—descended from a Sarah Murkin (b.1761) of Little Saxham, Suffolk (a little west of Bury St. Edmund in the Thingoe Deanery). She was married 31 May 1790 at Little Saxham Parish, Suffolk; no birth record there.

The no. (1) match 'Leonard Pickstone'³⁸ has a descendency from Charles Murkin, b. abt 1780³⁹ at Wickhambrook Parish, Suffolk (no proof for this birthplace); he lived most of his life in Hertfordshire, but died in Risbridge Dist., Suffolk in 1840. Considering all the data regarding the 'Pickstone' match, of this we can be pretty confident: Charles Murkin (b. abt 1780) and William Murkin (b. 1777) **must have been brothers** born in the Clare Deanery (in Hundon, Lidgate, Wickhambrook or some other parish). The 'Pickstone' match has 17cM shared DNA and the common ancestor would have been Charles/Wm's father—but there is 15-20cM of shared DNA in each of the other Carolyne Carter matches with a common ancestor 2-3 generations later. We have fleshed out all of the other collateral possibilities, and all that is left is that Charles and William were brothers.

GENEALOGICAL SUMMARY

The Common Ancestor for Raymond Bastian and Carolyne Carter cannot be named at this date. He is the father or grandfather of Peter Murkin (b. 1710) of Clare-by-Stoke, Suffolk and the grandfather to gggfather of William Murkin (b. abt 1780) of Hundon, Suffolk. The descendencies of Raymond Bastian and Carolyne Carter follow:

Raymond Bastian ancestors:

Suffolk: Generation One

³⁸ 'Pickstone Family Tree', owner Leonard Pickstone, www.ancestry.com/family-tree/tree/4767541 (accessed 25 Oct 2019).

³⁹ There is a Charles Murkin, son of John and Ann (Prick) Murkin born 1771 at Wickhambrook, Suffolk Baptism Index, Clare deanery 1754-1812; Suffolk Family History Society CD; (accessed 25 Oct 2019).

1. **Peter Murkin** was christened abt 1710 of Stoke by Clare Parish, Suffolk, England and died and was buried⁴⁰ 16 Jul 1751 at Stoke by Clare, Suffolk, England. He married⁴¹ 1736 at Finchingfield, Essex, England **Susanna Day**.

Peter and Susanna (Day) Murkin had at least seven children.

- 2 i. **SUSANNAH MURKIN** was christened abt 1736 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare Parish, Suffolk, England. She married⁴² (2) 10 Apr 1754 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke-by-Clare Parish **William Dewberry**, a widower.
- 3 ii. **MARY MURKIN** was christened⁴³ 28 May 1737 and was buried⁴⁴ 17 Jun 1737 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare parish, Suffolk, England.
- 4 iii. **SARAH MURKIN** was christened abt 1740 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare Parish, Suffolk, England. She married⁴⁵ 16 Oct 1765 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke-by-Clare Parish **Thomas Perry**.
- + 5 iv. **JAMES MURKIN** was christened 9 Apr 1741 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare Parish, Suffolk, England and was buried 25 Apr 1801 at Stoke by Clare, Suffolk, England.
- 6 v. **PETER MURKIN** was christened⁴⁶ 29 Nov 1744 and was buried⁴⁷ 6 Jan 1745 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare parish, Suffolk, England.
- 7 vi. **MARY MURKIN** was christened⁴⁸ 3 Apr 1748 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare parish, Suffolk, England.

⁴⁰ National Burial Index for England and Wales, online at FindMyPast.com (accessed 10 Jun 2019) .

⁴¹ Murkin/Day marriage: Boyd's Marriage Index 1538-1850, online at FindMyPast.com (accessed 10 Jun 2019).

⁴² Dewberry/Murkin marriage: Suffolk Marriage Index (1754-1812), Suffolk Family History Society, c2005 CD-ROM (accessed 10 Jul 2019).

⁴³ England Births and Christenings, 1538-1975, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:N1GP-6MH>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 10 Jun 2019) .

⁴⁴ Suffolk Burial Index, Suffolk Family History Society, c2005 CD-ROM (at FHL); search Murkin/Markin/Merkin/Mirkin (accessed 15 Jul 2019).

⁴⁵ Perry/'Merkin' marriage: Suffolk Marriage Index (1754-1812), Suffolk Family History Society, c2005 CD-ROM (accessed 10 Jul 2019).

⁴⁶ Suffolk Baptism Index, 1538-1911; online at FindMyPast.com (accessed 10 Jun 2019).

⁴⁷ Suffolk Burial Index, Suffolk Family History Society, c2005 CD-ROM (at FHL); search Murkin/Markin/Merkin/Mirkin (accessed 15 Jul 2019).

- 8 vii. **ANN MURKIN** was christened⁴⁹ 14 Jul 1750 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare parish, Suffolk, England.

Suffolk: Generation Two

5. **James Murkin (Peter¹)** was christened⁵⁰ 9 Apr 1741 at Stoke by Clare Parish, Suffolk, England and died⁵¹ 25 Apr 1801 at Stoke by Clare, Suffolk, England. He married^{52,53} 8 Jul 1760 at Stoke by Clare, Suffolk **Mary Harlock/Hurlock**. She was the dau of Thomas and Sarah Harlock, christened⁵⁴ 25 Dec 1734 at Linstead Parva, Suffolk, England.

James and Mary (Harlock) Murkin had four children.⁵⁵

- 9 i. **JAMES MURKIN** was christened 19 May 1762 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare parish, Suffolk, England and was buried⁵⁶ 13 May 1762 at Stoke by Clare parish.
- + 10 ii. **JAMES MURKIN** was christened 15 Jul 1764 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare parish, Suffolk, England and died 8 Feb 1831 at Bensalem, Bucks, Pennsylvania. He married **Elizabeth Capehart**.
- 11 iii. **PETER MURKIN** was christened 20 Dec 1767 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare parish, Suffolk, England and presumably died in Pennsylvania.
- 12 iv. **MARY MURKIN** was christened 29 Dec 1771 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare parish, Suffolk, England. She married⁵⁷ as a widow (2) 20 Sep 1804 at All

⁴⁸ England Births and Christenings, 1538-1975, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:JQDJ-Z2G>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 10 Jun 2019) .

⁴⁹ England Births and Christenings, 1538-1975, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:JQDJ-XV5>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 10 Jun 2019) .

⁵⁰ Suffolk Baptism Index, 1538-1911; online at FindMyPast.com (accessed 10 Jun 2019).

⁵¹ National Burial Index for England and Wales, online at FindMyPast.com (accessed 10 Jun 2019) .

⁵² Suffolk Marriage Index, Clare and Fordham deaneries 1754-1812; Suffolk Family History Society CD.

⁵³ Murkin/Hurlock marriage: Boyd's Marriage Index 1538-1850, online at FindMyPast.com (accessed 10 Jun 2019).

⁵⁴ England Births and Christenings, 1538-1975, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NYXD-QY7>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 10 Jun 2019).

⁵⁵ Suffolk Baptism Index, Clare deanery 1754-1812; Suffolk Family History Society CD.

⁵⁶ National Burial Index for England and Wales, online at FindMyPast.com (accessed 10 Jun 2019) .

⁵⁷ Suffolk Marriage Index, Clare and Fordham deaneries 1754-1812; Suffolk Family History Society CD.

Saints, Hundon, Suffolk **John Wiseman**. He had been married before and was a widower.

Pennsylvania: Generation Three

10. James Murkin/Merkins (James² Peter¹) was christened 15 Jul 1764 at St. John the Baptist, Stoke by Clare parish, Suffolk, England and died 8 Feb 1831 at Bensalem, Bucks, Pennsylvania.^{58,59,60} He married **Elizabeth Capehart** abt 1796,⁶¹ dau of Henry and Elizabeth (Fretz) Capehart.⁶² They lived in Byberry Township, Philadelphia County until after 1810 when they moved to Bensalem, Bucks County.⁶³ Elizabeth was born abt 1778 at Bristol, Bucks, Pennsylvania and died 19 Sep 1829 at Byberry Township, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.⁶⁴

James and Elizabeth (Capehart) Merkins had twelve children.^{65,66}

- 13 i. **ELIZABETH MERKINS** was born 1794 at Byberry, Philadelphia and died⁶⁷ 16 Apr 1864 at Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She married abt 1824 **Aaron**

⁵⁸ **at-DNA** evidence (7.5 cM shared, 7C 1R) between a descendant of James Merkins of Philadelphia and a descendant of Benjamin Murkin of Poslingford, Suffolk, England *vide supra* indicates Suffolk, England origins.

⁵⁹ See Tacy Street (dau of James and Elizabeth Merkins) census: 1880 U. S. Census of Evans, Marshall, Illinois, Family no. 98, Roll 235, FHL Film 1254,235, Page 346D, E. D. 146, *father born England*; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 17 Jun 2017).

⁶⁰ Suffolk Baptism Index, Clare deanery 1754-1812; Suffolk Family History Society CD.

⁶¹ Wood Correspondence; letter of 26 Jun 1945 to Col. C. I. Kephart.

⁶² 'The 19th Century Capeharts of Northern Philadelphia' and 'Who was Henry Capehart (1756-1820) and who was his wife?') online at www.29deadpeople.com.

⁶³ 1810 U. S. Census of Byberry, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Archives Roll 56, p. 51, 'Jas Merkins', no other data entered; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XH22-MB1>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

⁶⁴ Lund, Nora A Hall and A. Terry Lund, 'Thomas Sirls Terry (1825-1920) History' (from his journals) *History of Thomas Sirls Terry Family* (Paragonah, UT: typescript, privately published for the Terry Family Reunion, July 24, 1954), p. 1; copy at FHL (Film 1035,564 item 5) and online at FamilySearch; hereafter **TSTJr. History**.

⁶⁵ 'Petterchak Family Tree', owner: encyclopediajake, trees.ancestry.com/tree/75422540, some sources and detail (accessed 9 March 2019); hereafter **Petterchak Family Tree**.

⁶⁶ **TSTJr. History**, p. 1; states that 'grandfathers family consisted of three sons and five daughters of which the second was my mother' (Mary Ann). At the time Mary Ann married and left home (abt 1817) this would have been a true reflection of the Merkins family composition.

⁶⁷ Pennsylvania, Philadelphia City Death Certificates, widow, 70 yrs. <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:JDGZ-6ZH>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

Hamilton of Pennsylvania.^{68,69} He was born 1795 at Pennsylvania and died before 1864. Eleven children:⁷⁰ (1) Paul b. 1825, (2) Aaron b. 1829, (3) Walter b. 1830, (4) Nelson b. 1833, (5) Ann b. 1834, (6) Sarah b. 1836, (7) Sarah b. 1838, (8) George b. 1839, (9) Samuel b. 1840, (10) John b. 1841, and (11) Charles b. 1845.

Four other Hamiltons (listed in the 1880 census⁷¹ as nephew and nieces): (1) Frank b. 1861, (2) Laura b. 1866, (3) Marcia A. b. 1869 {md **Clark Vincent**, her parents were Amos and Mary (Morris) Hamilton}, and (4) Katie Hamilton b. 1876) were living with her younger brother George in Illinois in 1880, but they are not children of Elizabeth).

- + 14 ii. **MARY ANN MERKINS** was born 24 Aug 1797 at Byberry, Philadelphia and died 13 Dec 1871 at Gloucester City, Camden, New Jersey and is buried in the Cedar Grove Cemetery, Gloucester City (right under the Walt Whitman bridge). She married abt 1817 in Pennsylvania or New Jersey **Thomas Searls/Sirls Terry**.
- 15 iii. **JOSIAH MERKINS** was born abt 1803 at Byberry, Philadelphia and died 3 Aug 1838.⁷² He married⁷³ 23 Nov 1822 (or 4 Dec 1820) at Philadelphia, Philadelphia his first cousin **Catherine Summers**.^{74,75 76} She was born 4 Mar 1799, dau of Martin and Sarah (Copart/Capehart) Summers and died 1861; buried 9 Mar 1861 in Odd

⁶⁸ Illinois death record of Elizabeth Mahler (daughter): Illinois Deaths and Stillbirths, 1916-1947, index on FamilySearch; Elizabeth Hamilton Mahler, b. 1832 named 'Elizabeth Merkins' as her mother and 'StreetMooreBeardsleyHartzell', owner Warren Street, trees.ancestry.com/tree/33101571 (accessed 22 Jul 2014).

⁶⁹ 1850 U. S. Census of Marshall County, Illinois, Roll M432, Family 5; Aaron and Eliza and eleven children; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:M85Z-H2X> (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

⁷⁰ FamilyTree at FamilySearch, and sources cited therein (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

⁷¹ 1880 census: <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MXVD-4DY>.

⁷² 'Wilson-Larkin Family Tree', owner: tiff167, trees.ancestry.com/tree/29735318 (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

⁷³ Summers, G. Byron *A History of George Summers of Douglass and Lower Dublin Townships, Montgomery County*, unpublished ms (34 pp) at Bucks County Historical Society, filmed 1958 by Genealogical Society of Utah, FHL Film 173013, pp. 10-11, p. 33.

⁷⁴ *Ibid.*

⁷⁵ **Wood Correspondence**; letter of 1 Oct 1945 to Col. C. I. Kephart, page 3; information based on Thomas Sirls Terry Jr. group sheet in the possession of Mrs. Bunker.

⁷⁶ Philadelphia, Pennsylvania death record of Mary Ann Lukens (daughter): Pennsylvania, Philadelphia City Death Certificates, 1803-1915, index on FamilySearch; Mary Ann (Merkins) Lukens, b. 1828 named 'Josiah Merkins' and 'Catherine Summers' as her parents (accessed 28 Jul 2013).

Fellows Cemetery, Philadelphia. Josiah lived in Oxford, Philadelphia in 1830.^{77,78}
 Three children: (1) Caroline b. 1826; (2) Mary Ann b. 3 Feb 1828 d. 23 Feb 1911 {Findagrave#155559818}, md **George K. Lukens** (dau Jane F. Hackett); (3) Hannah b. 1832, md **George Cole**.

- 16 iv. **TACY**⁷⁹ **MARKINS/MERKINS** was born 15 Jun 1804 at Byberry, Philadelphia and died 15 Aug 1881 at Wenona, Marshall, Illinois. She married 5 Mar 1823⁸⁰ at Muskingum County, Ohio **Jacob Street** son of James and Elizabeth (Walton) Street.⁸¹ He was born 2 Apr 1799 at Bensalem, Bucks, Pennsylvania and died 18 Feb 1882 at Wenona, Marshall, Illinois. Nine children: (1) Anna M. b. 1823, md 22 Apr 1840 **Aaron Axline**; (2) Robert Morrison Street b. 1827, md 11 Aug 1847 **Emily Jane Hersey**; (3) Dan b. 1830, md 23 Dec 1860 **Maria DeMoss**; (4) Hester b. 1832, md 1851 **Chauncey Gaylord**; (5) (9) Augustus b. 1848; William b. 1834, md **Elisabeth Beattie**; (6) James b. 1836; (7) Aaron b. 1843; (8) Amanda J. b. 1847, md 13 Oct 1867 **George W. Dean**.⁸²

at-DNA⁸³

There exists supporting and confirmatory **at-DNA** (autosomal DNA) data.

⁷⁷ 1830 U. S. Census of Oxford, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Archives Roll M19_158, p. 171 (household of 5) and 1850 U. S. Census of Springfield, Muskingum, Ohio, M432, Family 42; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MX3H-MG3> (accessed 10 Mar 2019)..

⁷⁸ 1850 U. S. Census of Kensington, Ward 5, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Archives Roll 432_807, Family 463 (household of 8: Catherine, widow, age 52; Caroline Merkins, age 26, George and Hannah Cole, 22 and 18 yrs, resp. and their two children; Mary A. Lukins, age 22, and George H. Huplet, 4 yrs., George may have been a son of Caroline, he is buried (died after 1900) with a Caroline Burke (birth and death dates unknown), single stone, Findagrave #37139274, Greenwood Cemetery, Philadelphia); <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:M4C8-3SX> (accessed 20 Mar 2019).

⁷⁹ **Wood Correspondence**; letter of 1 Oct 1945 to Col. C. I. Kephart, page 2; Mrs. Wood claims Tacy is not a nickname; her mother had a sister named Tacy (Tacy Capehart?).

⁸⁰ 'Tacy Markins', Yates Publishing (family group sheets) *U. S. and International Marriage Records, 1560-1900*, database online at Ancestry.com (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

⁸¹ 'dinos-tree', owner: Dino205, trees.ancestry.com/tree/7528416 (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

⁸² 1850 U. S. Census of Springfield, Muskingum, Ohio, National Archives Roll M432_718, p. 4A, Family 44, Jacob and Lacy and six children; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MX3H-MG3>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

⁸³ **at-DNA**: 'jimwolf2' {descendant of Tacy (Merkins) Street, **16** } and Raymond Bastian (descendant of Mary Ann Murkins) share 7.7 cM across 1 segment; common ancestor: James Merkins.

17 v. **ELI MERKINS** was born abt 1805 at Byberry, Philadelphia⁸⁴ and died⁸⁵ 2 Apr 1870 and was buried⁸⁶ 6 Apr 1870 at St. Mark's Episcopal, Frankford, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He married^{87,88} abt 1827 at Bristol, Bucks, Pennsylvania **Sarah Snider**. She was born 1804 at Pennsylvania and died 1861 and was buried⁸⁹ 11 Apr 1861 at St. Mark's Episcopal, Frankford, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.⁹⁰ Nine children:^{91,92,93} (1) Maria b. 1830, md abt 1850 **William B. Dixon**; (2) James Poyntsett b. 1832, md 20 Feb 1860 **Marie Fraser**;⁹⁴ (3) Lewis/Isaac/Jesse b. 6 Jun 1835, md 3 Jul 1878 **Elizabeth (Lizzie) McBride**;⁹⁵ (4) Louise A. b. 1835; (5) Charles b. 1837; (6) Ellen b. 1840; (7) Joseph Warren b. 1842, md 1872 **Elizabeth Gavison**; (8) Robert B. b. 1844, md 21 Jan 1872 **Martha Jane Harman**;⁹⁶ (9) Ann⁹⁷ b. 1856.

⁸⁴ Eli Merkins death, Philadelphia Pennsylvania, Death Certificates Index, 1803-1915 database on line at Ancestry.com (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

⁸⁵ *Ibid.*

⁸⁶ 'Pennsylvania Church and Town Records 1708-1985', Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Reel 798; database on line at Ancestry.com (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

⁸⁷ 'Wilson-Larkin Family Tree', owner: tiff167, tree 29735318 (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

⁸⁸ **Wood Correspondence**; letter of 1 Oct 1945 to Col. C. I. Kephart, page 3; information based on Thomas Sirls Terry Jr. group sheet in the possession of Mrs. Bunker.

⁸⁹ 'Pennsylvania Church and Town Records 1708-1985', Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Reel 798; database online at Ancestry.com (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

⁹⁰ 1860 U. S. Census of Philadelphia Ward 23 Precinct 9, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Archives Roll M653_1174, p. 860, Family 660; Eli and Sarah and six children plus two servants <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MXRM-TRV>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 26 Mar 2019)..

⁹¹ 'Free' owner: KERRWORKS, tree 116637356; researcher D. R. Jenkins, sources not shared (accessed 9 Mar 2019).

⁹² FamilyTree at FamilySearch and sources cited therein; FamilySearch has additional children for this family which appear nowhere in the census (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

⁹³ 1850 U. S. Census of Frankford, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, M432, House no. 125, 7 children, oldest James has gone; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:M4CT-3GV>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 28 Mar 2019).

⁹⁴ 1870 U. S. Census of Philadelphia Ward 23 District 75, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Archives Roll M653_1410, p. 101B, FHL Film 552909; online at Ancestry (accessed 26 Mar 2019)..

⁹⁵ Findagrave #77590033 (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

⁹⁶ 1880 U. S. Census of Beloit, Mitchell, Kansas, National Archives Roll 389, p. 92C, E. D. 182; online at Ancestry (accessed 26 Mar 2019).

18 vi. **JAMES MERKINS** was born 10 Sep 1808 at Byberry, Philadelphia and died⁹⁸ 1 Aug 1873 at Philadelphia, Philadelphia.⁹⁹ He married¹⁰⁰ 15 Feb 1835 **Rebecca Hartley**, daughter of (probably Jacob) and Rachael Hartley (neighbors in Byberry). She was born 1812¹⁰¹ and died¹⁰² 1 Dec 1889 at Philadelphia, Philadelphia. Five children:¹⁰³ (1) Anna Maria b 1837, md (1) abt 1855 **Benjamin Ball Ashton** and (2) 1900 **Lorenzo Woodruff Ayres**; (2) Barbary Jane b. 1842; (3) Mary Elizabeth b. 1843, md **Charles Perry**; (4) Gwen/Gwinn b. 7 Aug 1846 d. uterine cancer 19 Dec 1914,¹⁰⁴ md **William Howard Smith**; (5) Josephine¹⁰⁵ b. 1848, md 1868 1st **___ Evans** and 2nd 1884 **Elmer E Shuck**.

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⁹⁷ Ann is listed as a child of Sarah (Snyder) Merkins although she would have been 52 yrs. at that time; there are no reasonable possibilities for her to be a grandchild of Sarah; she was 24 yrs, single, and a servant in 1880; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MWN3-BT4>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

⁹⁸ Pennsylvania, Philadelphia City, Death Certificates Index, 1803-1915 database on line at FamilySearch.com (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

⁹⁹ James Merkins will, July 30, 1873 at Philadelphia: Pennsylvania Wills and Probate Records 1683-1993, No. 569, images 114-116; names wife Rebecca and children Ann M. Ashton, Mary E. Perry, Gwin J. Smith, and Josephine Evans; online at Ancestry (accessed 9 Mar 2019).

¹⁰⁰ 'Street Family Tree', owner: sylviastreet46, tree 7806087 (no longer available) and 'O'Donnell/Bayless/Kelly/Bennett', owner Genette Kelly, tree 24994507, good sources (accessed 8 Mar 2019).

¹⁰¹ 1850 U. S. Census of Lower Dublin, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Roll M432_808, p. 46A, Image 97, Family 254; James mother-in-law Rachael Hartley was living with them and their 4 daus. Also 1870 U. S. Census of Philadelphia Ward 23 District 74, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Roll M593_1438, p. 654A and 1880 U. S. Census of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Archives Roll 1182, Enum. Dist. 482, p. 294B.

¹⁰² James Merkins death, Philadelphia Pennsylvania, Death Certificates Index, 1803-1915 database on line at Ancestry.com (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

¹⁰³ FamilyTree at FamilySearch and sources cited therein (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹⁰⁴ Gwen J. Smith Death: Philadelphia City, Pennsylvania Death Certificates, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:JK9G-MZR>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹⁰⁵ Pennsylvania Death Certificates (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹⁰⁶ **at-DNA** 'LoriJenn' {descendant of Anna M. (Merkins) Ashton, dau of James Merkins, **18**} and Raymond Bastian (descendant of Mary Ann Murkins) share 13.7 cM across 1 segment; common ancestor: James Merkins.

There exists supporting and confirmatory **at-DNA** (autosomal DNA) data.

- 19 vii. **NANCY MERKINS** was born 1810 at Byberry, Philadelphia and died young.¹⁰⁷
- 20 viii. **HESTER MERKINS** was born abt 1813 at Bensalem, Bucks, Philadelphia and died¹⁰⁸ 23 Feb 1880 of pneumonia;¹⁰⁹ buried at Cedar Hill cemetery, Philadelphia, Philadelphia. She married^{110,111} 23 Nov 1834 at the New Jerusalem Church of Frankford (Swedenborgian), Philadelphia, Philadelphia **William Adam Hart**; he was born 1806 at Pennsylvania and died 17 Jan 1872; buried at Cedar Hill, Philadelphia.¹¹² Nine children:^{113,114,115} (1) Elizabeth (Lizzie) b. 1837; (2) John Sephas b. 1838, md **Helen Mounts**; (3) Marge b. abt 1839,¹¹⁶ died young; (4) Mary b. abt 1840, md **Charles H. Thompson**; (5) Jacob b. 1847, md **Annie A Corson**; (6) Martha Ann b. 1848, md **Benjamin F. Tamney**; (7) Hester b. 1852 d. 23 Feb 1880;¹¹⁷ (8)

¹⁰⁷ 'Wilson-Larkin Family Tree', owner: tiff167, trees.ancestry.com/tree/29735318 (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

¹⁰⁸ Hester Hart death, Philadelphia Pennsylvania, Death Certificates Index, 1803-1915 database on line at Ancestry.com (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

¹⁰⁹ U. S. Federal Mortality Schedules, 1880-1885, National Archives Roll M1836_11, line 9; online at Ancestry. com (accessed 29 Mar 2019).

¹¹⁰ Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Church and Town Records, 1708-1985, Reel 908; database on line at Ancestry.com (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

¹¹¹ **Wood Correspondence**; letter of 1 Oct 1945 to Col. C. I. Kephart, page 3.

¹¹² Pennsylvania Death Certificates; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:VKZR-V9Z>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹¹³ There is another William and Hester (Wertz) Hart not to be confused with the Hester (Merkins) Hart family; they lived in Bedford County, Pennsylvania—the children are similarly named: 1850 U. S. Census of Harrison, Bedford, Pennsylvania, Roll M432_751, p. 185, Family 1.; online at Ancestry. com (accessed 29 Mar 2019).

¹¹⁴ The other Hester Hart family: Hilligass/Hart marriage: Mrs. Lydia Hilligass, Pennsylvania Death Certificates 18 Oct 1905; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 27 Mar 2019) and Findagrave #103898335.

¹¹⁵ 'Edwin Russell Catanach Family Tree', owner: jwech194, tree 37568397 and sources cited therein (accessed 29 Mar 2019).

¹¹⁶ Baptism 27 Jun 1840: New Jerusalem Church of Frankford (Swedenborgian), Philadelphia; online at Ancestry. com (accessed 29 Mar 2019).

¹¹⁷ Pennsylvania and New Jersey Death Certificates; online at Ancestry (accessed 29 Mar 2019).

George Henry b. 22 Mar 1855 d. 16 May 1923¹¹⁸ at Philadelphia, md **Annie Elizabeth Frick**; (9) Louisa b. 1862.^{119,120}

- 21 ix. **CATHERINE MARKINS** was born abt 1814 at Bensalem, Bucks, Philadelphia. She may have married 13 Jul 1839 at Trinity Church, Oxford, Philadelphia **John Sperry**.^{121,122,123} She was probably the nurse in the Kremer home in 1860.¹²⁴ No known issue.
- 22 x. **DAVID MERKINS** was born abt 1820 at Bensalem, Bucks, Philadelphia.¹²⁵
- 23 xi. **LOUISA MURKINS** was born 1822 at Bensalem, Bucks, Philadelphia and died 23 Nov 1909 at Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.^{126,127} She married (1) abt 1838 at Bristol, Bucks **William F. Dickes**¹²⁸ and (2) abt 1851 **Lorenzo Knowles** of Bucks County, Pennsylvania.^{129,130,131} Two children: (1) Mary Dickes b. 1840, md **George Williams**; (2) William F. Dickes, b. 1848.

¹¹⁸ Pennsylvania and New Jersey Death Certificates; online at Ancestry (accessed 29 Mar 2019).

¹¹⁹ 1870 U. S. Census of Philadelphia Ward 23 District 76, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Roll M593_1410, p. 171A, Family 1 <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MZ5Y-Y1Q> and 1860 U. S. Census of Philadelphia Ward 23 Precinct 9, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Roll M653_1174, p. 863, Family 675;; online at FamilySearch/Ancestry (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

¹²⁰ FamilyTree at FamilySearch and sources cited therein (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹²¹ **Wood Correspondence**; letter of 1 Oct 1945 to Col. C. I. Kephart, page 3.

¹²² Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Church and Town Records, 1708-1985, Reel 336; database on line at Ancestry.com (accessed 25 Jul 2013).

¹²³ **C.I.K. Capehart docs**, 21 Dec 1945, C. I. Kephart to Otto Merckens letter.

¹²⁴ 1860 U. S. Census of Philadelphia, 6th Division 23rd ward, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Roll M653, p. 166, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MXRM-2HX>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

¹²⁵ *Ibid.*

¹²⁶ Louisa D. Knowles death: Pennsylvania Death Certificates 1906-1966, cert. 107697, age 87 (b. 1822); online at Ancestry.com (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹²⁷ Pennsylvania Wills and Probate Records 1683-1993, Will 2331 (29 Nov 1909), names nieces Jane F. Hackett, Maryann Lukins, Charlot Torrey, Mary Jayne Wilmind Douglas (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹²⁸ William F. Dickes Death: Pennsylvania, Philadelphia City Death Certificates, 23 Jul 1865, age 17, b. 1848; mother: Louisa Knowles; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

¹²⁹ 'Wilson-Larkin Family Tree', owner: tiff167, trees.ancestry.com/tree/29735318 (accessed 25 Jul 2013) no longer available.

- 24 xii. **GEORGE WILLIAM MERKINS/MURKINS** was born 17 Mar 1826 at Frankford, Philadelphia, Philadelphia and died 31 Aug 1893 at Atchison, Atchison, Kansas; buried¹³² at Mount Vernon Cemetery, Atchison.^{133,134,135} He married abt 1848 **Catherine Maines**. She was born 1828 and died 9 Apr 1904 at Kansas; buried¹³⁶ at Mount Vernon Cemetery, Atchison, Atchison, Kansas. Five children: (1) Rachael¹³⁷ b. 1852; md **John Birtsell**; (2) John Lafayette b. 1854; md **Alice Rose Lutz** (3) Joseph F. b. 14 Oct 1857, md **Cora P. Sherman**; (4) Ida M. b. 1861, md **Chas C. Leathers**;¹³⁸ (5) Fannie Florence b. 1863, md. 1881 **John B. Courtney**.¹³⁹

at-DNA¹⁴⁰

There exists supporting and confirmatory **at-DNA** (autosomal DNA) data.

¹³⁰ FamilyTree at FamilySearch and sources cited therein (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹³¹ 1860 U. S. Census of Philadelphia Ward 2, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, National Archives Roll M653_1152, p. 244, Family 1858; Lorenzo, age 28; Louisa, age 35; her son Wm F. 'Dickson' (Dickes), age 11; her dau Mary (Dickes) Williams, age 20 and Mary's husband George W. Williams, age 28; online at FamilySearch (accessed 26 Mar 2019)..

¹³² Findagrave #54867821.

¹³³ 1850 U. S. Census of Woolwich, Gloucester, New Jersey, Roll 432_451, Page 149B, Image 307, Family number 192, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:M6MN-26J>; online at Ancestry/FamilySearch (accessed 9 Mar 2019).

¹³⁴ 1870 U. S. Census of Odell, Livingston, Illinois, Roll 593_247, Page 229A, Dwelling 2; FHL Film 545746; with 5 children; online at Ancestry (accessed 3 Apr 2019).

¹³⁵ 1880 U. S. Census of Odell, Livingston, Illinois, Roll 226, Page 259D, E. D. 114. Dwelling 251; with 4 children (Rachael, Joseph F., Ida M., and Fannie) and also 4 children related to George's sister Eliza (Merkins) Hamilton; online at FamilySearch <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MXVD-4DY> (accessed 9 Mar 2019).

¹³⁶ Findagrave #54867820.

¹³⁷ Rachel Jane Murkins Birtsell death: Washington, Death Certificates, 31 Dec 1937, names parents and spouse, FHL Film 2023447; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

¹³⁸ Leathers/Merkins marriage: Illinois County Marriage Records, FHL Film 001401605; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

¹³⁹ Courtney/Merkins marriage: Illinois County Marriage Records, names parents, FHL Film 001392961; online at Ancestry.com (accessed 27 Mar 2019).

¹⁴⁰ **at-DNA**: 'CarolynBradshaw29' (descendant of George William Merkins, **24**) as well as 'kroughen' (descendant of George William Merkins) and Raymond Bastian (descendant of Mary Ann Murkins) share 35 cM across 2 segments and 14.2 cM across 1 segment, respectively; common ancestor: James Merkins.

Pennsylvania: Generation Four

14. Mary Ann Merkins (James³ James² Peter¹)^{141,142} was born 24 Aug 1797¹⁴³ at Byberry Township, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and died 13 Dec 1871 at Gloucester City, Camden, New Jersey¹⁴⁴ and is buried in the Cedar Grove Cemetery, Gloucester City (right under the Walt Whitman bridge).¹⁴⁵ She married abt 1817 in Pennsylvania or New Jersey **Thomas Searls/Sirls Terry**. He was born 3 Jul 1789 at Bensalem, Bucks, Pennsylvania and died 16 Aug 1851 at Gloucester City, Camden, New Jersey. The family lived in Bristol, Bucks until about 1840 when they moved to New Jersey probably because his health prevented him from doing farmwork and the children all wanted to work in the New Jersey textile mills.¹⁴⁶

Thomas Sirls and Mary Ann (Merkins) Terry had eight children.¹⁴⁷

- 25 i. **ELIZABETH TERRY** was born 22 Jun 1818 at Bristol, Bucks, Pennsylvania and died 28 May 1871 at Gloucester City, Camden, New Jersey; buried next to her mother in the Gloucester City Cemetery.¹⁴⁸ Never married.
- 26 ii. **DAVID TERRY** was born 15 Oct 1820 at Bristol, Bucks, Pennsylvania and died 27 Jun 1870 at Pawnee, Sangamon, Illinois. He married 3 Sep 1843 at Trenton, Mercer,

¹⁴¹ **C.I.K. Capehart docs**; from letter (21 Dec 1940) CIK to Otto Merckens of Berlin-Charlottenburg; the letter contains information (no sources) about family of James Merkins/Elizabeth Capehart, but much of the information is incorrect from other more credible sources.

¹⁴² **C.I.K. Capehart docs**; letter (1 Oct 1945) from Mrs. David H. Wood (gggdau of Thomas Sirls Terry b. 1789) to CIK confirming many details of Merkins children's marriages and noting sources.

¹⁴³ **TSTJr. History**, p. 1.

¹⁴⁴ 1870 U. S. Census of Gloucester City, Camden, New Jersey, National Archives Roll M593_855, p. 18A, family 476; she is living with her unmarried daughter Elizabeth Merkins Terry.

¹⁴⁵ Mary Ann Merkins Terry and her daughter Elizabeth Merkins Terry both died in 1871 (Dec and May, respectively) and are both interred in Gloucester City—this author has visited the site and has a photo. Neither is in *Findagrave.com*; gravestones were very hard to read.

Note: Poor Mary Ann—she must have the most corrupted genealogical record of any person who has ever lived. Chester Island is a 140 acre piece of mud in the Delaware River; uninhabited and no cemetery. There is no Chester/Chestnut Island in Salem County, New Jersey and there is no record of Mary Ann having ever set foot in Salem County (no record of her in the Salem County Historical Society).

¹⁴⁶ 1850 U. S. Census of Gloucester City, Camden, New Jersey, National Archives M432_445, p. 202B, Family 796; Thomas was 'infirm/unemployed'; household includes three of their grown children.

¹⁴⁷ **TSTJr. History**, p. 3.

¹⁴⁸ FamilyTree at FamilySearch, more detail here (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

New Jersey **Ann S. Devinney**, dau of Michael S. and Ann S. (Stockton) Devinney. She was born 4 Apr 1821 at Burlington County, New Jersey and died 30 Sep 1865 at Pawnee, Sangamon, Illinois; ten children.

- 27 iii. **REBECCA TERRY** was born 4 May 1823 at Bristol, Bucks, Pennsylvania and died 22 Dec 1883 at Palestine Twp, Cooper, Missouri.¹⁴⁹ She married 1842 at New Jersey **John Morton**. He was born 1825 at New Jersey. Six children.
- 28 iv. **THOMAS SIRLS TERRY Jr. (TSTjr)** was born 3 Oct 1825 at Bristol, Bucks, Pennsylvania and died 12 Aug 1920 at Enterprise, Washington, Utah.¹⁵⁰ He was a polygamist and married four women: (1) 25 Dec 1849 at Salt Lake City, Utah Territory **Mary Ann Pulsipher**. She was born to Zera and Mary Ann (Brown) Pulsipher 20 Nov 1833 at Scott, Cortland, New York and died 18 Sep 1913 at Enterprise, Washington, Utah; thirteen children. He married (2) 5 May 1855 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah Territory **Eliza Jane Pulsipher** (sister of Mary Ann). She was born to Zera and Mary Ann (Brown) Pulsipher 26 July 1840 at Lima, Peru, Illinois and died 6 May 1919 at Panaca, Lincoln, Nevada; twelve children. He married (3) 27 Dec 1857 at Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah Territory **Lucy Stevenson**.¹⁵¹ She was born to James H. and Martha (Charles) Stevenson 20 Feb 1843 at Leicester, Leicestershire, England and died 1 Apr 1899 at Baker City, Baker, Oregon; no issue. He married (4) 1878 at Hebron, Washington, Utah Territory **Hannah Louise Leavitt**. She was born to Dudley and Mary Ann (Huntsman) Leavitt 16 Mar 1855 at Tooele, Tooele, Utah Territory and died 5 Jan 1939 at St. George, Washington, Utah; six children.¹⁵²

This is the ggf of Raymond Bastian (see Figure 5)

¹⁴⁹ 1850 U. S. Census of Union, Camden, New Jersey, M432, Family 847; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:M6M8-CPK> and 1870 U. S. Census of Palestine Township, Cooper, Missouri, M593, Page 5, Family 27; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:M4DB-DD8> (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹⁵⁰ *Ibid.*

¹⁵¹ She didn't like being a 'plural' and ran away to Camp Williams to go dancing (oral history from Utah Daughters of the Pioneers at St. George, 1970's).

¹⁵² FamilyTree at FamilySearch and sources cited therein; more detail here (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

- 29 v. **MURKINS TERRY** was born 10 Jun 1828 at Bristol, Bucks, Pennsylvania and died 22 Apr 1904 at St. George, Washington, Utah. He married abt 1850 at Pennsylvania **Lydia Ann Howell** dau of Uzal Ogden and Mariah Matilda (Cummins) Howell.^{153,154}
- 30 vi. **LUTHER MARTIN TERRY** was born 30 Oct 1830 at Bridgewater, Bucks, Pennsylvania and died 7 Feb 1904 at Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He married 24 Dec 1851 at Trenton, Mercer, New Jersey **Eleanor Elizabeth Mershon**, dau of William and Catherine Ann (Gulick) Mershon. She was born 20 Jun 1831 at Mercer County, New Jersey and died 17 Feb 1896; eight children.^{155,156}
- 31 vii. **JOHN WESLEY TERRY** was born 3 Jul 1833 at Huntsville, Bucks, Pennsylvania and died 1834 at Bristol, Bucks, Pennsylvania.
- 32 viii. **WILLIAM HENRY TERRY** was born 3 Sep 1841 at Burlington County, New Jersey and died 1888. He married 25 Dec 1862 at Camden, Camden, New Jersey **Mary Ann Hank**, dau of John Hank. She was born 1 Jan 1846 at Chester, Burlington, New Jersey and died 1930 at New Jersey; five children.^{157,158}

Carolyn Carter ancestors:¹⁵⁹

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¹⁵³ FamilyTree at FamilySearch and sources cited therein (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹⁵⁴ 1880 U. S. Census of Salem, Salem, New Jersey, T9, Page 138B; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MN8B-QKX> (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹⁵⁵ FamilyTree at FamilySearch and sources cited therein; more detail here (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹⁵⁶ 1850 U. S. Census of Union, Camden, New Jersey, M432, Family 757; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:M6MD-JQD> and 1880 U. S. Census of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, T9, Page 294A; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MWJ5-4LM> (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹⁵⁷ FamilyTree at FamilySearch and sources cited therein (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹⁵⁸ 1880 U. S. Census of Camden, Camden, New Jersey, T9, Page 115C; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:MNZP-33K> and 1900 U. S. Census of Haddonfield, Camden, New Jersey, T623; <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:M9NR-N44> (accessed 10 Mar 2019).

¹⁵⁹ All places are in Suffolk, England.

¹⁶⁰ The Murkin family descendency from this point forward is very secure, being confirmed by both **at-DNA** data and primary source data. Not so for anything earlier than abt 1800 (the Murkin/Barrett marriage). Specifically, William Murkin of Lidgate Parish, Suffolk appears (as of this date) in 112 trees on Ancestry—his birth is listed as 12 Dec 1777 at Lidgate, Suffolk (consistent with his death in 1840 at age

1. A **William 'Marking'** was christened 25 Dec 1771 at Lidgate Parish, Suffolk, son of William and Elizabeth (Jacob) 'Marking'.¹⁶¹ There is no record of a William with a birth/chr date in 1777 in the Clare Deanery. The only real data we have is William's death record which says he died 1840 at age 63 (b. 1777).

William died¹⁶² (of asthma) 19 May 1840 at Poslingford, Suffolk and was buried¹⁶³ 23 May 1840 at Poslingford, Suffolk. He married¹⁶⁴ 13 Dec 1801 at All Saints, Stansfield **Amy Barritt** probable dau of William and Elizabeth (Page) Barrett.^{165,166,167} She was born¹⁶⁸ 30 May 1784 at Stansfield, Suffolk, England and buried (age 77, b. 1777?)¹⁶⁹ 9 Apr 1851 at Poslingford, Suffolk, England.¹⁷⁰ Judging from the christenings of the children the family lived in Hawkedon Parish initially and then moved somewhere between Hundon and Poslingford Parish. There is no evidence of Lidgate Parish in this family's records.

63; he would have actually been 62 at the time of his death). The Suffolk Family History Society has the christening of William 'Marking' of Lidgate 12 Dec 1771.

¹⁶¹ Pedigree Resource File, *FamilySearch* database (submitter: kirstyrossington) <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/2:2:3VCD-BFS>; the year is reported here as 1777, but according to the Suffolk Family History Society, the date is actually 1771.

¹⁶² National Burial Index for England and Wales, age 63, online at FindMyPast (accessed 13 Aug 2019) and General Register Office Death Certificate 400447 at Risbridge, Clare for Wm Murken, age 63.

¹⁶³ England, Select Deaths and Burials 1538-1975, cn164, FHL Film 950441, online at Ancestry (accessed 13 Aug 2019).

¹⁶⁴ Murkin/Barritt marriage: Suffolk Marriage Index (1754-1812), Suffolk Family History Society (SFHS), c2005 CD-ROM (accessed 10 Jul 2019).

¹⁶⁵ 'Stauffer 8', owner LBstauffe, tree 88724049 and sources cited therein; online at Ancestry (accessed 12 Aug 2019).

¹⁶⁶ 1841 England Wales and Scotland Census, Suffolk, Risbridge Hundred, Poslingford, Piece 1033, Folio 4, Page 2, Ann, a new widow, age abt 60 (calc'd b. 1781) is listed between her son George and wife Caroline and her youngest dau Maria (Murkin) Basham; also 1851 England Wales and Scotland Census, Suffolk, Risbridge Hundred, Poslingford, Piece 1787, Folio 472, Page 16, Amy (age 76, calc'd b. 1777, b. Stansfield), still with dau Maria (Murkin) Basham; online at Ancestry (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

¹⁶⁷ Barrett/Page marriage: 25 Dec 1776, Stansfield Parish, Suffolk Marriage Index, Clare and Fordham deaneries 1754-1812; Suffolk Family History Society CD. There are no other reasonable marriages in Stansfield; no birth records discoverable for Amy in that parish.

¹⁶⁸ Suffolk Baptism Index 1538-1911, Part 3, entry 350; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

¹⁶⁹ National Burial Index for England and Wales, St. Mary, Poslingford; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

¹⁷⁰ Basham Family, 1851 England Wales and Scotland Census, Poslingford, Suffolk, Piece 1787, Folio 472, Page 16, Amy b. Stansfield, Suffolk; online at Ancestry (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

William and Amy (Barritt) Murkin had six children.¹⁷¹

- 2 i. **WILLIAM BARRETT MURKIN** was christened¹⁷² 14 Nov 1804 at St. Mary Hawkedon parish, Suffolk, England and died¹⁷³ 14 Mar 1871 at Hundon, Suffolk, England. He married¹⁷⁴ 23 Dec 1825 at Hundon, Suffolk **Charlotte Turner**. She was born 1809 at Hundon, Suffolk and died Sep 1888 at Hundon, Suffolk, England.
- 3 ii. **HARRIET MURKIN** was born 11 Jun 1806 and christened 25 Dec 1806¹⁷⁵ at St. Mary, Hawkedon parish, Suffolk, England and was buried¹⁷⁶ 1875¹⁷⁷ at Chapel House Graveyard, Great Thurlow, St. Edmondsbury Borough, Suffolk. She married 1831 at Poslingford, Suffolk **William Joseph Chapman** as his second wife.¹⁷⁸ William married¹⁷⁹ (1) 18 May 1818 at Cowlings, Suffolk **Sarah Rutter**, one child. He was born abt 1794 and died 17 Nov 1877 and is buried at Great Thurlow next to his wife.

at-DNA¹⁸⁰

There exists supporting and confirmatory **at-DNA** (autosomal DNA) data.

¹⁷¹ 'Murkin Family Tree', owner: bmurkin, tree 9695985 and sources cited therein; online at Ancestry (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

¹⁷² Suffolk Baptism Index 1754-1812 for Clare Deanery, Suffolk Family History Society, son of Wm and Amy; also FindMyPast, SFHS entry 12577 (accessed 12 Aug 2019).

¹⁷³ UK and Ireland Findagrave #149377575.

¹⁷⁴ Murkin/Turner marriage: England Marriages, 1538–1973, *FamilySearch* database FHL film 989,539, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NJKQ-7P5>.

¹⁷⁵ Suffolk Baptism Index 1754-1812 for Clare Deanery, Suffolk Family History Society, dau of Wm and Amy, late Barritt; also FindMyPast, SFHS entry 12549 (accessed 12 Aug 2019).

¹⁷⁶ Findagrave #199356907.

¹⁷⁷ 'Stauffer 8', owner LBstauffe, tree 88724049 and sources cited therein; online at Ancestry (accessed 12 Aug 2019).

¹⁷⁸ 'Stauffer 8', owner LBstauffe, tree 88724049 and sources cited therein; online at Ancestry (accessed 12 Aug 2019).

¹⁷⁹ Chapman/Rutter marriage: Select Marriages, 1538-1973, FHL Film 951464, ref ID 11-32; online at Ancestry (accessed 12 Aug 2019).

¹⁸⁰ **at-DNA** data: 'H.S.', 'Joan Beard', and 'Rebecca Ronk' are descendants of Harriet Murkin (3); common ancestor: William Murkin (1777-1840).

- 4 iii. **CHARLOTTE MURKIN** was christened¹⁸¹ 17 Jun 1810 at St. Mary Poslingford parish, Suffolk, England and died 1862 at Cavendish, Suffolk.¹⁸² She married¹⁸³ 12 Nov 1831 at Clare, Suffolk **William Maxim**.^{184,185}

at-DNA¹⁸⁶

There exists supporting and confirmatory **at-DNA** (autosomal DNA) data.

- 5 iv. **MATILDA MURKIN** was born 16 May 1813 and christened¹⁸⁷ 11 Jun 1815 at All Saints, Hundon parish, Suffolk, England and died 1886 at Stansfield, Suffolk, England. She married¹⁸⁸ 18 Feb 1838 at Saint Giles in the Fields, Holburn, London, England **Thomas Bainbridge**. He was born 1813 at Ponterfract, Yorkshire and died 1901 at Fulham, London, England.^{189,190}
- + 6 v. **GEORGE MURKIN** was born 1815 at Hundon parish, Suffolk, England.

¹⁸¹ Suffolk Baptism Index 1754-1812 for Clare Deanery, Suffolk Family History Society, dau of Wm— states in error that her mother was 'Mary', late Barritt; also FindMyPast, SFHS entry 12542 (accessed 12 Aug 2019).

¹⁸² 'Foster-Plummer Family Tree', owner richiepf13, tree 10936396 and sources cited therein; online at Ancestry (accessed 12 Aug 2019).

¹⁸³ England Marriages, 1538–1973 *FamilySearch* database FHL film 989,588, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:N21S-LXK>.

¹⁸⁴ 1841 Census of England and Wales, Sudbury District, Cavendish, Suffolk, Reg. No. H0107, Piece 1011/16, page24, *FamilySearch*, William and Charlotte and 3 children <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:M73H-FN3>.

¹⁸⁵ 1851 England Wales and Scotland Census, Sudbury District, Suffolk, Cavendish, Piece 1789, Folio 504, Page 38, Charlotte b. Poslingford; online at Ancestry (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

¹⁸⁶ **at-DNA** data: 'richiepf13' is a descendant of Charlotte Murkin (4); common ancestor: William Murkin (1777-1840).

¹⁸⁷ Suffolk Baptism Index 1754-1812 for Clare Deanery, Suffolk Family History Society; dau of Wm and Amy; also FindMyPast, SFHS entry 74 (accessed 12 Aug 2019).

¹⁸⁸ Bainbridge/'Murking' marriage: London, England, Marriages and Banns 1754-1921, London Municipal Archives, Ref. No. P82/GIX/A/05/008.

¹⁸⁹ 'Murkin Family Tree', owner: bmurkin, tree 9695985 and sources cited therein; online at Ancestry (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

¹⁹⁰ 1861 England Wales and Scotland Census, Middlesex, Westminster St. Anne, District 7, Class RG9, Piece 175, Folio 48, Page 21, GSU roll 542586; online at Ancestry (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

- 7 vi. **MARIA MURKIN** was christened¹⁹¹ 3 Mar 1822 at All Saints, Hundon parish, Suffolk, England and died¹⁹² 4Q 1886. She married¹⁹³ 1Q 1838 at Poslingford, Suffolk **Henry Basham**.

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6. **George Murkin**¹⁹⁴ was born 1815 at Hundon, Suffolk, England and died^{195,196} 1875 at Poslingford, Suffolk; 27 Feb 1875 at St. Mary Anglican, Poslingford. He married¹⁹⁷ 3 Apr 1841 at Risbridge District, Suffolk **Caroline Wordley** dau of James and Charlotte (Bareham) Wordley. She was born 28 Jun 1816 and christened¹⁹⁸ 8 Jul 1816 at Cavendish, Suffolk, England and died 18 Nov 1891 at Wickhambrook, Suffolk, England. He was an agricultural laborer; it is not clear that he owned any land. His marriage and burial were civil events; we conclude he was not a religious person.

George and Caroline (Wordley) Murkin had eight children all born in Poslingford, Suffolk, England.^{199,200,201,202,203}

¹⁹¹ Suffolk Baptism Index 1754-1812 for Clare Deanery, Suffolk Family History Society; dau of Wm and Amy; also FindMyPast, SFHS entry 307 (accessed 12 Aug 2019).

¹⁹² England and Wales Deaths 1837-2007, Risbridge Suffolk, Vol 4A, Page 341; online at FindMyPast (accessed 1 Nov 2019).

¹⁹³ Basham/Murkin marriage: England and Wales Marriage Registration Index 1837-2005, Vol 12, Page 457; FamilySearch database <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:2DHW-WNF>.

¹⁹⁴ Examination of Hundon parish baptisms failed to uncover a christening and parents for George Murkin (including alternate spellings) in the date range 1805-1820; Suffolk Baptisms Index 1754-1812 and 1813-1900 (CDs; Suffolk Family History Society).

¹⁹⁵ National Burial Index for England and Wales and England and Wales Deaths 1837-2007, Risbridge Suffolk, Vol 4A, Page 338; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

¹⁹⁶ George Murkin death: General Register Office, Risbridge District, Sub-district Clare, Death Certificate 334056, George Murkin death 24 Feb 1875 at Poslingford, Suffolk at age 60 years, informant dau Harriet Murkin.

¹⁹⁷ England and Wales Marriages 1837-2005, Risbridge District, Suffolk, Vol. 12, p. 585, 2ndQ 1841; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

¹⁹⁸ England, Births and Christenings 1538-1975, Cavendish Parish, Suffolk; FHL Film 0994070i9 <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:J7HW-XHQ>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

¹⁹⁹ Murkin Household, 1841 England, Wales and Scotland Census of Poslingford, Suffolk, Risbridge District, George (age 25) and Caroline (age 20) and 'Ann', age 60 (probably George's mother Amy); online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

- 8 i. **EMMA MURKIN** was born 1844, christened²⁰⁴ 27 Oct 1844 at St. Mary Poslingford. She married²⁰⁵ 1865 at Risbridge District, Suffolk **William Cooper**.
- 9 ii. **WILLIAM MURKIN** was born 1847, christened²⁰⁶ 25 Apr 1847 at St. Mary Poslingford and died²⁰⁷ 1Q 1907 (age 59) at Risbridge District, Suffolk. He married²⁰⁸ 1868 at Risbridge, Suffolk **Lavinia Fox**.
- 10 iii. **ELIZA MURKIN** was born 1849, christened²⁰⁹ 5 Aug 1849 at St. Mary Poslingford and died²¹⁰ 17 Jul 1868 (age 19) at Risbridge District, Suffolk; buried²¹¹ 17 Jul 1868 at St. Mary Poslingford.
- 11 iv. **JANE MURKIN** was born 20 Jun 1851, christened²¹² 31 Aug 1851 at St. Mary Poslingford and died Jul 1913 at Chesterton, Cambridge, England. She married²¹³ 4Q 1875 at Risbridge, Suffolk **John Webb**.²¹⁴ He was born 1853 and died 1929.

²⁰⁰ Murkin Household, 1851 England, Wales and Scotland Census of Poslingford, Suffolk, Risbridge District Piece 1787, Folio 465, Page 3, George b. Hundon, Suffolk; Caroline b. Cavendish, Suffolk; their neighbors are George's mother and George's sister Maria (Murkin) Basham and family; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²⁰¹ 'Markin' Household, 1861 England, Wales and Scotland Census of Poslingford, Risbridge sub-district Clare, Suffolk, ED 8, Household 10, Page 2, online at Ancestry (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²⁰² Murking Household, 1871 Census of England and Wales of Poslingford, Suffolk, George (age 61, b. 1810, Hundon, Suffolk) and Caroline (age 53), 4 children at FamilySearch <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:VFN3-X7W> (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²⁰³ 'Allyson Ramshaw Family Tree', owner: allybsc44, tree 106327490 and sources cited therein; online at Ancestry (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

²⁰⁴ Suffolk Baptism Index 1538-1911, Part 3, entry 298; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²⁰⁵ Cooper/Murking marriage: England and Wales marriages 1837-2005, Vol 4A, Page 461; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²⁰⁶ Suffolk Baptism Index 1538-1911, Part 3, entry 312; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²⁰⁷ England and Wales deaths, Risbridge, Suffolk, Vol 4A, Page 571; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²⁰⁸ Murkin/Fox marriage: England and Wales marriages 1837-2005, Vol 4A, Page 783; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²⁰⁹ Suffolk Baptism Index 1538-1911, Part 3, entry 327; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²¹⁰ England and Wales deaths, Risbridge, Suffolk, Vol 4A, Page 299; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²¹¹ National Burial Index for England and Wales; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

- 12 v. **LOUISA MURKIN**, born 1853 was christened²¹⁵ 19 Jun 1853 at St. Mary Poslingford and died²¹⁶ 1908 at Burton Upon Trent, Staffordshire, England. She married²¹⁷ 3Q 1873 at Risbridge, Suffolk **David Braybrook** of Hundon, Suffolk.²¹⁸
- 13 vi. **JOSEPH MURKIN (twin)** was born 1856, christened²¹⁹ 15 Jun 1856 at St. Mary Poslingford and died 24 Sep 1923 at Burton Upon Trent, Staffordshire. He married²²⁰ 2 Apr 1885 at St. Paul's, Burton Upon Trent, Staffordshire **Annie Hardy** of Aftreton, Derbyshire. She was born 1861 of Burton Upon Trent and died before 1911.²²¹
- 14 vii. **BENJAMIN MURKIN (twin)** was born 1856, christened²²² 15 Jun 1856 at St. Mary Poslingford and died²²³ 1926/1930 at County Durham, England; buried²²⁴ 1930 at Ropery Lane Cemetery, Durham. He married²²⁵ 21 Apr 1877 at Risbridge, Suffolk

²¹² Suffolk Baptism Index 1538-1911, Part 3, entry 339; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²¹³ Webb/Murkin marriage: England and Wales marriages 1837-2005, Vol 4A, Page 881; online at FindMyPast (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

²¹⁴ 'Allyson Ramshaw Family Tree', owner: allybsc44, tree 106327490 and sources cited therein; online at Ancestry (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

²¹⁵ Suffolk Baptism Index 1538-1911, Part 3, entry 350; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²¹⁶ Louisa Braybrook death: General Register Office, Staffordshire, Burton Upon Trent District, Vol 6B, Page 245; online at FindMyPast (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

²¹⁷ Braybrook/Murkin marriage: England and Wales marriages 1837-2005, Vol 4A, Page 675; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²¹⁸ 1881 England Wales and Scotland Census, Great Bradley parish, Risbridge Suffolk, Piece 1823, Folio 32, Page 6, Louisa birth at Poslingford; online at FindMyPast (accessed 6 Apr 2019).

²¹⁹ Suffolk Baptism Index 1538-1911, Part 3, entry 377; online at FindMyPast (accessed 6 Apr 2019).

²²⁰ Murkin/Hardy marriage: England, Parish Marriages, Staffordshire Banns, Burton Upon Trent, Page 126; online at FindMyPast (accessed 6 Apr 2019).

²²¹ 1901 England Wales and Scotland Census, Horninglow, Burton Upon Trent, Staffordshire, Piece 2645, Folio 99, Page 16, Joseph birth at Poslingford; online at FindMyPast (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

²²² Suffolk Baptism Index 1538-1911, Part 3, entry 378; online at FindMyPast (accessed 6 Apr 2019).

²²³ England and Wales deaths, Risbridge, Suffolk, Vol 4A, Page 963; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²²⁴ Findagrave #122844788.

²²⁵ Murkin/Martin marriage: England and Wales marriages 1837-2005, Vol 4A, Page 579; online at FindMyPast (accessed 6 Apr 2019).

Betsy Elizabeth Martin dau of Thomas and Ann (Rogers) Martin.^{226,227} She was born 1858 and died Apr 1928; buried at Ropery Lane Cemetery, Durham next to her husband.

This is the ggf of Carolyne Carter (see Figure 5).

- 15 viii. **HARRIET ELIZABETH MURKIN** was born Jun 1858, christened²²⁸ 27 Jun 1858 at St. Mary Poslingford and died Mar 1926 at Hertford, Hertfordshire, England. She married²²⁹ (1) Mar 1877 at Risbridge, Suffolk **Walker Spearman**²³⁰ and (2) 25 Apr 1891 at Great Bradley Suffolk **Arthur Farrow**.^{231,232}

²²⁶ 'Carolyne's Family Tree', owner: Carolyne Carter, tree 154679300 and sources cited therein; online at Ancestry (accessed 6 Apr 2019).

²²⁷ 'Allyson Ramshaw Family Tree', owner: allybsc44, tree 106327490 and sources cited therein; online at Ancestry (accessed 30 Oct 2019).

²²⁸ Suffolk Baptism Index 1538-1911, Part 3, entry 401; online at FindMyPast (accessed 6 Apr 2019).

²²⁹ Spareman/Murkin marriage: England and Wales marriages 1837-2005, Vol 4A, Page 492; online at FindMyPast (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²³⁰ 1881 England Wales and Scotland Census, <https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:Q27D-J5XV>; online at FamilySearch (accessed 5 Apr 2019).

²³¹ Farrow/Murkin marriage: England and Wales marriages 1837-2005, Vol 4A, Page 830A; online at FindMyPast (accessed 6 Apr 2019).

²³² 'Murkin Family Tree', owner: bmurkin, tree 9695985 and sources cited therein; online at Ancestry (accessed 30 Oct 2019).