

Descendants of Thomas ROWLAND

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Note: This is part I of the lineage and goes to Andrew Rowland:

The yellow shows the trace of the webmasters lineage.

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Generation Number 1.

1. THOMAS¹ ROWLAND was born ABT 1520 in Baconsthorpe, Surry, England in 1530.

Child of THOMAS ROWLAND is:

2. i. THOMAS² ROWLAND II, b. ABT 1564, London England in 1572; d. ABT 1605.

Generation No. 2

2. THOMAS² ROWLAND II (*THOMAS¹*) was born ABT 1564 in London England in 1572, and died ABT 1605. He married ANN (ROWLAND) SMITH, daughter of DAVID SMITH. She was born ABT 1564 in London England ?, and died ABT 1610.

Children of THOMAS ROWLAND and ANN SMITH are:

- i. THOMAS³ ROWLAND, b. ABT 1590, in Egham Wommonwealth of Surrey England in 1623..
- ii. CATHERINE ROWLAND, b. ABT 1592, England?.
3. iii. JOHN ROWLAND I, b. ABT 1594, Egham, Surrey, England in 1623; d. , Surry, England.
- iv. MARY ROWLAND, b. ABT 1596, England?.

Generation No. 3

3. JOHN³ ROWLAND I (*THOMAS², THOMAS¹*) was born ABT 1594 in Egham, Surrey, England in 1623, and died in , Surry, England. He married SCOLLIS (ROWLAND) PEMBERTON, daughter of EDWARD PEMBERTON and ANN UNKNOWN. She was born ABT 1594 in Virginia.

Children of JOHN ROWLAND and SCOLLIS PEMBERTON are:

4. i. JOHN⁴ ROWLAND II, b. 1614, England to Virginia age 21; d. Aft. 1653, , James City, Virginia?.
- ii. THOMAS ROWLAND, b. 1618, England?.
- iii. SCOLLIS ROWLAND, b. ABT 1620, England?.
- iv. ANN (TOLLE) ROWLAND, b. ABT 1622, England; m. WILLIAM TOOLE; b. ABT 1622, England.
- v. ELIZABETH (WHITE) ROWLAND, b. ABT 1624, England?; d. , James City, Virginia?; m. JOHN WHITE; b. ABT 1624, , James City, Virginia.

More About JOHN WHITE:
Occupation: A merchant ship owner and merchant.
Residence: James City County Virginia.

Generation No. 4

4. **JOHN⁴ ROWLAND II** (*JOHN³, THOMAS², THOMAS¹*) was born 1614 in England to Virginia age 21, and died Aft. 1653 in , James City, Virginia?. He married MARGARET (ROWLAND) BAILEY in Virginia, daughter of LEWIS BAILEY. She was born ABT 1620 in Virginia?, and died in , James City, Virginia?.

Notes for JOHN ROWLAND II:

John ROWLAND II was born in Surry County England immigrated to Virginia on the ship "DORCHESTER" in 1635. Passenger list indicated his age as 21. He settled in James City Virginia where it is believed that he was employed by his brother-in-law John WHITE, a merchant. He made a return trip to England some time after 1653.

More About JOHN ROWLAND II:

Fact: Made a return trip to England before he died

Immigration: 1635, To Virginia on the ship Dorchester age 21

Occupation: , James City, Virginia perhaps employed by borther-in-law John White.

More About JOHN ROWLAND and MARGARET BAILEY:

Marriage: Virginia

Children of JOHN ROWLAND and MARGARET BAILEY are:

- i. LEWIS⁵ ROWLAND, b. ABT 1637, Virginia?.
5. ii. **WILLIAM ROWLAND I, b. 1640, , James City, Virginia; d. 1714, , Surry, Virginia.**
- iii. JOHN ROWLAND, b. ABT 1642, Virginia?.
- iv. THOMAS ROWLAND, b. ABT 1644, Virginia?.
- v. GEORGE ROWLAND, b. ABT 1646.

Generation No. 5

5. **WILLIAM⁵ ROWLAND I** (*JOHN⁴, JOHN³, THOMAS², THOMAS¹*) was born 1640 in , James City, Virginia, and died 1714 in , Surry, Virginia. He married ANN (ROWLAND) ANDREWS in , Surry, Virginia, daughter of THOMAS ANDREWS and DOROTHY UNKNOWN. She was born ABT 1640 in , Surry, Virginia?.

More About WILLIAM ROWLAND and ANN ANDREWS:

Marriage: , Surry, Virginia

Children of WILLIAM ROWLAND and ANN ANDREWS are:

6. i. WILLIAM⁶ ROWLAND II, b. 1660, , James City, Virginia; d. 1714, , Surry, Virginia.
7. ii. MARY (BAILEY) ROWLAND, b. ABT 1665, , James City, Virginia?; d. March 5, 1721/22, , Surry, Virginia.
8. iii. **JOHN ROWLAND, b. ABT 1675, , James City, Virginia?.**

Generation No. 6

6. WILLIAM⁶ ROWLAND II (*WILLIAM⁵, JOHN⁴, JOHN³, THOMAS², THOMAS¹*) was born 1660 in , James City, Virginia, and died 1714 in , Surry, Virginia. He married (1) ANN (ROWLAND) SPENCER ABT 1682 in Virginia?, daughter of ROBERT SPENCER and ANN TABERER. She was born ABT 1660 in , James City, Virginia?. He married (2) ELIZABETH (ROWLAND) WHITE ABT 1695 in Virginia?. She was born ABT 1660 in , James City, Virginia?, and died ABT 1715.

More About WILLIAM ROWLAND and ANN SPENCER:
Marriage: ABT 1682, Virginia?

More About WILLIAM ROWLAND and ELIZABETH WHITE:
Marriage: ABT 1695, Virginia?

Children of WILLIAM ROWLAND and ANN SPENCER are:

- i. ANN⁷ ROWLAND, b. ABT 1683, , James City, Virginia?.
9. ii. WILLIAM ROWLAND III, b. 1685, , James City, Virginia?; d. ABT 1745.
- iii. MARY ROWLAND, b. 1687, , James City, Virginia?.
10. iv. CHRISTOPHER ROWLAND, b. 1688, Albermarl, Surry, Virginia (userdewt@aol.com); d. Bet. 1740 - 1745, , Dinwiddie, Virginia.
- v. ARTHUR ANDREW? ROWLAND, b. ABT 1690, , James City, Virginia?.
- vi. ELIZABETH ROWLAND, b. ABT 1692, , James City, Virginia?.

7. MARY (BAILEY)⁶ ROWLAND (*WILLIAM⁵, JOHN⁴, JOHN³, THOMAS², THOMAS¹*) was born ABT 1665 in , James City, Virginia?, and died March 5, 1721/22 in , Surry, Virginia. She married EDWARD BAILEY. He was born ABT 1662 in , James City, Virginia?.

Children of MARY ROWLAND and EDWARD BAILEY are:

- i. SARAH⁷ BAILEY, b. ABT 1682.
- ii. THOMAS BAILEY, b. ABT 1684.
- iii. FAITH (BLACKBURN) BAILEY, b. ABT 1686.
- iv. JANE BAILEY, b. ABT 1688.
- v. HANNAH BAILEY, b. ABT 1690.
- vi. MARY BAILEY, b. ABT 1692.
- vii. ELIZABETH BAILEY, b. ABT 1694.

8. JOHN⁶ ROWLAND (*WILLIAM⁵, JOHN⁴, JOHN³, THOMAS², THOMAS¹*) was born ABT 1675 in , James City, Virginia?. He married ELIZABETH (ROWLAND) HAMPTON. She was born ABT 1690 in , James City, Virginia?.

Children of JOHN ROWLAND and ELIZABETH HAMPTON are:

- i. HENRY⁷ ROWLAND, b. ABT 1726, , James City, Virginia?.
- ii. BENJAMIN ROWLAND, b. February 6, 1728/29, , Prince George, Virginia.
11. iii. ANDREW ROWLAND, b. 1731, , Prince George, Virginia?.

Generation No. 7

9. WILLIAM⁷ ROWLAND III (*WILLIAM⁶, WILLIAM⁵, JOHN⁴, JOHN³, THOMAS², THOMAS¹*)

was born 1685 in , James City, Virginia?, and died ABT 1745. He married UNKNOWN (ROWLAND) UNKNOWN. She was born ABT 1685 in , James City, Virginia?.

Notes for WILLIAM ROWLAND III:

THE HISTORY OF AUGUSTA AND BOTETOURT COUNTIES, THE ROWLAND AND LOONEY FAMILY; STORIES AND RELATIONSHIPS.

The information below, is removed, in part, from the book about Botetourt County Virginia entitled, "A Seed-bed of the Republic", Early Botetourt County, by Robert Douthat Stoner, copyright 1962.

Botetourt, formed in 1770, had its greatest extent only until 1772, when Fincastle Co., was formed. Fincastle was later eliminated in 1777 when it was divided into Montgomery, Washington and Kentucky Co.'s.

In 1734, Orange Co., VA was formed from Spotsylvania Co. At the Session of the General Assembly, which opened on Nov. 1, 1738, an act was passed establishing Augusta Co., although a county government was not established until 1745. In 1770 Botetourt Co., was formed from the southern and western part of Augusta Co.

Botetourt lies in the "Great Valley" of VA. According to Stoner, "The steep ridges of the Blue Ridge Mountains,...held back, for many years, the advancing civilization from eastern Va. This advance was also delayed by laws prohibiting settlement of the Valley of Virginia by the white man.....its territory having been guaranteed to the Indian."

"When civilization finally came, it advanced chiefly from Pennsylvania and Maryland, up the Valley, from its northern end, rather than through the eastern elevated gaps, often called "wind gaps"."

According to Stoner "... the first substantial settlement by white men, in the lower end of the this Valley begin about 1730."

Stoner goes on to describe the early acquisition of land in the early period of Botetourt. "The individual could purchase 'land', directly from the agent of some company, or person, who had previously been awarded a large grant by the King, or he could proceed on his own by securing a survey and a grant independently of a company. Which ever way the individual proceeded, the land intended, either had to be patented or granted to him. It had to be surveyed by a public surveyor, and the length of the tract could not be more than three times its width.

The patentee was required, within three years from the date of the grant, to clear and tend three acres for every fifty owned, besides paying the fee rent, which was paid yearly upon the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel. Upon failure to comply with these conditions, the grantee's rights were forfeited and he lost his land.."

"The settlement made at Looney's Mill Creek, and up the Great or Philadelphia Road,

was simply an extension of the westward flow of Immigration up the Valley, between the Blue Ridge and North Mountain ranges.

The business at the crossing of the James River was so profitable that later Anderson and Crow, who operated ferries near Looney's Crossing, had competing ordinaries and repeated lawsuits concerning this operation. The land was good along Looney's Creek, and the early settlers immediately claimed what they could.

According to Stoner, Robert Looney owned several tracts of land, amounting to 863 acres, in 1742, on Looney's Mill Creek, which was named for him. James, Thomas and Robert Rowland are believed to have settled on Looney's Mill Creek and Catawba Creek between 1745 and 1750.

Joanne Kartak writes –

You list as #12, Robert Rowland "born 1710 in Looney's Mill, Botetourt Co. VA." as a son of William Rowland III and grandson of William II and Ann Spencer of Surrey Co. VA. Robert Rowland of Surry and Robert Rowland of Augusta County are often mistakenly identified.

The Robert Rowland and his wife Martha who settled near Looney's Mill in what became Botetourt Co., arrived in the Shenandoah Valley from Pennsylvania and not Surrey County, VA. He was NOT related to the Rowlands of Surrey. This was proved beyond doubt in 2006 by DNA tests and reported in an update on 12 Oct 2006 by Jamie Rowland Fish, Rowland Surname DNA Project Administrator, who wrote,

"Latest DNA test has proven that the Botetourt Co, VA line of Rowland's is NOT related to the Surry Co, VA line. Nor is the early Wake Co, NC line of William Rowland related to either of these 2 lines."

Robert Rowland was first documented in Augusta/Botetourt Co. in 1742 as a member of the Augusta Militia. According to a family bible that once belonged to his granddaughter Mildred Rowland Gilmore, "(Robert)... the father of Thomas Rowland died 19 Jan 1782 ae 66, " which would put Robert's date of birth around 1716, years before the first settlers arrived in the early 1730s to what was then Orange County. Robert and Martha had four proven sons, and one, Lt. Col. Thomas Rowland, b. Dec 1741, is the only one known to have been born in Augusta Co. More about the "Botetourt Rowlands" is at <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~qvarizona/rowland.html>

While there is substantial documentation that the Surrey Co. Rowlands did indeed come from England to James City, the origins of the Botetourt Rowlands prior to their arrival in PA are not yet known. Current research indicates --but does not prove-- connections between Robert's family and the Rowland brothers, Thomas and John, and John's wife Priscilla Shephard Rowland, who accompanied William Penn on the pilgrim ship

"Welcome", landing in Philadelphia in 1682. With the increase of interest in using DNA to broaden and improve our traditional research, we will hopefully continue to "fill in the blanks" and prove/disprove that we are climbing the right family trees.

Sincerely,

Joanne Kartak

Descendant of Thomas Rowland, s/o Robert and Martha Looney Rowland of Botetourt Co. VA., thus your Non-Cousin. (By the way, Martha's maiden name is unproven.)

Child of WILLIAM ROWLAND and UNKNOWN UNKNOWN is:

12. i. ROBERT⁸ ROWLAND, b. 1710, Looney's Mill Creek, Botetourt, Virginia; d. January 19, 1782, Fincastle, Botetourt, Virginia.

10. CHRISTOPHER⁷ ROWLAND (*WILLIAM⁶, WILLIAM⁵, JOHN⁴, JOHN³, THOMAS², THOMAS¹*) was born 1688 in Albermarl, Surry, Virginia (userdewt@aol.com), and died Bet. 1740 - 1745 in , Dinwiddie, Virginia. He married ANN (ROWLAND) WHITE ABT 1703 in Virginia?, daughter of CHARLES WHITE and NAOMI HOLDSWORTH. She was born ABT 1688 in , James City, Virginia? (userdewt@aol.com).

More About CHRISTOPHER ROWLAND:

Land purchase 1: Nummissen Creek, , Virginia

Land purchase 2: , Dinwiddie, Virginia

Lived 1: 1727, , Prince George, Virginia

Lived 2: , Dinwiddie, Virginia

Lived 3: Bristol Parish, , Virginia

More About CHRISTOPHER ROWLAND and ANN WHITE:

Marriage: ABT 1703, Virginia?

Children of CHRISTOPHER ROWLAND and ANN WHITE are:

13. i. ROBERT⁸ ROWLAND, b. 1710, , Surry/Sussex, Virginia (userdewt@aol.com); d. 1777, , Botetourt, Virginia.
- ii. CHRISTOPHER ROWLAND, b. ABT 1712, , Surry, Virginia?.
- iii. WILLIAM ROWLAND, b. ABT 1714, , Surry, Virginia?.
- iv. JAMES ROWLAND, b. ABT 1716, Bristol Parish, Surry, Virginia.
- v. SARAH I. ROWLAND, b. ABT 1722, Bristol Parish, Surry, Virginia.
- vi. JOHN ROWLAND, b. May 20, 1726, Bristol Parish, Surry, Virginia.
- vii. AGNESS ROWLAND, b. January 7, 1727/28, Bristol Parish, Surry, Virginia.

11. **ANDREW⁷ ROWLAND** (*JOHN⁶, WILLIAM⁵, JOHN⁴, JOHN³, THOMAS², THOMAS¹*) was born 1731 in , Prince George, Virginia?. He married RUTH (ROWLAND) NORMAN ABT 1743 in , Prince George, Virginia. She was born ABT 1731 in , Prince George, Virginia?.

More About ANDREW ROWLAND and RUTH NORMAN:

Marriage: ABT 1743, , Prince George, Virginia

Records Show that Andrew Had the following children:

Andrew Rowland was b. 1720 in Franklin Co., Va., son of John Rowland III and Elizabeth Hampton; married

Ruth Norman. Andrew Rowland and Ruth Norman had these children:

1. John Rowland, b. c1740 in Washington Co., Va., and left a will in Henry Co., Va., dated July 5, 1780, and

proved Sept 29, 1780 ; married Mary ____.

2. George Rowland, b. c1741.

3. Obedience Rowland, b. c1743 in Henrico Co., Va.; married Phillip Ryan.

4. Gilbert Rowland, b. c1745 in Henrico Co., Va.

5. Sarah Rowland, b. c1747 in Henry Co., Va.

6. Mary Rowland, b. c1750 in Henry Co., Va.; married James Isham.

7. Michael Rowland, b. c1755 in Henry Co., Va., and d. 1814. Michael served in the Revolutionary war and took

part in the Battle of Guilford Court House. He married Elizabeth Hairston.

8. Baldwin Rowland, b. c1759 in Henry Co., Va., and d. 1814; married Sarah Hairston in 1782.

The sons and daughters of Michael Rowland :

The Michael Rowland who was son of Andrew Rowland and Ruth Norman married Elizabeth Hairston, daughter

of Robert Hairston and Ruth Stovall, and had children George, Michael, Robert, William, Elizabeth H., Martha

H., Creed T., Peter H., and Rebecca Jane Rowland. Perhaps William and Michael