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President's Column

Dear Cousins,

It's time to start thinking REUNION! Get out your calendars and reserve Friday, September 19 and Saturday, September 20 for the 1997 Edmund Rice (1638) Association annual reunion. It will be held at Old Sturbridge Village, Sturbridge, MA in the Sturbridge Host Hotel across the street from the Village.

Our thanks to Robert V. Rice who is in charge of planning the annual meeting. Jane Drury, whom I appointed in charge of hospitality, is willing to continue to carry out the duties but prefers not to have an official title. To her I extend my thanks for all her past services and hope someone will step forward to assist her.

At last year's reunion, Margaret Rice, almost 90, was the oldest member attending; Joan La Brie, the youngest, with Doyle L. Rice a close second; and, new member, J. Douglas Rice, from Westlock, Alberta, Canada, traveling the farthest. Perhaps they will have challengers this year.

On to another topic, our dream is to have a Rice Family Library some day, but for the present the best we can do is make sure we do not lose the information we have now. Historian Elsie Hawes Smith wrote, "The first meeting of the family of which we can find a record was held at Wayland, Mass (at the old Edmond [sic] Rice Homestead) on Sept. 5th 1851... Between that date and Sept. 1932, when our present Secretary's book of minutes starts there are many gaps which we are trying to fill in with copies of old programs, newspaper notices, letters and the like." (ERA Newsletter, #1, Dec. 1960) She started a collection of material, but I do not know where it is at the moment.

I would urge all of you to gather all the family information that you have and put it in clearly marked storage boxes so that it can be preserved. I for one am trying to assemble a complete set of all past newsletters. It would be helpful if you could bring a list of your data to the September 20th meeting.

Dennis Rice suggests that a computerized index to newsletter articles would be an excellent assistance to those doing research. As you know, the Ward book has many errors. The April 1961 newsletter began a list of corrections and I have Elsie Hawes Smith's original copy of the Ward book in which she made many corrections. In the 1930's, Dr. Alexander Hamilton Rice commissioned Mary Lovering Holman, a noted genealogist, to complete a new Rice Genealogy. The work was never completed and is now on file at the New England Historic Genealogy Society in Boston. All this points out how important it is to record sources when we compile our family lines.

Sincerely,

Frederick H. Rice
President

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The Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc. is governed by a Board of Directors of at least five members who are elected at the annual reunion and meeting, usually held on a weekend in September.

Descendants of Edmund Rice were holding reunions as early as 1851, but it was not until 1912 that the Association was formed and officers elected. Incorporation under Massachusetts law took place in 1934.

Membership is open to anyone who claims to be a lineal descendant of Edmund Rice. Rigorous proof is not required and many members have been able to ascertain their pedigree only after access to the books and files of other members. Spouses are also eligible for membership.

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Editor's Column

This is a combined Winter and Spring issue because, as they say, "for reasons beyond my control", I was not able to produce one earlier this year. I also found it difficult to answer mail promptly and I apologize for that. I do believe all these delays are behind me, however.

During this long interval, I have acquired bigger and better computer equipment and capacity. Among other things, I now have a scanner that enables me to "take a photo" of everything from newsprint to color photos. It is a wonderful toy and I am enjoying it to the hilt. I think it really expands what we can do with the newsletter.

You will notice I now get to use my own initials in my e-mail address. Makes me feel very independent! Whether you use stamps or the computer, I want to hear from you and also, I would appreciate hearing about any corrections or clarifications.

We express our sympathy to those who have lost loved ones. The death of Laurence Prescott Patterson, Director Emeritus saddened the many cousins who knew him. The Association has benefited from his important genealogical discoveries.

My thanks to all of you cousins who sent articles from newspapers and magazines, wrote articles and asked thought-provoking questions for queries.

Thank you also to all the cousins who took the time and effort to complete and mail back the member sketches. And, for including descent charts to give us an idea of some computer programs that are available. What interesting people the Rices are!

I especially want to thank Sharon Nee for the charming and informative article she wrote about her ancestral trip back to Massachusetts last year.

Please continue to send me your lineage information, charts, queries, pertinent articles, photos, wacky genealogical jokes or happenings and, please continue to write wonderful descriptions of ancestral discoveries. You are great!

-Keith Capen Allen

The Rices of Kauai

Bruce Wichman, author and historian of Kauai and a member of our Association, is a direct descendent of the Kauai Rices and the source of much of the information in this article.

While vacationing on the island of Kauai, Hawaii, I became intrigued by the number of places bearing the name Rice. The main street of the largest town is Rice Street, and on it is the Rice Shopping Center. One wing of the Kauai Museum is the Rice Building. Are these some of "our" Rices?

The first Rice to travel to Hawaii was William Harrison Rice, a missionary born in New York State. He was descended from Robert Royce, one of the early settlers of the New Haven (Connecticut) Colony, but it was another descendant, Asa Rice, who was the first to move to New York State.

William was assigned to Maui in 1841 as a teacher and preacher, but his first love was agriculture. When the position of plantation manager for the Lihue Sugar Plantation on Kauai became available in 1854, he left the mission and moved to Kauai with his family. He is credited with designing and building the first irrigation system to bring water from the central mountains to the sugar fields, thus vastly improving the crop yield.

William died of tuberculosis in 1862 at the age of 48. Mary Sophia Rice outlived her husband by many years and was much loved by the Hawaiians, who called her Mother Rice.

William Hyde Rice, the son of William Harrison and Mary Sophia, was a rancher who raised cattle and horses on Kauai. His large estate exists today but is not accessible to the public. A memorial monument erected by his employees stands at the entrance. Today, the William Hyde Rice Company is a large land management firm with offices in downtown Lihue.

William Hyde Rice was a member of the Hawaiian legislature and in 1887 was among those who acted to curb the powers of King Kalakaua and establish a constitutional monarchy. In 1891, he was appointed Governor of Kauai, and so was not in the legislature in 1893 when the monarchy was overthrown in favor of annexation by the United States.

Hannah Maria Rice, daughter of William Harrison, was married to Paul Isenberg, a German immigrant who succeeded her father as manager of Lihue Plantation. In 1881, he became a partner in Hackfield & Co., a German firm established in Honolulu to serve the many Germans in the Islands. He was elevated to president of the company in 1898 that would later evolve into the giant international corporation known as Amfac, Inc.

There is a large Rice monument along with many Rice headstones in the Lihue Cemetery. The monument, an acknowledged work of art, was crafted in Norway and exhibited in Paris and Bremen before being shipped around Cape Horn to Kauai.

What do all these Rices have to do with Edmund Rice? Perhaps nothing. However, we do know Mr. Wichman is descended from Edmund through his mother's maternal grandfather.

-William H. Drury

Are You Descended From Ebenezer & Tabitha Rice?

We have information for descendants of Ebenezer Rice and Tabitha Balcom, New England Planters to Nova Scotia about 1768.

We determined with some confidence that Tabitha Balcom was the sister of New England Planters, Samuel and Silas Balcom, who were also at Annapolis, Nova Scotia by 1770. Our previous association records were silent about Tabitha's ancestors. With that link to the Balcom family of Sudbury, Massachusetts, we can trace several of Tabitha's ancestors back well into the 17th century.

If you are a descendant of Ebenezer Rice and Tabitha Balcom, we offer to share this information with you. Just give us a brief line of your descent from Ebenezer and Tabitha (Balcom) Rice.

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-George W. King

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Come Share the Fun!! Join Your Cousins...

September 19th & 20th, 1997!

Our Association annual reunion this year will be Friday, September 19th and Saturday, September 20th in Old Sturbridge Village, Massachusetts at the Sturbridge Host Hotel across the street from the Village.

Plans thus far are for a group tour of the Village on Friday, followed by a Dutch treat dinner and the Directors' meeting. Saturday will include a social, lunch, the annual meeting, then a trip to Edmund's grave.

Cousin Robert V. Rice is in charge of the annual meeting planning. He has reserved the Host Hotel meeting room on September 20th for a continental breakfast, the lunch and meeting. He has also reserved a block of rooms in the hotel at a nightly rate of \$99.

So pull out your calendars and reserve these dates! Registration details later when plans are complete.



New Members

William W. Rice	Parkville	MO
Harold R. Rice	Frederickton	New Brunswick
Doyle Rice	Jackson	MI
Gregory Melvin Rice	Vienna	VA
Mary French Moore	Cheyenne	WY
Lois Morlock	Hastings	MN
D. Bruce Rice	Weaverville	NC
W. Stephen Rice	Ormond Beach	FL
Cynthia M. Rice	Indianapolis	IN
George L. Rice	Norfolk	MA
Karen Bottcher	Peterborough	Ontario
Marilyn Rice Nee	Tullahoma	TN
Kevin Nee	Baton Rouge	LA
Marvin Jones	Jefferson City	MO
Carolyn L. Hefty	Middleton	WI
Donald G. Robbins	Venice	FL
Charles Tilford	Portola Valley	CA

Our congratulations to **Anita Cooper** for a job well done as she completes her term as President of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas!

In his *Curiosities of Puritan Nomenclature*, Charles W. Bardsley talks about the English Puritans, who baptized children "by scriptural phrases, pious ejaculations or godly admonitions," as if to "separate the truly godly and renewed portion of the community from the world at large...."

Names like Merciful, Accepted, Truth, Temperance, Increase, Reliance, Welcome, Fear, Love, Preserved, Wrestling, and Pardon were imported to New England and commonly used among the first generation of native-born Americans.

The Rice Tree

In Gardner, My Ancestral Home

On 29 August 1997, Sharon (Nee) Goodman searches for just the right spot to carve her initials for the first time in the Rice Tree while her mother, Marilyn (Rice) Nee and her brother, Kevin Nee check out locations for theirs.

The tree is 200 yards along a cart path on a road directly across from Henry Heywood Memorial Hospital in Gardner.



In September 1966, following the funeral of their father, Marilyn Nee and her brothers passed a beech tree on a walk that they dubbed the Rice Tree. After carving on it what they thought was the Rice family crest*, Marilyn's brother, Harry also carved "The Rices 66".

Three crows and a chevron



*The official seal of the Association, shown on the address and front pages is described in Article 9 of the Bylaws. It is based on the coat of arms granted to William Rice, of Boemer, Buckinghamshire in 1555. It includes three reindeer heads and a griffin.

"The Rices 66"

"MN 68" (Marilyn Nee)



Discovering My Ancestral Home

1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
2. Thomas Rice m. Mary King
3. Gershom Rice m. Elizabeth Balcom
4. Gershom Rice m. Esther Haynes
5. Comfort Rice m. Martha Morris
6. Darius Rice m. Anna Stevens
7. Comfort Rice m. Lucinda Wood
8. Samuel Rice m. Eliza P. Eastman
9. George Comfort Rice m. Clara E. Norton
10. Harry Chester Rice m. Lillian Hunter
11. Marilyn Rice m. Larry Nee
12. **SHARON NEE** m. Mike Goodman

INTRODUCTION: When my parents, Larry and Marilyn (Rice) Nee, received the ashes of my 95 year old paternal grandmother, plans were made to take her back home to Gardner, Massachusetts to be buried in her family plot. Thus, began the trip I had hoped and waited for ever since I started researching my mother's descent from Edmund Rice.

Since the Rice side of my family has been so well documented, I found most of my research already done for me and I spent most of my time trying to fill in information on the allied families.

This was my chance to see the area where my ancestors had worked and lived for generations before me, and to visit as many gravesites as possible in six days.

WEDNESDAY (AUG 28, 1996): My flight from Houston was delayed, so I arrived hours late in Boston. After getting the rental car, I drove on into Gardner and finally joined my parents and older brother, Kevin at the hotel.

THURSDAY (AUG 29): The next morning, we did a quick tour of Gardner. Kevin videotaped the tour as my father drove down streets where he and my mother had lived at one time or another prior to 1957 when they moved to Tennessee -- Elm Street, Ragan Street, Chestnut Street, Woodland Avenue. After my grandmother's burial service at St John's Cemetery, my parents took my brother and me out to the Rice Tree.

The story of the Rice Tree starts in September 1966 when my maternal grandfather, Lt. Col. Harry C. Rice was buried at Green Bower Cemetery. He was the only veteran of World War I, World War II and the Korean Conflict from Gardner and was buried with full military honors.

After the funeral service, my mother and her three brothers, Harry Jr., Warren and Steve, went on the walk that their father had so often taken them when they were children.

While on that walk, Harry Jr. found a beech tree just beside the cart path where they were walking.

On a whim, he carved into it what they then thought was the Rice Family Crest -- three crows and a chevron. Next to that, he carved *The Rices, 1966*. Then, each of the siblings carved their initials into the tree.

We Rices have been carving our initials into the same tree ever since!

This year, for the first time, I carved my initials into the Rice Tree, almost 30 years to the day in 1966. Kevin carved his initials also, then he continued down the cart path to the beaver pond where my grandfather used to take my mom and her brothers on their walks.

Afterwards, we took more time exploring Gardner as Kevin videotaped. I had not been in Gardner since I was four years old and except for vaguely recalling the outdoor pool next to Crystal Lake, did not remember much about the town.

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We visited Crystal Lake Cemetery where my mother's maternal grandparents, **Hugh Clark Hunter** and **Emma Jane Davis** are buried. Also, we went to the Green Bower Cemetery to visit the graves of my grandparents, **Lt. Col. Harry C. Rice** and **Lillian Mae Hunter**, and my cousin, **Harry C. Rice III**. Then, it was time for Kevin to return to Boston and catch his flight back home.

FRIDAY (AUG 30): In the morning, my parents gave me the choice of going to the Hubbardston flea market or to Ashburnham to see the graves of my mother's maternal great grandparents, **Martin Van Buren Davis** and **Eliza Clark**. Needless to say, I chose Ashburnham and we ended up in the cemetery on a hill overlooking Cushing Academy.

After spending most of the morning and early afternoon there, we visited with a childhood friend of my mother's and drove around Gardner some more, stopping to get pictures of the Gardner Chair (largest in the world) and houses and businesses that were in the family at various times.

SATURDAY (AUG 31): My father's cousin, Molly, who lives in Quincy had invited my parents to visit. So, we set off, armed with the map in the ERA Newsletter that I received shortly before the trip, showing the locations of the Edmund Rice homestead and gravesite.

We took back roads to Quincy with a detour through Wayland to see where our emigrating ancestor got his start in America. Aided by the map, it was not hard to locate the sites.

We spent several hours at the North Cemetery in Wayland, taking pictures and looking at the gravestones. I was amazed at the number of Rices buried there, along with many, by now, familiar allied family names. My father quoted an especially poignant part of *In a Disused Graveyard* by Robert Frost that I had not heard before. I am going to place it in the beginning of my final research notebook.

The living come with grassy tread
To read the gravestones on the hill;
The graveyard draws the living still,
But never anymore the dead.
The verses in it say and say:
"The ones who living come today
To read the stones and go away
Tomorrow dead will come to stay."
So sure of death the marbles rhyme,
Yet can't help marking all the time
How no one dead will seem to come.
What is it men are shrinking from?
It would be easy to be clever
And tell the stones: Men hate to die
And have stopped dying now forever.
I think they would believe the lie.

Still not ready to leave, regretfully, we continued on. As we drove, I noticed signs for many towns whose names had popped up throughout my research. Wishing I had more time to explore, we soon reached Quincy and my father's cousin.

The weather news had the latest report on Hurricane Eduard. It was predicting a direct hit on Cape Cod and the Boston area for Monday morning, just hours before my flight back to Houston.

After a pleasant visit, we returned to Gardner on Hwy 2A, enjoying the scenery along the way. Some of the trees were just beginning to turn the brilliant orange, red and yellow for which New England fall foliage is famous. I could only imagine how it would look in the weeks to come and wished I could stay to see it.

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That evening, my parents left for my mother's 45th reunion from Gardner High School. They promised to be back early since they were leaving the next day. I stayed up and watched the weather channel, torn between wanting to leave and hoping I would be delayed by the storm, giving me extra time to do more research.

SUNDAY (SEP 1): After seeing my parents off on their return trip to Tennessee, I debated whether or not to stay at the hotel and listen to the latest weather update or try to locate a cemetery south of Worcester where I knew my great grandfather, **George Comfort Rice's** brother, **Ossian Rice** was buried.

I decided since it had taken me 30 years to get back to Gardner, I was not going to risk having to wait another 30 years for a chance to find the cemetery, so headed off, radio tuned to the weather band and armed with loaded camera, pen and paper.

I traveled down Hwy 68 through Hubbardston, took Hwy 56 through Rutland, Paxton, Leicester and cut over to Auburn, marvelling at how familiar the names were because of my research.

Finding the area where the cemetery was located was rather easy until I reached the actual spot -- there was a house where the map said the cemetery should be. So, I pulled over, got out and looked around. There, behind a small stand of trees, I spotted the gravestones. I started down a cart path toward them until I saw a sign warning that the road was dangerous.

Figuring I was in a rental car, I decided to take my chances and drive. As I proceeded, the reason for the sign soon became apparent; at the bottom of a small hill was a swamp that obviously would spill over the road if it so much as sprinkled. I went on up to the rise of the next hill and there on the left was Dwinell Cemetery.

The whole cemetery contained no more than three dozen gravestones. It seemed incredibly small to me, compared to some I had searched in.

Imagine my surprise and total delight when I found, not only **Ossian Rice's** grave marker, but also those of his sister, **Daisy Lucinda Rice**, her husband, **Benjamin Bray**, Ossian and Daisy's parents, **Samuel and Eliza (Eastman) Rice**, and Samuel's parents, **Comfort and Lucinda (Wood) Rice!!**

It was a gold mine of information that I never thought I would find as I had no idea where they had been buried. Soon, I found myself immersed in drawing sketches of the layout of the Rice plot, taking photos, and writing down the information on the gravestones.

Ignoring the light rain showers, I felt awed that these people were a part of my history, connecting me to Deacon Edmund Rice. I stood in the deserted graveyard reflecting that although time does indeed go on, the past is always there, biding its time, waiting for us to discover where our roots lie.

It was very humbling to recognize that my family history in America goes back to just about 10 years after the landing of the Pilgrims in Plymouth! What a long and rich heritage we all share with our common ancestor!

With very mixed feelings, I suddenly realized that the sky was darkening with gathering clouds of the approaching hurricane, so I quickly returned to Gardner and spent the evening writing down my experiences and feelings from the trip as the wind picked up.

MONDAY (SEP 2): Logan Airport shut down briefly, but at the last moment the eye of the hurricane veered offshore, sparing Boston and the Cape from a direct hit. I was even able to catch an earlier flight because of passenger cancellations.

As the plane gained altitude, I watched the hurricane band of clouds coming in and sat back in my seat, confident that the storm would not give the pilot any trouble. After all, the name of the hurricane was just too close to the name of Edward for me to worry!

-Sharon Nee

Luther Rice: 19th Century Missionary

(Edmund, Edward, Jacob, Jacob, Amos, Luther)

Cousin Ross McCurdy sent this interesting clipping on Adoniram Judson and Luther Rice.

This article is of personal interest to me because I grew up in Asia as a child and grandchild of American Baptist missionaries. Adoniram Judson is regarded as the "father" of the foreign mission work of the American Baptist denomination that has its roots in New England. I am sorry my father, the Rev. Carl Mayo Capen (11,11,12) did not know about their shared link of ancestry and Christian calling with Luther Rice.

Do any cousins descend through the Luther line? Has anyone read *The Dreamer Cometh: The Luther Rice Story*? Visited the Luther Rice Homesite and Museum?

-Keith Capen Allen

Missions legacy of Rice, Judson continues

By Dan Nicholas
Managing Editor

NORTHBOROUGH, Mass.— On clear and cold winter mornings exactly 185 years ago this month, the scope of American foreign missions changed forever.

That year, Adoniram Judson and Luther Rice sailed separately for India. They were the first missionaries to venture anywhere from North America.

Judson's thoughts had turned to foreign missions while he was a student at Andover Seminary in 1808. He and some other students, challenged by the Great Commission from Matthew 28:18-20, desired to take the gospel to "the heathen."

Two years later, Congregationalists of Massachusetts responded to their request by forming the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, the first agency to send foreign missionaries from the United States.

In February 1812, Judson and his bride, Ann Hasseltine Judson, sailed aboard the *Caravan* from the town of Salem, north of Boston. On the long sea voyage to India, Judson studied the New Testament mode of baptism.

Shortly after arriving in Calcutta, he became convinced of the Baptist position on baptism and in turn convinced his wife. The two were baptized there Sept. 6, 1812. They resigned from the Congregational mis-



MISSION PIONEERS New Englanders Luther Rice (right) and Adoniram Judson helped start the foreign missions movement among American Christians.

sion and sought support from Baptists in America.

Forced out of India by the British East India Company, the Judsons settled in Burma in 1813. He translated the Bible into the Burmese language, completing the task in 1834.

Returning to the United States in 1845 for his only furlough, Judson received a hero's welcome and stimulated interest in foreign missions wherever he went. He returned to Burma in 1846.

Chronic illness became severe and

in 1850 he died on an ocean voyage that had been prescribed as his only hope for improvement. Judson was buried at sea in the Bay of Bengal, Apr. 12, 1850.

Meanwhile, Luther Rice, who was born Mar. 25, 1783 in Northborough, Mass., sailed for Calcutta from Philadelphia aboard the *Harmony*, Feb. 18, 1812. Following New Testament study while on the lengthy voyage, Rice eventually joined the Judsons by adopting the Baptist view on baptism.

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New Englanders played crucial role in missions history

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He was invited Nov. 1 of the same year and he also resigned from the Congregational board.

Because of the opposition of the East India Company and because the missionaries needed financial support, it was decided that Rice would return to America. He arrived Sept. 13, 1813, and, shortly thereafter, decided to make a journey to acquaint Baptists with their mission opportunities.

Rice's first journey took him from Boston to major cities down the East Coast as far as Savannah, Ga. While riding on a stage, he conceived the plan for a general missions society and, in Philadelphia on May 18, 1814, the General Convention of the Baptist Denomination in

the United States for Foreign Missions, popularly called the Triennial Convention, was formed.

Taking on missions-related ventures and experiencing setbacks occupied the next years of Rice's life. While traveling through South Carolina on a fund raising tour, he became too ill to go further than Edgefield. Sept. 25, 1836, Rice died quietly in his sleep at age 53. He was buried near the Pine Pleasant Baptist Church, not far from Edgefield.

The pioneering missions work of Judson and Rice lives on through the Southern Baptist Convention's Foreign Mission Board and many other Baptist denominations and entities. Today, Southern Baptists alone count nearly 4,200 foreign ministries sharing Christ in 127 countries

Tour the Baptist missions sites in New England

To help foreign missions come alive, consider sponsoring a tour this month of Derby Wharf in Salem, Mass., from which missionaries Ann and Adoniram Judson sailed, or the Luther Rice Home Site and Museum in Northborough, Mass. For additional information, see these books: Courtney Anderson, "To the Golden Shore: The Life of Adoniram Judson," William Careton, "The Dreamer Cometh: The

Luther Rice Story." For ideas on how to make foreign missions come alive, contact Baulah Peoples, Woman's Missionary Union and mission ministries director for the Baptist Convention of New England. For more information about Baptist history in New England, contact Kenneth Weller, chairman of the BCNE history committee, at (508) 883-6013.

among 336 ethnic people groups.

In 1995, Foreign Mission Board workers helped lead 287,806 people to Christ and baptism. They and their overseas partners started 2,612 churches and reported 4.11 million members in 39,073 churches over-

seas. Editor's note: This story is based on reports in *The Encyclopedia of Southern Baptists*, published by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board. The Southern Baptist Historical Commission assisted with research for this story.

Historian's Report

Our data entry work is progressing slowly but surely with the help of many cousins. I have now over 18,000 names in our main database and several other databases which I receive from cousins.

I want to acknowledge especially the tremendous effort of George W. King who has entered about 10,000 names and produced a guide for data entry. We have collaborated on many issues and he is an active participant with the TMG list server on the internet.

B. Rice Aston of Houston has developed the lineage of William Marsh Rice, founder of Rice University. I have translated and entered his data into TMG format and am currently adding the source citations. This work adds over 300 names to our database. [If anyone would like more information on William Marsh Rice, please contact me and I will forward your request to B. Rice Aston.]

Cousin Tuck Forsythe keeps sending me new insights, updates with corrections and new data on our family lineage.

It is really encouraging to hear from so many of you and to receive all the additional information. I will admit that I do answer my e-mail much faster than snail mail, but none is forgotten and I do have a filing system to keep track of it all.

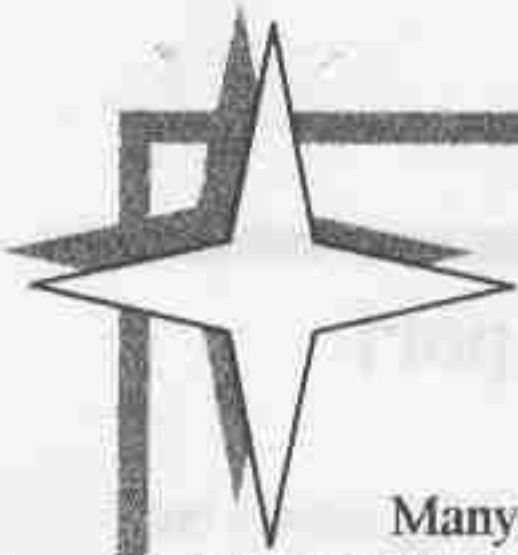
Currently, we have over 50 members who have e-mail access and the number continues to grow. We also have about 50 potential new members who found our web page on the internet and then contacted me.

Please encourage other members of your families to join the Association. The more members we have, the more resources we have to improve our research and keep our records up to date. My time is limited right now, so I cannot do as much computer data entry as I wish, but I do maintain a record of all information received and welcome it.

I look forward to hearing from you.

-Dennis R. Rice

Also... William Harrison Rice, missionary to Kauai (page 14)



New Member Thumbnail Sketches

Many thanks to all the cousins, new and not so new members, from around the States and Canada who sent in their sketches. It has been fascinating learning more about you, your families; your interesting careers and interests. I am struck by how many have multiple descent lines from the children of Edmund and Thomasine.

Following are the sketches I have received. To show each descent line more clearly, I used the same format, arranging them linearly by generation. Several cousins also included descent charts produced by their computer genealogy programs. I have reproduced two to give an idea of the variety available.

I hope these help everyone find new leads, new cousins, new questions and helps inspire others of you to use this form and send me your "thumbnail sketches"!

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Computer Genealogy Program: Family Tree Maker

Profession, Occupation, and Hobbies:

I started out as an elementary school teacher, but have been a full time homemaker for many years now. My main hobby is genealogy, but I also enjoy reading, singing, and church work.

Lineage:

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|---|---|
| 1. Edmund Rice (1594-1663) m. Thomasine Frost (1600-54) | 1. Henry Rice (-1621) m. Elizabeth Frost (1588-1647) |
| 2. Thomas Rice (1626-81) m. Mary King (c.1630-1715) | 2. Elizabeth Rice (1612-90) m. John Moore (c.1602-74) |
| 3. Gershom Rice (1667-1768) m. Elizabeth Balcom (1672-c.1752) | 3. Mary Moore (1642-1703) m. Daniel Stone (1668-1702) |
| 3. James Rice (1669-1731) m. Sarah Stone (1675-c.1733) | |
| 4. Abishai Rice (1701-) m. Frances Rice (1703-) [1st cousins] | |
| 5. Lucy Rice (1724-1806) m. Enoch Cook (1721-97) | |
| 6. Elijah Cook (1752-c.1812) m. Relief "Laifa" Hartwell (bef1760-) | |
| 7. Ralph Cook (1787-1866) m. Jobbe "Dollie" Van Buren (1793-1886) | |
| 8. Oliver Hartwell Cook (1818-1907) m. Clarissa Quincy (1828-1902) | |
| 9. Mary Elizabeth Cook (1845-1899) m. Joseph Chilson (1838-1915) | |
| 10. Mary Alice Chilson (1861-1949) m. Allen Russell (1854-1928) | |
| 11. Maria Russell (1887-1966) m. Ernest Stephen Hillier (1885-1964) | |
| 12. Hartwell Russell George Hillier (1906-) m. Elsie Vos (1917-) | |
| 13. Susan Marie Hillier (1942-) m. James Herbert Roe (1940-) | |
| 14. Russell Patrick Roe (1966-) | |
| 14. Kevin James Roe (1968-) | |
| 14. Gregory Ryan Roe (1972-) | |

Additional Information and Comments:

Henry Rice (1), possible father or brother of Edmund; Elizabeth Frost (1), sister of Thomasine. Gershom Rice (3) and James Rice (3) were brothers.

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Computer genealogy program: PAF

Profession, Occupation, and/or Hobbies:
Banker in Palo Alto

Lineage:

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost | |
| 2. Edward Rice m. Agnes Bent | 2. Thomas Rice m. Mary King |
| 3. Anna Rice m. Thomas Rice | 3. Thomas Rice m. Anna Rice |
| | 2. Henry Rice m. Elizabeth Moore |
| | 3. Thomasine Rice m. Benjamin Parmenter |
| | 3. Elizabeth Rice m. John Brewer |
| 4. 4. Thomas Rice m. Mary Holloway Oaks | 4. David Parmenter m. Abigail Brewer |
| 5. 5. Millescent Rice m. Edmund Parmenter | 5. Edmund Parmenter m. Millescent Rice |
| 6. 6. 6. Azubah Parmenter m. Moses Kenney | |
| 7. 7. 7. Munnis Kenny m. Martha (Patty) Campbell | |
| 8. 8. 8. John Kenny m. Adelia Queal | |
| 9. 9. 9. Bert Kenny m. Hattie Phelps | |
| 10. 10. 10. Jessie Kenny m. F. Ray Baylis | |
| 11. 11. 11. Joseph Baylis m. Shirley Sullivan | |

Additional information and Comments:

Although I am not a new member, I decided to complete and forward the attached sheets anyway. I don't believe that I completed any such sheets when I first joined the organization.
Also, if my records are correct, I believe that I am descended from all three of Edmund Rice's first three children, Henry, Edward and Thomas.

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Computer genealogy program: Inquiring about TMG from Dennis Rice

Lineage:

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|--|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost | |
| 2. Henry Rice m. Elizabeth Moore | 2. Thomas Rice m. Mary King |
| 3. Lydia Rice m. Samuel Wheelock | 3. Elisha Rice m. Elizabeth Wheeler |
| 4. Tamar Wheelock m. Ebenezer Keyes | 4. Elijah Rice m. Hulda Keyes |
| 5. Hulda Keyes m. 4. Elijah Rice | |
| 6. 5. Ebenezer Rice m. (2d) Ruth Henrietta Eveleth | |
| 7. 6. Abel Rice m. Lydia Gholson | |
| 8. 7. William Emmerson Rice m. Martha Ann Gossett | |
| 9. 8. William Henry Rice m. Mary Jane Sterling | |
| 10. 9. Martha Rebecca Rice m. Clarence James Malone | |
| 11. 10. Rudolph Rice Malone m. Ella Louise Carothers | |
| 12. 11. Shirley Alice Malone m. Paul Gerhardt Fritsche | |
| 13. 12. Carl Lee Fritsche m. Jacqueline Mae Egan | |
| 14. 13. Joseph Michael Fritsche | |
| 13. 12. Patricia Alice Fritsche m. Wayne Perry | |
| 14. 13. Jonathan D. Perry | |
| 14. 13. David Paul Perry | |
| 14. 13. Christine E. Perry | |

Additional Information and Comments:

My son, Carl Lee Fritsche (13)(12) is also a member.

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Computer genealogy program: CommSoft Roots V

Profession, Occupation and/or Hobbies:

Retired Army colonel (pathologist and family practitioner); computers, photography, ham radio, rv'ing

Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
2. Samuel Rice m. Mary Dix 2. Thomas Rice m. Mary King 2. Henry Rice m. Elizabeth Moore
3. Edward Rice m. Lydia Fairbank 3. Elisha Rice m. Elizabeth Wheeler 3. Lydia Rice m. S. Wheelock
4. Persis Rice m. Thomas Goodnow 4. Elijah Rice m. 5. Huldah Keyes 4. Tamar Wheelock m. Ebenezer Keyes
5. Edward Goodnow m. Lois Rice 5.6. Lois Rice m. Edward Goodnow 5. Huldah Keyes m. Elijah Rice
- 6.6.7. Artemus Goodnow m. Hannah Selfridge
- 7.7.8.
- 8.8.9.
- 9.9.10.
- 10.10.11.
- 11.11.12. Robert W. Goodnow

Additional Information and/or Comments:

Here is a pedigree going back from Artemus Goodnow, my great-great-great grandfather whose parents were deeply involved with the Rice women. There are several pathways back to Edmund Rice. This shows three of the more obvious paths. I am a direct descendant of Thomas Goodenow and Jane Ruddick of Sudbury, 1638.

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Profession, Occupation, and/or Hobbies:

Power Systems Engineer for Cegelec ESCA. Hobbies are traveling, bicycling, reading, skiing, hiking, running.

Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
2. Thomas Rice m. Mary King 2. Edward Rice m. Agnes Bent
3. Thomas Rice m. Anna Rice 3. Anna Rice m. Thomas Rice
- 4.4. Perez Rice m. Lydia --
- 5.5. Ephraim Rice m. ?
- 6.6. Daniel Rice m. Sally Ball
- 7.7. Ephraim Rice m. Virtue Johnson
- 8.8. George Emory Rice m. Eliza A. Millis
- 9.9. Justina Eliza Rice m. Erwin A. Fessenden
- 10.10. Cora Josephine Fessenden m. George E. McLaughlin
- 11.11. Harvey Fessenden McLaughlin m. Helen Dawson
- 12.12. Robert Dawson McLaughlin m. Ruth Evelyn Williams
- 13.13. Lynn McLaughlin

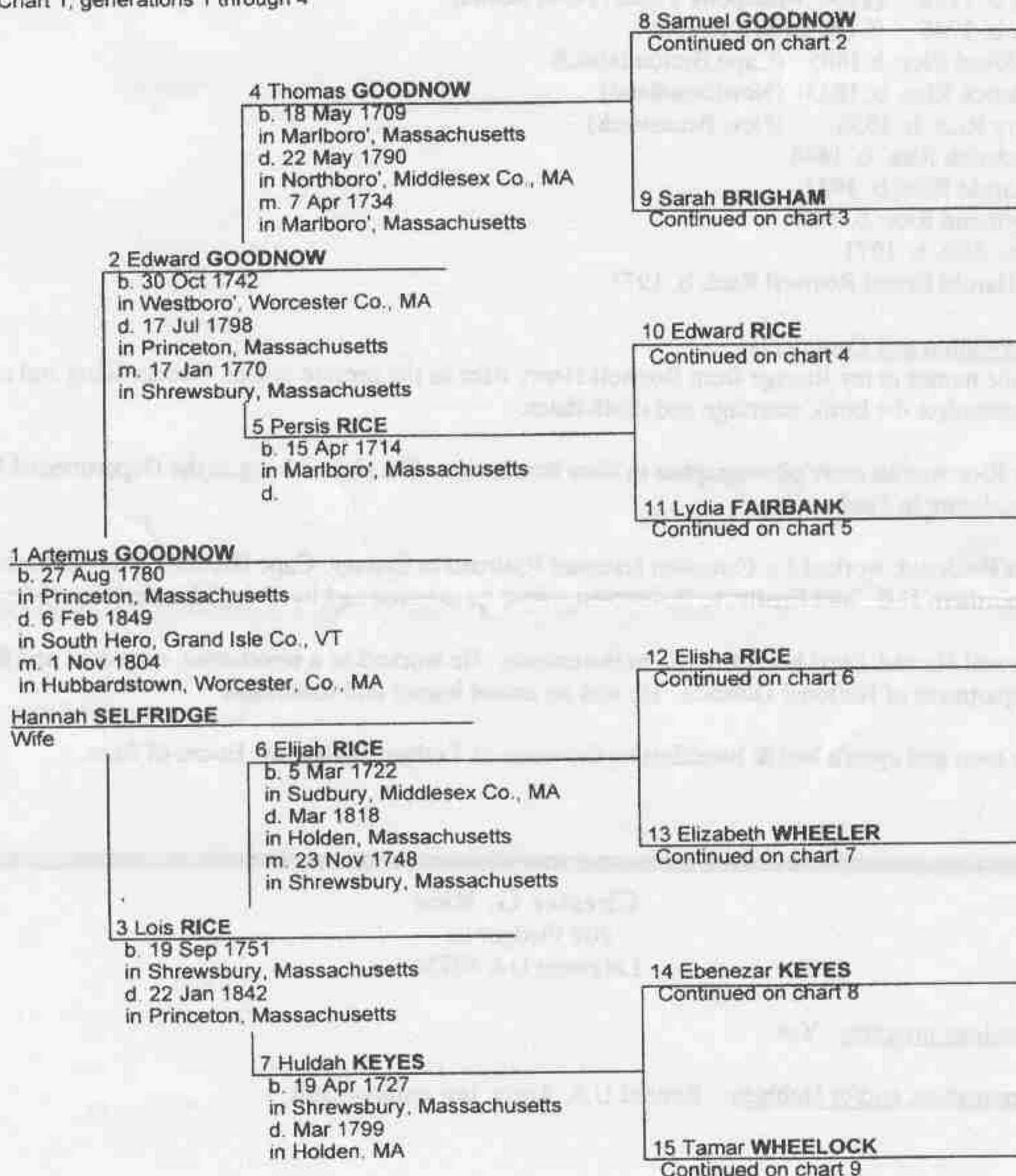
Additional Information and Comments:

I'm working on updating the McLaughlin family record where it converges with the Rice line and will send it to Dennis when it's done.

Sample Chart of Robert Goodnow

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Chart 1, generations 1 through 4



Robert Weston Goodnow, A.B., M.D.

February 5, 1997

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Profession, Occupation, and/or Hobbies:

Senior provisioner in telecommunications for 30 years; president, Central N.B. Welsh Society, 1996

Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
2. Thomas Rice, b. 1621
3. Thomas Rice, b. 1653/4
4. Beriah Rice, b. 1702 (1760: Annapolis Valley, Nova Scotia)
5. Beriah Rice, b. 1746 (Cape Breton Island)
6. Robert Muckford Rice, b. 1805 (Cape Breton Island)
7. Joseph Frederick Rice, b. 1823 (Newfoundland)
8. Rowell Henry Rice, b. 1858 (New Brunswick)
9. Roswell Frederick Rice, b. 1888
10. Roswell Harold Rice, b. 1921
11. Harold Raymond Rice, b. 1946
12. Karen Anne Rice, b. 1971
12. Raymond Harold Ernest Roswell Rice, b. 1973

Additional Information and Comments:

I have sent all the names in my lineage from Roswell Henry Rice to the present to Col. George King and am researching to complete the birth, marriage and death dates.

Roswell Henry Rice was an early photographer in New Brunswick. His photos hang in the Departmental Building at the N.B. Legislature in Fredericton.

His son, Robert Frederick worked for Canadian National Railroad in Sydney, Cape Breton Island, then transferred to Campbellton, northern N.B., and finally, to Boiestown where he married and lived until his death in 1950.

My father, Roswell Harold, lived his entire life in Boiestown. He worked as a woodsman, carpenter and for 27 years at the Department of National Defence. He was an ardent hunter and fisherman.

I hope to retire soon and open a bed & breakfast by the name of Tyrhys; Welsh for, House of Rice.

Chester G. Rice
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Lafayette GA 30728

Computer genealogy program: Yes

Profession, Occupation, and/or Hobbies: Retired U.S. Army; law enforcement

Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
7. Samuel Rice m. Elizabeth ?
8. Alfred Rice m. Elizabeth ?
9. William E. Rice m. Sarah E. Miller
10. Everett C. Rice m. Florence F. Wilson
11. Chester G. Rice m. Anna Anderson

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Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
2. Benjamin Rice m. Mary Brown/Mary Graves
3. Ebenezer Rice m. Bethiah Williams
4. Ebenezer Rice m. Anna Rice
5. Ebenezer Rice m. Tabitha Balcom
6. Levi Rice m. Margaret Robinson
7. John S. Rice m. Helen Sophia Corbitt
8. Margaret S. Rice m. John Rice (?)
9. Amos L. Rice m. Winnifred P. Banks
10. Lenley F. Rice m. Laura E. Hannah
11. Richard J. Rice m. Denise J. Daniels
12. Denise J. Rice

Additional Information and Comments:

Amos L. Rice (10) was born out of wedlock. It is thought his father was a John Rice or a Saunders. Still not certain about accuracy of Gen. 3-4-5.

Doyle L. Rice

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Profession, Occupation, and/or Hobbies:

Self-employed. Trained linguistics/translation skills. Possess working knowledge of Hebrew and Russian.

Lineage:

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|----------------------------|----|---------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Edmund Rice | m. | Thomasine Frost | |
| 2. Thomas Rice | m. | Mary King | 2. Edward Rice m. Agnes Bent |
| 3. Thomas Rice | m. | Anna Rice | 3. Anna Rice m. Thomas Rice |
| 4.4. Charles Rice | m. | Rachael Wheeler | |
| 5.5. Zebulon Rice | m. | Abigail Forbles/ush | |
| 6.6. Adam Rice | m. | Lois Wood | |
| 7.7. Ephraim Rice | m. | Hannah Tainter | |
| 8.8. Samuel Tainter Rice | m. | Bathsheba Washburn | |
| 9.9. Rollin Gordencio Rice | m. | Emeline Gray | |
| 10.10. Lucius Manley Rice | m. | Elizabeth Mitchell | |
| 11.11. Floyd Manley Rice | m. | Lucy Ward | |
| 12.12. Donald Ward Rice | m. | Lillian Lumbert | |
| 13.13. Doyle Rice | m. | Susan Sayle | |

Additional Information and Comments:

Ephraim (7.7.) with his family, his youngest brother, Josiah, sister, Polly and their families moved to Leslie, Michigan around 1836. Polly married Benjamin Meeker; their son, Valorus was the first physician in Ingham Co. and Leslie was first named Meekersville. Josiah was a potter and a vase he made is on display in the State Historical Museum in Lansing.

Samuel's (8.8.) brother, Denzel was one of the earliest landowners in Leslie TWP and sold land parcels to the family.

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Computer genealogy program: Yes

Profession, Occupation, and/or Hobbies:

Royal Canadian Mounted Police; golf, history

Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
2. Thomas Rice m. Mary King
3. Gershom Rice m. Elizabeth Hayden
4. Matthias Rice m. Mary Boyden
5. John Rice m. Sarah Smith/Mary Potter
6. Thomas Rice m. Martha Potter
7. David Rice m. Mary Knifftin/Elizabeth Harris
8. Edward E. Rice m. Annie Riordan
9. James Arthur Rice m. Annie Grace MacLaughlin
10. Harry Clifford Rice m. Agnes W. MacPherson
11. Gerald A. Rice m. Sharon M. Adair

Additional information and Comments:

John Rice (5) moved to Annapolis County, Nova Scotia as a New England Planter.

Col. (Ret.) Gary Harold Rice

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Computer genealogy program: PAF

Profession, Occupation, and/or Hobbies:

Retired military officer

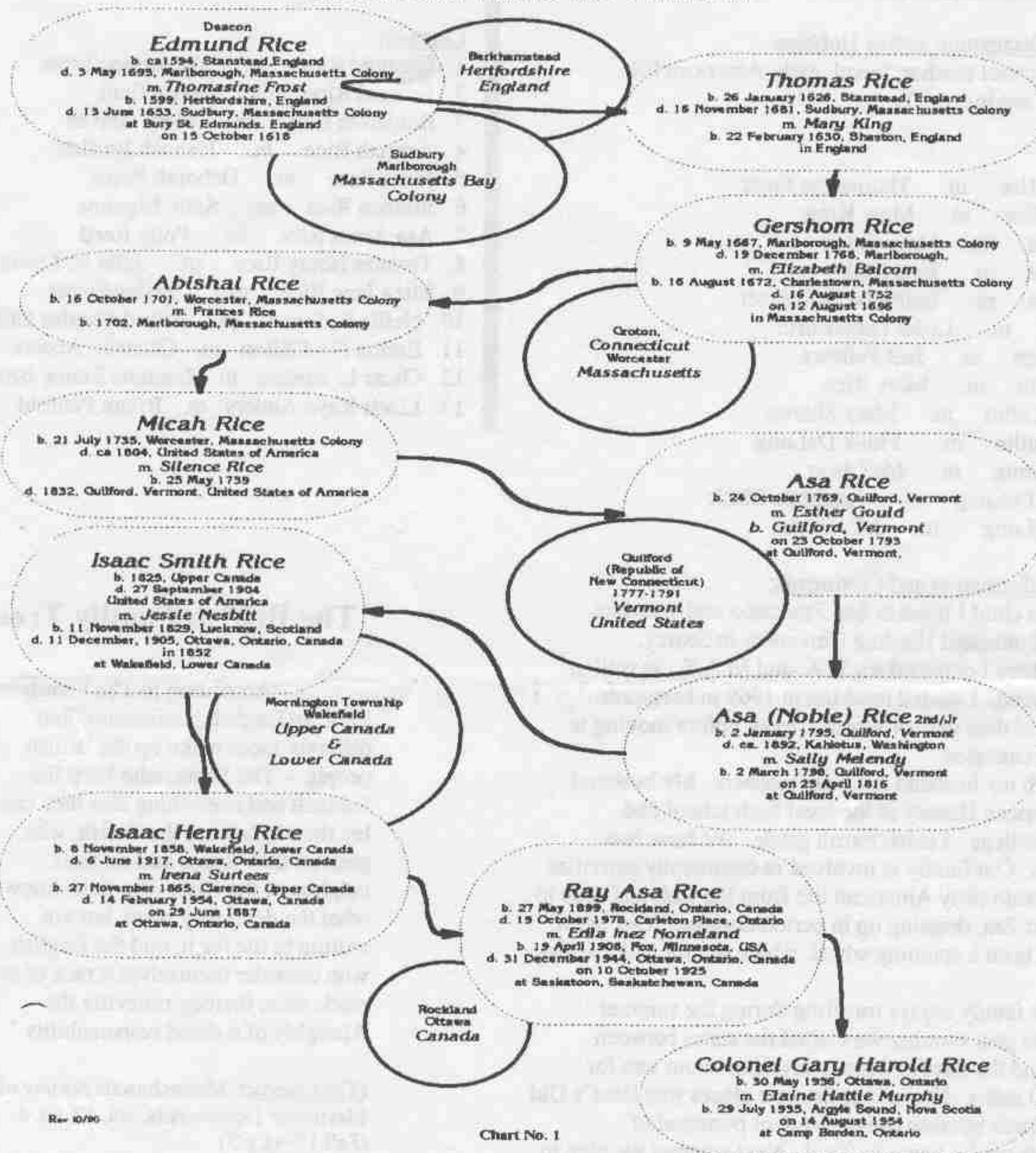
Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
2. Thomas Rice m. Mary King
3. Gershom Rice m. Elizabeth Haynes/Balcom
4. Abishai Rice m. Frances Rice
5. Micah Rice m. Silence Rice
6. Asa Rice m. Esther Gould
7. Asa Rice m. Sally Mellendy
8. Isaac Smith Rice m. Jessie Nesbitt [1st generation b. in Canada]
9. Isaac Henry Rice m. Irena Surtees
10. Ray Asa Rice m. Edla Inez Nomeland
11. Gary Harold Rice m. Elaine Hattie Murphy

Additional information and Comments:

Any additional information on Generations 6-7-8 would be appreciated. I am writing a book on my lineage which will be published in 1998, so all contributions are most welcome. I have provided Dennis Rice with a data disk containing full details of my lineage.

A SNAPSHOT
OF
COLONEL GARY HAROLD RICE'S ANCESTRY



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Sample Chart of Gary Harold Rice

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Computer genealogy program: PAF

Profession, Occupation and/or Hobbies:

Elementary school teacher; travel, early American life reenactment, sewing, crafts

Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
2. Thomas Rice m. Mary King
3. Jonas Rice m. Mary Stone
4. Jonas Rice m. Jane Hall
5. Jonas Rice m. Bathseba Parmenter
6. Joel Rice m. Lydia Farnsworth
7. Zebina Rice m. Jael Fellows
8. Hoyt Catlin m. Mary Rice
9. William Catlin m. Mary Sharon
10. Lottie Catlin m. Frank DeLong
11. Rex DeLong m. Ida Olson
12. Richard DeLong m. Jeannette Black
13. Lana DeLong m. J.C. Davis

Additional Information and Comments:

As a child I lived in San Francisco and Wewoka, Oklahoma. I attended Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas, where I obtained my B.A. and M.A.T., as well as met my husband. I started teaching in 1969 in Memphis, Tennessee and then in Fort Worth, Texas, before moving to Crossville, Tennessee.

Both my husband and I are teachers. My husband teaches American History at the local high school and community college. I teach fourth grade. We have two teenage sons. Our family is involved in community activities that demonstrate early American life from the Colonial time to the Civil War Era, dressing up in period costume. Our latest addition has been a spinning wheel, which we are still learning to use.

Our family enjoys traveling during the summer months. This past summer we visited the states between Tennessee and the Pacific Ocean, traveling in our van for almost 8,000 miles. One of our favorite places was Bent's Old Fort in Colorado because of its excellent portrayal of American life on the Santa Fe Trail. Next summer we plan to visit the Northeast, including Sudbury, Massachusetts. We regret that our schedule does not allow us to attend the annual reunions.

In addition to genealogy, I enjoy sewing and craft work. I am a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and Tennessee Education Association. However, most of my time is occupied with family activities. I feel that being a member of the Rice Association has broadened my family, for which I am thankful.

Linda K. Penfold

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Lineage:

1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
2. Edward Rice m. Agnes Bent
3. Benjamin Rice m. Mary Graves
4. Azariah Rice m. Hannah Bartlett
5. Jonas Rice m. Deborah Force
6. Simeon Rice m. Sally Bigelow
7. Asa Amos Rice m. Polly Reed
8. Thomas Henry Rice m. Julia H. Lewis
9. Eliza Jane Rice m. Charles Sweet
10. Nellie B. Sweet m. Alfred Charles Clifton
11. Emma Flo Clifton m. Oscar L. Anders
12. Oscar L. Anders m. Laurene Elaine Brown
13. Linda Kaye Anders m. Bryan Penfold

The British Family Tree

"According to The Family Tree, an English publication, four different races make up the British people -- The Scots, who keep the Sabbath and everything else they can lay their hands on; the Welsh, who pray on their knees and on their neighbors; the Irish, who don't know what the devil they want, but are willing to die for it; and the English, who consider themselves a race of self-made men, thereby relieving the Almighty of a dread responsibility."

(The Compact, Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, vol. 17, no. 2 (Fall 1996), p.3)

Our thanks for all you do...

All About Dennis Rice

Dennis was born in Van Nuys, Los Angeles County, California in 1948 and moved with his family to Alaska long before he had any say in the matter. However, he did enjoy living there enough to go back for his college years and first engineering job.

In his earlier career, he worked as a telecommunications engineer, designing systems and putting on trade shows. This work took him all over Alaska and the lower 48, Tokyo, Cairo, and to the countries of Iran and Columbia. Currently, he is an instructor with DeVry Institute of Technology in its Telecommunication Management program.

Dennis first learned about his family history in 1976 when he received a book produced by cousin Roger Rice on the descendants of Oren D. Rice. Much later, his niece, Julie Krause Morris got him interested in converting Roger's information into a computer program and that led to becoming Historian of the Association in 1995.

Dennis and his wife, Gail Marie (Ward) have two sons, Kenneth and Randall. Other immediate family are his mother, Doris (Wolgammott) Rice Fisher and sister, Dorothy Ann Krause and her family.

Other interests include flying, amateur radio and gaining more computer expertise. Right now genealogy data translation for the Association is his primary extracurricular activity. He enjoys working with his many close Association cousins, collecting data on our family lineage.

Stone-rubbing Techniques

With our increased interest in recording family monuments, especially headstones, I think it may be useful to pass along techniques I have gained on how to do so without causing damage in the process.

Rubbings became a popular way of making copies of stones in the 1980's and are still the best way of bringing out text on badly weathered stones. With a slate, marble or granite stone in good condition, a rubbing will not cause harm if reasonable care is taken. The worse the condition, the more care must be used.

Rice paper is usually suggested in books on rubbings; however, I have used vellum for most of mine because I could get a free supply. I think the results are sharper with vellum and the paper will form to the surface making the finished rubbing a complete mask of the stone. Actually, any sturdy paper can be used.

Be sure the paper is secured so it will not move. Masking tape works well and will not harm the stone.

Do not use excessive pressure when applying the wax so the paper will not tear. If wax gets on the stone it is very hard to remove. Use more rubbing for a darker image. Do a small area at a time. Heel Ball wax is the best. It is available in several colors in good art supply stores.

Photography is the best way to go if there is any question of harming the stone. An added advantage to this method is that in some parts of the country, CVs will put your pictures on disk if you have them developed there. That way you have a digitized set of photos accessible to use in your computer graphics.

To bring out the text, find a time of day that the sun hits the stone at a shallow angle so it illuminates the face but does not fall into the engraving. If this is not possible, try a light at 10-20 degrees to the face for the same result.

Coating the face of the stone is all right as long as it is washable. On a dark stone, try flour or talcum powder. On a light stone, charcoal (real, not briquets), may be applied lightly. Dirt is a handy choice when on an unplanned expedition. Be sure to bring materials to remove the material after the photos are taken.

The main thing is to have a good time preserving history. A cemetery can be a delightful, peaceful place to enjoy a quiet summer afternoon. Take a picnic and get to know your ancestors!


-Donald E. Rice

Finally...My Mayflower Society Membership

I have just completed an excellent refresher course in how to do genealogical research. For the past year and a half, I have been collecting primary documentation to prove my direct descent from Francis Cooke to the satisfaction of the Historian General, Mayflower Society of Massachusetts. No small task.

How to find unequivocal proof linking each generation to the one behind and to the one ahead -- that is the name of the game. It has been fun, challenging, often requiring imaginative solutions and lots of resolve! And, to think, my line had already been proved through the 6th generation!

This is my Francis Cooke lineage with the Rice descent lines and generations in parentheses. Do any other cousins share these lines? I would really enjoy hearing from you.

1. Francis Cooke [General #63634; Massachusetts #10000] 
2. Mary Cooke m. John Thompson
3. Esther Thompson m. William Reed
4. William Reed m. Alice Nash
5. Solomon Reed m. Abigail Stoughton
6. Solomon Reed m. Susannah Willard (6th - Edmund, Samuel)
7. Susannah Willard Reed (7) m. John Drury (7th - Edmund, Lydia)
8. Solomon Reed Drury (8,8) m. Sarah Richmond Smith
9. Abby Richmond Drury (9,9) m. Edward Hanson Mayo (10th - Edmund, Henry)
10. Henrietta Abby Mayo (10,10,11) m. Randall Thomas Capen
11. Carl Mayo Capen (11,11,12) m. Anna Louise Newland
12. Keith Mayo Capen (12,12,13) m. Thomas Wesley Allen

In the future, I hope to work on my descent lines from John Alden, William Brewster, William Mullins, and Thomas Rogers, all of which also link into the Edmund Rice lines.

1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost

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| 2. Lydia Rice m. Hugh Drury | 2. Samuel Rice m. Elizabeth King |
| 3. John Drury m. Mary Weare | 3. Hannah Rice m. Jonathan Hubbard |
| 4. Thomas Drury m. Rachel Rice | 4. Jonathan Hubbard m. Rebecca Brown |
| 5. John Drury m. Susannah Goddard | 5. Hannah Hubbard m. Josiah Willard |
| 6. John Drury m. Lydia Smith | 6. Susannah Willard m. Solomon Reed |
| 7. John Drury m. Susannah Willard Reed | 7. Susannah Willard Reed m. John Drury |
| 8.8. Solomon Reed Drury m. Sarah Richmond Smith | |
| 9.9. Abby Richmond Drury m. Edward Hanson Mayo | |
| 10.10.11. Henrietta Abby Mayo m. Randall Thomas Capen | |
| 11.11.12. Carl Mayo Capen m. Anna Louise Newland | |
| 12.12.13. Keith Mayo Capen m. Thomas Wesley Allen | |

2. Henry Rice m. Elizabeth Moore
3. Elizabeth Rice m. John Brewer
4. Hannah Brewer m. John Bowen
5. Abigail Bowen m. Caleb Kendrick
6. Esther Kendrick m. Joseph Mayo
7. Joseph Mayo m. Lucy Richards
8. Seth Mayo m. Elizabeth (Brown) Jaquith
9. Henry Seth Mayo m. Anna Maria Culbertson
10. Edward Hanson Mayo m. Abby Richmond Drury

-Keith Capen Allen

Why We Use Bulk Mail

Many readers commented on how long it took for the October 1996 newsletter to be delivered by bulk mail. I think everyone would be interested to know why the Association has changed to bulk mail and just something about the production process. We hope you agree the slower, more erratic delivery schedule is worth the change.

First, I mail the finished copy to Dennis Rice, who has it printed, then affixes the address labels that Bill Drury prepares. Next, Dennis collates and bundles the newsletters by zip code and mails them.

Why bulk mail? First, bulk mail costs 13.5 rather than 32 cents per issue. Second, bulk rate is based on over 3 ounces for 13.5 cents versus 1 ounce for 32 cents. [The October 1996 issue weighed a little over 2 ounces, so would have cost 64 cents each by first class.] Third, since we do only about four mailings each year, the extra two weeks delivery time by bulk mail is not crucial. Fourth, bulk rate saves the Association about \$250 each issue. Fifth, just imagine how much more space we have to print many more contributions from many more cousins!

Queries

Mrs. Richard C. Henschel, 835 Valentine Dr., Dubuque, IA 52003-0211

Looking for names and dates of parents of Lavina (Maguire) Norris who married Issac Norris. Lavina, b. 1802, d. in Dubuque. Desire additional information on Issac, b. Knox Co., OH, d. in Dubuque.

Desire marriage and death proof for **Cazia Wilson**, b. 1810, Knox Co., OH, m. **John Albert**, d. 1848, Knox Co. Since Cazia died young, John m. (2nd) **Katharine Cromwell**?

Paul Raymond, 2126 N. Winnifred, Tacoma, WA 98406; E-mail: PABLORAY@worldnet.att.net

Why did so many Raymonds name their sons Samuel Rice?

Richard Raymond, of Salem, MA (1602-92) moved his family to Norwalk, CT in 1662. The 5th gen. of my line, **Comfort Raymond, Jr.**, of Darien, CT, had a son, **Samuel Rice Raymond**, b. ca. 1765, d. 1826 in New Brunswick, Canada. He was a loyalist and m. **Mary Newman** ca. 1781. **Samuel Rice Raymond, Jr.** was b. ca. 1787, d. 16 May 1868 in New Brunswick. Another son of Samuel Rice Raymond was **David Newman Raymond** who named his 5th son, Samuel Rice Raymond (1835-2 Feb 1859). And, another son of Samuel Rice Raymond, **Cadwalder Mallory Raymond** (1793-1879) named one of his sons, Samuel Rice Raymond (1840-68). Need help in establishing where and how the Rices and Raymonds connect.

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Desire more information about **William Moore** who m. **Tamar Rice** and moved to Annapolis, Nova Scotia.

William, b. 1692, Lancaster, Worcester C., MA, d. 4 Dec 1756, Rutland, MA; m. Tamar Rice, 21 Jan 1716, MA. Moore ch: **Dorothy**, b. 22 Feb 1718, Sudbury, MA; **Dinah**, b. 1 Nov 1719, Sudbury; **Augustus**, b. 6 Jan 1723, Sudbury; **Abijah** (Abizah), b. 31 Aug 1724, Sudbury, d. Boylestown, MA, bu. Old North Cem, Putney, VT; **Abel**, b. 18 Nov 1729; **Tamar**, b. 18 Oct. 1731; **William**, b. 2 Apr 1733. Son William of particular interest.

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Capt. Abraham Rice [Ward #107], son of **Jonathan** and **Elizabeth Rice**, d. 1777, Framingham, MA from lightning and according to Ward, left a will. Has anyone studied this will? Any mention of nieces, especially **Elizabeth Brewer**?

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Are James Edwin Rice and James William Rice descended from Edmund?

James Edwin Rice, b. 17 Sep 1815 near Adairsville, KY in Robertson Co., TN, d. 2 Mar 1884; m. **Julia A. Dawson**, 7 May 1844. Both James Edwin and son, **James William** were lawyers and judges in Dover, TN

James William Rice, b. 1851, Dover, TN; m. **Ellen Douglas (Blye) Quarles**, 1871; d. age 98. Ch: **Alice (Alyce) Vivion Rice**, **Mary Walker Rice**, **Robert M. Rice**, **Leopold Rice**, **James William Rice**.

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Looking for descendants of **Charles Rice** and **Jane Babbitt**. Charles, son of **Issac Rice** and **Mehitable Stearns**, b. 14 Aug 1774, Harwick, MS, received bounty land in St. Joseph Co., MI, d. 28 Dec 1866, Three Rivers, MI. Ch: **Issac** m. (1st) **Maria Jones**, (2nd) -- **Overmier**; **Simeon** m. **Rebecca Knapp**; **Jane** ?; **Mehitable** m. **Heman Harver**; **Stephen** m. **Lucy Hicks**; **Charles Joseph** m. **Eliza Rawson**; **Betsy** m. **Burden Hicks**; **Elvira** m. **Hiram Harwood**; **Sophie** m. **Orin Hicks**.

Need descendants of **Issac Rice**, son of Charles Rice and Jane Babbitt, b. VT, moved to MI, d. 1874 in OH; m. (1st) **Maria Jones** in NY, m. (2nd) -- **Overmier**. Ch: **Charles** m. **Harriet Neuman**, lived St. Joseph Co., MI; **Malcolm** m. **Philo Pike**, moved to Emmet Co., MI; **Estella** d.y.

Need information on descendants of **John Joseph Rice**, son of **Charles H. Rice** and **Eliza Woodsum**, b. 1863, Van Buren Co., MI, d. 1940, Douglas AZ; m. **Mary Olivia Causey**. Ch: **John Charles** m. **Ruby Spears**; **Margie** m. **Milo Jones**; **St. Elmo** m. **Lou Hooks**; **Constance** m. **Joseph Atmas**; **Fay** m. **Frank Land**; **Mary** m. **Ralph Smith**.

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Obituaries

Virginia Frances (Rice) Hastings, born 25 Jan 1903 in Framingham, MA, died in Portland, OR on 20 Jan 1997, just short of her 94th birthday. She was the daughter of Theo Francis Rice of Framingham and Alice (Harper) Rice, and the mother of Dana M. Hastings.

-Dana M. Hastings

Laurence Prescott Patterson, EdD, passed away on 21 Mar 1997 at Hawksbury, Ontario after a brief illness. In addition to membership in several professional and civic organizations, Dr. Patterson was Director Emeritus of the ERA and a member of the Dukeshire Family Association. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. Patricia Wood of St. Eugene, Ontario, and Mrs. Margaret Soper of Winnipeg, Manitoba, as well as two sons-in-law and three grandchildren. His wife of 45 years, Emma Marguerite Parker, passed away in 1988.

Dr. Patterson was born on 11 Oct 1904 at Liscomb, Nova Scotia, son of the Rev. Harry Prescott Patterson and Laura May Graham. After graduating in 1924 from Mount Allison University, Sackville, New Brunswick with a bachelors degree with honors in mathematics, Dr. Patterson served for many years as teacher and administrator of schools in Canada. Preparing himself to better serve his community, he earned a masters degree in mathematics from Harvard University in 1930 and a doctors degree in education administration from Columbia University in 1947.

At the time of his retirement in 1969, Dr. Patterson was Executive Director of the McKay Centre in Montreal, Quebec, a school for deaf and handicapped children. In retirement he continued to serve on the Protestant School Board of Greater Montreal for a number of years and was elected its chairman in 1972. In recognition of his service to his community, McGill University awarded him a Doctor of Laws degree in 1988.

Cousin Laurence became interested in his family roots at about age 80. His Rice ancestors were one of three Rice families who emigrated from Massachusetts to Nova Scotia in 1760 as part of the New England Planter migration of the early 1760s.

Cousin Laurence made several important discoveries that corrected and added to previous histories of our Rice Planter ancestors. He also assisted the Dukeshire Family Association to document the descendants of Johann Georg Tuchscherer who settled in Nova Scotia after the American Revolution. As recently as last fall, Cousin Laurence visited Nova Scotia searching for new information about his and our ancestors. His one regret was that he had not become interested in his family history at an earlier age! We will all miss his inspiration, humor, and enthusiasm.

-George W. King

Richard Edmund Rice, died 25 April 1997, age 84. He was the father of Donald Edmund Rice, a vice president of our Association. He also leaves behind his wife, Marjorie Louise (Bentley) Rice and two other sons, David Bentley Rice and Paul Gordon Rice.

-Donald E. Rice

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of these cousins.

Queries

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Did Benjamin Rice marry Mary Graves or Mary Rice?

The Sudbury VR of 1850, as published by the NEHGS, records the marriage of Benjamin and Mary Graves as 1 Apr 1691, p. 207 & p. 257. The VR also records the death for a Mary Rice, wife of Benjamin Rice as 3 Jan 1690/91.

In the Supplement to The Rice Family by Ward on p. 3, it states that Benjamin Rice m. Mary Rice, d. of Samuel Rice and Mary (Dix) Brown, 15 Nov 1692. Does anyone have the supporting documentation for this?

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Did Mary Rice (bp. 1619), eldest child of Edmund Rice, marry Thomas Axtell & John Maynard?

Looking for maiden name of Mary who married (1st) Thomas Axtell in England &, (2nd) John Maynard in Sudbury, MA. Reasons might be Mary Rice, 1) first child b. 1639; 2) Thomas Axtell & wife, Mary migrated from Great Berkhamstead to Sudbury; 3) Thomas Axtell probate includes Edmund Rice, his son, Edward Rice & Philemon Whale; 4) Philemon Whale was Edmund's brother-in-law.

Why does TAG, vol. 10 state that Mary Rice d., unm., before Edmund's death?

Town officers of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts noted in a 1793 book include: Cullers of Dry Fish, Weigher of Onions, Hog Reeves, Wood Corders, Fence Viewers, Surveyors of Shingles and Clapboards, Inspectors of Loaf Sugar. (Ann Smith Lainhart, Digging for Genealogical Treasure, Boston, NEHGS, 1996)

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