

Edmund Rice (1638) Association Newsletter

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President's Column

Dear Cousins,

The By-laws require that I appoint the following committee chairs:

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Bill Drury, Chelmsford, MA
Bill Drury, Chelmsford, MA.
Keith Capen Allen, Tulsa, OK

Hope Pobst has made arrangements with the Radisson Inn, Marlboro, Massachusetts for our next Rice Reunion on the 4th weekend in September, as suggested by the Board of Directors, Friday September 24 and Saturday September 25, 1999. It is necessary to start making arrangements this far ahead because, among other things, we compete with Saturday weddings! We had our 1996 reunion at this Inn. It is literally around the corner from the Marlboro Historical Society that is in the house of Peter Rice. It also only a few miles from the Edmund Rice sites in Wayland.

Our association membership has remained at 450 to 500 cousins for a number of years. Yet, we know that many thousands even millions of people are alive today with DNA derived from Edmund and Thomasine and Nancy. Should we try to reach more of them? Right now, the Association has a home page on the Internet maintained by Dennis Rice and a home page by George King on the Plantation Rices. The New England Historic Genealogical Society home page connects to that of Edmund Rice. Also, we have a full page ad in the program of the upcoming Northeast Regional Genealogical meeting in Portland, Maine and past newsletter issues have suggested giving gifts of memberships to relatives. I know at least one of our directors has given life memberships to his sons.

At the September Board meeting we discussed the pros and cons of sending postcards to Rices culled from phone directories, inviting them to join the Association. Some thought that it might be a waste of money; some thought it worth the try. One drawback is they would be probably viewed as another piece of junk mail that we all get and deplore.

My local genealogical society is quite active and I know that at least ten have Rice connections but only two of us belong to ERA. Maybe the country is saturated with genealogy!

Sincerely, Robert V. Rice, President

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Membership

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.

Annual dues, payable September 1, are:
Initial dues........\$10.00
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Life membership......\$100.00
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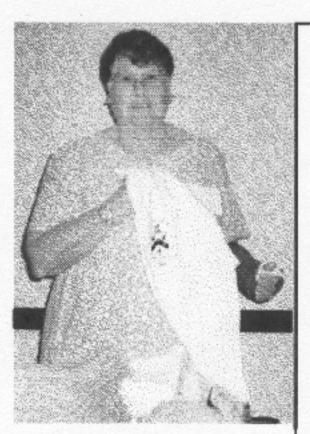
Editor's Column

Cousins have responded to my request for photos! This issue is loaded with them. Many thanks to Robbie Gries, Carol Jackson and Doyle Rice for supporting their articles with so many interesting photos. And thank you to Jim Rice for sharing photos he took at the annual reunion. Carol and Doyle sent photos by mail; Robbie used the Internet to send her story and photographs. Postal service, Internet service - either way is just fine.

Also, I have included the photograph Josephine Henderson took of her framed Betsy Rice - John Nims line. I can't tell if the names are penned or embroidered but it is certainly is a family treasure.

Finally, let me call your attention to the forms on pages 15 & 16 that Dennis Rice has designed for non-computer users or when computer users are working without their machines. These will make it much easier for him when entering our Rice family data and also provide him with more complete documentation.

-Keith Capen Allen

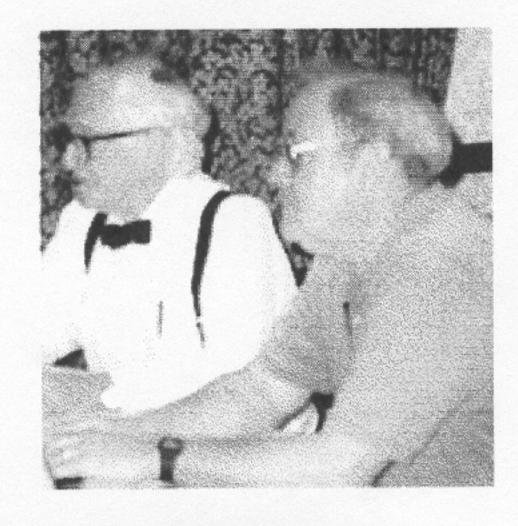


Wendy Wesen selling Rice tee shirts at the reunion.

Rice Tee Shirts

Wesen has a few
Rice Association tee
shirts left for sale at
\$8.00 each plus
postage. The tee
shirts, with the Rice
logo, are in sizes
large or extra large,
and in blue, pink or
tan.

Wendy can be reached at 19834 Holiday, Grosse Point Woods, MI 48236. Tel: 313-886-7007

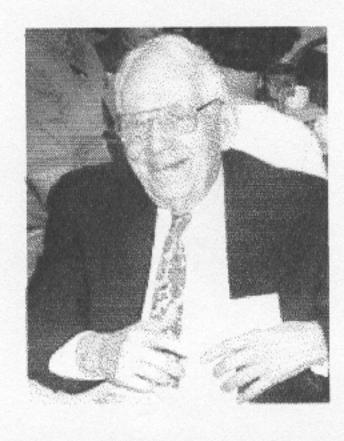


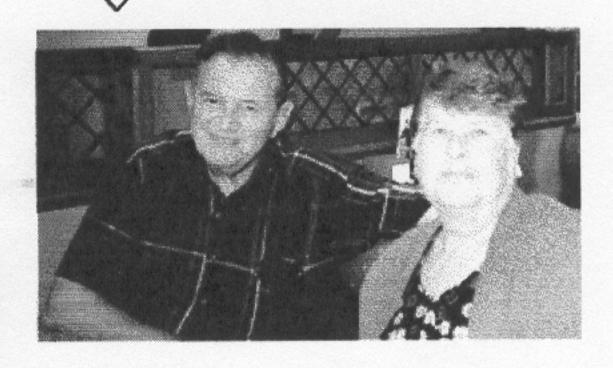






Board Members at the Reunion







(clockwise from top 1) Bob Rice and George King; Jim Rice; Hope Pobst; Bob and Wendy Wesen; Russ and Pat Vickery; John Rice; Bill Drury and Ruth Brown - Photos by Jim Rice

Annual Reunion Highlights September 18th & 19th

Friday afternoon, the 18th, about 16 cousins toured the New England Historic Genealogical Society Library in Back Bay Boston. We arrived by mini bus after a small detour when the driver made a wrong turn getting off the Massachusetts Turnpike near Copley Square. A gracious Library Volunteer showed the group through the newly renovated facilities. Then, the pleasant librarian on duty on each floor took time to answer questions and demonstrate the facilities. Several cousins signed up for membership, some bought books from the first floor store and by the time we left, the tour had stretched out an additional hour. The return to Natick was smoother because one of the library staff gave excellent directions to our driver. That evening, over 20 cousins gathered for supper in the Go Fish Restaurant in the Sherwood Mall adjacent to the Travelodge and the Crowne Plaza.

The next morning we met at the Crowne Plaza for day long activities. Coffee, juice, donuts, and pastries were set up along one wall so cousins could sit at round tables and talk. At the opposite wall was one table where Bill Drury sold the Association's books and another one where two laptop computers loaded with Dennis Rice's TMG (The Master Genealogist) database of Edmund's descendants was demonstrated. Also, both George King and Bob Rice brought their computers and were busy all morning showing cousins how to use the TMG database.

At 10:00 a.m. over a dozen cousins gathered around a large round table for the computer session. Bob Rice opened the discussion, then turned it over to George King who urged cousins to submit their databases to Dennis Rice in any form but if possible in TMG format. This database was discussed in some detail with emphasis on the importance of using officially published vital records of the towns and cities of births, marriages, and deaths for documentation. The group agreed that land records, probate, and wills also are important primary sources of documentation.

At noon about 60 cousins enjoyed a delicious lunch with a totally chocolate cake for dessert. After the tables were cleared, Professor George Lewis talked to us on the geography and travel of colonial Sudbury pointing out on his many slides features of the topography of the land on which Edmund Rice and his families lived. Unfortunately there was time for only a few questions before the business meeting began at 2:00 p.m.



Computer Round Table led by Bob Rice (on right) and George King

Computer Center





Frances and Clayton Rice with George King -Photos by Jim Rice

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The annual business meeting was opened by Bob Rice who called for reports from the Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Director. Members voted unanimously for the slate of the Nominating Committee as presented. Richard Gariepy resigned, Hope Johnson Pobst is a new vice president, and George King moved from director to a vice president. Bob Rice gave the interim report of our English genealogist, Dr. Joanna Martin, on her search for Edmund Rice's ancestors. He showed an enlargement of old English script on a Rice deed as an example of her work. Dr. Martin has not found Edmund's parents yet but the search is not over; she is now concentrating her efforts in parishes in areas of Essex and Hertford counties. We will publish a list of the parishes with Rice baptisms, marriages and deaths, as well as maps of Suffolk County villages whose records Dr. Martin searched to help future investigations. The final report on the results of her research will appear in our newsletter.

Bob Rice reported that the member survey for annual reunion sites heavily favored late September weekends in and around Sudbury. The Board of Directors has set September 24 and 25 as a target date for next year's reunion. Members present voted, with two dissentions, to accept the Board of Directors' proposal to give \$5000.00 to the Goodnow Library of Sudbury for a repository of Edmund Rice artifacts. Bob Rice also described his search of the Harvard University Archives for papers of Edmund Rice and his descendants that had been suggested by Jim Rice. We hope to publish in the newsletter some of the archival information, mainly concerned with land sold by Henry Dunster (first president of Harvard College) to Edmund Rice.

The car caravan to Edmund's grave monument started immediately after the annual meeting after drivers received maps originally drawn by Don Rice for the Marlboro meeting. Bob Rice started to lead the string of cars going east on Rt. 9 but was forced to make a wrong turn at the first intersection! Luckily, the car immediately behind him was driven by someone familiar with the area who led the line correctly. Bob caught up with the group at the Rice stone marker on old Connecticut Path in Wayland. Everyone then drove the short distance to the site of the famous Rice spring and finally to the old north graveyard where Bob laid the wreath provided by Bill Drury. Cousins spent some time trying to find Thomasine Frost Rice's grave without any luck. She died in Marlboro and her gravesite is not known

- Bob Rice

John Douglas Rice

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Lineage:

- 1. Deacon Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost, Sudbury; Marlborough
- 2. Thomas Rice m. Mary King, Marlborough MA.
- 3. Gershom Rice m. Elizabeth Balcom, Worcester, MA.
- 4. Abisha Rice m. Francis Rice, Worcester, MA.
- 5. Micah Rice m. Silence Rice, Worcester MA. to Guilford VT.
- 6. Asa Rice m. Esther?, Guilford TWP, Windham, VT.
- 7. Asa Noble Rice m. Sally Melendy, Guilford VT. to Canada
- 8. Isaac Smith Rice m. Jessie Nesbitt, Fitzroy Harbour, Ont. CA.
- 9. David Rice m. Mary Agnes Townsend, Ottawa, ON. CA.
- 10. John Joseph Stafford Rice m. Jean Townsend, Ottawa, ON. CA.
- 11. John Douglas Rice m. Doreen McFadden, Westlock, AB. CA.

Additional information and comments:

I can't match the 11 cousins Bill! My lineage is not confirmed yet, but I think is authentic. I would be interested in exchanging e-mail with cousins who follow a similar lineage.

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An Ancestral Solution

The Smiths were proud of their family tradition. Their ancestors had come to America on the Mayflower. Their line had included Senators and Wall Street wizards.

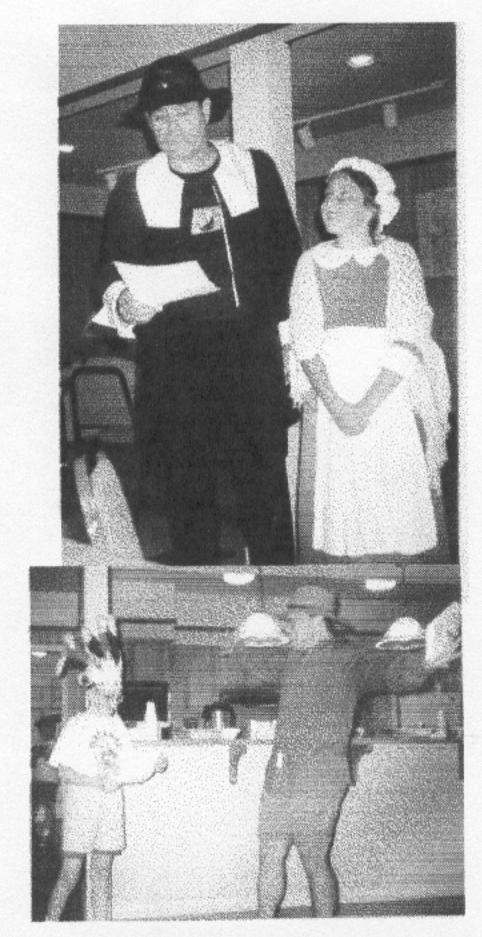
Now they decided to compile a family history, a legacy for the children. They hired a fine author. Only one problem arose---how to handle that greatuncle who was executed in the electric chair.

The author said he could handle that chapter of history tactfully.

The book appeared.
It said that "Greatuncle George
occupied a chair of
applied electronics at
an important
government
institution, was
attached to his
position by the
strongest of ties and
his death came as a
real shock."

(From "Stand Firm", a men's devotional)

-Submitted by Anita Cooper







Warren E. Rice Reunion

June 1998, Branson, Missouri

Edmund>Thomas>Gershom>Matthais>John> William>Stephen H>Stephen>Warren Edwin Rice

In June, fifty descendants of Warren E. Rice gathered in Branson, Missouri for their 7th reunion. We meet every three years, rotating between Colorado, Indiana, California, Texas, Idaho and Missouri.

We had great fun one night putting on skits, complete with costumes, for each of our 13 generations of Rices. There were skits on the immigration of Pilgrims Edmund and Thomasine, the kidnapping of the Rice children in 1704, the American Revolution, the move to Nova Scotia, the return to Maine, the Civil War episode at Bull Run, our aunt and uncles in World War II, cousins in Viet Nam, the Hippie generation, Yuppies, Generation X, ending with the Millenium Generation children doing a little song and dance. It was not only fun and funny, but also educational as suddenly the two youngest generations "got it" and realized what a rich family history we have. We interwove into one skit our French Canadian ancestor who, arriving in 1685 to fight the Indians and the British, ended up fighting alongside Stephen Rice at Bull Run.

During the days we had our usual Canasta tournament, held in honor of our late grandmother, Canasta-playing, Grace Emma Lamirand Rice. We also took scuba diving lessons from a master diving expert, went swimming, did lots of cooking, told jokes and, most important, enjoyed everything with smiles and laughter.

We set up a lap top computer in the corner into which members entered their family tree information. On the walls, we put maps of the early Massachusetts, Nova Scotia and Maine towns to which our ancestors migrated.

After the three fun-filled days, we said our sad farewells and started making plans for the next reunion in 2001.

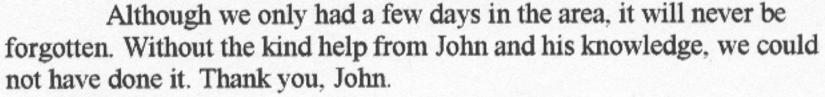
-Robbie Rice Gries

Visiting My Rice and Brigham Connections

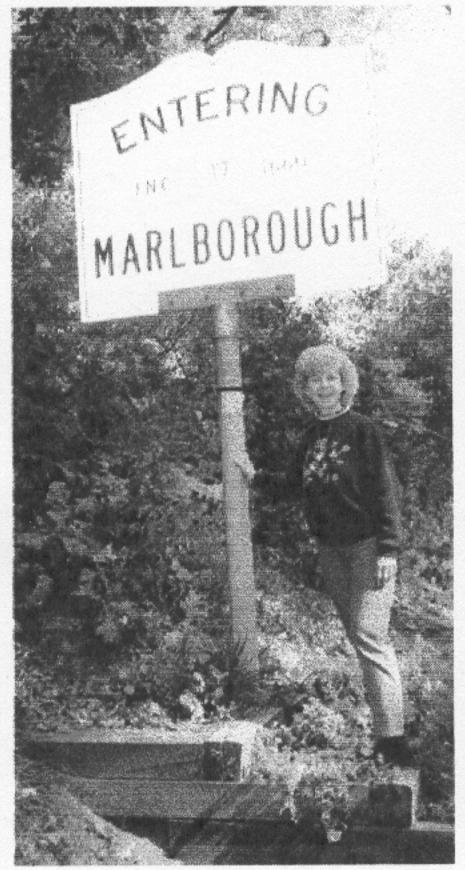
When my husband, Ron and I decided to visit the Rice sites in Massachusetts, I first contacted Dennis Rice who gave me much needed help. He very kindly sent me directions to the sites and a great deal of information. He also suggested I call William Drury, which I did. Bill also gave me valuable help and said I should contact John Rice of Marlborough.

John Rice very generously offered to take us around. So, in October 1997 we started our adventure by going to his home where John showed us his extensive library of Rice publications and historical papers. What a treasure! After a wonderful morning of interesting conversation, we all started off to visit the sights. John took us to many of the Brigham homesites and cemeteries in Marlborough. I especially enjoyed Springhill cemetery in Marlborough and recognized many old family names.

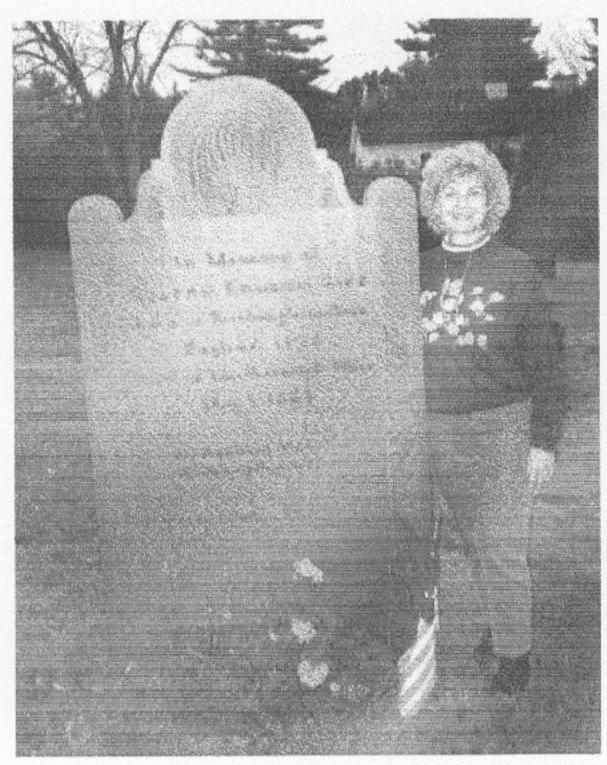
We then drove to Sudbury to see Edmund Rice's grave monument. I could not believe that we were really there. On the way, we saw the Wayside Inn and Grist Mill. Oh, how I wished that we had more time! Then, it was on to Edmund Rice's homestead boulder plaque located in Wayland. This was indeed an investigation and joint effort. After many wrong turns but lots of laughter and with perseverance from John and me and patience from my driver husband, Ron, we did indeed find it. As John Rice said, "Finding that was the icing on the cake". And it truly was.



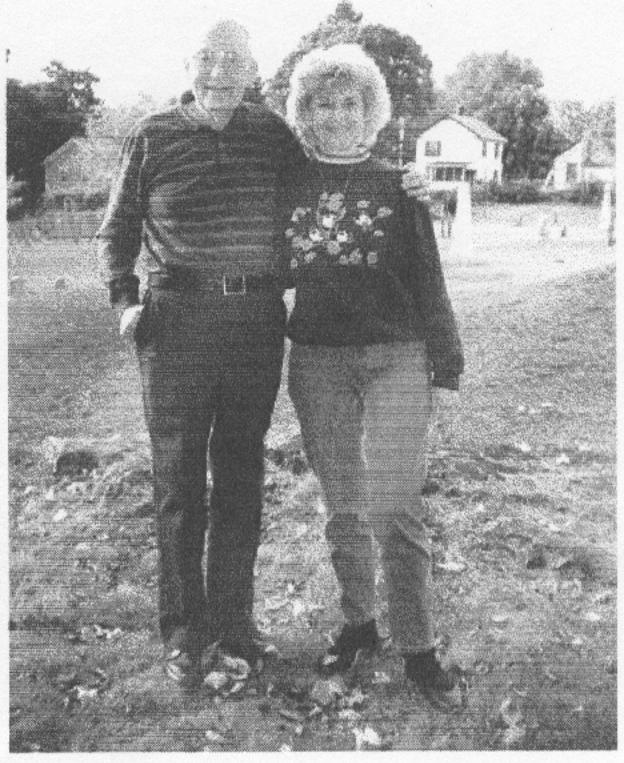
- Carol R. Jackson



Carol Jackson



Edmund Rice Grave Site



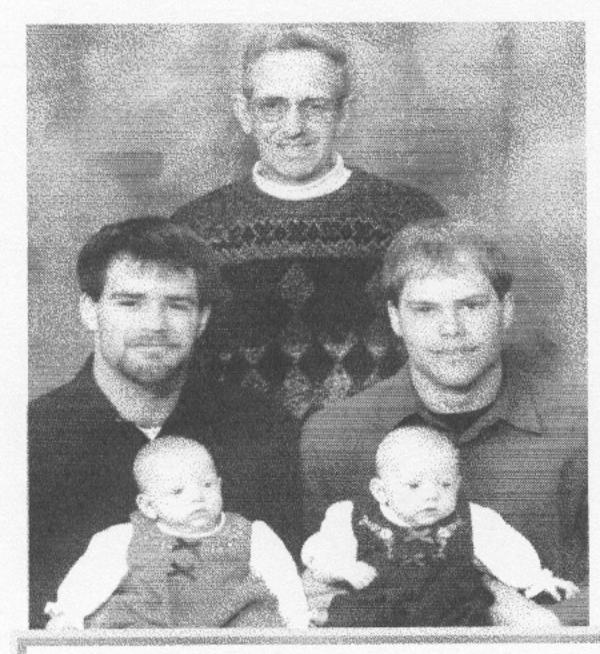
John Rice and Carol Jackson, Spring Hill Cemetery, Marlborough, October 1997

Twins Upon Twins

2. Edward Rice

3. Anna Rice m. Thomas Rice

- **Edmund Rice**
- **Thomas Rice**
- Thomas Rice m. Anna Rice
- Charles Rice
- Zebulon Rice
- Adam Rice
- **Ephraim Rice**
- Samuel Tainter Rice
- 9. Rollin Gordenio Rice
- Elizabeth Mitchell, sisters Francis & Florence Mitchell 10. Lucius Manley Rice m.
- 11. Floyd Manley Rice Lucy Ward m.
- 12. Donald Ward Rice m. Lillian Lumbert
- 12. Donna Francis Rice m. Donald Mull
- 13. Doyle Rice m. Susan Sayle
- 14. Ariel Donalda Rice & Yaqirah Donna Rice 14. Scott & Sean Samson
- Philip Samson 13. Brenda Mull m.





Gen. 12: Donna Francis Rice and Donald Ward Rice, ages ca. 16, 1952

Gen. 12: Donald Ward Rice

Gen. 14: Scott Samson and Sean Samson, sons of Brenda (Mull) Samson,

grandsons of Donna Francis (Rice) Mull, born Nov. 23, 1977

Gen. 14: Yaqirah Donna Rice and Ariel Donalda Rice, daughters of

Doyle Rice, granddaughters of Donald Ward Rice, born Nov. 1, 1997

First, let me introduce you to our twin daughters, Ariel Donalda Rice and Yaqirah Donna Rice, born one minute apart on November 1, 1997. Both their first names are transliterated Hebrew names. The girls' middle names come from their grandfather, Donald Ward Rice and his twin sister, Donna Francis Rice. My aunt, Donna Francis (Rice) Mull also has twin grandchildren, Scott and Sean Samson.

Going back a few generations, Elizabeth Mitchell, the maternal grandmother of Donald Ward Rice and Donna Francis Rice had twin sisters named Francis and Florence Mitchell. Her husband, Lucius Manley Rice (my great-grandfather) had twin grandchildren and they both have twin grandchildren. I don't know if there is any genetic significance in all of this, but maybe a reader can offer some insight.

- Doyle Rice

Queries

I received several letters from cousins about the announcement in the September 1998 issue of *Yankee Magazine* seeking Rice family heirs of **C. Pliney Rice.** Contact R. Bush, Sr., 233 River Reach Dr.,
Swansboro NC 28584 who has Mr. Rice's weekly report from the Bryant and Stratton Commercial School of Boston for 1885-6.

Rowena W. Rice, 2349 Piccadilly Circle, Sierra Vista AZ 85635-5078, husband's ancestor, Robert Royce Rice is believed to have arrived from England to Boston on the *Francis* in the 1830's. Same line as Edmund Rice?

Helen Rice Williams, Rt 2 Box 268, Locust Grove OK 74352-9654 seeks information on parents and siblings of Edmond Burton Rice, b. 1828, Henrico Co., VA and brother Calvin Rice, b. 1823, Henrico, Co, VA. Edmond m. Rosanna Miller, b. 1831, WVA; their ch. Mary Jane m. John Morrow, Nancy m. Alex Morrow, Alfaretta, William T. m. Jennie Duggins, James Calvin m. Martha Ellis Radcliff, Homer Arthur m. Julia Hudson, Elizabeth m. Richard Tidwell. Calvin Rice m. Mary; their ch. Thomas C., Oliver M., John H.



New Members

Diane Redkevitch
Boyd Rice
Becky Rice-LeAnna
Natesa K. LeAnna
Zenobia Lapeyre
Joan Reed Miller
Janet F. Ross
George A. Brigham
Mrs. Kate Chiesa
Dora A. Smith
Joella G. Schultz
Audrey VanWyck
Dennis H. Rice

Atlanta, GA
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Crystal, MN
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Tucson, AZ
Williamsburg, VA
Kingsford, MI
Buffalo, NY
Tucson, AZ
Chicopee, MA
E. Douglas, MA

Living Treasures

"People often ask me how to get started in genealogy. First go to a family reunion and talk to anyone older than you. I always say one gray-haired lady is worth a thousand reels of library microfilm.....Talk to her if you know her; find her if you can. At the next reunion her memories and your research can be a gift to the children whose faces hold portraits of your own family's past." (Gary D. Ford, "Find the roots of your family tree", Southern Living, 1997, p. 182)

Doris Barb's note about celebrating her 90th birthday at a family reunion, reminded me of this piece of wisdom. She must have many names, faces and recollections to pass on to the younger members of her family. Robbie Rice Gries tells us how skits are used to recount family history at the Warren Rice reunion and Carol Jackson writes how her trip to Edmund Rice sites would not have been nearly as meaningful without John Rice's help and his deep memory bank of Rice history.

Koreans honor an older person who has special knowledge or ability by officially designating him or her "a living treasure". Just think how fortunate we are to have so many living treasures, as Doris and John, among our relatives and Rice cousins from whom we can listen, learn and record.

-Keith Capen Allen

Doris Barb

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Cousin Doris Barb celebrated her 90th birthday on September 29th with a family reunion two days earlier on the 27th. Thirty five to forty family members gathered at the Red Coach restaurant in El Dorado for food and "lots of visiting". A nephew and his family came from Minneapolis. "It was a wonderful day," says Doris.

Mis Betty Rice Born Sept. 12: 1701.
Mis Betty Rice Born Sept. 12: 1701.
Mis Betty Rings Married Jan hory 71.
Mis Nims Born January 2 Died Just 1777.
John Nims Born Oction 7: Died Just 1776.
Annut im Born January 2 Died Just 1776.
Silve Nims Born January 2 1776.
Silve Nims Born Dec : 17 1779.
Mandalal Nims Born Dec : 17 1779.
Mandalal Nims Born March 6: 1787.
Annu Nims Born March 6: 1787.
Annu Nims Born March 6: 1786.
Party Nims Ylolly Nims Born Social 1796.
Litey Nims Born Sept. 1796.
Litey Nims Born Sept. 1796.
Litey Nims Born May 20:1796.
John Nims Born April: 1796.

Obituaries

Charles Hayward, age 102 and a life member of the Edmund Rice Association, died April 12, 1998 in Portland, Oregon. He served in the Observation Balloon Service of the Army Signal Corps Aviation Branch on the Western Front in 1918, winning three decorations. Born in Holyoke, Massachusetts, he attended Columbia University. He leaves his wife, Ruth E. (Bailey) Hayward; a son, Robert of Seattle, Washington; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Burial is at Forestdale Cemetery, Holyoke. (Excerpted from the Union-News, May 23, 1998)

Bertha M. Rice Mustatia, died May 9, 1998 in Traverse City, Michigan. She was predeceased by her husband, William Vesley Mustatia on April 26, 1994 and leaves a son William V. Mustatia, Jr. of Grand Marais, Michigan. (See page 12 for future details.)

Josephine P. Henderson

15 Sunset Circle Longmont CO 80501

Edmund>Thomas>Thomas>Charles>
Solomon>Elizabeth

Ms. Henderson enclosed a photo of this interesting piece with her check for life membership. It shows her descent from **Betty Rice**, born 12 Sep 1751 who married John Nims, born 12 Mar 1749, on 15 Jan 1771.

Rice Surname Online

38.RICE. A mailing list for the discussion and sharing of information regarding the Rice surname in any place and at any time. Mailing address for postings is rice-l@rootsweb.com. To subscribe send the word "subscribe" (without the quotes) as the only text in the body of a message to rice-l-request@rootsweb.com (mail mode) or rice-d-request@rootsweb.com (digest mode).

(From Cindy's List)

Robbie's Sleuthing

Dear Keith,

Am enjoying my roots trip with my daughter--fantastic, checked out our French Canadian side along the St Lawrence since 1685 and met a 4th cousin--then we headed to Nova Scotia to be into the English/Rice "Planter side" here in Annapolis, and the relatives that left Nova Scotia and landed in Robbinston Me--we stopped and saw cemetery, saw very fine home still standing (approx 1830) and got to check out old (in the attic) tax records of Stephen H. Rice -- what fun! Daughter says, that was fun, but enough genealogy--now we are on the Cabot Trail in Nova Scotia!

All the best, Robbie Rice Gries

Dorris J. Smith

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Lineage:

- 1. Edmund Rice m. Thomasine Frost
- 2. Thomas Rice m. Mary
- 3. Ephraim Rice m. Hannah Livermore
- 4. Gershom Rice m. Elizabeth Battle
- 5. Ephraim Rice m. Mary Battle
- 6. John Rice m. Lydia Glazier
- 7. Otis Rice m. Sarah Ann Miller
- 8. Harvey Austin Rice m. Alma Reynolds
- 9. Gertrude Reynolds m. Emery Spade
- 10. Irene Spade m. Claude Sickels
- 11. Dorris Sickels m. DeBurl Smith

Additional information and comments:

Dorris is retired and enjoys travel, antiques and auctions. From November to May, Dorris lives at 721 Bentsen Palm Dr, Mission TX 78572

William Vesley Mustatia, Jr.

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Mr. Mustatia wrote a letter sharing information on where his parents chose to have their ashes spread after their deaths. It is a useful reminder that not all deceased are buried in cemeteries with grave markers.

William Vesley Mustatia m. 4 Apr 1936

viniani vesicy Mustatia in. 4 Apr 19.

b. 21 May 1915, Detroit MI
 d. 26 April 1994, Blythe CA

Bertha M. Rice

b. 5 Sep 1916, Gregory MI

d. 9 May 1998, Traverse City MI

"...this letter is in reference to the deaths of my father, William Vesley Mustatia and [my mother] Bertha M. Rice-Mustatia, p. 238 of the Rice Family, supplement 2, part 2. I made promises to them that I would do what they wanted after their deaths.

In the mid-1930s, Dad was working with the C.C.C. in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. He loved it up here in U.P. and wanted his ashes spread where a C.C.C. camp once stood overlooking the east branch of the Sucker River in Schoolcraft Co., U.P., Michigan.

And, of course, my mother wanted her ashes put with my father's....They wanted no markers so the only place that anyone will find where their ashes are will be... in the Rice Association or [as] recorded at the Lutheran church here in Grand Marais....

My wife, myself and the Lutheran minister are the only ones who could take anyone to the exact spot where the ashes are.

If any other information is needed or wanted, please contact me."

Report of the Membership Secretary August 31, 1998

Activity since 9-1-97:	
New Members	39
Dropped for non-payment of dues	37
Died	2
Life members	64
Total membership	451
(includes 15 "spousal members")	

Respectfully Submitted,

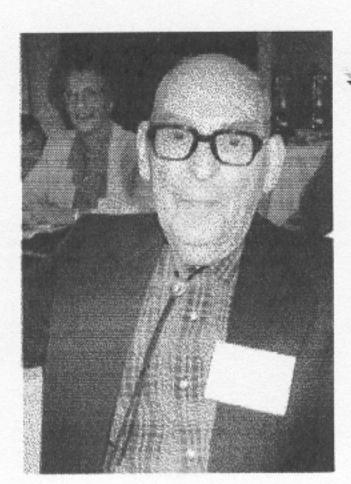
William H. Drury





Attendee Who Traveled the Farthest:

Lynn McLaughlin of Kirkland, Washington





Oldest Attendee:

George A. Jackson, age 85, of Stonington, Connecticut

Attendees at the 1998 Reunion

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Jane Armbruster	MA
John Bates	NH
Adeline Beier	IL
Earl & Kathleen Bond	CT
Joe & Ruth Brown	MA
John Chandler	MA
Amy Chapman	MA
Frank & Barbara Cummings	MA
Bill & Jane Drury	MA
Robert Estabrook	NH
Rebecca Fairbank	MA
Natalie Eaton	MA
Peggy Grosser	TX
Delma Mize	TX
Susan Russell	TX
Joella & Rudy Schultz	AZ
Mr. & Mrs. Dana Hastings	MA
George & Nancy Jackson	CT
Shirley Rice Johnson	MA
Lois Kendall	MA
George & Anne King	VA
George Lewis (speaker)	MA
Lynn McLaughlin	WA
Jane McPherson	IN
Bonnie Randall	MA
Case Randall	MA
John & Hope Pobst	MA
Jeanette Pollard	MA
Linda & Boyd Rice	OK
Mr. & Mrs. Clayton Rice	MA
Donald Rice	ME
Cristina Rice	MA
James A. Rice	NY
John E. Rice	MA
Robert V. Rice	MA
Elizabeth Sander	MA
Gene & Louise Trudeau	MA
Russ & Pat Vickery	MA
Bob & Wendy Wesen	MI
Marian Wheeler	MA
Martha Wood	MA
Roger & Edna Woodbury	CT
Elaine Corbett	MA
Doyle Rice	MI
Deborah Pope	MA

REPORT OF THE TREASURER AUGUST 31, 1998

Checking Account: Balance 9-1-97 Income: Meetings Publications Miscellaneous Dues Total Income	\$ 2445.07 695.00 1165.00 412.00 4395.00 6667.00
Expenses: Publications Transfer to Savings Meetings Miscellaneous Postage, Telephone, etc. Total Expenses	1565.06 2500.00 1589.56 1236.44 239.82 7130.88
Balance 8/31/98	1981.19
Other Assets: Bank Savings Account - BankBoston @ 2.02% Cert. of Dep BankBoston - due 11/1/98 @ 6.00% Cert. of Dep Massbank -due 10/3/98 @ 5.30% Retail Value of Books in Inventory	14679.86 12199.50 23719.55 37117.90
Total Assets 8-31-98	\$89698.00

Respectfully Submitted,

William H. Drury, Treasurer

Past Presidents of the Association, 1954 to Present

1954-1955: Charles W. Rice	1976-1978: Henry E. Rice, Jr. (1907-1984)
1956-1957: Edgar W. Rice (1915-1978)	1978-1980: C. Whiting Rice, Jr.
1958-1959: Stanley I. Rice (1898-1985)	1980-1982: William H. Drury
1960: Donald Whittemore (1894-1988)	1982-1983: Patricia MacFarland
1961-1963: Frederick R. Rice (1895-1973)	1983-1985: Janice Parmenter
1964-1965: William H. Hoefler (1893-197?)	1985-1987: Margaret S. Rice
1966-1967: Ray Lowther Ellis (1901-1982)	1987-1990: Alex W. Snow (1923-1997)
1969: Jeneve R. Melvin	1990-1993: John S. Bates
1969-1973: Col. Allen Foster Rice (1904-1984)	1993-1994: Alex W. Snow (1923-1997)
1973-1974: Margaret E. Allen	1994- 1997: Frederick H. Rice
1974-1975: Charles W. Rice	1997- Robert V. Rice
1975-1976: Seaver M. Rice (1892-1988)	

Source Identification and Data Collection Forms for Non-Computer Users

To help me when I enter the Rice family data you send me into *The Master Genealogist* database, please consider using the Source Identification form below and the Data Collection form on p. 16 that I designed. It is much easier for me to enter data when they are arranged in the same formats.

These forms are intended for non-computer users although TMG users might find them helpful when doing research in a library without a laptop.

-Dennis Rice

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Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc. Held September 19, 1998 in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Natick, Massachusetts

The annual meeting of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association, Inc. was brought to order by president Robert Rice at 1 p.m. September 19, 1998 in the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Natick, Massachusetts. The start of the annual meeting followed a morning that included a continental breakfast, a social time for cousins to renew friendships and a sit-down luncheon at 12 noon. Tee shirts with the Rice logo were available for purchase throughout the day. The meeting began with a talk by George W. Lewis entitled "Bridges and Boundaries: Travel in the Sudbury Valley from the time of Edmund Rice", in which he discussed the bridges across the Sudbury River giving the history of Sudbury and the way it expanded over the centuries. Following this well-received talk, president Robert Rice brought the business meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

The reading of the minutes of last year's meeting were dispensed with.

Bill Drury gave the treasurer's report and the book report, including the number of books still in inventory. He also reported the membership of the association. There are presently 451 members of the association, including 15 spousal members and 64 life members.

The auditor reported that he had reviewed the treasurer's books and found them to be in order.

Next year's annual meeting will be held September 24 and 25, 1999. The location will be announced in the next newsletter. The autumn board meeting will be held Friday, September 23, 1999, location and time to be announced.

A report of Dr. Martin, professional genealogist in England was read.

Members who are known to have passed away in the past year were named, Charles Haywood and Bertha Mustatia.

Gifts were given to the oldest attendee, George Jackson who is 85 years old; the attendee who traveled the farthest to come to the meeting, Lynn McLaughlin from Kirkland, Washington; and the youngest attendee, Kate Goodnow who is 16 years old.

A motion was made and passed "to allow the board of directors to donate up to \$5,000 to the new Sudbury Public Library for the storage and care of Edmund Rice Association Archives."

President Robert Rice reported that he had made arrangements with Harvard University to have copies made of items, which the university has stored, pertaining to Henry Dunster, first president of Harvard University, but also pertaining to Edmund Rice.

The nomination of officers of the Edmund Rice (1638) Association for next year was made and unanimously approved. The elected officers are:

President Vice Presidents Robert V. Rice
Donald E. Rice
George King
Hope Pobst
William H. Drury
Wendolin E. Wesen
Dennis R. Rice

Treasurer Recording Secretary

Historian/Information Manager

Board Members

Keith Capen Allen, Newsletter Editor

Ruth M. Brown
Fred H. Rice
Gary Rice
James Rice
John E. Rice
Margaret Rice

Mr. & Mrs. Earl Vickery

Anita Cooper, Liaison, William McClure Rice Society

A life membership was extended to Corine Snow for her years of devotion and service to the association, and it was noted that her husband, Alex, now deceased, contributed many years of service including several years as president.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:05 p.m. Following the general business meeting there was a tour of Wayland, including the memorial plaque to Edmund Rice, his original home site and laying a wreath at his tombstone. About 10 cars of attendees participated.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendolin E. Wesen Corresponding Secretary