

Descendants of Martha Waite and John Smith

1. Martha¹ Waite, born¹ 1661/77. She married John Smith. John Smith as a young man (probably early 20s), was one of the defenders of Londonderry when it was under siege by King James II for 105 days, starting on April 18, 1689. After the successful defense of Londonderry John came to America later that same year and shortly after his arrival he married Martha Wait. John and Martha founded a colony. The town in the center was named for them - Smithtown. We have stated that John married Martha shortly after his arrival. Shortly is a very vague term, but if it was within two years that would be in 1691. Considering that we are in New England and not Virginia, for arguments sake, I am going to say that Martha was at least 14 yrs old. Meaning that she would have been born at least by 1677. The only Smithtown that I can find was in New York and it was founded by Richard Smith before our John came from Ireland. The only other towns or communities that I could find with Smith in their name are all in Massachusetts. These are all unofficial names - there was Smith Crossing Station, Smith's Ferry, 2 Smithville and one Smiths. All except for Smith's Ferry were in western Worcester County. Smith's Ferry was located where the present town of Holyoke, in Hampton County is today. If by any chance John married a Martha Wait that was older than him, I would think we could restrict her to only a few years older. If she was about 30 she would have been born about 1661. This gives us a window of Martha being born between 1661-1677. And as I stated earlier Martha, Benjamin's daughter is the only Martha that I could find that would fit in there. She was born 1673. (BUDMIL)

Children of Martha Waite and John Smith were as follows:

+ 2 i Josiah² Smith.

Generation 2

2. Josiah² Smith (Martha¹ Waite). He married Abigail (---).

Children of Josiah Smith and Abigail (---) were as follows:

+ 3 i Dr. Reuben³ Smith.

Generation 3

3. Dr. Reuben³ Smith (Josiah², Martha¹ Waite), born² 27 May 1731. He married³ in Long Island, NY Mary Hicks, born⁴ 9 Dec 1739.

Children of Dr. Reuben Smith and Mary Hicks were as follows:

+ 4 i Warren⁴ Smith.
5 ii Reuben⁴ Smith.

Generation 4

¹ESTIMATE.

²Ibid.

³Ibid.

⁴Ibid.

4. **Warren⁴ Smith** (Reuben³, Josiah², Martha¹ Waite). He married⁵ in Stillwater, Saratoga, NY **Pamelia Rowe**.

Children of Warren Smith and Pamelia Rowe were as follows:

6 i **Henry⁵ Smith**. Graduation⁶ West Point (1815).

7 ii **Lydia Anne⁵ Smith**.

8 iii **Gen. Joseph Rowe⁵ Smith**. He married **Juliet DeHart**. Graduation⁷ West Point (1823).

⁵Ibid.

⁶Ibid.

⁷Ibid.