TAYLOR FAMILY HISTORY

Forward
The family genealogy presented here is for one of many Taylor families that immigrated to America in Colonial times. We will be concerned with the line of descent from John Taylor, joiner, who in 1671 was accepted as a resident of Salem in the Massachusetts Bay Colony, ending with Charles P. Taylor, banker, who died in 1940 in Ottawa, Illinois. Within each generation, all members of each family are included, but only the direct line is carried forward. Beyond Charles Taylor the genealogy broadens to include all of the descendants of Charles. For convenience, the first chapter of this document is divided into three sections, covering first the family members who lived in New England, followed by a second section primarily covering family members that lived in Illinois. A third section is devoted to the most recent generations, most of whom are still living.

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![Chart of Relationships]

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CHAPTER 1A
TAYLOR FAMILY GENEALOGY
TAYLORS OF NEW ENGLAND

Origins of the Family
The Taylor family which is described here appears to have originated in this
country in the person of John Taylor, occupation joiner, who in April 1671 was
accepted as a resident of the town of Salem in the Massachusetts Bay Colony.
There is not a clear-cut documentary trail leading from John to the later
members of this Taylor family but the evidence is strong that the later Taylors
descended from this man. There are areas in the first generations where the
family displayed below may not be right in all details, but by the time the family
moved from Massachusetts to New Hampshire, there is an unbroken succession
of verifiable connections.

Section A. Taylors in Massachusetts
Essex County, Massachusetts
To properly understand these pioneer families we need to set the stage on which
they performed. New England was first settled by Pilgrim religious refugee
immigrants from England beginning with their landing at Plymouth in 1620,
establishing the Plymouth Colony there. They were followed by the Puritans
who were religious protestors rather than refugees. An abortive attempt by the
Dorchester Company in 1626 to create a settlement at Salem was replaced by a
second colony in 1628. This in turn was replaced by a settlement incorporated
in 1629 when the Massachusetts Bay Company obtained from King Charles I a
charter empowering the company to trade and colonize in New England between
the Charles and Merrimack rivers. The grant was similar to that of the Virginia
Company in 1609, the patentees being joint proprietors with rights of ownership
and government. The intention of the crown was to create merely a commercial
company with what today would be called stockholders, officers, and directors.
In 1630 the patentees decided to transfer the management and the charter itself
to Massachusetts. By this shrewd move, they avoided royal interference and
established the assumption that the charter for a commercial company was in
reality a political constitution for a new government. This was accompanied by
an influx of 1000 immigrants the first summer. This overwhelmed Salem which
could not support so many people and the focus shifted to Boston and its
environs. This led to a flood of thousands of religious devotees in the "Great
Puritan Migration" that took place between 1629 and 1640 that numbered more
than 20,000. With the assumption of power in England by Oliver Cromwell after
the Civil War, the political climate in the homeland changed significantly and the
numbers of emigrants subsided. The original Massachusetts Bay charter lasted
until it was annulled in 1684 and was replaced by a new charter in 1691 which
substituted royal government for local.
Salem originally was known as Naumkeag, and was Indian territory belonging to John, Sagamore of Agawam. It also included Beverly, Marblehead, Manchester, Wenham, Danvers, part of Topsfield and part of Middleton. This chief welcomed the colonists, to whom he looked for protection against his enemies, the Tarrantine Indians, and made them a free grant of this entire territory. In 1700, the grandchildren of the Sagamore made a claim to the territory, which was cancelled by the payment of £6 6s. 8d, and a formal deed was given. Naumkeag became known as Salem and as we noted above was first settled by Europeans in 1626. Beverly was incorporated in 1668, named for a town of the same name in England. These two towns were the principal residence for the first few generations of Taylors that lived in southern Essex County. Middleton was first settled in 1659 and was part of Salem until it was incorporated separately in 1728, with the addition of land from Andover, Boxford and Topsfield.

Information about the earliest Taylors is available from a compilation of Salem records by the Essex Institute.<sup>1</sup> The first Taylor referenced is Thomas who

1. "Town Records of Salem, Massachusetts", The Essex Institute, Salem, 1913
   [The Thomas Taylor referenced here was probably the ancestor of a series of children born in Reading, Essex County, between 1675 and 1690 to Thomas and Mary Taylor.]
   p.302 13 May 1679 Rates abated for William Taylor.
   p.127 2 Dec 1684 Rates abated for Isaac Taylor.
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was accepted as a town resident in 1636. He was followed by John Taylor in 1671 who was also admitted as a voting member of the community. Subsequently the records show abatements for church and town assessments for William Taylor in 1679 and for Joseph Taylor and Isaac Taylor in 1684. Records after 1684 are not available from this particular source. Fortunately, a wealth of further data is available in a compilation by the Massachusetts Vital Record Project of birth, marriage, and death records for all of Massachusetts<sup>2</sup>.

Virtually all of the records relating to our Taylor family have been extracted from various sources in Salem and Beverly, both in Essex County. The earliest birth records from this source date from 1683 in Beverly. The earliest marriage records date from 1704 also in Beverly, and the earliest death or burial records date from 1718. Depending upon the primary source, some of the Taylor families listed are very complete with identification of parents for all of the children and with matching associated marriages of many of those children. Other Taylor references provide dates but no connection with other Taylors. All of the logically related Taylor references are confined to three towns -- Salem, Beverly and Middleton. The close physical location and correspondence in time strongly suggest that these early Taylors were all parts of a single extended family. The complete family units fit together quite nicely. Most of the other unconnected Taylor references are marriages and most of these can be related to the main family stream. A reconstruction of this family follows. Four generations are shown. Names in italics indicate relationships that are speculative and unsupported by direct documentary evidence, but which are our best guess as to the relationship.

First Generation, Essex Taylors (also recorded as Tailer/Tailor/Tayler)

1. John Taylor I
   - born about 1630-1635, probably in England;
   - married Unknown, probably about 1655-1658.
   
   Children (<em/speculation</em>) (probably born in England):
   
   2.  i  <em>James Sr.</em>, born about 1653-1656.
   3.  ii <em>William I</em>, born before 1663 (liable for assessments, 1679, thus over 16).
   
   iii <em>Joseph, born before 1668 (liable for assessments, 1684).

2.  <em>The Massachusetts Vital Records Project, "Vital Records of Massachusetts, 1600 to 1849"</em>, accessible for searching online.
   
   This compilation contains virtually all known records of births, marriages, and deaths in Massachusetts from the period cited. It includes data from town records, church records, gravestone inscriptions, and a substantial number of privately held family bibles. The data is arranged by county, town and within each town and is displayed alphabetically or chronologically by surname. The information in this compilation is duplicated in many cases by similar collections for individual towns such as Beverly.
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iv  **Isaac**, born before 1668 (liable for assessments, 1684).

**Second Generation**

2. James Taylor Sr.,
   - born probably 1653-1656, in England;
   - married (1) probably 1681 in Beverly, to **Emma --?--**;
     - Emma died May 1718, Beverly;
   - married (2) in Beverly, 21 Jun 1720, to **Sarah Hoar**.
   - James died between Sep 1732 and Jul 1734, Beverly (church records).
   Children of James and Emma (all identified in records) (born in Beverly):

   i  **Emma**, born 16 Jan 1682/3; married, 27 Dec 1704, Beverly, to **John Haskol**.

   4 ii  **James Jr.**, born 17 May 1686.

   iii  **Mary**, born 26 Apr 1688.

   iv  **John**, baptized 2 Jun 1691 (twin).

   v  **Rebecca**, baptized 2 Jun 1691 (twin).

   vi  **Mercy/Marcy**, born 3 Mar 1692/3; married (intent) 7 Mar 1715/6, Beverly, to **Joshua Ray** of Salem.

   vii  **Johannah/Hannah?**, born 26 May 1694; married (intent) 16 Dec 1716, Beverly, to **Ebenezer Thistell**.

   viii  **Elizabeth**, born 26 Aug 1695.

James moved at a very early stage in family history from Salem to Beverly as shown by the record of birth of his children. As a result, James and all of his descendants are very completely documented because there are far more Beverly records of Beverly that have survived to the present than is true for Salem.

3. William Taylor I
   - born about 1656-1658, probably in England;
   - married **Unknown** about 1683-1688, probably in Salem
     - wife(?) died 1748, Beverly, age 81 [born about 1667].
   Children (Speculation):

   5 i  **John Sr.**, born about 1685-1690, probably in Salem.

   6 ii  **Nathan**, born about 1695-1700.

   iii  **Mary**, born about 1700-1702; married 2 Feb 1720, Salem to **Jasper Swinerton**.

   7 iv  **Mathew**, born about 1707-1710.

Identification of the William who was mentioned in Salem records in 1679 as the first of another branch of the expanding Taylor family is speculative. Other than the one mention of him at that time, there is only
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one other record of a William that would fit this man's age. This is a listing in 1702 of the ship's complement of the sloop "Flying Horse" out of Salem, assigned defensive patrol duty, which includes a William Taylor<3>. The children who are attributed to William and his wife above, except for Mathew, all are mentioned only briefly in Salem records. This assignment is based on relative ages as shown by dates of birth or marriage, and by the fact that they lived in Salem. The lack of data concerning them can be attributed to the lack of existing documentation about Salem residents in general.

Third Generation
Son of James Taylor, Sr.


- born 17 May 1686, Beverly;
- married 10 Oct 1706, Beverly, Charity Witrige/Whittredge
  - died between May 1735 and Jun 1736 (church records).
- James died 1751, age 66, Beverly.
  Children of James and Charity (born in Beverly)

i James III, born 15 Aug 1707;
  - married (1) Sarah Woodbery, 16 Feb 1731/2, Beverly
    (Sarah died bet Sep 1732 and Jun 1734, also 2 children
    in same period);
  - married (2), 6 Aug 1735, Beverly, to Esther Giles of Salem;
  - married (3) 25 Aug 1737, Beverly, to Abigail Felten;
    children: Nathaniel (baptized 17 Sep 1738), Abigail
    (twin) (born 17 May 1740), Charity (twin) (born 17 May 1740).

ii Charity, born 8 Nov 1709; married Robert Patch, 25 Nov 1731, Beverly.

iii Lucy, born 17 Oct 1713; married Dixey Morgan, 17 Dec 1733, Beverly.

iv Rebekah, born 12 Feb 1716/7; died 14 Feb 1723/4.

v Mary, born 13 Oct 1720; married Ambrose Cleaves, 20 Jan 1742, (intent), Beverly.

vi Andrew, born 8 Dec 1722; died at Eustatia (island in British Virgin Islands), 1746.

vii Rebekah, born 31 Jul 1725 (twin); married John Pierce of Dudley, 10 Apr 1745, Beverly.

8 viii William, born 31 Jul 1725 (twin).

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Sons of William Taylor I

5. John Taylor Sr.
   - born about 1685-1690, probably in Salem;
   - married, 15 Jul 1710 (intent), Salem, to Elizabeth Felt;
   - John died before Jul 1719, fisherman.
   Children (born in Salem)
   i Mary, born 3 Mar 1711 ("daughter of John and Elisabeth"); married 24 May 1733 (intent), Salem, to Mihil Bacon;
   ii John Jr., born 9 Dec 1712 ("son of John and Elisabeth");
   iii William, born 26 Jul 1719 ("son of Elizabeth").

6. Nathan Taylor
   - born about 1695-1700, probably in Salem;
   - married, 1 Jan 1719/20, Salem, to Abigail Foster, daughter of Ebenezer Foster and Anna Wilkins;
   - born 10 Sep 1701, Salem;
   - buried 17 Jan 1789, Beverly, age 89 years 8 months [born 1700].
   Children (Speculation) (born in Salem?)
   i Mary, said to be born 10 Oct 1720; married 29 Dec 1743, Middleton, to Samuel Bradford. Samuel died Aug 1776, Hillsborough, New Hampshire (see Bradford genealogy in Addendum to this chapter). Mary and Samuel had children: Timothy (born 17 Sep 1745); William (born 13 Jun 1747); Samuel (born 21 Jun 1752); Mary (born 22 Mar 1755); Elisabeth (born 5 Feb 1758) and Andrew (baptized 30 Aug 1761) all in Middleton before moving in 1764 to Hillsborough, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire. Samuel was initially a housewright by occupation, then opened the first tavern in Hillsborough and operated a sawmill there.
   ii Abigail, born about 1721-1722; married 31 Aug 1742, Andover, to Fyfield Holt of Andover (recorded in Salem).
   iii Nathan, born about 1725-1726; married Oct 1748 (intent), Salem, to widow Mary Ray.
   iv Benjamin, born about 1727-1729, probably in Salem; married 4 Dec 1750, Middleton, to Elizabeth Foster (daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth Foster, born "abt 1725?" [sic], Beverly). Benjamin was a housewright following in the tradition of his hypothetical great-grandfather, John Taylor, and also like his brother-in-law, Samuel Bradford. In addition to the marriage

   Lists family of Ebenezer Foster with wife and eight children including daughter Abigail, with date of birth and marriage to Nathan Taylor and with a son Benjamin.

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record, tax records for 1750 show Benjamin was assessed Middleton town and church taxes indicating that he was a resident of the town but there is not a succession of tax records to show when he might have first been subject to tax or when he may have left Middleton. The marriage of Benjamin's sister, Mary, seven years earlier, suggests that Benjamin had been a citizen of Middleton for a number of years. No record of Benjamin's birth has been found in Middleton or in any of the surrounding towns in Essex County such as Beverly and Salem. Benjamin and Mary are the only Taylors listed in contemporary Middleton records. Benjamin is believed to have left Middleton and moved to Amherst, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire in about 1751 or 1752. He is discussed further in depth in Section B below. We remind the reader that Benjamin Taylor is the earliest member of the Taylors for whom we have a documented connection by generation to the present.

Nathan Taylor is by far the best candidate for being the father of Benjamin Taylor. His marriage is the only one in the Salem and Beverly records that is not identified with other family groups and is also the only one chronologically that is appropriate. As to the other children that are suggested for him, they at least are very logical both in succession of age and by association of names with Nathan and his wife. We propose that this family lived initially in Salem and it was not until after Nathan's death that his widow moved to Beverly. Nathan may have died before Mary's marriage, leading to her move, and Benjamin leaving home to accompany her.

7. Mathew Taylor
- born about 1707-1710;
- married, 6 Jan 1731/2 (intent), Beverly, to Mary Martin,
  Children (Speculation):
  i  Bartholomew, born about 1732 to 1735; died "in the army", 1758;
  ii  Abraham, died, Beverly, 1759, age 19 (born about 1740).
  iii  Joseph, married, Beverly, 13 Nov 1768, to Sarah Trask; they had
       children: John (baptized 18 Aug 1771) and William (baptized
       10 Jan 1772).

This entry is highly speculative. It accounts for an otherwise unidentified Mathew whose age, estimated from his date of marriage, suggests that he should be part of this third generation. Likewise, his suggested children are Taylors for whom there is no other good connection.
Fourth Generation
Son of James Taylor Jr.

8. William Taylor Sr.

- born 31 July 1725 (twin), Beverly;
- married (1), 4 Jul 1751, Salem, Sarah Meacham
  - Sarah died 10 Sep 1754, Beverly (age 25);
- married (2), 8 Apr 1756, Wenham, Essex County, to Mary Baker of
  Wenham;
  - Mary died 1771, Beverly;
- married (3), 5 Dec 1771, Beverly, to Mrs. Mary Foster (widow of
  Jonathan Foster);

William died about 1816 in Beverly.<sup>5</sup>

Children of William and Sarah (born in Beverly):

i  Sarah, born 9 May 1752; married 21 May 1775, Beverly, to John
    Morgan Jr.

ii Anna, born 1 May 1754; died 1755;

Children of William and Mary Baker (born in Beverly):

iii Anna, born 28 Aug 1757; married 6 Jul 1777 (intent), Beverly, to
    Abraham Knolten of Wenham.

iv Child died 1759;

v Mary, born 12 Aug 1760;

vi John, born 6 Feb 1762; married 5 Jan 1783 (intent), Beverly, to Mrs.
    Hannah Woodberry; John and Hannah had children: Mary
    (born 27 May 1784), John Baker (born 28 Sep 1786), Andrew
    (born 17 Jan 1789) and Hannah (born 8 May 1791).

vii James, born 2 Jul 1763; married 5 Aug 1784, Danvers, Essex County,
    to Mrs. Anna Corning; buried 1 Jun 1811, Salem, age 48.
    James and Anna had children: William (born 22 Nov 1784),
    Benjamin (baptized 30 Jul 1786), Asa (baptized 18 Apr 1788)
    and Nancy (baptized 16 May 1796).

viii Charity, born 1 Feb 1765;

ix Andrew, born 16 Sep 1766;

x Abigail, born 7 Apr 1768.

xi William Jr., baptized 24 Sep 1769.

xii Asa, born 30 Apr 1771; married 31 Mar 1796, Wenham, to Molly
    Edwards; Asa and Molly had children: Benjamin Edwards
    (born 26 Oct 1797, died 26 Oct 1798); Asa (born 6 Oct 1800,
    died 11 Feb 1844); William (born 13 Apr 1802, died 26 Oct

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<sup>5</sup> "Record, Births, Marriages and Deaths, 1653-1890, Town of Beverly", Vol I., microfilm
images with digitized index, URL: <https://familysearch.org/search/collection/>
Feb 1817 John Taylor of Antrim, NH sells estate of his late father, Wm Taylor, of
Beverly, yeoman.
Section B. Taylors in New Hampshire

Early History of Amherst, New Hampshire

Benjamin Taylor moved from Middleton, to Amherst, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire, probably in about 1751 shortly after his marriage. He first appears in the records in Amherst beginning in 1753<6>. Much of what we know about Amherst and Benjamin, can be found in an 1883 compilation by Daniel Secomb. This town was known first as Narragansett Town No. 3, then as Souhegan West No. 3 and was part of a grant in 1685 by the General Court of the Province of Massachusetts Bay to participants of the 1678 battle of Narragansett in a war with Indian neighbors. This was finally implemented in 1733 by providing five separate sections of land for qualified veterans. Souhegan West #3 was one of these sections and was set aside specifically for grantees living in Lynn, Salem, Beverly and neighboring towns. As in each township, 120 home lots of sixty acres each were surveyed and made available to claimants. In addition to a

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6. Daniel F. Secomb, "History of the Town of Amherst ...", published 1883, Concord, N.H.. Accessible online for downloading or viewing at a variety of sites.
home lot, common areas were available for use by all (a pattern that was standard in early New England towns). A drawing was made in 1735 by claimants for the order of choosing individual lots. The rights to this land could then be redeemed by occupation or sold.

Initially the territory was a part of the very large town of Dunstable and was unsettled and mainly used as a source of lumber. It was located in an area where there was a controversy between Massachusetts and New Hampshire as to the boundary dividing the two colonies (see map 2). Dunstable, in addition to including a wide area along the northern border of present-day Massachusetts, included much of what became Hillsborough County, New Hampshire. This was finally settled in 1741 when King George II intervened directly. By the terms of the royal decree, twenty-eight townships were added to New Hampshire. Because the original charter for Souhegan West had been granted by the Massachusetts General Court, with the change in colonial jurisdiction, the town was in somewhat of a limbo. It petitioned the New Hampshire Governor and Council in 1753 for incorporation as a New Hampshire town but no action was taken until 1760 when it was replaced by a new town, Amherst, which was chartered by Governor Wentworth.

Amherst had a variety of geographical boundaries during its early years. It initially included land only on the north side of the Souhegan River. In 1770, the town of Monson on its southern border was annexed to the town because the land there was so poor that the settlers had difficulty making a living and maintaining it as a self-sustaining town. In its 24-year existence Monson never acquired any public building, never had a school and never had a church. Later, in 1794, the southwest quadrant of Amherst (parish #3) was separated, along with additions from Hollis, bordering Monson on the south, to form the town of Milford. In 1803, the northwest quadrant of Amherst (parish #2) was separated, along with additions from Lyndeborough, to form Mont Vernon. This brought Amherst to its present configuration.

We may ask, "What led Benjamin to move from Middleton to Amherst"? There are at least two connections. William Bradford, an older brother of Samuel Bradford who married Benjamin’s sister, Mary, had moved to Souhegan West in 1843, and Andrew Bradford, another brother of Samuel, had moved from
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Middleton to Souhegan West in 1845. Then Mary Baker, the wife of Benjamin’s cousin, William Taylor Sr. (#8 above), was the heir to one of the Souhegan settler lots which the Baker family sold in 1765, so Benjamin was well aware of the existence of the community.

Taylor Family - Continued
Fifth Generation
Son of Nathan Taylor (Speculation)

9. Benjamin Taylor Sr.
- born about 1725-1727, probably in Salem, Essex County, Massachusetts Bay Colony;
- married 4 Dec 1750, Middleton, Essex County, Elizabeth Foster;
  - born "about 1725?" (sic), Beverly, Essex County<7>
  - died 11 Mar 1789, Amherst<8>.
- Benjamin died 1 Jan 1776, Medford, Middlesex County, Massachusetts Bay Colony.

Children:

10  i Samuel Taylor, born about 1752, probably in Amherst.
Samuel appears first in Secomb’s town history when he signed a petition in 1776 with all other residents of Amherst in support of the war effort. There is no record of any military service by him. In 1783, he joined his brother, Jonathan, and a William Taylor, in signing a petition opposing the separation of the third parish from the town. Records survive for the baptism of three of his children, Elizabeth, Benjamin and Hannah in the Congregational Church between 1775 and 1783 (see Section C below)<9>. He moved from Amherst to Hillsborough, Hillsborough County, where he was listed in the 1790 census with three sons and three daughters. While in Hillsborough, in 1790 he and his brother Benjamin sold their rights to their mother’s estate in Amherst<10> and in 1793, he sold 50 acres

8. Elizabeth’s death is recorded in a family bible discussed later with the Benjamin Jr. family.
10. Amherst Deed Books, Hillsborough County Records, Nashua, NH.
  Book(27-348) 23 Jun 1790
  Samuel Taylor and Benjamin Taylor of County of Hillsborough, yeomen, for 72 pounds 8
  shillings paid by Jonathan Taylor of Amherst in the county aforesaid. The receipt whereof
  we do quit our full right and title to the real estate of our honored mother [and] do hereby
  sell him our full right to the said estate to Jonathan Taylor.

(continued...)
of land in Lyndeborough which adjoined land owned by Benjamin. The latter had paid tax on his land as a non-resident in 1786 and Samuel’s ownership was probably also as a non-resident<11>. He moved soon after 1793 from Hillsborough to Chester, Windsor County, Vermont. Later references to Samuel are discussed in Section C below.

ii Jonathan Taylor, born about 1754, Amherst.
Nothing is known of Jonathan’s marriage or death. His military service included participation in 1775 in the Battle of Bunker Hill with Capt. Josiah Crosby’s company and in 1778, he served in the same company in an attack on British forces in Rhode Island. His involvement in civic affairs included signing a general statement in favor of the war for the Committee of Safety in 1776. In 1783, he was probably living on his father’s farm in the original Amherst townsite when he joined his brother Samuel and William Taylor in signing a petition opposing separation of the third parish from the town (which eventually did take place with the formation of Milford). In 1790, Jonathan bought from his brothers Samuel and Benjamin their share of their mother’s estate after her death in 1789. The Amherst census that year lists him with a son born after 1774, two daughters and a wife. A Jonathan Taylor in the 1800 and 1810 census in neighboring New Boston may be this same Jonathan. If so, the census adds what appears to be a daughter-in-law and two grandchildren to the household. In 1820 the family of Jonathan’s son is missing. There is no evidence that he ever followed his brothers to Vermont.

11 iii Benjamin Taylor Jr., born 1757, Amherst.
Benjamin is included in Secomb’s history only in connection with his military record. This service included participation in the battle of White Plains in New York, in 1776 in Capt. Putnam’s company. Benjamin then was sent with Capt. Peabody’s company in 1777 to Ticonderoga to assist in its defense and he participated in the battle of Bennington in August 1777. In the summer of 1778 Benjamin and his brother Jonathan were sent to Rhode Island to

10. (...continued)
Witness: Eli Watkins, Benjamin Simonds; Signed: Samuel and Benj’a Taylor.

11. Ibid, Book (31-331) 20 Jun 1793
Samuel Taylor of Hillsborough in the County of Hillsborough in the State of New Hampshire, husbandman, sells to William Jr. and Nathan Bradford of Amherst, 50 acres in Lyndeborough [described by metes and bounds, adjoining land of Benjamin Taylor Jr.].
Witness: Benj’a Peirce, Benjamin Taylor; Signed: Samuel Taylor, Thankful Taylor.
assist in attacks on British forces there. Benjamin lived in Amherst until at least 1790 when he was listed in the census in that community. He owned land in Lyndeborough adjacent to Amherst on which he paid taxes in 1786 as a non-resident<sup>12</sup>. In 1793 when his brother, Samuel, sold adjoining land, Benjamin witnessed the deed. A deed for Benjamin’s sale of his own land in Lyndeborough is lacking, but sometime before 1800 he moved to Vermont and joined his brother, Samuel, in Chester, Windsor County.

**Notes for Benjamin Taylor Sr.**

We have already discussed Benjamin's time in Massachusetts. There is no record in Middleton of any of Benjamin Taylor’s children being born there. He probably left there for Amherst shortly before the birth of his first son, Samuel, in about 1752. He was probably drawn there by the fact that the husband of his sister Mary, Samuel Bradford, was a younger brother of William and Andrew Bradford both of whom moved from Middleton to Amherst where they were among the earliest settlers<sup>13</sup>. William moved in 1743 and Andrew followed in 1745. Mary and Samuel remained in Middleton until 1766, raising six children there. Andrew Bradford was the father of Rebecca Bradford who married Benjamin’s son, Benjamin Jr.

We have already mentioned that the first of many references to Benjamin in Amherst was in 1753<sup>14</sup>. Early documents refer to Benjamin as a "housewright" (a carpenter or builder of homes). This must have changed rather quickly to being a land owner (yeoman). He sold two first division lots in 1767 to Josiah


13. The genealogy of the Bradford family, beginning with the immigrant Robert Bradford, is given in the Addendum to this chapter.


In order of date and inclusion in the town history, references to Benjamin Sr. include:

- Benjamin Taylor included among signers of a petition to the Governor and Council of New Hampshire, 16 Jan 1753, asking that Amherst be incorporated as a town [eventually formally organized at a meeting 20 Feb 1760, at which time Benjamin was elected surveyor of highways].
- Benjamin Taylor listed among the resident tax-payers in town of Amherst, September 1760.
- Benjamin among signers of a memorial to the Governor in 1763 protesting the annexation of part of the town of Monson to the town of Hollis.
- Benjamin served as town selectman during 1766, 1767 and 1769.
- Benjamin appointed to a committee in 1768 to increase space in meeting house.
- Benjamin Taylor served as captain of a militia company of 61 men raised in Amherst and Wilton, sent from New Hampshire to Winter Hill near Boston in December 1775.
- Capt Taylor died at Medford, Massachusetts, Feb 1776.
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Abbott of New Hampshire and still had 150 acres in his estate when he died<sup>15</sup>. Later records refer to him by the title "gentleman". Records of the settlement of his estate confirm the name of his widow and the names of his sons <sup>16</sup>. His position in the community is shown by the fact that he was elected three times to be one of six selectmen for the village and was captain of a regional militia company that was called in 1775 to replace Connecticut militia troops in Boston whose enlistment was expiring. This company included many Amherst volunteers but also men from several of the surrounding towns whose histories refer to their residents serving in his company. Stationed in Cambridge, the company was part of the defense of Boston. Unfortunately, Benjamin was not able to bring his company home at the end of their three-month enlistment as he died from dysentery in Medford, Massachusetts, in January 1776.

Section C. Taylors in Vermont
With the movement of Samuel and Benjamin Taylor from New Hampshire to

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15. **Amherst Deed Books, 1767 Nov 20** Book(2-195,197) [two deeds]
Benjamin Taylor of a new plantation called Souhegan West No. 3 in the Province of New Hampshire in New England, house wright, sold to Josiah Abbott, blacksmith, of Andover in the County of Essex in New England ... two first division lots in Souhegan.
Recorded 25 Jul 1772

16. **Hillsborough County Court Docket #09046,** packet of documents which includes:
27 Mar 1776 Report of inventory of estate of Capt. Benjamin Taylor (including 150 ac land, 1 yoke of oxen, 6 horses, 5 head of cattle and 8 sheep).
4 Apr 1776 Warrant to divide the real estate of Benjamin Taylor, gentleman, dec’d.
Elisabeth [sic] Taylor, widow to receive dower portion Remaining two-thirds to children, namely: Samuel, Jonathan, and Benjamin.

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Vermont, the Taylor history moved on to a new phase. Probably a variety of factors prompted this move. As a young man, Benjamin had passed through this land in military expeditions to Ticonderoga and Bennington so he was aware of the fact it had terrain favorable for farming. One historian noted, "Between 1710 and 1760 the combined population of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut leaped from about 100,000 to over 400,000. Land, good farming land especially, became increasingly scarce and expensive. Young adults eager to establish their own homesteads found it difficult to buy sufficient acreage for a good farm in their native provinces and began looking elsewhere." Some of this pressure of population growth applied also to southern New Hampshire. Hillsborough County population increased from 33,000 in 1790 to 44,000 in 1800, a 33% increase. The immediate timing of Samuel and Benjamin's move may have been influenced by the fact that Vermont had become a state in 1791 resulting in settlement of earlier legal disputes between New Hampshire and New York on ownership of land.

Sixth Generation

Children of Benjamin Taylor Sr.

10. Samuel Taylor
   - born about 1752, probably in Amherst, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire;
   - married about 1774, in Amherst, to Thankful Woodbury (daughter of Josiah Woodbury and Hannah Perkins<17>);
     - born 21 Oct 1753, Beverly, Massachusetts.
   - Samuel died 20 Jun 1829, Andover, Windsor County, Vermont.
     Children of Samuel and Thankful:

*   i Elizabeth "Betsey" Taylor, baptized 12 Nov 1775, Amherst, New Hampshire. Betsey married Benjamin Manning in 1796 (see #9, Chapter 2, Manning Family History). (Their daughter Betsey Manning married Benjamin Jr's son, Chandler Taylor, Betsey's first cousin, and their daughter Thankful Manning married Chandler's brother, Philander Taylor.)

   ii Benjamin Taylor, baptized 20 Dec 1778, Amherst, New Hampshire.

   iii Jonathan Taylor
     - born 1780?, Amherst, New Hampshire;
     - married (1) Hannah --?--; died 24 Nov 1819, age 32;
     - married (2) Phebe --?--; died 5 Mar 1845, age 57;

Josiah Woodbury II, born 15 Feb 1708/9 in Beverly, Essex County, Massachusetts; died 12 Dec 1773; married 15 Jun 1731, Ipswich, Essex County, to Hannah Perkins (born 1715 in Ipswich; died 1761). They had 13 children, 5 of whom died early.
- Jonathan died 25 Mar 1841, age 60.<sup>18</sup>

iv  **Samuel Taylor Jr**, born 11 Mar 1781, Amherst, New Hampshire; died 1 Sep 1841; married **Linda Spencer** (born 1784). They had children: Ephraim Ward (born 16 Sep 1805); Spencer (born 14 Jun 1807); Linda (born 1 Jan 1809, died 9 Apr 1812); Benjamin (born 26 Apr 1811, died 29 Feb 1812); Melinda (born 26 Aug 1813); Roxy Carline (born 2 Feb 1816); and son Quin (16 Oct 1819).

v  **Hannah Taylor**, baptized 4 May 1783, Amherst, New Hampshire; married **William Slack**?

vi  **Mary Taylor**, born about 1786, probably in Hillsborough, New Hampshire; married --?--- **Perkins** before 1804.

vii  **Levi Taylor**, born about 1790, Hillsborough, New Hampshire. He is believed to be the Levi Taylor who lived in Weathersfield township through the 1820 to 1840 census periods.

viii  **Martha Taylor**, born about 1792, probably in Hillsborough, New Hampshire.

ix  **Reuben Taylor (speculation)**, born about 1794, Chester, Vermont; married **Polly --??--**, Chester, Vermont.<sup>19</sup>

**Notes for Samuel Taylor**
The last records for Samuel in New Hampshire are dated 1793 when he sold land. By 1796, Samuel's family was living in Chester, Windsor County, Vermont, at which time he had settled in enough that he was appointed surveyor of highways. He was also in a listing of freemen in the town records of 1798. He moved from Chester to the neighboring town of Andover, probably when he bought land in there in 1802. A court summons in 1804 gives the names of three of Samuel's younger children, Mary, Levi and Martha. Samuel and his wife appear to have spent the last years of their life living with their son, Jonathan. Both parents were in the 1820 Andover census with Jonathan, then after Samuel died in 1829, his widow, Thankful, is listed with Jonathan's family in the 1830 census.

**11. Benjamin Taylor Jr.**
- born 1757, Amherst, New Hampshire
- married 8 Mar 1781, Amherst, to **Rebecca Bradford** (<sup>see #B5 in Addendum, Bradford Family Genealogy</sup>)

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18. Grave inscriptions at East Hill Cemetery, Andover, Vermont.

19. A Reuben Taylor's marriage is mentioned in Chester Township records, but the name of bride and date of marriage are missing. This Reuben is undoubtedly the Reuben who appeared in census records for Plymouth Township from 1820 thru 1850.
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- born 7 Nov 1757, Amherst
- died 3 Jun 1840, Andover, Vermont (age 82 years, 6 months, 27 days)

- Benjamin died 30 Nov 1822, Andover, Windsor County, Vermont.

Children of Benjamin and Rebecca:

i. **Benjamin Taylor III**
- born 17 Oct 1782, Amherst, New Hampshire
- married Andover, Vermont, 17 Apr 1804 to **Polly Pettengill** of Andover.
- Benjamin died 17 Mar 1829 (age 46 years, 5 months).

  Children of Benjamin and Polly (all born in Windsor County, Vermont):
  a. **Mary Green Taylor**, born 11 Sep 1806, Andover
  b. **Louisa Pettengill Taylor**, born 18 Jul 1808, Ludlow
  c. **Benjamin Holden Taylor**, born 1 Jul 1810, Ludlow.

The younger Benjamin appears to have moved from Andover to Ludlow between 1806 and 1808 based upon the birthplaces for his children recorded in Ludlow town records. He is listed in the 1810 Ludlow census with his wife and three children along with a teen-age girl who may have been a sister of either Benjamin or his wife. There appears to be no further record of Benjamin in Windsor County after 1810.

ii. **Sebrean /Sybrian C. Taylor**
- born 10 Feb 1785, Amherst, New Hampshire
- married about 1815, **Polly [Unknown]**
- born about 1789, Massachusetts.
- Sebrean died 14 Jul 1869.

  Children of Sebrean and Polly (all born Windsor County):
  a. **Son**, born about 1816, Andover
  b. **Elizabeth Simonds Taylor**, born 13 Nov 1818, Andover
  c. **Harriet Carter Taylor**, born 7 May 1820, Andover
  d. **Fernando Foster Taylor**, born 15 Feb 1822, Andover; died: 27 Feb 1822, Andover
  e. **Fernando Cortes Taylor**, born 17 Jun 1823, Andover
  f. **Son**, born after 1825, probably in Weston.

**Notes for Sebrean Taylor**
Sebrean's name is spelled in a variety of ways. Sebrean enlisted in the War of 1812 and presumably married shortly thereafter. Dates of birth for the children whose names are known are listed in Andover town records. Sebrean was living with his parents at the time of the 1790, 1800 and 1810 census. He was listed with his own family in the 1820 Andover census, in the 1830 census for Weston, Windsor County and in the 1840...
census for Baltimore, a small town sandwiched between Cavendish and Weathersfield (see Map 4). In 1850 he was back in Weston. He and his brother Chandler were given land in Andover by their parents in 1819. A deed from Sebrean to his brother Chandler Taylor in 1823 may represent the date of his move from Andover to Weston.


iv. Foster Taylor
- born 16 Jul 1789, Amherst, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire
- married (1) 22 May 1817, Andover, Vermont, Abigail "Nabby" Parker
  - born 2 Sep 1793
  - died 12 Jul 1851, Tioga, Tioga County, New York
- married (2) 6 Oct 1852, Nancy Parker.
- Foster died 26 Mar 1872, Lycoming, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania.
Children of Foster and Nabby:
a. Alonzo Foster Taylor, born 1 Mar 1818; married 7 Sep 1837, Sally Maria Ellas.
b. Harriet Newell Taylor, born 18 May 1820; died 28 Apr 1848, age 27 years, 11 months; married [Unknown] Casterline.
c. Abigail Goodrich Taylor, born 26 Apr 1822; died 15 Jun 1899, age 77; married 1 Jan 1841, James W. Smith.
d. Laura Minerva Taylor, born 17 Jan 1825; married 14 Sep 1843, Theodore A. Miller.
e. Horace Taylor, born 24 Feb 1827.
f. Amanda Taylor, born 27 May 1829; died 6 Dec 1856.
g. William Parker Taylor, born 19 Sep 1833; died Feb 1882.
h. Fanny L. Taylor, born 4 Aug 1836.

Notes for Foster Taylor
Foster was given his grandmother's maiden name. A family bible owned by his family provides marriage information for his family and also his parents<sup>20</sup>. He was listed in the 1790 and 1800 census (and possibly also 1810) in Andover, then moved to Woodstock, Windsor County, Vermont, after his marriage. He moved again, to Tioga County, New York, some time

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20. The bible was purchased at a used book sale and listed for resale on EBay in 2010. It was sold at a price reflecting its value as a fine example of bible printing and binding. Before delivering it to the buyer, the seller abstracted the genealogy information from the book and sent it to the writer of this document.
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before 1830. His brothers Chandler and Philender followed him to Tioga County between 1830 and 1840. He remained in New York until after 1850. By 1860 he was living in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania, with his son William.


vi. Chandler Taylor
- born 18 Aug 1794, probably in Hillsborough County, New Hampshire
- married (1) 8 Aug 1821, Andover, Vermont, to Betsey T. Manning (see Manning Family history) (a sister of Thankful Manning who married Philander Taylor)
  - born 7 Jun 1799, Andover, Vermont
  - died 16 Jan 1835, Tioga County, New York
- married (2) probably in Tioga County, New York, to Emily [Unknown].
- Chandler died 27 Nov 1857, Troy, Bradford County, Pennsylvania
Children of Chandler and Betsey:
  d. Betsey Parthena Taylor, born 1 Jan 1827, Weathersfield.
  e. Foster Lewis Taylor, born 29 Nov 1829, Weathersfield.
  g. Ryland Fletcher Taylor, born 26 Dec 1832, Weathersfield.
  h. Minerva Taylor, born about 1833, Tioga County, New York.

Children of Chandler and Emily:
  i. Henry Newell Taylor, born about 1840, Tioga County, New York.
  j. Francis L Taylor (M), born about 1844, Bradford County, Pennsylvania.

Notes for Chandler Taylor
Chandler’s family is included in the book "The Manning Families of New England and Descendants" (see references for Chapter 5). Eight of his children are listed there, but his presumed marriage to Emily is not, and the date given for the birth of Henry is wrong. His first marriage and the date of birth of his oldest son are listed in Andover town records but a marriage date (of 8 Aug 1821) is uncertain. Andover records also include deeds dated 1823 and 1824. From the birthplaces given for his children, and the dates of these deeds, he apparently moved from Andover to Weathersfield
about 1824. He was listed in the 1830 Weathersfield census in Vermont, then in the 1840 census for Tioga County, New York, and the 1850 census for Bradford County, Pennsylvania. The move to Tioga County was probably at the same time as Philander Taylor’s move to Spencer, New York, in about 1832. Chandler moved across the New York state line to Grandville, Bradford County, Pennsylvania between 1840 and 1845 as his youngest child, Francis, was born there. In the 1840 and 1850 census, Emily Taylor was present and is assumed to be a second wife.

vii. Ephraim W. Taylor, born 10 Jul 1797, Chester, Vermont; died 30 Oct 1803, Andover, Vermont. Ephraim’s grave is in the East Hill Cemetery, in Andover. It is inscribed: “Son of Benjamin and Rebecca Taylor, died [illegible], age 6”.

12 viii. Philander/Philender Taylor
- born 17 Jan 1801, Chester, Vermont,
- married (1) 4 Dec 1824, Andover, Vermont Thankful Woodbury Manning

(the remainder of the description of Philander's family is in Chapter 1B).

Notes for Philander Taylor
A handful of references to Philander in Vermont are summarized here. After his marriage (by Thankful’s uncle, Joel Manning), he moved to Weathersfield, Vermont in about 1825. Besides his marriage record, his purchase of two lots in Weathersfield in 1827 and the sale of that land in 1832 are recorded in Weathersfield land records<21>, but there is no record of any of his children’s births. He was baptized into the Freewill Baptist Church in Springfield and became a deacon in that church<22>. He moved to Spencer, Tioga Co., Vermont in about 1832. His life is described further in the next chapter.

Notes for Benjamin Taylor Jr.
A footnote reference has already been made to a family bible that surfaced in

21. Land Records, Weathersfield town hall, Ascuney, VT
   9-481 (10 Apr 1827) - Deed to Philander Taylor from John Streeter 2nd, for lots 3 and 4 in 3rd division of lots; witness Joshua Upham, Caleb Upham
   10-438 (13 Apr 1832) - Deed from Philender Taylor to Orsamus and Addison Fitch; witness Caleb Upham, Thankful W. Taylor.

22. "Historical Sketch of the North Springfield Baptist Church", Read by the Pastor Rev. R. G. Johnson, Printed by Ludlow, Warner & Hyde, 1880
   "Among those who have united with us by baptism, a goodly number have entered the Christian ministry, and many of them advanced to the first rank in our denomination [including] Philander Taylor, of Freedom, Ill., who has baptized nearly one thousand persons, besides rendering valuable assistance in many revival efforts.”
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2010, giving details of Benjamin's family and that of his son, Foster. Aside from that, the first documentary references to Benjamin Taylor are in the military records of Amherst, New Hampshire, which we have already discussed in Section B above. We have also discussed deeds to which he was a party.

Benjamin first appeared in Vermont records in 1797 when he was appointed surveyor of highways in Chester. He was also present in the 1800 Chester census. In about 1802 he sold his land in Chester and bought land in Andover (see map 4). He was listed in the Andover tax lists in 1802 for the first time (he was missing in 1799, 1800 and 1801). Benjamin was listed in both the 1810 and 1820 census in Andover township. An older female born about 1774, living with Benjamin and his wife from 1790 to 1820 has not been identified.

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ADDENDUM
Genealogy of Rebecca Bradford Taylor - wife of Benjamin Taylor Sr

First Generation
B1. Robert Bradford - Immigrant
- born about 1626, England
- Robert died 13 Jan 1707, age 80 years, Beverly, Essex County, Massachusetts Bay Colony.
  Children included:
  i  Robert
B2  ii  William

Second Generation
B2. William Bradford Sr. - son of Robert
- born about 1640
- married 14 Nov 1676, Beverly, to Rachel Raymont.
- William died 15 Jun 1717, Beverly, rope maker.
  Children (all born in Beverly):
  i  Abigail, born 15 Sep 1682; married Jul 1701 (intent), Beverly, to Philip Deland.
  ii  Rachel, born 13 Jul 1684; married 1702, Beverly, to Nathaniel Jones of Ipswich, Essex County
B3  iii  William, born Dec 1686.
iv  John, born 26 Feb 1689/90; died 29 Mar 1751, Beverly. Married (1) 26 Dec 1717, Beverly, to Ann Lovett; married (2) Hannah --?--
  -. John and Ann had several children. He was a mariner.
v  Bethiah, born 20 Jun 1692; married 29 Dec 1720, Beverly, to William Howard Jr. of Ipswich.
vi  **Rebecca**, baptized 11 Mar 1694.

**Third Generation**

- born Dec 1686, Beverly
- married 25 Dec 1707, Beverly, to **Grace Elliot**.
- William died 1761, Middleton, Essex County. William was a sailor. He moved from Beverly to Boxford, Essex County in 1722, then in 1743 he moved to Middleton.

Children:

i  **Robert**, born 14 Jun 1708, Beverly; died 1790 Middleton. Married **Hepzibah Averill** who died before Robert. Robert was taxed in Boxford from 1729 to 1732, then moved to Middleton where he was a housewright.

ii **Mercy [Marcy/Mary]**, born 1 May 1710, Beverly; married 7 Aug 1734, Boxford, to **Abraham Gage** of Bradford, Essex County. Mary and Abraham moved to Middleton.

iii  **Rachel**, born 1 Sep 1712, Beverly; married 4 Feb 1741/2, Beverly, to **Jacob Dresser**.

iv  **Elizabeth**, born 10 Jan 1714, Beverly.

v **William III**, born 25 Apr 1715, Beverly; died 1791, Amherst, Essex County, New Hampshire. Married 18 Jan 1737, Middleton, to **Mary Lambert**. He lived in Boxford from 1737 to 1747, then moved to Amherst. They had children: Samuel (born 22 Dec 1738); Patience (born 25 Sep 1740); Mary (baptized 1742); Enos (born 3 Nov 1744); Joseph; William Jr.; Huldah; Olive; Eunice; Hannah (born 29 May 1773) and son Lambert (born 18 Mar 1775). William is mentioned frequently in Amherst records, the first time being in 1745 when he was named one of three surveyors of highways. Appointed selectman in 1760; served as captain of militia, then major, frequently named as a member of town committees. William and his children lived in the northwest quarter of Amherst, which later became the town of Mont Vernon.

vi  **Charles**, born 3 Nov 1716, Beverly.

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vii  **Andrew**, born 1 Nov 1717, Beverly.

viii  **Sarah**, born 15 Dec 1718, Beverly.

ix  **Samuel**, baptized 8 May 1720, Beverly; died Aug 1776, Hillsborough, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire. Married 29 Dec 1743, Middleton, to **Mary Taylor** (sister of Benjamin Sr.). They had children (all born in Middleton): Timothy (born 17 Sep 1745), William (born 13 Jun 1747), Samuel (born 1749, died in infancy), Samuel Jr. (born 21 Jun 1752), Elizabeth (born 5 Feb 1758) and Andrew (baptized 30 Aug
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1761).
Samuel moved about 1764 with other Middleton citizens to Hillsborough where he was known as "Capt. Sam". He was a housewright then a tavern keeper in Middleton. He opened the first tavern in Hillsborough as well as operated a sawmill there. He was also captain of the first militia company in the town.

x  Jerusha, born 20 Dec 1722.
xi  Patience, born 3 Nov 1723, Boxford.

xii Bethiah, born 20 Jul 1726, Boxford; married John Gould of Newbury, Massachusetts.

xiii Lucy, born 22 Aug 1729, Boxford; married Daniel Wilkins.

Fourth Generation


- born 1 Nov 1717, Beverly, Massachusetts;
- married (1) Boxford, Massachusetts, 16 Jun 1743, to Rebecca[Rebekah] Cole;
- married (2) about 1756, to Mrs. Hannah (Goffe) Chandler of Bedford
  - born 6 Jan 1723 (daughter of Col. John Goffe);
  - died 14 Dec 1819, Milford, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire.
- Andrew died 1798, Milford, age 81.

Children of Andrew and Rebecca:

(a) John, born 1744, Amherst, Hillsborough County; died 27 Jun 1836, Hancock; married Sarah Putnam (died 27 Apr 1822, age 75).

Children of Andrew and Hannah:

B5 (b) Rebecca, born 7 Nov 1757; married Benjamin Taylor (see #12 above).

(c) Mary, born 12 Jun 1760, Amherst; died 8 Sep 1840, Milford; married 12 Sep 1780, to John Wallace of Amherst.

(d) Andrew, born 11 Jun 1763, Amherst; died 31 Jan 1836, North Springfield, Vermont; married (intent) 19 Dec 1785, Reading, Massachusetts, to Lucy Parker.

(e) Mehitabel, born 27 Jul 1766, Amherst; married (1) 28 May 1782, to Elijah Averill of Mont Vernon; married (2) 4 Jul 1809, to Dr. Henry Codman; married (3) 4 Jan 1826, to Ezekial Upton.

Andrew was taxed in Boxford, Massachusetts, from 1739 to 1741 and was described as a husbandman and housewright. In 1741, he bought from Richard Mowero of Lynn, Massachusetts, the rights of John Farrington (son of John Farrington of Lynn) to lot 22 and lot 110 in Souhegan West (later Amherst), New Hampshire. He moved to Souhegan West in 1745 at which time his wife was dismissed from the Boxford church to the church at Souhegan West. Andrew and his son John lived in the south part of Amherst which eventually became the town of Milford. They both are
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mentioned frequently in Amherst town records.

Milford history accounts have: "Andrew Bradford, from Middleton, Mass., another pioneer, settled upon the farm in the north part of the town now owned by J. Fitch Crosby. His son, Capt. John Bradford, commanded a company at the Battle of Bennington, where he received honorable mentions for his bravery. His grandson, Ephraim Bradford, for many years the pastor of the church at New Boston, was one of the ablest clergymen of our state. Andrew died at the age of eighty years in 1798."

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