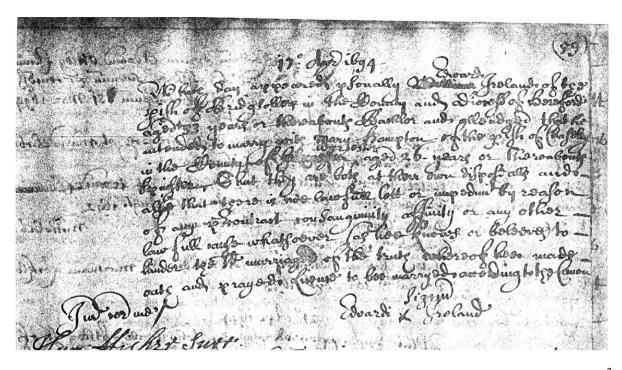
The Parentage of Mary Hampton Ireland

Edward Ireland of Bridge Sollers, Herefordshire, aged 33 and Mary Hampton of Chaceley, Worcestershire, aged 26, were married at Ledbury, Hereford, by license dated 17 April 1694.



Mary Ireland, widow, was buried at Longdon, Worcestershire, 19 February, 1712/13.² Administration if her estate was granted at Worcester on 23 March 1712/13³ to her daughter, Mary Ireland. A party to the administration was John Hampton of the Parish of Chaceley in the County of Worcester, yeoman. This substantiates Mary Hampton's link to Chaceley.

Based on the Marriage Allegation Mary was born in about 1667/1668. There is no record of any Hampton baptisms at Chaceley at this time⁴.

The first references to members of the Hampton family of Chaceley are:

10 May 1688 Indenture between William Buckle the elder, gent. his son William Buckle the younger, gent. both of Chaceley, co. Worc., Thomas Clements of Painswicke, co. Glouc., gent., and John Hampton of Deerhurst Walton, co. Glouc., yeoman, concerning premises and land in Chatesley, alias Chaceley⁵ Baptism of John son of Edward & Mary Hampton⁶ 6 Nov 1688

14 Apr 1692 Baptism of Anne daughter of Thomas & Elizabeth Hampton⁷

John Fletcher issued a license to marry Sarah Hampton of Chaceley, aged⁸ 28 Oct 1693 John Hyes and Margaret, both of Chaceley, married at Bushley, Worcs 16 Apr 1694

Edward Ireland issued a license to marry Mary Hampton of Chaceley, aged 17 Apr 1694 26^{10}

Herefordshire Marriage licence books, and bonds, 1660-1909, LDS Film 991578

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/longdon/longdonvol3part2.htm

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/wills/irelandwills/MaryIreland1713.htm

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/chaceley/chaceleyvol1pt1.htm

http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/a2a/records.aspx?cat=143-ms3307&cid=1-32&kw=hampton%20chaceley#1-32

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/chaceley/chaceleyvol1pt1.htm

ibid

Worcestershire Marriage bonds and allegations, 1553-1875 LDS Film 291388

The Registers of Bushley, Worcestershire Parish Register Society 1913, page 89

1 Nov 1695	William Clarke of Eldersfield & Elizabeth Hampton of Chaceley married at
	Eldersfield by license – "puella" 20, both her parents living 11
27 Jan 1699	Henry Bailes & Elizabeth Hampton, both of Chaceley, married at Longdon by
	Banns ¹²
26 Dec 1704	Mary Hampton of Chasely was buried at Deerhurst ¹³
1707-1724	Baptism of the children of John & Sarah & then of John & Anne Hampton ¹⁴
23 Mar 1712	Administration of the estate of Mary Ireland granted her daughter Mary, John
	Hampton of Chaceley, bondsman. 15

These records indicate the presence in Chaceley at the time Mary Hampton was married of two couples, Edward and Mary Hampton, and Thomas and Elizabeth Hampton, and a separate individual, John Hampton of Deerhurst Walton.

Edward and Mary Hampton

The monumental inscriptions of Deerhurst¹⁶ give more information about the burial of Mary Hampton:

> Edmund Hampton, died 12 December, 1709, aged 76 and Mary his wife, died 23 December 1704 aged 64

They had only one child baptised at Chaceley, John in 1688. Based on the ages at death Edmund was born in about 1633 and Mary in about 1640. They were, therefore, old enough in 1668 (aged 35 and 28 respectively) to have had a daughter named Mary born in or about that year.

Thomas and Elizabeth Hampton

Thomas Hampton of Apperley, Deerhurst aged 50, widow married Elizabeth Kerry of Apperley aged 30 by license issued 30 March 1687.¹⁷

Thomas left a will dated 31 March 1698¹⁸. Probate was granted 8 November 1701. This identifies his burial at Deerhurst¹⁹ with his first wife:

Thomas Hampton, died 17 October, 1701, aged 76 and Margaret, his wife, died 9 December, 1682.

In his will he leaves a bequest of £50 to his daughter Mary Hampton. As this daughter was unmarried in 1698, she cannot have been the same Mary Hampton who married at Ledbury in 1694.

John Hampton of Deerhurst Walton, yeoman

It is very difficult to identify this man as the name John Hampton is very common at Deerhurst. The most probable person is John, husband of Joan Hampton, who had children

¹⁰ Herefordshire Marriage licence books, and bonds, 1660-1909, LDS Film 991578

¹¹ http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/eldersfield/eldersfield3.htm

¹² http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/longdon/longdonvol3part4.htm

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/deerhurst/deerhurstvol4pt2.htm

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/chaceley/chaceley.htm#volume1
http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/wills/irelandwills/MaryIreland1713.htm

¹⁶ Historical, Monumental and Genealogical Collections Relative to the County of Gloucester by Ralph Bigland, BGAS 1990, Part 2, page 486

¹⁷ Marriage Allegations in the Diocese of Gloucester Volume II 1681-1700, edited by Brian Frith, page 83 The marriage took place at St Mary de Lode, Gloucester, 2 April 1687.

¹⁸ http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/wills/otherwills/ThomasHampton1701.htm

¹⁹ Bigland op.cit. page 486

baptised at Deerhurst between 1687 and 1692.²⁰ This John is far too young to have been the father of a child in 1668.

Conclusion

Edmund (born ca.1633) & Mary (born ca.1640) are the only apparent candidates to be parents of Mary Hampton Ireland.

Mary Hampton's mother

According to documents dating from the late 18th century²¹ Mary's mother was a Hayward. As the Ireland family settled at Forthampton soon after their marriage, the Mary's mother was probably a member of the Hayward family of Forthampton.

The only Mary Hayward born at Forthampton in about 1640 is Mary daughter of Thomas Cox als Hayward, born prior to 2 Aug 1641 when her grandfather, Thomas Hayward of the Lower House, Forthampton, wrote his will.²²

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http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/deerhurst/deerhurstvol2pt2.htm and http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/deerhurst/deerhurstvol3.htm#christenings

²¹ The Bigland Collection, The College of Arms, III 69

²² http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wrag44/wills/haywardwills/ThomasHayward1647.htm