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THE HUSSEY FAMILY

The Hussey family was obviously originally French, coming to England at the time of the Norman Invasion. Our line lived in the County of Surrey in England.

Christopher Hussey came to America and his granddaughter, Puella Hussey, married Shubael Gorham on Cape Cod; their daughter married into the Fitch family, the Fitch family into the Barnard family and the Barnard family into our Canaday family. The Hussey family also married with our Bunker family, which created a double tie in on our direct lineage.

The Hussey and Gorham families had some members on Nantucket, but most were on the mainland. The members of the family that did go to Nantucket did a lot of intermarrying with the others, like all our lines there.

I will begin this history in England and carry the Hussey family to the generation that married into the Gorham family.

WILLIAM HUSSEY

William is the earliest known member of the family. He was born in 1391 and had at least one son, John Hussey.

JOHN HUSSEY

John was born in 1417 in Old Sleaford, Lincolnshire, England. He married Elizabeth Sheffield from Yorkshire.

John and Elizabeth had three sons, and probably a few daughters as well.

SIR WILLIAM HUSSEY our line and covered next.

GILBERT HUSSEY

THOMAS HUSSEY

Sir WILLIAM HUSSEY

William was born in 1443. In about 1464, he married Elizabeth Berkeley of Wymondham, Leicester. She was born about 1445 and was a daughter of Thomas Berkeley IV and Petronella Brooksby.

He died September 8, 1495. Elizabeth died December 21, 1504 in Sempringham. They had five children:

Sir JOHN HUSSEY born in 1466. This is our line and covered next.

Sir WILLIAM HUSSEY who married Ann Salvaine.

Sir ROBERT HUSSEY born in Linwood in 1467. He married Ann Say, and died May 20, 1546.

ELIZABETH HUSSEY who married Richard Grey in 1509, and died in 1516.

MARY HUSSEY who married Lord William Willoughby.

Sir JOHN HUSSEY

He was born in 1466 in Sleaford, Lincolnshire. He was married twice, first to Anne Grey, daughter of George Grey and Katherine Herbert, and then to Margaret Blount.

He seems to have fallen out of favor, as he was beheaded in Lincoln on January 29, 1537.

He had 8 children, seven by Anne and the last by Margaret:

Sir GILES HUSSEY born in 1505, this is our line.

THOMAS HUSSEY

BRIDGET HUSSEY who married Sir Richard Morison.

ELIZABETH HUSSEY who married William Hungerford.

ANNE HUSSEY

DOROTHY HUSSEY who married Edward Docwray.

MARY HUSSEY who married Humphrey Dymock.

Sir WILLIAM HUSSEY who married Ursala Lovell.

Sir GILES HUSSEY

He was born in 1505 in Caythorpe, Lincolnshire. He married Jane Pigot of Clotheram, Yorkshire.

They had four children:

THOMAS HUSSEY born in 1526. This is our line.

FRANCIS HUSSEY

ALICE HUSSEY who married Blaise Holland.

ELIZABETH HUSSEY who married Perival Lumpley.

THOMAS HUSSEY

Thomas was born in 1526. He married Bridget Bowes, daughter of Richard Bowes of Aske, Yorkshire. They had three children:

GEORGE HUSSEY born in 1551. He is our line.

JOHN HUSSEY who married Elizabeth Metcalfe.

ELIZABETH HUSSEY who married Thomas Stydolf.

GEORGE HUSSEY

I don't have much on him at all, except he had at least one child, John Hussey of Dorking.

JOHN HUSSEY

John Hussey was born in Dorking, England in 1571-1572. He married Mary Wood (Woodin) in Dorking, Surrey on December 5, 1593. He remained in that area most of his life, and died on July 24, 1632. He is buried in Dorking, Surrey.

Marie must have traveled to America with her son Christopher, as she died in Hampton, New Hampshire (part of Massachusetts at that time) on June 16, 1660.

He had several children, but I only have information on the son Christopher who came to America. The children were:

JOHN HUSSEY baptized April 29, 1594 and died as a child January 8, 1597.

CHRISTOPHER HUSSEY who is our line and covered next.

MARIE HUSSEY born in 1599.

JOSEPH HUSSEY born in 1601.

CHRISTOPHER HUSSEY

Christopher was baptized in Dorking, Surrey, England on February 18, 1599. He was most likely born earlier, but I don't know.

Starbuck's book says he traveled to Holland when he was very young. This is where he met his wife. I assume she and her family were English as well. At any rate, he married Theodate Bachelder in about 1631 in Holland. The story goes that his father-in-law only gave permission

with the understanding that they would all go to America together. I guess that was okay with Chris as in 1632, Christopher, Theodate and her father arrived in Boston on the ship *William and Francis*.

Theodate's parents were the Reverend Stephen Bachelder and Ann Bates. She was born about 1598 in Wherewell, Hampshire, England.

They settled just north of Boston at Lynn, Massachusetts. Here the Reverend Bachelder took up duties at a local church and was the one that baptized Christopher and Theodate's first child, Stephen, on June 8, 1632.

Shortly afterwards, the whole family moved to Newbury, Massachusetts. Christopher was elected a selectman there in 1636. In 1638, Christopher and his family and the Reverend Bachelder all moved to Hampton, Massachusetts. Hampton is now in New Hampshire, but was part of the Massachusetts Bay Colony at the time, as was all of Maine and New Hampshire.

Christopher, Theodate and her father all remained for the rest of their lives in Hampton and died there. Reverend Bachelder died in 1632 or 1633, Christopher Hussey died there on March 6, 1686, and Theodate had died there October 20, 1649.

Another account states Christopher was a seafarer and was cast ashore in Florida where he died. I'm not certain where he died, but the date is the same, March 6, 1686.

Christopher and Theodate Hussey had five children:

Stephen Hussey

He was born June 8, 1632 in Lynn, Massachusetts. He married Martha Bunker on October 8, 1676. He died February 2, 1718.

He was the only member of the family to go to Nantucket. This is our line, and his life is covered in the next section.

Joseph Hussey

Joseph was born February 29, 1633/34 in Lynn, Massachusetts. He died in 1672

John Hussey

John was born in Lynn on February 28, 1635/36. He married Rebecca Perkins September 21, 1659. He died February 18, 1707.

Mary Hussey

Mary was baptized April 2, 1637. She first married Thomas Page on February 2, 1664. She later married Henry Green and then Henry Dow. She died almost at age ninety four on January 21, 1733.

Theodate Hussey

She was born August 23, 1640 in Hampton, Rockingham County, Massachusetts (now New Hampshire). She died at age nine on October 20, 1649.

Hulda Hussey

She was born in Hampton in 1643. She married John Smith on February 26, 1667/68. She died at age ninety seven on August 16, 1740.

STEPHEN HUSSEY

Stephen was born in Lynn, Massachusetts on June 8, 1632. It is stated he was only the second child born in that town.

This is our lineage. His daughter, Puella, married Shuabel Gorman and their daughter married into our Fitch line.

He was a seaman like his father. He moved to Nantucket and there married Martha Bunker on October 8, 1676. Martha was a daughter of George Bunker and Jane Godfrey. She was born in Topsfield, Massachusetts on November 1, 1656. For a while before he married, Stephen owned land and lived in Barbados in the West Indies. He probably used it as a base for his ship.

In 1708 when the Friends Society (Quakers) was established on the island, he was active in its formation and operations. He built three separate houses in Nantucket for himself and his family.

Stephen Hussey died at age eighty-eight on April 2, 1718, and Martha Bunker Hussey died November 21, 1744.

They had eight children:

Puella Hussey

Puella is our direct lineage. She was born October 10, 1677. She married Shubael Gorham on Nantucket in May of 1695. Shubael was a son of Capt. John Gorham and Desire Howland. Both of Desire's parents, John Howland and Elizabeth Tilley, came to America on the Mayflower landing in Plymouth in 1620.

Shubael Gorham was born October 21, 1667 in Barnstable, Massachusetts on Cape Cod. The following GORHAM FAMILY HISTORY gives a great deal more on this family.

Shubael was the youngest child and it was intended that he follow a '*learned profession*'. He seems not to have been as bright or ambitious as his folks wanted. Instead of going to college, he became an apprentice carpenter and followed that occupation all his life. He built his house in Hyannis Port (a section of the Cape that I live in today). He ran a tavern from his home as well. He built a fulling mill in Yarmouth in 1706.

Shubael died in Hyannis Port in 1750 at age eighty-two. Puella had died some years earlier but I don't know when.

They had nine children, all born in Hyannis Port in the town of Barnstable, Massachusetts:

GEORGE, ABIGAIL, LYDIA, HANNAH, THEODATE, DANIEL, DESIRE, RUTH and DEBORAH. More complete information on this family may be found in the GORHAM FAMILY HISTORY that follows.

Abigail Hussey

Abigail was born December 22, 1679. She married Thomas Howes on April 5, 1700. He drowned very shortly afterwards.

She then married Joseph Marshall. She died April 26, 1763.

Sylvanus Hussey

Sylvanus was born May 13, 1682. He first married Abial Brown on February 7, 1711/12. She was a daughter of John Brown and Rachel Gardner. They had five children before she died in 1722.

He married second, Hepzibah Starbuck on November 8, 1723. Hepzibah was a daughter of Nathaniel Starbuck and Dinah Coffin. She was born November 8, 1700. They had eight children.

Sylvanus died in Nantucket on October 2, 1760. Hepzibah died December 31, 1764.

He had a grand total of thirteen children, five by his first wife, and eight by his second wife, all born in Nantucket.

OBED HUSSEY born June 25, 1708 and died January 16, 1790. He first married Margaret Wilson on November 19, 1730 and after her death married Mary Calef on August 23, 1748.

DANIEL HUSSEY born about 1710 and died August 1, 1750. He married Sarah Gorham February 18, 1734.

RACHEL HUSSEY born February 5, 1715 and died November 8, 1796. She married first Barnabus Coleman on December 8, 1733 and second married Paul Bunker in January of 1790.

JONATHAN HUSSEY born August 21, 1718 and married Hepzabeth Starbuck in January 1739.

SETH HUSSEY born in about 1720 and married on September 9, 1742 to Sarah Jenkins, daughter of Matthew and Mary Gardner Jenkins. Children were **Seth, Abigail, Margaret, Sarah, Abial** and **Mary**.

CHRISTOPHER HUSSEY was born August 3, 1724. He married Mary Coffin of August 11, 1743. Mary was a daughter of Jonathan and Hepzabeth Harker Coffin.

WILLIAM HUSSEY was born December 10, 1725. He married Abigail Starbuck on January 27, 1746. She was a daughter of Paul and Ann Tibbets Starbuck. Their children were William, Elizabeth, Catherine, Laban, Ruth, Paul, Anna, Seth and **Abigail**.

BACHELOR HUSSEY was born January 29, 1728/29. On December 29, 1748, he married Ann Coffin, daughter of Daniel and Mary Blake Coffin. Their children were **Hepsibah, Tristram, Mary, Zaccheus, Sussanah, Lydia, Elizabeth, Moses** and **Peter**.

NATHANIEL HUSSEY was born January 2, 1730/31. On December 6, 1750, he married Judith Coffin, daughter of Francis and Theodate Gorham Coffin. Children were **Judith, Francis, Libbeus, David, Phebe, Rachel, Peleg, Abraham, Nathaniel** and **Alexander**.

HEPHZIBAH HUSSEY was born March 14, 1732/33. On December 28, 1749, she married Nathaniel Coleman, son of Barnabas and Elizabeth Barnard Coleman.

SILVANUS HUSSEY was born January 29, 1734/35. He married Alice Gray, daughter of Jeremiah and Theodate Gray, on December 2, 1756. After she died, he married Lydia Wing daughter of Samuel Wing and Hepzibeth Hathaway.

GEORGE HUSSEY was born July 12, 1738. On February 3, 1757, he married Deborah Paddack, a daughter of Daniel and Susanna Paddack. Children were: **Rhoda, Eunice, George, Urial, Silvanus, Susanna, Deborah, Alice** and **Rachel**.

JOSEPH HUSSEY was born July 20, 1740. He married Mary Raymar, daughter of James and Sarah Raymar, on December 11, 1766.

Bachelor Hussey

Bachelor was born on February 18, 1685. On October 11, 1704, he married Abigail Halle. Their children were:

MARY HUSSEY born February 9, 1706/07 and died February 2, 1758. She married Peleg Swain on May 7, 1730. Peleg was a son of Benjamin Swain and Mary Taylor. Children were **Martha, Benjamin, Peleg, Bachelor, Micajah** and **Paul Swain**.

JEDIDAH HUSSEY was born September 27, 1708 and died August 6, 1759. She married Benjamin Coffin on April 5, 1726. Benjamin was a son of Nathaniel Coffin and Damaris Gayer. Children were: **Reuben, Nathaniel, William, Benjamin, Micajah, Abigail, Joseph, Anna, Seth, Paul, Elihu, Isaiah, Abraham** and **Abner Coffin**. Benjamin later remarried to Deborah Macy in 1762 and they had **Isaac, Thomas** and **Deborah Coffin**.

JOHN HUSSEY was born October 8, 1710 and died in 1749. On February 4, 1733/34 he married Jedediah Coffin, daughter of Joseph Coffin and Bethiah Macy. Their children were: **Joseph, Robert, Stephen, Benjamin, Bethiah, Abigail, Ruth** and **Ebenezer Hussey**.

STEPHEN HUSSEY was born October 14, 1713 and left Nantucket in 1737.

HULDAH HUSSEY was born February 8, 1715/16 and died April 3, 1798. On January 2, 1734/35 she married Simeon Bunker, son of Jonathan Bunker and Elizabeth Coffin. Children were: **Bachelor** and **Simeon Bunker**.

EBENEZER HUSSEY was born February 7, 1718/19.

PAUL HUSSEY was born June 12, 1720.

SILVANUS HUSSEY was born May 11, 1722.

Daniel Hussey

Daniel Hussey was born October 20, 1687. On February 13, 1734/35 he married Sarah Gorham. He died in 1750. She died September 18, 1748.

Their children were:

STEPHEN HUSSEY born June 2, 1735. On December 2, 1756 he married Rose Barnard, a daughter of Matthew Barnard and Mary Tebbetts. Their children were: **Sarah, Dinah, Abial, Aaron, Daniel** and **Eunice**.

ELIZABETH HUSSEY was born April 23, 1736/37. On February 7, 1754 she married Benjamin Coffin, son of Benjamin Coffin and Jedediah Hussey. They left the island in 1773 for North Carolina.

DANIEL HUSSEY was born November 10, 1739 and died November 30, 1768. On December 4, 1760, he married Hephzibah Folger, a daughter of Abishai Folger and Dinah Starbuck his second wife.

RACHEL HUSSEY was born November 13, 1741. On December 6, 1759 she married Jethro Mitchell, son of Richard and Mary Mitchell.

EUNICE HUSSEY was born November 30, 1744. On February 9, 1764 she married Daniel Worth, son of Joseph Worth and Lydia Gorham. They left Nantucket for North Carolina in 1771. Children were: **Job, Stephen, Elihu** and **Zenas Worth**.

DAVID HUSSEY was born November 6, 1746.

Mary Hussey

Mary Hussey was born March 24, 1689. On June 16, 1707, she married Jonathan Worth. Jonathan was a son of John Worth and Miriam Gardner. They had four children before Jonathan died on September 26, 1719. Mary then married Ebenezer Barnard on May 24, 1722 and they

had five more children. Ebenezer was a son of Nathaniel Barnard and Mary Barnard. Ebenezer died May 4, 1767 and Mary died August 1, 1771.

Children by Jonathan Worth and Mary Hussey were:

MIRIAM WORTH born March 2, 1710/11. She married Jonathan Clark on December 5, 1728.

JOHN WORTH born April 15, 1713. He married Mary Gardner, daughter of Solomon and Anna Gardner on February 6, 1734/35.

CHRISTOPHER WORTH born November 24, 1717. He married Dinah Paddack, daughter of Nathaniel and Ann Paddack, on Christmas Day December 25, 1738.

EZEKIEL WORTH was born in May of 1719.

Children by Ebenezer Barnard and Mary Hussey Worth were:

STEPHEN BARNARD born August 14, 1723. He first married Eunice Starbuck, daughter of William Starbuck and Anna Folger on February 3, 1744/45. He then married Phebe Swain, daughter of George Swain and Love Paddack, on February 25, 1754.

WILLIAM BARNARD born November 23, 1724. He married Mary Coffin on February 5, 1743/44. Mary was a daughter of Samuel Coffin and Miriam Gardner.

JEMIMA BARNARD was born March 19, 1726/27. She was married on March 8, 1743/44 to Tristram Coffin, a son of Peter Coffin and Hope Gardner his second wife.

LYDIA BARNARD was born February 2, 1730/31. On December 20, 1750 she married Jonathan Folger, son of Jonathan Folger and Margaret Gardner his first wife.

MARTHA BARNARD was born April 18, 1733 and died seven months later on November 30, 1733.

George Hussey

George was born on June 21, 1694. He married Elizabeth Starbuck on November 12, 1717. Elizabeth was a daughter of Nathaniel Starbuck Junior and Dinah Coffin. She was born on November 27, 1698 and died on February 9, 1770. George died in July of 1782.

They had thirteen children:

CHRISTOPHER HUSSEY was born June 4, 1718 and died April 7, 1721.

REBECCA HUSSEY was born February 20, 1719/20 and died December 8, 1721.

DEBORAH HUSSEY was born October 11, 1721 and died February 9, 1785. She married Peter Coffin on April 10, 1738. Peter was a son of Paul Coffin and Mary Allen.

REUBEN HUSSEY was born July 17, 1723. On August 2, 1744 he married Elizabeth Woodbury.

LYDIA HUSSEY was born July 4, 1725. She married Clothier Pierce on November 18, 1742. He was a son of Clothier and Hannah Pierce.

DINAH HUSSEY was born August 8, 1727 and died September 20, 1763. She married Reuben Folger on March 22, 1743/44. Reuben was a son of Jonathan Folger and Margaret Gardner. He was born August 10, 1722. After Dinah died, he married Mary Pinkham on January 31, 1765.

RUTH HUSSEY was born November 21, 1728. She married Nathaniel Gardner on February 5, 1746/47. Nathaniel was a son of Nathaniel Gardner and Mary Folger.

ELIZABETH HUSSEY was born September 10, 1731 and died June 113, 1805. On April 6, 1749, she married Peleg Coffin. Peleg was a son of Francis Coffin and Theodate Gorham.

MARTHA HUSSEY was born July 19, 1733. She married David Swain on December 5, 1751. David was a son of Richard Swain and Elizabeth Gardner.

GEORGE HUSSEY was born October 11, 1736.

JETHRO HUSSEY was born August 18, 1738. He married Margaret Coffin on October 16, 1766. She was a daughter of James Coffin and Priscilla Rawson.

THOMAS HUSSEY was born February 22, 1740/41 and was killed by a whale in 1756.

PAUL HUSSEY was born July 29, 1741. On February 7, 1765, he married Margaret Barker, a daughter of Robert and Jedidah Barker.

Theodate Hussey

She was born September 15, 1700. She married James Johnson on September 26, 1726. She died September 25, 1744.