

## DESCENDANTS OF EDWARD DUDLEY

### Generation 1

**Edward Dudley** (son of Robert Dudley) of Bristol, Eng.; marr. Elizabeth Pritchard (daughter of Hester Pritchard of Bristol, who mentioned her daughter Elizabeth Dudley in her will). Abt. April 1637, Edward Dudley and four other persons were transported by Rev. Thomas Hampton who received 30 acres compensation in New Norfolk (now Nansemond) per VA Land Patents Book 1, pg. 422). Thomas Hampton was Rector of Wilmington Parish Church at Jamestown, VA in 1645 and Rector of Hampton Parish, York Co. in 1646.) Edward settled in York Co., VA until 1651 when he moved to Lancaster Co. (later called Middlesex Co.). Children of Edward and Elizabeth were:

- i. William, b. prob. Bristol, Eng. abt. 1621.
- ii. Richard
- iii. Elizabeth
- iv. Robert

### Generation 2

**Colonel Richard Dudley** b. abt. 1623 Bristol, Eng.; d. abt. 1687 Kingston Parish, Gloucester Co., VA [NOTE: Wills of Richmond Co., by R. Headley shows **1698 Will of Richard Dudley** and also cites son of Richard, Alexander, as being a legatee of John Stephens/Rappahannock in 1661]; abt. 1645 he marr. **Mary Seawell**; In 1646, he was summoned to Orphans Court in York Co. to file guardian report. In 1646 he was granted more than 1000 acres in Gloucester Co., VA. In 1654, Thomas Sax, Rector of a chapel of Lancaster left a legacy to Richard Dudley, 2nd son of Edward Dudley. In 1657 he was elected Sheriff, Gloucester Co., VA and in 1659 he patented land on Mobjack Bay, Gloucester Co. where his older brother, William resided. In 1661, Richard Dudley was described as a merchant when he sold his plantation in Lower Norfolk Co., Lynhaven Parish (now Princess Anne Co.) where he then lived along with all his stock and cattle and other property. In 1667 he was elected a member of the vestry of Kingston Parish, Gloucester Co. Twelve years later he was appointed colonel of militia in the same county. Children of Co. Richard and Mary are:

- i) Frances (son, Ambrose baptized 1698, Christ Church, Middlesex Parish)
- ii) Richard was member of vestry of Kingston Parish 1682-1706; owned 400 ac in Petsworth Parish, also acreage in Kingston and Ware Parishes.
- iii) Major Robert Dudley, b. 1647, Lower Norfolk Co. and d. Oct. 20, 1701; resided in Gloucester Co. and Middlesex Co.; about 1680 was given 500 ac. by his father. In 1682, he was member of vestry of Christ Church Parish, Middlesex; 4 years later was church warden of Lower Chapel. In 1685 elected member of House of Burgesses for several years. In (c) 1690, marr. Elizabeth Ransom (daugh George Ransom);
- iv) Ambrose, b. 1649 Lower Norfolk Co.; 1667 was member Vestry Kingston Parish, Gloucester Co.; resided Mobjack Bay. 1699 was justice of peace, Gloucester Co.; Speaker of the House of Burgess 1710-1712. ("Colonial VA Register. Gloucester Burgess).
- v) Alexander

### Generation 3

**Richard Dudley, Jr.** b. abt. 1652 Lower Norfolk, VA; [Note: Wills of Westmoreland by A. Fothergill, shows Richard Dudley 27 Oct 1702/25 Oct 1702 listing son, William and wife, Mary Dudley]; marr. Mary Jasper (b. (c)1662; d. (c)1717), daughter of Richard and Mary Jasper. Richard Dudley, Jr. [NOTE: **1698 June 11, Proved 1702/03 Mar 2, Will of Richard Jesper**, heirs:

son, Thomas; son Richard Jr. the land bought of Richard Dudley; dau. Sarah (under 16); grandchildren: William and Mary Dudley; ex: son, Thomas and John Thomas; wits: William Lee, Mary Lee, Henry Hayes. "Wills of Richmond Co., VA 1699-1800 at ancestry.com] ISSUE

i. Mary b. abt. 1690

ii. William b. abt. 1697

#### **Generation 4**

**William Dudley**, d. Jan. 8th 1752 at North Farnham Parish (Richmond), VA. He married Mary (Barbor??) (b. 1697, No. Farnham, Richmond, VA and d. 1764; abt. 1718.) **[1751 Will Abstract:** William Dudley, NFP, 21 Dec 1751, 7 Jul 1752; wife Mary the manor part of plant. Whereon I now live; sons William, Richard, Thomas and Alexander; money to be raised out of the dirnk which is made on the plantation any time within 5 years to pay for the building of a house 12'x16' which my will and desire is for my son William to have; daughters Wilmoth Branham, Winnefred Smith, Ann, and Catherine; ex: wife; wits: Simon Jasper, John Jasper, Isaac Jones. ISSUE:

1. Wilmoth [Betty], b. Sept. 7, 1719, Richmond,VA
2. Thomas, b. Oct 3, 1724, Richmond, VA
3. Mary, b. Jan. 1 1726, Richmond VA, d. Jan. 15, 1726
4. Alexander, b. Jan. 4, 1727, Richmond) VA
5. Mary, b. Oct 20. 1730, Richmond VA, d. Sept. 13, 1735
6. Winifred, b. Mar. 17, 1732, Richmond, VA
7. William, b. Oct. 10, 1735, Richmond, VA
8. Richard, b. Mar 4 1742, Richmond, VA
9. Ann, b June 2, 1738, Richmond,VA
10. Catherine,b. Sep 5, 1745, Richmond,VA

#### **Generation 5**

**Wilmoth Betty Dudley Branham** b. 9 Jul 1719 in Richmond Co,Va, N.Farnham Parish, Richmond Co., VA - See [Brannon Clan](#); d. abt. 1803 VA; m. James Branham (Brannon). ISSUE:

1. Mary Brannon, b. 8 Oct 1743, NFP, Richmond Co.,VA
2. William Brannon, b. 21 June 1745, NFP, Richmond Co.,VA
3. Betty Brannon, b. 27 Feb 1748, NFP, Richmond Co.,VA

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- 3) Rootsweb.com
- 4) VA Magazine of History and Biography, Vol. 5, pg. 430
- 5) Records of North Farnham Parish, Richmond Co., VA
- 5) Ministers and Families of VA, Vol. 1 by Wm Meade
- 6) [See Research Log](#)