

THE LEE FAMILY

RELATING ESPECIALLY TO

THOMAS LEE OF LYME,
CONNECTICUT, AND SOME
OF HIS DESCENDANTS



This record of one branch of the descendants of
Thomas Lee was assembled from data collected
by Samuel Orlando Lee (8th generation)
of Huntington, New York.

We are informed that through records in Boston Public
Library ancestors may be traced back to the
time of the Norman Conquest, but
this we have not verified.

FIRST GENERATION IN AMERICA

THOMAS LEE, 1st, and his wife, *PHEBE BROWN came from England in 1641 with their three children, Thomas, 2nd, Jane and Sarah. Thomas Lee, the father, died on the passage. The widow and children landed in Boston and went to Saybrook, Connecticut.

References to THOMAS LEE and/or his descendants may be found in the following:

Hill's "LEE GENEALOGY"

NOTES OF REV. JOSEPH LEE THE REFUGEE

Walworth's "HYDE GENEALOGY"

SALISBURY GENEALOGY

Caulkins' "NEW LONDON"

"REFUGEES OF 1776 FROM LONG ISLAND TO CONNECTICUT" by *Frederic G. Mather*

JOHN LEE AND HIS DESCENDANTS

NEW ENGLAND HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL REGISTER (Vol. 24, p. 32, Thomas Lee, alias Laigh)

"THE ELY ANCESTRY" by *Beach*

**Extract from Diary of Joshua Hempstead*

"My grandmother was the daughter of William Brown who lived in County. Essex, Town of Rasper, England, and came to New England in 1645. (Others of the family connection came too). He had three children that came over, Hennery, Phebe and Mary. Hennery lived at Providence and had three sons. Phebe had three husbands, first Thomas Lee, second Greenfield Larrabee, Sr. and third Cornish. Larrabee had five children, Greenfield, John, Elizabeth, Joseph, and Sarah. Joseph died young. Cornish had two sons, James and one still-born, with whom she died in child-bed at Northampton. Mary married Robert Marvin who lived at Southampton, L. I. and Hempstead. Their predecessors were ministers ever since Queen Mary's time."

SECOND GENERATION IN AMERICA

Children of THOMAS LEE, 1st, and PHEBE BROWN:

Jane Lee, married June, 1659, Samuel Hyde at Hartford, born about 1637. They had eight children. Samuel Hyde later married Mary De Wolf Lee the widow of his brother-in-law Thomas Lee 2nd.

Sarah Lee, married John Larg or Lag. We have no further record of her family.

Thomas Lee, 2nd, married Sarah Kirtland (or Kirkland) of Saybrook. They had five children. His second marriage was June, 1676, to Mary De Wolf, daughter of Balthazar De Wolf and Alice. They had nine children.

Thomas Lee, 2nd was one of the first settlers of Lyme. He was Freeman of Lyme May 12, 1670. He represented Lyme at a General Court at Hartford October 8, 1685—was recorded as "Ensign" Thomas Lee, later was recorded as "Sergeant." He died December 5th, 1704. Walworth's Hyde genealogy says Thomas Lee was one of the first settlers of Lyme, Connecticut, and had large possessions there.

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THIRD GENERATION IN AMERICA

Children of THOMAS LEE, 2nd, and SARAH KIRTLAND
(or KIRKLAND):

John, born September 21, 1670, married Elizabeth Smith of Lyme, February 8, 1692. He was a prominent citizen of Lyme which he represented several times in the General Court. He also held other prominent public positions. On his death-bed he issued a solemn charge to all of his posterity.*

Mary, born September 21, 1670, married Thomas Lord of Lyme.

Thomas, born December 10, 1672, married Elizabeth Graham of Hartford.

Sarah, born January 14, 1674/5, married Daniel Buckingham of Saybrook, May 24, 1693.

Phebe, born 1676, married Capt. Reinold Marvin of Lyme.

* The solemn Charge of John Lee of Lyme, Conn., given on his death-bed January 13, 1726, to his children . . . , who departed this life on the 17th of the same month in the assurance of faith.

"I charge you my dear children that you fear God and keep His commandments, and that you uphold His public worship with as great diligence and constancy as you can and that you be constant in the duty of secret prayer twice every day, and all the days of your Life, and all of you that come to be heads of families that you be constant in family worships evening and morning with your families, besides your prayers at meal, that in your prayers you pray for converting grace for yourselves and others, and that God would show you the excellency of Christ, and cause you to love and believe in Him and show you the evil of sin, and make you hate it and forever flee from it, and that you may never give over until you have obtained converting grace from God. Furthermore, I charge you to choose death rather than deny Christ in any degree. Also I charge you that you never turn Papist or Heretic, but serve God in the way that you have been brought up, and avoid all evil companions, lest you be led into temptation and a snare, and be very careful to avoid excess in drinking. Also to avoid profaneness and all other sins. Also I charge you always to be dutiful to your mother and kind to one another.

This I leave in charge to all my posterity to the end of the world charging every person of them to keep a copy of this my dying charge to my children.

This is my dying charge to my children."

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Children of THOMAS LEE, 2nd, and MARY DE WOLF:

Elizabeth, born 1681, married Samuel Peck of
Lyne.

William, born April 7, 1684, married Mary Griffin
of Long Island.

Stephen, born June 27, 1686, died December 5,
1694.

Joseph, born May 14, 1688, died 1705.

Benjamin, born October 8, 1690, died 1692.

Benjamin, 2nd, born December 22, 1692.

Hannah, born February 25, 1695, married John
Griswold.

Stephen (2), born January 19, 1698, married
Abigail Lord.

Lydia, born February 18, 1701, married

FOURTH GENERATION IN AMERICA

Children of JOHN LEE and ELIZABETH SMITH:

Sarah, born November 12, 1693.

Elizabeth, born April 30, 1695.

Phebe, born March 2, 1696.

Luce, born June 20, 1699.

Jeane, born May 20, 1701.

John, born May 17, 1703.

Joseph, born November 26, 1705.

Mary, born January 20, 1707/8.

Hepsibah, born May 16, 1710.

Benjamin, born September 4, 1712, died
 , married 1736 to Mary Ely, born 1714,
 daughter of Major Daniel Ely and his first
 wife Mary Ann Champlin.

Joannah, born April 28, 1715.

FIFTH GENERATION IN AMERICA

Children of BENJAMIN LEE and MARY ELY:

Mary Ann, born 1738.

Benjamin Lee, 2nd, born February 27, 1740, of
Lyme, Conn., died 1826, married August 26,
1760 Mary Dorr,* born about 1743.

Benjamin Lee, 2nd,—Minute-man and Volunteer 1776 in Captain Holmes Company, East Haddam. Member of Captain Mathers Company, Lyme and Ft. Trumbull, New London, July 1776.

This genealogy may be verified in the Hyde Genealogy. Alice Benjamin Vail who traces her line through George Lee, is applicant No. 6309-X, Vol. 11, Hyde Genealogy. See "Connecticut Men of Revolution", pages 506 and 621.

WILLIAM born 1743.

LUCIA born 1745.

MARTIN born 1748.

ABIGAIL born 1752.

ESTHER born 1753.

JOHN born 1755.

LEMUEL born 1760.

DANIEL born 1762.

* Mary Dorr, daughter of George Dorr, Esq., born August 4, 1720, died 1798, and his wife Sarah Marvin, born March 8, 1716 (daughter of Captain Reinold Marvin and Martha Waterman), died 1780, married March 16, 1742.

George Dorr—Soldier and Magistrate,—Soldier in Captain Mathers Company, Lyme, Connecticut, and New London. Pensioner under Act of 1832 of those who served two years or more.

See Connecticut Men of Revolution, pages 597 and 621.

SIXTH GENERATION IN AMERICA

Children of BENJAMIN LEE, 2nd, and MARY DORR:

Stephen, born October 4, 1761, died
married Harris.

Sarah, born December 1, 1763, died February 26,
1829, unmarried.

Mary Ann, born May 9, 1765, died
married Skinner.

George, born August 23, 1767 at Lyme, Conn.,
died at New Village May 10th, 1857, married
April 19th, 1791, to Elizabeth Bennett, born
October 17th, 1770, at Huntington, daughter
of Samuel (or Lemuel) Bennett & Elizabeth
Wood, died January 1, 1817, settled at Haver-
straw. George Lee removed from Haver-
straw to New Village, L. I., April 1, 1807.
George Lee married, second, February 4,
1818, Mrs. Susan Green, born February 5,
1766, died October 19, 1841. George Lee
married, third, January 31, 1842, Julia Ann
Tooker, daughter of Thomas Tooker, who
was born at Setauket, May 15, 1774, died at
New Village March 10, 1858.

Lucy, born July 23, 1769, died August 1, 1856,
married George Mitchell.

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Zenas, born August 3, 1771, died
married twice.

Joseph, born March 13, 1774, died
married Sarah Champion.

Charles, born August , 1776, died February 15,
1848, married Eve Hallenbeck.

Lydia, born February 24, 1779, died
married Joseph Culver Foote.

Benjamin, born March 1, 1781, died
1825, married Lucy Austin.

SEVENTH GENERATION IN AMERICA

Children of GEORGE LEE and ELIZABETH BENNETT:

Samuel Bryant, born January 31, 1792, died March 20, 1880, married at New Village November 18, 1813, by Rev. Zachariah Green, Hannah Wheeler, only daughter of Jeremiah Wheeler and Jemima Stadge, born at New Village December 22, 1795, died October 31, 1866.

George Dorr, born October 3, 1793, died October 16, 1842 at Port Jefferson, L. I.

Benjamin, born October 14, 1798, (drowned) died March 28, 1814, at New Village.

Elizabeth, born April 4, 1805, died July 22, 1806.

EIGHTH GENERATION IN AMERICA

Children of SAMUEL BRYANT LEE and
HANNAH WHEELER:

Almira, born February 6, 1815, died June 29, 1891, married at New Village October 27, 1835, by Rev. Nathaniel C. Hawkins to Morgan Lewis Gould, born August 14, 1814, son of Isaac N. Gould and Nancy Barnaby, died April 6th, 1908.

Jeremiah Platt, born May 7, 1821, died August 21, 1891, married March 3, 1847, at Selden by Rev. S. P. Gammage to Nancy Williamson Ruland, born September 21, 1822, daughter of Wickham Ruland and Charity Williamson, and died February 11, 1894.

William Lester, born March 4, 1825, died June 25, 1896, married December 25, 1847, at Coran by Rev. Jas. S. Evans, Arminda Baylis, born June 12, 1820, daughter of Thomas Baylis and Phebe Underwood, died April 26, 1891.

Hannah Emmeline, born August 6, 1827, died September 16, 1894, married October 24, 1858, by Rev. John Woodhull to Edmund Wheeler Ruland, born May 9, 1825, son of Wickham Ruland and Charity Williamson, died March 4, 1905.

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Samuel Orlando, born at New Village, April 10, 1831, died December 31, 1912, married April 26, 1859 by Rev. Thomas McCauley, Sarah Elizabeth Rogers, born October 3, 1835, Cold Spring Harbor, daughter of William Rogers and Charlotte Van Velsor, died April 2, 1908.

All born at New Village. Almira and Jeremiah died at New Village, Emmeline at Selden, William at Coram, Orlando at Huntington.

NINTH GENERATION IN AMERICA

Children of MORGAN LEWIS GOULD and

ALMIRA LEE GOULD:

Leander Warren, born August 20, 1836, died April 9, 1925, married December 1, 1860, by Rev. S. Hillbard to Adelaide L'Hommedieu, born December 1, 1835, died December 15, 1918, oldest daughter of Isaac L'Hommedieu and Eliza Hallock.

James Barnaby, born September 10, 1838, died June 4, 1914, married December 3, 1863 to Mary Elizabeth Hawkins, born December 1, 1841, died December 20, 1924.

Augusta Melissa, born April 29, 1841, died June 15, 1928, married December 24, 1861 to John Benjamin Terry, born August 15, 1835 at Bald Hills, L. I., died January 1, 1914.

Clara Ophelia, born September 13, 1845, died April 19, 1912, married January 1, 1867 by Rev. James Sinclair to William Albert Gould, born July 28, 1844, died September 9, 1910.

Henry Lewis, born September 25, 1855.

All born at New Village, now Lake Grove.

Children of JEREMIAH PLATT LEE and

NANCY WILLIAMSON RULAND:

Almira Ruland, born June 15, 1851, at Penatequit, died May 2, 1927, married August 29, 1893, by Rev. Wm. H. Little to Oscar P. Gould, son of Ambrose Gould and Charlotte Gould.

Oscar Wickham, born December 17, 1853, at Penatequit, died September 22, 1855.

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Emma Cordelia, born February 2, 1857, at New Village, died August 8, 1933, married October 29, 1879 by Rev. O. Holmes to Henry Lewis Gould.

Sophia Jayne, born June 8, 1859, at New Village.

Whitford Jeremiah, born February 18, 1861, at New Village, died November 18, 1916, married June 17, 1883, by Rev. Wm. H. Littell to Lizzie Medora Call, born March 10, 1854, daughter of William Egbert Call and Semantha Conklin, died February 9, 1920.

Edmund Woodham, born May 9, 1863, at New Village, married March 18, 1885, by Rev. Gates to Caroline Dorothea Riefler, born November 3, 1858, daughter of John Riefler and Katherine Vollmer.

**Children of WILLIAM LESTER LEE and
ARMINDA BAYLIS:**

Phebe Jane, born October 7, 1850, at Coram, died October 14, 1850 at Coram.

Irene Maria, born November 17, 1851, at Coram, died April 26, 1891, at Port Jefferson.

Thomas Baylis, born April 28, 1854, died November 10, 1932.

Eunice Ann Woolsey, born August 8, 1856, died December , 1932.

John Richard Henry, born August 8, 1856, died March 24, 1859.

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Martha Jane, born October 9, 1858, died May 3, 1917.

John William, born October 15, 1860, died

Children of EDMUND WHEELER RULAND and
HANNAH EMMALINE LEE RULAND:

Georgie Etta Ruland, born June 11, 1862, died January 17, 1863.

Jennie Almira, born August 12, 1867, died February 8, 1870.

William Wickham, born November 17, 1871, died October 6, 1929.

Children of SAMUEL ORLANDO LEE and
SARAH ELIZABETH ROGERS:

George Henry, born at Spencer Academy, Indian Territory, March 28, 1860, died at Huntington November 8, 1879.

Charles Edgar, born at West Hills, L. I., August 15, 1862, married to Saidee May Fleming, born November 8, 1868, at Huntington, by Rev. S. T. Carter December 25, 1893, daughter of William Fleming and Mary Wood.

Charlotte Emmeline, born at Omaha Mission, Neb., October 29, 1867.

Emily Augusta, born at West Hills, L. I., March 26, 1870.

Harriet Rogers, born at Huntington July 11, 1873.

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Children of HENRY LEWIS GOULD and

EMMA CORDELIA LEE GOULD:

Roy Whitford, born December 26, 1881, died November 5, 1930, married to Bessie Davis, born April 4, 1886, daughter of Alida and Truman Davis of St. James in Methodist Episcopal Church at St. James by Rev. Chas. Brown of Lake Grove, April 6, 1906.

Edna May, born August 7, 1884, married September 11, 1904 to Albert Edward Woodcock, born April 25, 1881.

Children of WHITFORD JEREMIAH LEE and

LIZZIE MEDORA CALL:

Anne Sophia, born September 19, 1884 in Brooklyn, N. Y., married January 15, 1913, in Brooklyn, by Rev. William Winans, to Thomas Ninnes Stevens of Lands End, England.

Whitford Jay, born September 17, 1886, in Brooklyn, N. Y., married October 26, 1910 in Brooklyn, by Rev. Winfield Scott Baer, to Florence Evaline Gough, daughter of Alfred H. Gough and Annie Whitehouse.

Irving Call, born September 1, 1888, in Brooklyn, N. Y., married April 19, 1911, in Brooklyn, by Rev. John Howland Lathrop, to Vivien L'Heureux, born in Burlington, Vt., July 1, 1889, daughter of George H. L'Heureux and Carrie Mead.

Florence Nancy, born July 29, 1890 in Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Helen Marjorie, born January 7, 1893, in Brooklyn, N. Y., married June 12, 1920, in Paris, France, by Rev. Chas. Goodrich at the American Church, to John Lawrence Hyde, born January 6, 1880, Manchester, England, son of John Hyde and Emily Watson.

Children of EDMUND WOODHAM LEE and
CAROLINE DOROTHEA RIEFLER:

Lyndon Edmund, born October 30, 1887, married October 14, 1911 to Bertha Tisdale Cottrell, born February 2, 1887, daughter of George W. Cottrell and Mary Tisdale.

Walter Riefler, born September 3, 1889, married April 10, 1912 to Elizabeth Nassau Miller, born September 10, 1890, daughter of William E. Miller and Isabella Nassau.

Ruland Williamson, born August 8, 1893, married June 26, 1920 to Blanche Elizabeth Boher, born February 4, 1892, daughter of Brenton McClellan Boher and Emily Catherine Kane.

Howard Vollmer, born June 24, 1895, married September 7, 1920 to Aleda Austin Finlay, born December 8, 1896, daughter of Dr. Lionel Hunt Finlay and Aleda McDonnald.

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Robert Edward, born June 6, 1900, married August 9, 1924 to Grace Walrond West, born August 9, 1901, daughter of Albert Edward West and Anna Walrond, divorced April 15, 1929—married April 20, 1929 to Catherine Chadwick Noyes, born May 9, 1900, daughter of Judge Walter C. Noyes and Luella Armstrong.

Children of CHARLES EDGAR LEE and

SADIE MAY FLEMING: died Oct 6, 1952

Vernon Templeton, born February 4, 1896, died Apr 12, 1972
married September 14, 1928, Elsie Lennox Ballantine, daughter of Donald Lindsay Ballantine. b. Oct 4, 1901 d. Jan 10, 1971

Hazel, born July 28, 1897, married March 8, 1920 to Arthur Kimball Drake.

Kenneth Orlando, born May 17, 1899, died February 9, 1900.

Wallace Van Velsor, born November 4, 1900. died July 4, 1957

Chester Allen, born January 28, 1903. died Nov 16, 1974

Irma Fleming, born February 6, 1904. died Mar 1972

Elizabeth Rogers, born December 21, 1904, died February 19, 1905.

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Children of ROY WHITFORD GOULD and BESSIE DAVIS:

Helen Lavinia, born July 14, 1909, died February 12, 1930.

Henry Lewis, born December 17, 1911.

Children of ALBERT EDWARD WOODCOCK and
EDNA MAY GOULD WOODCOCK:

Edna May, born July 4, 1906, married 1930 to
James J. McDougall, born July 4, 1905.

Grace Lee, born February 16, 1909.

Emma Cordelia, born July 9, 1913, married April
5, 1933 to Albert H. Martin, born September
23, 1909.

Myra Alberta, born August 3, 1922.

Children of WHITFORD JAY LEE and
FLORENCE EVALINE GOUGH:

Marion Evaline, born October 3, 1911, in
Brooklyn.

Children of IRVING CALL LEE and
VIVIEN L'HEUREUX:

Jacqueline, born March 13, 1912, in Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Irving Call, Jr., born November 27, 1914, in
Brooklyn, N. Y.

George L'Heureux, born November 15, 1916, in
Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Children of LYNDON EDMUND LEE and
BERTHA TISDALE COTTRELL:

Lyndon Edmund, Jr., and

Edmund Woodham, II, twins, born August 11,
1912, at Bayshore, Long Island.

Mary, born July 7, 1915, at Mount Vernon, New
York.

Children of WALTER RIEFLER LEE and
ELIZABETH NASSAU MILLER:

Eleanor, born February 16, 1913, at Mount Ver-
non, New York.

Walter Riefler, Jr., born September 19, 1917, at
Mount Vernon, New York.

Children of RULAND WILLIAMSON LEE and
BLANCHE ELIZABETH BOHER:

Richard Cameron, born December 19, 1926,
adopted November 10, 1928.

Robert Garrison, born April 4, 1927, adopted
April 19, 1931.

Children of HOWARD VOLLMER LEE and
ALED AUSTIN FINLAY:

Robert Finlay, born October 1, 1922, at Mount
Vernon, New York.

Shirley Dorothy, born June 29, 1926, at Mount
Vernon, New York.

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Children of ROBERT EDWARD LEE and
GRACE WALROND WEST:

Barbara, born May 15, 1925 at Port Chester, New
York.

Children of VERNON TEMPLETON LEE and ELSIE
BALLANTINE:

Kenneth Alan, born October 9, 1931.

Children of ARTHUR KIMBALL DRAKE and HAZEL
LEE DRAKE:

Jean, born March 27, 1923.

Arthur Kimball, Jr., born August 17, 1925.

Nancy Lee, born May 31, 1930.