



Our Gaylord Descendants

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Gaylord Context

The Gaylord line began in France and in time emigrated to England, then British North America and the name ended with the marriage of (Joanna Gaylord (1653 – 1685). to John Porter (1651 – 1699) on December 16, 1685 in Hebron, Tolland Connecticut. The first gaylord in North America was William Gaylord who landed at Mattapan or Dorchester Massachusetts on the Mary and John on May 30, 1630. In 1635 some of the party journeyed to the Connecticut Valley and located at what today is Winsor Connecticut. Bringing their church with them. They were known by the faith they held, “Puritans”.


Not Proven

1. Nicholas (Gaillard) Gaylord b. abt 1500, d. bef. 1546 m. Joan Newman

1. Nicholas Gaylord abt 1500 - Died Before 1546 Joan Newman

Nicholas Gaylord, son of Antoine Gaylord and Julia Ann Gaylord, was born about 1500 in Langford, Budville, Somerset, France. He died before April 8, 1546 in Pitminster, Somerset, England. He married Joan Newman about 1551 in Pitminster, Somerset, England about 1523.

13th great grandfather


	Nicholas Gaylord
	b: 1500
	France
	d: Bef. 08 Apr 1546 Pitminster, Somerset, England

2. Nicholas Gaylord b. abt 1525, m Joanne Brixton 23 June 23, 1572 in Martock, Somerset, England, d. bef. 8 Apr 1546,

2. Nicholas Gaylord abt 1525 - Died Before April 8, 1546 Joanne Brixton 1529 - 1572

Nicholas Gaylord, son of Nicholas Gaylord was born about 1525. He died in Pitminster, Somerset, England. Before April 8, 1546. He married Johanne Brixton about June 23, 1572 in Martock, Somerset, England. She was born about 1529 in Brixton, Devonshire, England. She died in August 1772 in Pitminster.

12th great grandfather

	Nicholas Gaylord
	b: 1525
	d: 1572 Pitminster, Somerset, England

11th great grandfather

	John Gaylord
	b: 1553
	Pitminster, Somerset, England
	d: 31 May 1607 Pitminster, Somerset, England

3. John Gaylord b. 1553 in Pitminster, Somerset, England, d. 1607 Pitminster, Somerset, England, m. Jane Wallin in Pitminster, Somerset England.

10th great grandfather

	William Gaylord
	b: 21 May 1585
	Pitminster, Somerset, England
	d: 30 Jul 1673 Windsor, Hartford, CT

3. John Gaylord 1553 - 1607 Jane Wallin 1557 - 1589


John Gaylord, son of Nicholas Gaylord and Johanne Brixton was born in 1553 in Pitminster, Somerset, England. He married Jane Wallin in Pitminster, Somerset England. She was born about 1557 in Pitminster, Somerset England. She died on July 6, 1589 in Pitminster, Somerset, England.

9th great grandfather

	Walter Gaylord
	b: 1626
	Somersetshi re, England
	d: 09 Aug 1689 Windsor, Hartford, CT

4. William Gaylord b. 21 May 1585 in Pitminster Somerset England, d. 30 Jul. 1673 in Windsor, Hartford Connecticut, m Mary Walter about 1621 in Exeter, Devonshire, England.

8th great grandmother

	Joanna Gaylord
	b: 05 Jan 1652/53
	Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, U
	d: 02 Dec 1716 Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, U

4. William Gaylord 1585 - 1673 Mary Walter <https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Gaylord-8>

William Gaylord¹, son of John Gaylord and Jane Wallin was born on May 21, 1585 in Pitminster Somerset England. He married Mary Walter (not proven) in England. He died on July 30, 1673 in Windsor, Hartford Connecticut.

William Gaylord was one of 140 passengers who sailed from Plymouth England on the ship Mary and John, commanded by Captain Squeb on March 29, 1630. Other relatives on board included William Phelps², his wife

¹ Anderson, Robert Charles, The Great Migration Begins, Immigrants to New England Volume II, New England, 1620-1635, Boston: Historic Genealogical Society, 1995, pages 739-743

² Anderson, Volume 3, page 1444

six children and brother George. Other individuals on board include Roger Clap.³⁴ They landed at Nantasket 9 (Hull) Massachusetts on May 30, 1630. They organized into a church and settled in Dorchester. Dorchester organized a town government and William took an active role in the town.

William Gaylord originated from Crewkerne, Somersetshire where he lived from 1619 to 1624 when three of his children Samuel, John and Joseph were baptized.

and migrated to New England in 1630 on the Mary & John. His first residence was Dorchester. He moved to Windsor in 1638. He married Mary Walter about 1621 in Exeter, Devonshire, England. He was admitted as Freeman on May 18, 1631 "Willm: Gallerd".

The inventory of "the estate of Deacon William Gaylor who deceased July 20, 1673," was taken 2 August 1673 and totaled £296 17s. 6d., of which £230 was real estate: "his housing, homelot & pasture adjoining," £59; "16 acres of land in the Great Meadow," £80; "land on the east side of the Great River being 34 poles in breadth by the river," £68; "18 acres of land by Rocky Hill," £3; and "39 acres of land near Pine Meadow," £20.

Their children included,

- i. Elizabeth Gaylord born about 1615; married (1) Windsor 5 October 1641 Richard Birge married (2) Windsor 20 April 1653 Thomas Hoskins.
- ii. William Gaylord Crewkerne, Somersetshire, 28 December 1617; married (1) Windsor 24 February 1641/2 Ann Porter; m. (2) Windsor 9 February 1653/4 Elizabeth Drake; d. Windsor 14 December 1656 (from inventory).
- iii. Samuel Gaylord, bp at Crewkerne 19 December 1619⁵; married Windsor 4 December 1646 Elizabeth Hull⁶.
- iv. John Gaylord, bp. at Crewkerne 24 February 1621/2; m. Mary Drake⁷. Windsor 17 November 1653
- v. Joseph Gaylord, bp at Crewkerne 27 December 1624; no further record.
5. vi. Walter Gaylord born about 1626; married (1) Windsor 22 April 1648 Mary Stebbins⁸, who d. Windsor 29 June 1657; married (2) Sarah Rockwell 22 March 1659/60, Windsor.

³ Anderson, Volume 1 page 364; Young Alexander. Chronicles of the First Planters of the Colony of Massachusetts Bay, from 1623 to 1636. Boston: C. C. Little & J. Brown, 1846. Reprinted by Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, 2004. Date and port of arrival. Extracted from Winthrop Fleet of 1630 (indexed in PILLI, first edition, as source no. 281). Spear also proffers a list of persons not given in Banks who may also have been passengers.

Source Bibliography: Spear, Burton W. "Passengers Aboard the Mary & John." In The Second Boat (Pentref Press, Machias, ME), vol. 1:2 (Aug. 1980), pp. 4-8.

⁴ Memoirs of Captain Roger Clap. Relating Some of God's Remarkable Providences to Him, in Bringing Him Into New-England; And Some of the Straits and Afflictions, the Good People Met with Here in Their Beginnings

⁵ Anderson Volume 2, Page 739-743, citing The American Genealogist 17 pages 71-74 for the baptism of Samuel, John and Joseph

⁶ Anderson, Volume 2, Page 739-743 Citing "Matthew Grant Record, 1639-1681" in Some Early Records and Documents of and Relating to the Town of Windsor, Connecticut, 1639-1703, Hartford

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5. Walter Gaylord 1622 - 1689 Mary Stebbins 1630 - 1657

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Gaylord-7>

Walter Gaylord, son of William Gaylord and Jane Wallin, was born on December 28, 1622 in Somersetshire, England. He died on August 9, 1689 in Windsor Connecticut. He married Mary Stebbins on April 22, 1648 in Windsor, Hartford Connecticut.

They had at least one child

6 Joanna Gaylord b. 5 Jan. 1653 in Hebron, Tolland Connecticut, d.

She died on Jan 04, 1685 in Hebron, Tolland, CT., m John Porter on December 16, 1669 in Hebron, Tolland Connecticut.

He married Sarah Rockwell 22 March 1659/60

6. Joanna Gaylord 1653 - 1685 John Porter 1651 - 1699

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Gaylord-6>

Joanna Gaylord daughter of Walter Gaylord and Mary Stebbins was born January 5, 1653 in Hebron, Tolland Connecticut. She married John Porter on December 16, 1669 in Hebron, Tolland Connecticut. John was born January 3, 1651 in Windsor, Hartford Connecticut. He died December 4, 1699.

They had the following children:

- i. Joanna Porter, b. 7 Feb 1670 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, d. 14 May 1756 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut.
- ii. Mary Porter b 20 Nov 1672 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, United States, d. 12 Aug 1752 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut.
- iii. John Porter b. on 17 Jan 1674 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, d. 2 Jul 1713 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut.
- iv. Sarah Porter b. 4 Jan 1677 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, died on Feb 22, 1747/48 in Norton, Bristol, Massachusetts, United States.
- v. Daniel Porter b. 13 Nov 1681 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, d. 17 Apr 1724 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut.
- vi. Martha Porter b. 16 Sep 1683 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, d. in 1687.
- vii. David Porter b. 10 Oct 1683 in Windsor, Hartford, d. Jan 24, 1767 in Hebron, Tolland, CT, m Anna Phelps, daughter of Timothy Phelps and Mary Griswold, on Jan 03, 1707 in Windsor, Hartford, CT.
- viii. David Porter b. 3 Oct 1685 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, d. 24 Jan 1767 in Hebron, Tolland, Connecticut.
- ix. Martha Porter b. 23 Apr 1687 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, d. 25 Sep 1729 in East Haddam, Middlesex, Connecticut,
- x. Isaac Porter b. 23 Sep 1687 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, d. 10 Oct 1717 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut.
- xi. Esther Porter b. 28 Nov 1689 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut, d. 5 Feb 1690 in Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut.
- xii. Lydia Porter b. 28 Nov 1689 in Fairfield, Fairfield, Connecticut, d. 12 Nov 1747 in Hartford, Hartford, Connecticut.

Appendices

Abbreviations:

Abt abt aft after Bp baptism bef. Before b. born bur buried
d. died m. married

Calendar Old Style-New Style, Julian & Georgian⁹

The old calendar used up to about 1752 in Protestant countries was the Julian Calendar based on 365.25 days. In 1582 Great Britain and empire switched to the Julian Calendar and since the actual year is 365.2422 days long the switch over caused a 11 day out of synch problem. To solve this problem, it was proclaimed that September 2 would be followed by September 14. As well the old-style calendar the calendar year began on Lady Day 25th of March i.e. the year ran from 25 March to 24 March. Hence January 24, 1712 old-style would-be January 24, 1713 new style. The correct way to describe a date in the “overlap” period from January 1 to March 24 is to state the Old/New Style as 1712 /1713 which means

“January 24, 1712 old style is what we call January 24, 1713”

Also, since the calendar began in March the months if numbered are as follows

March 1
April 2
May 3
June 4
July 5
August 6
September 7
October 8
November 9
December 10
January 11
February 12

List of Freeman¹⁰

The status of freeman was primarily of political importance, for it gave one the right to vote for colony officers. In some colonies, though, freeman was tied to church membership, and so the meaning was somewhat different. Massachusetts Bay and New Haven, the most Puritan of the Puritan colonies, made church membership a prerequisite for foremanship, while the rest of the New England colonies did not.

List of freemen may be used for a number of purposes beyond proving biographical information

⁹ Greenwood, Val D. The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy, 3rd Ed. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co Inc 2000

¹⁰ Anderson, Robert Charles, The Great Migration, Immigrants to New England 1634-1635, Volume VII, T-Y Boston, MA: New England Historical and Genealogical Society, 2011

about an immigrant. Like tax lists later, a list of freeman provides basic information about the presence or absence of a person on a given date. And, as noted above, freemanship in Massachusetts Bay and New Haven supplies information about church membership, from which we can learn not just whether this individual was a church member at a given time; we can also reconstruct some of the history of churches whose records have been lost by studying the lists over a period of years.

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