

Our Green Ancestors

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Greene/Green Context

Our original Green Ancestor appears to be Thomas Greene from England. We have two descendant lines with his two sons through Lieutenant Henry Green born in 1638 and Samuel Green born in 1645 both in Malden, Massachusetts.

1. Thomas Greene 1606 - 1667 [Elizabeth Lynde?]

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Green-133>

Thomas Greene¹ was born in 1606 in St Albans, Hertfordshire, England.ⁱ There are reasons for supposing that he came from Leicestershire, but no proof of the fact. The time of his arrival in this country is also uncertain. The first record in which his name appears, to identify him, is 1653, when his youngest daughter, Dorcas, was born. Yet he doubtless came many years before, probably 1635 or 1636. We are inclined to the opinion that he lived in Ipswich till 1649 or 1650, and then removed to Malden. He certainly lived in Malden as early as Oct. 28, 1651, when his wife Elizabeth, and daughter, bearing the same name, signed a petition to the General Court.

He had a farm of 63 acres in the north part of Malden, in that part which is now the town of Melrose. A part of his farm remains to this day in the possession of his descendants.

¹ General Secondary sources included Sources

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~webmouse/Green/d5854.html#P5860>; Source: A Genealogical Sketch of the Descendants of Thomas Greene of Malden, Massachusetts, Author: Samuel S. Greene

He was selectman of Malden in 1658 and was several times on the grand jury of the County of Middlesex. As there were two other Thomas Greens in the town, he is known on the records as Thomas Green, senior; his son being junior, and the other Thomas left without any suffix.

His will dated Nov. 12, 1667; proved Jan. 15, 1667-8; recorded Midd. Prob., 5:297, mentions no wife, but makes bequests to his "eldest son" Thomas, sons John, William, Henry, Samuel, and daughters Elizabeth, Mary, Hannah, Martha, and Dorcas. Sons William and Henry were appointed executors. John Waite, John Lynde, witnesses. Inventory, Jan. 10, 1667-8; amount, '9c285.18.2.

He was married to Elizabeth [Lynde?] who died on 22 Aug 1658ⁱⁱ. Thomas GREENE and Elizabeth LYNDE had the following children:

- i. Elizabeth Greene was born about 1628 in England. She is one of the signers of the petition to Gen. Court in 1651. Nothing further is known of her.
- ii. Thomas Greene b. abt 1630 in England, m. Rebecca Hill, d. 13 Feb 1671/72
- iii. John Greene b. 1632 England, m. Sarah Wheeler, 18 Dec 1660 d. 16 Oct 1707
- iv. Mary Greene was born about 1633 in England. Captain John Waite
- v. Capt. William Greene b. 15 Dec 1635 Essex, England, m. (1) Elizabeth Wheeler 13 Sep 1659 (2) Isabel Farmer 06 Feb 1694/95 Malden, Massachusetts, d. 30 Dec 1705 Malden, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, USA
- 2 vi. Lieut. Henry Greene b. 19 Jun 1638 Malden Massachusetts, m. Esther Hasse 1671 d. 19 Sep 1717 Malden Massachusetts
- 3 vii. Samuel Greene b. 12 Apr 1645 Malden Massachusetts d. 31 Oct 1724 Malden
- viii. Hannah Greene b. 07 Feb 1647 Malden, Massachusetts, d. 20 May 1721
- ix. Martha Greene b. 1650.
- x. Dorcas Greene 01 May 1653



Headstone of Lieutenant Henry Green

He then married Frances Moulton on 5 Sep 1659.

Thomas Greene died 19 Dec 1667 in Malden, Massachusetts. He is buried in the Bell Rock Cemetery in Malden.ⁱⁱⁱ

2. Lieutenant Henry Greene 1638 - 1717 Malden Massachusetts Esther Hasse 1650 – 1747

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Greene-170>

Lieutenant Henry Greene, son of Thomas Greene and Elizabeth was born June 19, 1638 Malden Massachusetts. He married Esther Hasse January 11, 1671/72

- i. Henry Greene b. 24 Jan 1672 Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts, m. Hannah Flagg 09 Jan 1695 Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts
- ii. Esther Greene b. 03 Sep 1674 Malden, Massachusetts, m. Eleazer Flagg 17 Jan 1693 Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts, d. 18 Sep 1744 Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts
- iii. Martha Greene b. 09 Oct 1676 Malden, Massachusetts, d. 03 Feb 1677 Malden
- iv. Deacon Joseph Greene b. 27 Oct 1678 Malden, Massachusetts, m. Hannah Greene 24 Dec 1700 Malden, Massachusetts, d. 28 Nov 1732 Malden, Massachusetts
- v. Elder Daniel Greene b. 30 Jan 1681 Malden, Massachusetts, m. Mary Buckman 29 Dec 1708 Reading, Middlesex, Massachusetts, d. 15 Aug 1759 Stoneham, Middlesex County, Massachusetts

- vi. Dorcus Green b. 31 Dec 1682 Malden, Massachusetts, m. John Wiley 19 Dec 1705 Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts, m. John Wiley 19 Dec 1705 Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts, d. 15 Aug 1739 Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts
- 4. vii. Lydia Green b. 11 Aug 1685 Malden m. Thomas Lynde 22 Jul 1708 d. 19 Oct 1755 Malden, Massachusetts
 - viii. Jacob Flagg Green b. 06 May 1689 Malden, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, m. Dorothy Lynde 08 Jul 1713 Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts, d. 19 Jul 1723 Malden, Middlesex County, Massachusetts

Lieutenant Henry Greene died September 1717 in Malden.

3. Samuel Greene 1645 - 1724

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Green-412>

Samuel Greene, son of Thomas Greene and Elizabeth was born b. 12 Apr 1645 Malden Massachusetts. He married Mary Cook, daughter of Robert Moulton and Mary Smythe and widow of Richard Cook abt. 1666 Malden. She died 24 Nov 1715

- i. Samuel Green b. Jan 1667/68, m. Mary Wheeler 4 May 1694, d.
- ii. Thomas Green b. Feb 1669/70, m. Hannah Vinton, 10 May 1698 Malden, d. 24 Aug 1725 Malden,
- iii. William Green b. Jun 1674 Malden, Elizabeth Farmer 29 May 1767
- iv. Jonathan Green b. 02 Feb 1676, m. Lydia Backman 15 Nov 1715 Malden, d. 21 Jul 1744 Stoneham, Middlesex, Massachusetts, United States.
- v. Mary Green b. 1677, m. John Green
- vi. David Green b. 1685 m. Martha Pratt 10 Dec 1713
- vii. Martha Green b. 28 Feb 1686/87 Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts, d. 29 May 1754 Salem, Essex, Massachusetts, USA
- 5. viii. Elizabeth Green b. 16 Nov 1687 Massachusetts, m. David Gould Abt 1715, d. 18 Apr 1753 Stoneham, Middlesex, Massachusetts Bay, British Colonial America
 - ix. Isaac Green b. 20 May 1690, m. Mary Pratt 2 May 1717

Samuel Greene died October 31 Oct 1724 Malden.

4. Lydia Green 1685 -1755 Thomas Lynde 1685 - 1761

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Green-200>

Lydia Green, daughter of Lieutenant Green and Esther Hasse was born August 11, 1685 in Malden. She married Thomas Lynde 22 Jul 1708 at Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts. She died 19 Oct 1755 in Malden.

They had children,

- i. Thomas Lynde b. 27 Mar 1711 Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts m. Joanna Parker 27 Dec 1735 Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts d. 09 Sep 1747 Malden, Middlesex, Massachusetts



Headstone of Lieutenant Henry Green

- ii. Jonathon Lynde b. 14 Mar 1714 Malden, m. Elizabeth Mower 21 Dec 1739 d. 04 Dec 1755 Worcester, Massachusetts
- 6. iii. Jacob Lynde b. 18 May 1716 Malden, m. Mary Gould 28 Mar 1746 Malden, d. 22 Nov 1768 Fort Belcher, Colchester County, Nova Scotia
- iv. Lydia Lynde b. 31 May 1723 Malden, m. Peter Hay 30 Dec 1742 Stoneham, d. Stoneham 13 Aug 1747

5. Elizabeth Green 1687 – 1753 David Gould 1691- 1760

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Green-201>

Elizabeth Green, daughter of Samuel Green and Mary Cook, was born 10 Nov. 1687. She married David Gould about 1715 at Stoneham, Middlesex County, Massachusetts. She died April 18 1753.

They had children,

- i. David Gould b. 02 Nov 1716 Stoneham, Middlesex, Massachusetts, United States m. Esther Green 11 Feb 1740-1741 Stoneham, Massachusetts, d. 1758 Stoneham, Middlesex, Massachusetts, United States
- ii. Elizabeth Gould b. 04 Sep 1718 Stoneham, Massachusetts, d. 07 Sep 1719 Stoneham, Massachusetts
- iii. Esther Gould b. Abt 1720 Stoneham, Massachusetts
- iv. Elizabeth Gould b. 07 Sep 1721 Stoneham, Massachusetts
- 5 v. Mary Gould b. 06 Apr 1724 Stoneham, m. Jacob Lynde 28 Mar 1746 Malden, d. 21 Aug 1810 North River, Colchester County, Nova Scotia
- vi. Jacob Gould b. 14 Oct 1726 Stoneham, m. Elizabeth Holden 25 Nov 1751 Woburn, Middlesex, Massachusetts, d. 14 Jun 1801 Stoneham

Appendices

Notes

1. Capt. William Greene
2. Elizabeth Greene was born about 1628 in England. She is one of the signers of the petition to Gen. Court in 1651.
3. Thomas Greene
- 4 John Greene b. 1632 England, d. 16 Oct 1707 Malden, MA
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He was married to Frances on 5 Sep 1659.

MIGRATION: 1635 (on 2 April 1635, "Tho[mas] Greene," aged 15, was enrolled at London as a passenger for New England on the Planter [Hotten 45]; on 3 April 1635, "Tho[mas] Greene," aged 15, was enrolled at London as a passenger for New England on the Hopewell [Hotten 46]).

COMMENTS: At the end of his section on the surname Green, James Savage laments that the "stocks of Greens in our country are not exhausted; and perhaps never may be all brought into a work like this, on account

of their number.... Especially hard has been the gathering of the Malden families and those of the four, five, or six Thomases" [Savage 2:307].

In 2000 Dean Crawford Smith and Melinde Lutz Sanborn identified the English origin of the eldest Thomas Greene of Malden, showing that he was baptized on 3 February 1599/1600, and his son of the same name was born about 1630, and that the family arrived in New England some time between 1639 and 1644 [Kempton Anc 4:292-310]. Based on these dates, neither of these men can be the passenger of 1635.

A third Thomas Greene of Malden, apparently unrelated to the two discussed above, married Margaret Call, daughter of THOMAS CALL {1637, Charlestown} [MCF Folio #84]. The eldest known child of this couple was born in Malden on 1 April 1653, at which time the passenger of 1635 would have been about thirty-six years old. There is no earlier record for this Thomas Greene. We conclude that there is no evidence to connect Thomas Greene, the passenger of 1635, with any New England resident of that name.

Sources:


Anderson, Robert Charles, The Great Migration, Immigrants to New England, 1634-35, Volume 3 G-H Page 150

Greene, Samuel S., A Genealogical Sketch of The Descendants of Thomas Green of Malden, Mass. Boston: Henry W. Dutton & Son, Boston, 1858, online at <https://archive.org/stream/genealogicalsket00gree>, also available from Ancestry.

Websites

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~webmouse/Green/d5854.html#P5860>


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|  | Thomas Greene b: 1606 St Albans, Hertfordshire, England d: 19 Dec 1667 Malden, Middlesex County, Mass |
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|  | Samuel Green b: 12 Apr 1645 Malden, Middlesex, Massachuset d: 31 Oct 1724 Malden, Middlesex, MA, USA |
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6th great grandmother

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|  | Elizabeth Green b: 16 Nov 1687 Massachusetts, USA d: 18 Apr 1753 Stoneham, Middlesex, Massachu |
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5th great grandmother

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|  | Mary Gould b: 06 Apr 1724 Stoneham, Massachusetts, USA d: 21 Aug 1810 North River, Colchester County, |
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4th great grandmother

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|  | Mary Lynds b: 27 Jul 1751 Mystic Side, Malden, Suffolk, Mas d: 1815 Onslow, Colchester, Nova Scotia, |
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3rd great grandfather

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|  | David Gould Hoar b: 28 Sep 1783 Onslow Township, Colchester Co d: 1861 East Mountain, Colchester Count |
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The relationship charts for the Greens are identical from Agnes Hoar down to the Author


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|  | Agnes Hoar b: 27 Jul 1812 Onslow Township, Colchester Co d: 13 Feb 1896 East Mountain, Colchester Count |
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|  | Agnes Hoar b: 27 Jul 1812 Onslow Township, Colchester Co d: 13 Feb 1896 East Mountain, Colchester Count |
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Great grandmother

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|  | Rebecca Nelson b: 04 Apr 1841 Truro, Colchester County, Nova S d: 18 Mar 1924 Salmon River, Colchester County, |
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Paternal grandmother

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|  | Beatrice Mary Clifford b: 16 Feb 1887 Brookside, Colchester County, N. d: 16 Sep 1958 Truro, Colchester County, Nova S |
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Father

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|  | George Clifford Retson b: 19 Dec 1912 Bible Hill, Colchester, Nova Scoti d: 17 Feb 1997 Truro, Colchester County, Nova S |
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|  | James Clifford Retson b: 28 Jul 1948 Truro, Colchester County, Nova S d: |
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- ⁱ Book Title: The Richardson memorial : comprising a full history and genealogy of the posterity of the three brothers, Ezekiel, Samuel, and Thomas Richardson, who came from England, and united with others in the foundation of Woburn, Massachusetts, Page 186
- ⁱⁱ Genealogical Sketch of te Descendants of Thomas Greene, by Samuel S. Green of Malden, accessed from Ancestry
- ⁱⁱⁱ Find a Grave for Thomas Greene memorial 115186225 (

<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/115186225/thomas-2020>

[green](#)) accessed November 2