



Hotchkiss Family News

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2014 Reunion in Woodbury, Connecticut

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This year's reunion will be held at the Curtis House in Woodbury, CT at 12 noon. The program will be given by Dave Strong on "Hotchkiss Memorabilia From One Day on Ebay." Cost of lunch is \$25.00 with three entrée choices: Pot Roast, Roast Chicken or Shrimp over Pasta. It includes soup or salad and dessert. Beverages are not included. See the Reunion Registration form on page 3.

This Issue

Your editor apologizes for the delay of this edition of the newsletter. The Hotchkiss news is a bit scarce this issue, however we've launched a new section that will appear on occasion. The Hotchkiss Family book, the First Six Generations (out of print) was the first book published.

Joshua, Samuel's Fifth Child was next (very few copies are still available, send your request to Lin Meeker, Editor). Joan is in the throes of finishing the proofing of the latest book that will follow John's descendants. More information is on page 2 in her update.

The other children of Samuel are Samuel, Jr., James (died young), Sarah, Thomas and Daniel. We will from time to time publish some information about those children and their descendants. We welcome your input.

Hotchkiss Family Association, Our History

For over 130 years members of the Hotchkiss family have been gathering for an annual reunion. During that time the gathering has only been cancelled a couple of times (1918 due to the world-wide flu epidemic and during WWII due to gas rationing). The first of these reunions was held in 1880 not 50 miles from the spot where the immigrant Samuel Hotchkiss married Elizabeth Cleverly in 1642. In 1962 the Hotchkiss Family Association was incorporated.

One of the principal objects of our non-

profit organization is to gather and disseminate genealogical information. While we know that quite a number of the Hotchkiss name came to the United States in more recent years, we know that the majority are descendants of one of the five sons and one daughter of Samuel Hotchkiss and Elizabeth Cleverly.

The generations have multiplied, have traveled and settled in every state in the Union. Fascinating stories of trips by covered wagon, flat boat, or around the "Horn" in sailing vessels exist. Some we have in our files – more must be in the hands of descendants of these travelers. We encourage you to send copies to the HFA to be preserved for posterity. Our original book (no longer in print) was about the first six generations and covered the time from about 1640 to about the time of the Civil War.

The second book, The Hotchkiss Family, The Line From Joshua, His Fifth Child is still available., but in short supply. This 1400 page book begins with Samuel and updates the most recent information about Samuel, the immigrant. The rest of the book is devoted to Joshua, Samuel's fifth child and his descendants. It contains good detail on many of his descendants including will abstracts, military records, biographies, letters and obituaries for many of them. Birth, marriage and death dates are included for most.

The next volume will cover John, Samuel's first son and his descendant. More about that book on page 2. If you have not yet filled in a family group sheet and sent it to Joan Johnson, HFA genealogist, please let our Correspond-

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Action Notes:

- Have a Hotchkiss male in your family participate in the DNA project
- Send your email address to

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HFA News via Email

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ing Secretary know and we'll send you a family group sheet to fill out.

Donations

The Hotchkiss Family Association operates on donations in lieu of dues. Your annual donation of \$10 or more supports record keeping for the Hotchkiss family lines, newsletters published two/three times a year, and more important, the incidental costs of preparing our books for publication. We preserve hundreds of records. Please give today to insure the preservation of our ancestors records. Make your check payable to the Hotchkiss Family Association and mail to:

HFA
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36 Beach Drive
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Survey Results

It might be of interest to you to know that the breakdown as best I can determine, is listed below for each of Samuel's children who receive this newsletter. Your editor does not have family information or number for everyone. Of the 650 newsletters letters distributed the breakdown of Samuel's children's descendants is as follows:

<u>Child</u>	<u>#of descendants receiving the newsletter</u>
John	162
Samuel	41
James	died young
Sarah	1
Joshua	127
Thomas	34
Daniel	19

This represents 384 of our 650 subscribers. If you know which of Samuel's children you descend from, let me know and if I don't have the information, I'll enter it on the master list.

The results from the survey were light in volume, but from those who responded, the following provided this information:

Most subscribers preferred donations to dues. And felt that \$10-20. were good.

Most felt reunions should be annual, but locations preferred were very mixed, most preferring them to be close to them with Connecticut mentioned most often.

Most responders did not volunteer to serve on the board, but did mention they'd be volunteer to help in various ways.

Hotchkiss Men's DNA Project Is Ongoing

The Hotchkiss DNA project needs more participation to be effective. If you have questions or would like more information on how to participate, please contact Ross Hotchkiss at 905-469-9148 or by email: hotchi@pathcom.com

Editor's note: A number of other families have used this approach to sort out and help differentiate the different family lines, for instance from Samuel's sons and those Hotchkiss' still 'across the pond'.

According to their website, 90% of genealogists choose Family Tree DNA – with the largest DNA database. More records are added everyday. We have at least one person in the DNA project for each of Samuel's sons so we need more male descendants of Joshua, Samuel and Thomas to step up.

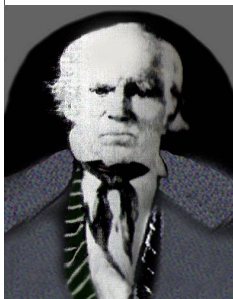
Ross says, "based on working with another of my family lines, it appears we will need 5 to 10 men per line to get results that would allow us to trace lines using the DNA markers." **Participation is quick and easy. Contact Ross at the above email address for more information.**

Notes from Joan, HFA Genealogist

Unfortunately, I had to buy a new computer as the XP operating system is no longer supported by Microsoft. Family Tree Maker (2014) software had to be updated as well. It has changed appreciably from the FTM 5 version we'd been using. The learning curve is considerable. One particular change meant going through 8 generations to be sure all would be included in the final copy. Titles had to be reviewed for all as the order of listing in the old software and the new was different. We were in process of the final proofing, but another round of proofing is now necessary and has set the project back at least six months.

All I can say is "Egads!"

Editor's note: We will give update in the next newsletter



Harris Hotchkiss— Revolutionary War—Navy



Reservation Form - 2014 Reunion Woodbury, CT

Saturday, August 2

Deadline Reunion reservations to Joan Johnson July 23, 2014

<u>Activity</u>	<u># of reservations</u>	<u>amount</u>
Saturday, Dinner at the Curtis House	_____	\$ _____
Donation in lieu of annual dues (optional)		\$ _____
Total Amount Enclosed		\$ _____
Choice of Entrée:		
Pot Roast	_____	
Roast Chicken	_____	
Shrimp over Pasta	_____	

Make checks payable to: **Hotchkiss Family Association, Inc.**

Name: _____

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Hotchkiss Passings

Jack Norman Hotchkiss-Feb. 1, 1941-Aug. 2, 2013
 Jack was born in Aylmer, Ontario and grew up in Wingham. He married Eleanor in 1961, and pursued a career in Healthcare Administration which took them to Listowel, Goderich, Deep River and Barry's Bay. He left the health care industry for medical reasons at the young age of 47. He wondered if he'd see his children, Norman, Hayley & Mark marry. He did and lived to see his grandchildren, Logan, Shayla, Kayden, Jasper, Brianna & Joshua. He watched and helped them grow through their teen years. He died with his fondest wishes fulfilled, pleased with what he had and what he had passed on.

Hotchkiss Passings

Robert M. Hotchkiss-Apr. 28, 1940-Nov. 27, 2013
 Born in Preston, MN, he was the oldest of 7 children. He served in the Air Force from 1958-1961. On Jun 13, 1964 he married Roberta 'Bobbi' Lee Switzer. They moved to Grants Pass from Lake Oswego in 1976. He and his wife owned several businesses over the years. He was a member of the Grants Pass Eagles and Elks Lodges, Kiwanis, and Toastmasters. In addition to his wife, survivors include three sons, David of Wasilla, AK; Devon of Moses Lake, WA and Derek of Tualatin; a daughter, Laura of Central Point; three brothers, Jerome, Manfred & Loren, three sisters, Teresa, Lucy & Vickie all of the Portland area, 13 grandchildren & one great grandchild.

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Make checks payable to: Hotchkiss Family Association, Inc.. Your order should include your name, address, check, number of copies requested, & note your family relationship.



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1. Sgt Daniel Hotchkiss was born on 8 Jun 1657 in New Haven Co., CT. He died on 10 Mar 1712 at the age of 54 in New Haven, New Haven Co., CT. The Names Of The Proprietors Of New Haven, CT, In The Year 1685; _Charles William Bradley, Esq.; New England Historical & Genealogical Register, Vol.1, April 1847, p 157-158. Daniell Hotchkis is listed. He was a sergeant in Colonial Militia. Sgt Daniel Hotchkiss and Esther Sperry were married on 21 Jun 1683 in New Haven, New Haven Co., CT. Esther Sperry, daughter of Richard Sperry and Dennis(e), was born in Sep 1654 in New Haven, New Haven Co., CT. Daniel Hotchkiss and Esther Sperry had the following children:

- +2 i. **Elizabeth Hotchkiss**, born 30 Aug 1684, New Haven, CT; married Caleb Matthews, 13 Jan 1702, New Haven, CT; died 11 Jan 1736, Cheshire, New Haven Co., CT.
- +3 ii. **Daniel Hotchkiss**, born Aug 1687, New Haven, CT; married Susannah Bradley, 5 Feb 1711/2, New Haven, CT; died abt 1733, New Haven, CT.
- +4 iii. **Obediah Hotchkiss**, born 20 Mar 1690, New Haven, CT; married Eunice Beach, Jan 1716, Wallingford, CT.
- 5 iv. **Esther Hotchkiss** was born on 25 Nov 1693 in New Haven, CT.
- 6 v. **Rebecca Hotchkiss** was christened in Jun 1696. She died as infant.
- +7 vi. **Rebecca Hotchkiss**, born 14 Feb 1697/8, New Haven, CT; married Thomas Ives, 15 Nov 1720, Wallingford, CT; married Edward Parker, 1 Dec 1748; died 23 Feb 1762, Wallingford, CT.
- +8 vii. **Jemima Hotchkiss**, born 26 Nov 1702, New Haven, CT; married Jonathan Andrews, 11 Apr 1727, Wallingford, CT; died 28 Jan 1779, Cheshire, CT.

Second Generation

2. Elizabeth Hotchkiss (Daniel-1) was born on 30 Aug 1684 in New Haven, CT. She died on 11 Jan 1736 at the age of 51 in Cheshire, New Haven Co., CT. Elizabeth Hotchkiss and Caleb Matthews were married on 13 Jan 1702 in New Haven, CT. **Caleb Matthews**, son of William Matthews and Jane , was born on 24 Apr 1675. He died on 23 Aug 1755 at the age of 80. Caleb Matthews and Elizabeth Hotchkiss had the following children:

- +9 i. **Caleb Matthews**, born 1703; married Anna Hitchcock; married Ruth Merriam; died 1786.
- +10 ii. **Elizabeth Matthews**, born 6 Oct 1705, New Haven, CT; married Amos Hotchkiss, 25 Feb 1731; died 17 Sep 1731.
- +11 iii. **Esther Matthews**, born 1708; married Benjamin Lewis; died 1773.
- +12 iv. **Abel Matthews**, born 1710; married Mary Holt; died 1789.
- +13 v. **Abner Matthews**, born 1712; married Lois Hotchkiss, 20 Jul 1735, Wallingford, CT.
- 14 vi. **Jesse Matthews** was born in 1716. He died in 1729 at the age of 13.
- +15 vii. **Aaron Matthews**, born 1721; married Huldah Frisbie; died 1806.

3. Daniel Hotchkiss (Daniel-1) was born in Aug 1687 in New Haven, CT. He died about 1733 at the age of 46 in New Haven, CT. Daniel Hotchkiss and Susannah Bradley were married on 5 Feb 1711/2 in New Haven, CT. **Susannah Bradley**, daughter of Benjamin Bradley and Elizabeth Thompson, was born on 10 Jul 1684 in New Haven, CT. She died on 25 Jul 1751 or 25 Jul 1757 at the age of 67. She was buried in City Burial Ground(Grove St Cemetery), New Haven,CT. Daniel Hotchkiss and Susannah Bradley had the following children:

- +16 i. **Esther Hotchkiss**, born 1713 or 1717; married Nathan Andrews, 20 Jan 1733, Wallingford, CT; died Apr 1734, Cheshire, CT.
- +17 ii. **Elizabeth Hotchkiss**, born abt 1719; married Ebenezer Bishop, 11 Aug 1742, New Haven, New Haven Co., CT; died 1760.
- +18 iii. **Daniel Hotchkiss**, born abt 1721, New Haven, CT; married Mamre Cook, abt 1743/4; died 13 Sep 1807.
- +19 iv. **Susanna Hotchkiss**, born abt 1722; married Joel Parker, 25 Dec 1746, Wallingford, CT.
- +20 v. **Solomon Hotchkiss**, born abt 1724; married Eleanor Perkins, 16 Dec 1748, New Haven, CT; died Aug 1756.
- +21 vi. **Eliphalet Hotchkiss**, born 1 Nov 1727, New Haven, CT; married Comfort Harger, 26 Dec 1751, Derby, CT; died 5 Jul 1803, Derby, CT.
- +22 vii. **Obadiah Hotchkiss**, born 9 Apr 1731, New Haven, CT; married Mercy Perkins, 16 Nov 1758, New Haven, CT; died 23 Mar 1805.
- 23 viii. **Nancy Maria Hotchkiss** was born in 1726. She died in 1817 at the age of 91.

4. Obediah Hotchkiss (Daniel-1) was born on 20 Mar 1690 in New Haven, CT. Obediah Hotchkiss and Eunice Beach were married in Jan 1716 in Wallingford, CT. **Eunice Beach**, daughter of Benjamin Beach and Mary Hitchcock, was born on 3 Aug 1698 in Wallingford, CT.

7. Rebecca Hotchkiss (Daniel-1) was born on 14 Feb 1697/8 in New Haven, CT. She died on 23 Feb 1762 at the age of 64 in Wallingford, CT. She was buried in Hillside Cemetery, Cheshire, CT. Rebecca Hotchkiss and Thomas Ives were married on 15 Nov 1720 in Wallingford, CT. **Thomas Ives**, son of Joseph Ives and Esther Benedict, was born on 30 May 1698 in Wallingford, CT. He died on 13 Jan 1747/8 at the age of 49 in Wallingford, CT. Thomas Ives and Rebecca Hotchkiss had the following children:

- +24 i. **Isaac Ives**, born 1721; married Lydia Morgan; died 1760.
- +25 ii. **Andrew Ives**, born 1724; married Sarah Prindle.
- 26 iii. **Lent Ives** was born in 1726. He died in 1726 at the age of 0.
- +27 iv. **Enos Ives**, born 1727; married Ann Cook.

Rebecca Hotchkiss and Edward Parker were married on 1 Dec 1748. **Edward Parker** was born about 1692. He died on 21 Oct 1776 at the age of 84 in Cheshire, CT. no children.

8. Jemima Hotchkiss (Daniel-1) was born on 26 Nov 1702 in New Haven, CT. She died on 28 Jan 1779 at the age of 76 in Chesh-

ire, CT. Jemima Hotchkiss and Jonathan Andrews were married on 11 Apr 1727 in Wallingford, CT. **Jonathan Andrews**, son of Nathan Andrews and Elizabeth Miles, was born on 30 Oct 1701. He died on 28 Dec 1786 at the age of 85. Jonathan Andrews and Jemima Hotchkiss had the following children:

- +28 i. **Abel Andrews**, born 1728; married Sarah ; married Lettice Williams.
- +29 ii. **Esther Andrews**, born 1730; married Joel Benham; died 1795.
- +30 iii. **Mary Andrews**, born 1734; married Joseph Parker.
- +31 iv. **Daniel Andrews**, born 1737; married Sarah Clark.
- 32 v. **Jemina Andrews** was born in 1740.

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