

Goodridge Register Report

Surname variations include: Goodridg, Goodridge, Goodrich, Goodridge, Goodricke, Goodrick, Gouteridge, Gudderidge, Gutterig, Gutteridge and Guttridge.

First Generation

1. **William¹ GOODRIDGE** was born in 1608^[1] and died in Watertown, Middlesex co., MA before 1645; he was 37^[9].

On 12 or 19 August 1632 when William was 24, he married **Margaret BUTTERFIELD**, in Watertown, Middlesex co., MA^[1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8]. On their marriage record, his name is listed as "Gutterig".

According to Bonds, "It is not clearly ascertained whether Goodridge, or Goodrich, is the correct orthography, as both of them are English names, and they have different coats of arms. Goodrick and Goodricke are also found in works of heraldry; and the coat of arms of Goodridge and Goodricke render it very probable that they are of the same origin"^[10].

Bond further *conjectures* that William and his brother John came over together from Bury, St. Edmunds or that vicinity in England. William settled in Watertown & his elder brother John was admitted as a Freeman in May, 1642 and then removed to Wethersfield CT^[10]. William, himself, was admitted as a Freeman on 18 May 1642^[9], most likely in Watertown, Middlesex co., MA where he was listed as a Proprietor in 1636/7 and 1642^[9].

"The inventory of "William Goodrich", of Watertown, made by Samuel Thatcher and Thomas Hastings, was dated 3 April 1647 [see *NEHGR* 7:57]. His widow Margaret remarried **John HULL** of Newbury, Essex co., MA. Their children went with their mother to Newbury, Essex co., MA and all married there^[10,11].

They had the following children:

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| 2 | i. | Mary |
| 3 | ii. | Jeremiah |
| 4 | iii. | Joseph |
| 5 | iv. | Benjamin |

Generation: G9 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 4066/4067

Second Generation

Family of William GOODRIDG (1) & Margaret BUTTERFIELD

2. **Mary² GOODRIDGE** (*William 1*) was born in 1634^[1,10]. Henry Bond points out that she is "supposed to be the eldest child". However, her birth is not recorded as she was born before their settlement in Watertown, Middlesex co., MA.

On 20 December 1653 when Mary was 19, she married **Edward WOODMAN, Jr.**, son of **Edward WOODMAN & Joanna SALWAY/BARTELL**, in Newbury, Essex co., MA^[1,12,13,14,15,10,16,17,18].

They had the following children (*surnamed WOODMAN*):

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| i. | Ruth |
| ii. | Mary |
| iii. | Elizabeth |
| iv. | Edward1 |
| v. | Rebecca1 |
| vi. | Sara |
| vii. | Rebecca2 |

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viii.	Judith
ix.	Edward2
x.	Archelaus
xi.	[unnamed daughter]
xii.	Margaret

Generation: G8 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 2032/2033

3. Jeremiah GOODRIDGE (*William1*) was born on 6 March 1637/8 in Watertown, Middlesex co., MA^[10] and died in 1707; he was 69^[1]. In October 1655 he was listed as a servant of Justinian Holden & got into a constable's hands for bad behavior^[9]. On 15 November 1660 when Jeremiah was 23, he married **Mary ADAMS**, daughter of **Robert ADAMS & Eleanor [surname not known]**, in Newbury, Essex co., MA^[1,10,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26].

4. Joseph GOODRIDGE (*William1*) was born on 29 September 1639 in Watertown, Middlesex co., MA^[10] and died in 1716; he was 76^[1]. Joseph was bound as an apprentice to Samuel Thatcher from 8 May 1645 until October 1661^[9]. On 28 August 1664 when Joseph was 24, he married **Martha MOORES**, in Newbury, Essex co., MA^[1,4,5,10,20,27,28,29,30]. Martha was born in 1643^[1].

5. Benjamin GOODRIDGE (*William1*) was born on 11 April 1642 in Watertown, Middlesex co., MA^[31]. The land granted to him, as "old Gutteridge," was sold to Christopher Grant and sold by him to Jonathan Harrington in 1683^[31].

On 8 September 1663 when Benjamin was 21, he first married **Deborah JORDAN**, in Newbury, Essex co., MA^[1,19,32,33,20,34,35,36]. Torrey reiterates that she is Deborah Jordan and not Mary Jordan. Deborah died in 1676^[1].

On 16 November 1678 when Benjamin was 36, he second married **Sarah CROAD**, in Newbury, Essex co., MA^[1,37,38,39,40].

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