

Mitchell Register Report

Surname variations include: Michel, Michell, Michil, Michill, Mitchael, Mitcheell, Mitchel, Mitchel, Mitchell, Mitchil, Mitchill and Mytchall.

First Generation

1. **William¹ MITCHELL** was possibly born in Kittery, York co., ME as part of the Mitchell clan from that area. Based upon his marriage date of 1648, he was probably born circa 1628/1633. William died on 16 July 1654 in Newbury, Essex co., MA as "Mitchill, Will[iam]"^[8].

On 7 November 1648 William married **Mary SAWYER**, in Newbury, Essex co., MA^[1,2,3,4,5,6,7]. Torrey lists their marriage as "Michell, William and Mary Sayer/Sawyer". The Newbury, Essex co., MA vital records list them under "Michill, William and Mary Sayer". Like her husband, based upon their marriage date of 1648, she was probably born circa 1628/1633.

It appears from Newbury, Essex co., MA vital records that a trio of Sawyer siblings came to the area in the late 1630s-early 1640s -- Mary, John & William. This is pure gut speculation on my part and needs confirmation.

They had the following children:

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| 2 | i. | Mary |
| 3 | ii. | John |
| 4 | iii. | William |
| 5 | iv. | Elizabeth |

Generation: G9 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 3866/3867

On 8 December 1656 Mary second married **Robert SAVORY**, in Newbury, Essex co., MA^[9]. They are listed under "Mitchill, Mary" in the Newbury, Essex co., MA vital records. It appears that Robert moved the family to Bradford, Essex co., MA.

Second Generation

Family of Mary SAWYER (1) & William MITCHELL

2. **Mary² MITCHELL** (*William¹*) was born on 21 August 1649 in Newbury, Essex co., MA^[10]. A duplicate record gives a date of 31 August 1649. She died sometime after the birth of her second child in 1673.

On 23 June 1669 when Mary was 19, she married **Edmund JAMES**, in Bradford, Essex co., MA^[1,11]. This marriage is listed in the Bradford, Essex co., MA vital records as "Michell, Mary, and Edmund James". Edmund died before the birth of his second child on 15 April 1673^[12].

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

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| 6 | i. | Edmund |
| 7 | ii. | Benjamin |

Generation: G8 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 1932/1933

3. **John MITCHELL** (*William¹*) was born on 21 May 1651 in Newbury, Essex co., MA under "Michill, John"^[13] and died there as "Mitchil, John" on 27 December 1731; he was 80^[14]. On 20 May 1680 when John was 28, he first married **Hannah SPAFORD** as "Mitchill, John", in Newbury, Essex co., MA^[9]. Hannah died on 24 April 1689 in Newbury, Essex co., MA as "Mitchill, Hanah"^[8]. On 15 November 1697 when John was 46, he second married **Constance MOOERS**, in Newbury, Essex co., MA as "Mitchill, John"^[9].

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4. **William MITCHELL** (*William*¹) was born on 1 March 1652 in Newbury, Essex co., MA as "Michill, William"^[13]. A duplicate record says he was born in 1653.
5. **Elizabeth MITCHELL** (*William*¹) was born on 15 March 1655 in Newbury, Essex co., MA as "Mitchill, Elizabeth"^[10].

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