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The lineage of this Lynn, Essex co., MA branch of the Potter family is one of dispute over the years. One will find several different versions of Roberts begetting Nicholases begetting Roberts begetting Elizabeths. I have relied primarily upon vital records, wills & the 1991 book by Frank Ellwood Potter. I trust his scholarship because he also relies upon original sources wherever possible. Note, too, the high child mortality rate in the early generations of this family. Since there are two Potter children in the family (Robert & Elizabeth) and both Elizabeth Potters married into the early Newhall family, we are descended from the original Nicholas and his unknown wife through a full FOUR lines. Name variations include Potter & Poter. Enjoy!

First Generation

1. Nicholas¹ POTTER was born in 1577 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England. Nicholas married, but we currently know nothing of his wife.

They had one child:

2 **i.** **Robert**

Generation: G10 Grandparents (from Huldah to Samuel)

G10 Grandparents (from Marian to Samuel, via Joseph)

G11 Grandparents (from Michal to Joseph)

G11 Grandparents (from Robert Potter)

Person Numbers: (via Elizabeth) 7176/7272/14600 and 7177/7273/14601
(via Robert) 14624 and 14625

Second Generation

Family of Nicholas POTTER (1) & [not known] [surname not known]

2. Robert² POTTER. (*Nicholas¹*) On 4 November 1591 Robert married **Elizabeth MARSHALL**, in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England.

They had the following children:

3 **i.** Thomas1
4 **ii.** Thomas2
5 **iii.** Thomas3 [*Twin*]
6 **iv.** John [*Twin*]
7 **v.** **Nicholas**
8 **vi.** Robert
9 **vii.** Mary
10 **viii.** Ann
11 **ix.** Susann

Generation: G9 Grandparents (from Huldah to Samuel)

G9 Grandparents (from Marian to Samuel, via Joseph)

G10 Grandparents (from Michal to Joseph)

G10 Grandparents (from Robert Potter)

Person Numbers: (via Elizabeth) 3588/3636/7300 and 3589/3637/7301
(via Robert) 7312 and 7313

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Third Generation

Family of Robert POTTER (2) & Elizabeth MARSHALL

3. Thomas¹ POTTER (*Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1592 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 10 September 1592. Thomas¹ died in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England circa 1594; he was 2.

4. Thomas² POTTER (*Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1595 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 25 February 1595. Thomas² died circa 1600; he was 5.

5. Thomas³ POTTER [*twin*] (*Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1600 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 25 April 1600.

6. John POTTER [*twin*] (*Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1600 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 18 April 1600.

7. Doctor Nicholas³ POTTER (*Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1604 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 1 April 1604. Nicholas died in Salem, Essex co., MA on 18d:8m:1677; he was 73^[1,2].

Though the details are lost to time, Nicholas, his wife Eme and three oldest children -- Elizabeth, Robert & Samuel -- probably sailed for New England in 1634. I believe that his sister Ann emigrated with the family as well, since she married Anthony Needham in Salem, Essex co., MA in January of 1655. Nicholas was definitely in Lynn, Essex co., MA by 1634 and well established enough four years later to have received the sizeable grant of 60 acres of land in the 1638 Land Distribution at Lynn. He had moved to Salem, Essex co., MA by the time of his second marriage in 1656^[3].

Nicholas was a Bricklayer and, later in life, a Doctor. According to most sources, he was first "concerned in the Iron Works, but afterward resided at Salem and was called a bricklayer. Mason in Salem after 1660"^[3,4]. However, at the time of his death, he was called "Doctor" in the public records. Thus, Nicholas was most likely quite educated. This is indicated by the title of "Doctor" and the fact that his estate contained books. On his will, he only "made his mark", but this was probably due to infirmity.

Nicholas' parentage of Elizabeth is ascertained by a "Deed of Nicholas Potter, of Salem, bricklayer, to his son Robert Potter of Lynn, in which he mentions his daughter, Robert's sister, Elizth Newhall, wife of Corporal Thomas Newhall, 26th of May 1675."^[3]

Legal mention of Nicholas indicates that he was a well-respected member of his community. In 1647, he convinced Richard Woodman of Lynn that he should write a will before his death^[5]. He was one of the overseers of the estate of Richard Barret of Lynn in 1651^[6]. He was also one of the overseers of the estate of James Bowtwell of Lynn in 1651^[7]. And he witnessed the will of William Knight of Lynn in 1655^[8].

"Estate of Nicholas Potter of Salem.

I nicholas Potter of Salem, being weak in body, but of good & perfect memory & vnderstanding blesses be God, doe make this my last will & testament this 10:8mo:1677, first after my debts & funerall charges be paid, the rest of my estate I dispose of as followeth, viz: whereas I lately made a deed to my sonn Robert Potter of my house & land at linn dated 26 of May 1675, which conveyance I doe by this my last will & testament confirme, upon the condition therein expressed, to be observevd, 2 for the land in the north feild in Salem, which I had in a former will given to my daughter Elizabeth Newall, but made it voyde in the aboue said conveyance, which said land I doe now giue & bequeath the said land be it more or

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less, to my two sons had by my last wife, viz: Samuell & Benjamin, to be to them & their heires for euer in equal part. 3 Alsoe I giue & bequeath to my said two sonns, Samuel & Benjamin, all that my house & ground at Bostone, to them & their heires, an equall part, to injoy it at the age of twent one years & if either of them dy before, the whole be to the survivsor, only my will is that out of the said house & ground, there shall be pd to my two daughters viz: Sarah & Mary each of them the value of ten pounds to be paid them within one yeare after my sons come of age to injoy the sd house & ground. 4. I giue & bequeath that which will be due to me from Isaack Williams at or after my decease, as by his mortgage to me doe appeere, which is eighty pounds: viz: to my Daughter Bethiah fiue pounds, & the reast I giue to all my six children, borne by my last wife viz: Samuell, Benjamin, Sarah, Mary, Hannah & the said Bethiah, to be equally devided betweene them. 5. Alsoe I give & bequeath, to my said six children, viz. Samuell, Benjamin, Sarah, Mary, Hanna & Bethiah, my house & ground adjoyning in Salem, to haue each of them an equall part or the value of it, alsoe about four acres of ground caled Pigden's lot to be equally devided. 6. I giue & bequeath to my fouer daughters, viz: Sara, Mary, Hanah & Bethiah, all my moueables & houshold stuff &c: to be equally devided betweene them. 7. And my will is that what I haue giuen aboue said to all or either of my children, they shall haue & injoy it to them selues & their heires foreuer, when they come to the age the sons at twenty one years & the daughters at eighteene yeares or marriage & in the meane time the rents & profits of the whole estate viz: houses & land & effects of whateuer is elce, to be for the breeding up of my sd children, soe far as it will goe, at ye ordering & discession of my executor & over seers (here after exsprest)

8. My will is that if God should see good to take by death any of my said children before they come to age or are married, as aforesaid, that then there pt to be equally devided amongst the suriuers: that is to say respectiuey where they are all concerned, there all to share in ye deceased's pt: & the sons Joyntly, the suruier to haue ye whole of the deceased sons, but if both die before they com of age then the daughters to haue their estate devided amongst them, & where Sarah & Mary are concerned together in the twenty pound out of the house at Boston: the suruier to Injoy the whole, or if bother dy before she be of age or married her fiue pound to be devided amongst the suruiuing children Lastly I doe desire & apount my Hond father John Gedney to be sold executor of this my last will & testament & my son Robert Potter & my brothers, Bartholmew Gidney & Elezaer Gidney to be ouerserss. In witnes heare if U haue put to my hand & seale the day & yeare aboue written."

Nicholas (his P mark) Potter (Seal)

Witness: Hilliard Veren, Senr., Nathaniell Beadle.

Proved 29:9:1677 by the witnesses.^{19]}

Inventory of the estate of Nicholas Potter, taken Oct. 25 1677, by Hilliark Veren, sr.:

his dwelling house in Salem with about halfe an acre of Ground adjoyning, being most pt. an oarchard, £70;

about 4 acres of ground called Pigdens Poynt, #20;

about 5 acres of land in the north feild, £10;

an old feather bed, bolster, 3 pillowes pt of a bolster, an old blandett & Ruff, £3;

a smale old feather bead, 2 blanketts, old Rugg & old flock pillows, £2. 5s.;

severall smale lumber in a chest, 5s.;

wearing apparrell, £5;

1 ell cloath rash, an old child's blanket & old child's coar, 16s.;

an old carraile bed, old curtaines & 2 or 3 old pillowes with an old blandett & covering, £1. 6s.;

pewter, 18s.;

brass pan & warming pas, 8s.;

an Iron kettle, 2 potts, hake & fire pan, £1. 2s.;

a chest with a small pr. Doggs, 2 old swords, with some Iron lumber, 12s.;

earth ware, 2s.;

a wooll & linen wheels, 8s.;

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3 or four old hats & pr. shoes, 10s.;
7 old chaires at 7s.; a Joyne stoole & som old barrells, 2s., linnen, 46s.;
bookes, 10s.;
swine, 16s.;
a cow, 40s.;
a cubbord & 3 bedsteeds, 30s, £4, 6s.;
a chest 6s.;
13 B. aples, 10s.;
wood, 7s.;
a flock bed with feathers, with 2 Jarrs, 20s.;
curtain rods & spitt, 5s.;
due from Isaack Williams to be pd in 4 yeare, £30;
one house & Land att boston apprised by Mathew Barnard & Edw. Grant, besids the house & land at
linn formerly giuen to his son Robert Potter, £90;
total £206 11s.
Estate debtor to severall, £15
severall charges £4.
Attested in Salem court 29:9:1677 by the executor.^[10]

Nicholas Potter, Dr., to Capt. George Corwin, a boat, £1 8s.;
John Milk, £2 12s
Goodwife Bamfield, 10s;
Tho. Rix, 9s.;
Mr. Batter, 5s.;
Mr. Wm. Brown, sr., £6, 7s. 6d.;
Mr. Neale, 7s.;
Philip Crumwell, £2 19s.;
Walter Skinner, 2s. 6d.^[10,11]

*Agreement made between William Roch and Hannah his wife daughter of Nicholas Pote late of Salem, deceased, and Mary (her mark), Elson and Bethia (her mark) Witt the other daughters of said Potter as a final settlement and distribution of said estate: That Mary Ellson and Bethia Witt shall have for their part the house, land and appurtinances that was their father's being in Boston situate in the back Street in the north end of the Towne near the dwelling house of the Rev. Increase Mather, in equal parts; that William Roch and Hanah his wife shall have for their part the dwelling house, Land and appurtinances that was the said Potter's situated in Salem bounded on the south with the street or highway on the east with the land of Wiliam Bath and land that was formerly the widow Eastwick's, on the north with the land of Joseph Miles, deceased, an on the west with the land of Nathaniel Gedney & also a peice of land on the Neck in Salem called Picdens point being about four acres. Signed and sealed Aug. 14, 1697.
Witness: Bethia Gedney, Debora Gedney.*

Acknowledged Aug. 14, 1697 before the Hon. Bartho. Gedney, Judge of probate, which is allowed and confirmed by him. [Essex County Probate Files, Docket 22, 582]^[12]

On 22 April 1628 when Nicholas was 24, he first married **Emma/Eme CARTER or KNIGHT**, in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England^[1,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23]. She was born circa 1608 in England -- probably in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire and died by June 1656, when Nicholas married his second wife.

They had the following children:

12	i.	Elizabeth
13	ii.	Robert
14	iii.	Samuel

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Generation: G8 Grandparents (from Huldah to Samuel)
G8 Grandparents (from Marian to Samuel, via Joseph)
G9 Grandparents (from Michal to Joseph)
G9 Grandparents (from Robert Potter)

Person Numbers: (via Elizabeth) 1794/1818/3650 and 1795/1819/3651
(via Robert) 3656 and 3657

After June 1656 when Nicholas was 52, he second married **Alice WEEKS**, in Salem, Essex co., MA^[1,24,15,22,25,18,26,27,28]. Alice was born in 1630^[1] and died in Salem, Essex co., MA on 26d:11m(February):1658/9; she was 28^[1,29].

Before their oldest child, Mary, was born on 4 February 1659, when Nicholas was 55, he third married **Mary GEDNEY**, in Lynn or Salem, Essex co., MA^[1,15,18,20,30,31,32,33,34,35,36,37].

They had the following children:

15	i.	Mary1
16	ii.	Hannah1
17	iii.	Sarah
18	iv.	Mary2
19	v.	Samuel1
20	vi.	Hannah2
21	vii.	Lydia1
22	viii.	Bethia
23	ix.	Samuel2
24	x.	Lydia2
25	xi.	Benjamin
26	xii.	Joseph

8. Robert POTTER (*Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1606 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 15 September 1606. It is speculated that this Robert ended up in Lynn, Essex co., MA

9. Mary POTTER (*Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1608 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 11 December 1608.

10. Ann POTTER (*Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1610 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 2 February 1610. She apparently emigrated to New England, as she married Anthony Needham in Salem, Essex co., MA on 10 January 1655.

11. Susann POTTER (*Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1619 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 18 April 1619.

Fourth Generation

Family of Doctor Nicholas POTTER (7) & Emma/Eme CARTER or KNIGHT

12. Elizabeth⁴ POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1634 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 8 April 1634. She was buried on 22 February 1686/7 in Old Burying Ground, Lynn, Essex co., MA^[1]. Some sources maintain that Elizabeth is the daughter of Robert Potter instead of Nicholas. I disagree.

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On 29d:10m(December):1652 when Elizabeth was 18, she married **Thomas NEWHALL**, son of **Thomas NEWHALL & Mary Jane PENDLETON? WOOD? WOODARD?**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[1,37,38,39,40,41,42,43,44,45].

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

27	i.	Thomas
28	ii.	John
29	iii.	Joseph
30	iv.	Nathaniel
31	v.	Elizabeth1
32	vi.	Elisha
33	vii.	Elizabeth2
34	viii.	Mary
35	ix.	Samuel
36	x.	Rebeca

Generation: G7 Grandparents (from Huldah to Samuel)

G7 Grandparents (from Marian to Samuel, via Joseph)

G8 Grandparents (from Michal to Joseph)

Person Numbers: 896/908/1824 and 897/909/1825

13. Captain Robert⁴ POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1629 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 9 February 1629^[65]. He died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 20 March 1709/10; he was 80^[65,66].

Robert was a Carpenter and lived on Mill Street in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[65]. He served in the local militia and rose to the rank of Captain while serving in the King Philip's War. He was one of the witnesses to the will of John Mansfield of Lynn in 1671^[67] and also was witness to the will of John Gillow of Lynn in 1673^[68]. Finally, Robert was witness to the will of Thomas Newhall, Sr. of Lynn in 1674^[69]. Robert was educated, as he signed his name to all these wills instead of just "making his mark".

Before 1657 when Robert was 28, he first married a woman about whom we know nothing, in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[1,15,37].

They had one child:

37	i.	Samuel1
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On 25d:11m(November):1659 when Robert was 30, he second married **Ruth DRIVER**, daughter of **Robert DRIVER & Phoebe [surname not known]**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[1,37,70,71,72,73,74,75,76,77]. In June of 1652, Ruth joined the feud between the Hathorne & Driver families when John Hathorne struck Ruth with a board over some shoats^[78].

They had the following children:

38	i.	Robert
39	ii.	Nathaniel
40	iii.	John
41	iv.	Elizabeth1
42	v.	Elizabeth2
43	vi.	Ruth
44	vii.	Joseph
45	viii.	Benjamin
46	ix.	Samuel2
47	x.	[possibly Thomas]

Generation: G8 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 1828/1829

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14. Samuel POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 1632 in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England and baptized there on 26 December 1632. Samuel died in Newport-Pagnel, Buckinghamshire, England in 1633 and was buried there on 4 February 1633; he was 1.

Family of Doctor Nicholas POTTER (7) & Mary GEDNEY

15. Mary1 POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 4d:11m:1659 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[79] and died in Salem, Essex co., MA in 29:8m:1662; she was 3^[2].

16. Hannah1 POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 25d:1m:1661 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[79] and died in Salem, Essex co., MA in 28d:8m:1662; she was 1^[29].

17. Sarah POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 4 October 1662 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[80] and died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 29 September 1688 as "Potter, Sarah, d. Nicolas, father of Robert"; she was 25^[66].

18. Mary2 POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 10d:9m:1663 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[79] and was still living at the time of her father's will in 1677. She married **[not known] ELLSON**.

19. Samuel1 POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 9d:11m:1664 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[80] and died in Salem, Essex co., MA in 11m:1665; he was 1^[2].

20. Hannah2 POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 27 March 1666 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[79] and was still living at the time of her father's will in 1677. Before 1692 when Hannah2 was 25, she married **William ROACHE/ROCH**, in Salem, Essex co., MA^[81].

21. Lydia1 POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 26 February 1666/7 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[79] and died in Salem, Essex co., MA in 17d:7m:1668; she was 1^[29].

22. Bethia POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 23 May 1668 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[79] and was still living at the time of her father's will in 1677. On 26 February 1685 when Bethia was 16, she married **Thomas WITT**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[45].

23. Samuel2 POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 22 April 1669 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[80] and was living, but still a minor (under 21) at the time of his father's will in 1677.

24. Lydia2 POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 16 July 1670 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[79] and died in April 1671 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[29].

25. Benjamin POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 6 November 1671 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[79] and was still living, but was a minor (under 21) at the time of his father's will in 1677.

26. Joseph POTTER (*Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 9 June 1673 in Salem, Essex co., MA^[79] and died in Salem, Essex co., MA before 1677; he was 3.

Fifth Generation

Family of Captain Robert POTTER (13) & [not known]

37. Samuel1 POTTER (*Robert⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 28d:3m:1657 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[128] and died before the birth of Samuel2 in 1681.

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Family of Captain Robert POTTER (13) & Ruth DRIVER

38. Robert⁵ POTTER (*Robert⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 18 March 1660 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[65] and died in Lynn, Essex co., MA after 18 March 1702; he was 42^[65,129]. His death record reads "Potter, Robert, ____, 1702, a. 41 y.". Robert is buried in Old or Western Burial Ground in Lynn, Essex co., MA. His parentage is confirmed by the death record of his sister Sarah Potter on 29 September 1688 as "Potter, Sarah, d. Nicolas, father of Robert"^[66]. Robert lived on Boston Street in Lynn, Essex co., MA. His son, Robert, Jr. took the Oath of Freeman on 18 April 1691^[101].

There is an "Elizabeth daughter of Roberd, jr. & Martha" in the Lynn, Essex co., MA birth records with a birth date of 4 May 1704. This is clearly a mistake. Robert had been dead for 2 years and why would they name a second daughter Elizabeth when the first was still alive? It is clear that this is NOT a daughter of Robert, Jr. and Martha.

On 9 January 1681/2 when Robert was 20, he married **Martha HALL**, daughter of **Edward HALL & Sarah [surname not known]**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[1,15,37,45,73,130,131,132,133]. Martha was born in 1660^[1,65] and died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 7 July 1709; she was 49^[1,65,134]. She, too, is buried in Old or Western Burial Ground in Lynn, Essex co., MA.

They had the following children:

96	i.	Ephriam
97	ii.	Martha
98	iii.	Sarah
99	iv.	Ruth1
100	v.	Ruth2
101	vi.	Elizabeth
102	vii.	Robert
103	viii.	Rebecca
104	ix.	Mary
105	x.	Nathaniel

Generation: G7 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 914/915

39. Nathaniel POTTER (*Robert⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 14d:2m:1663 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[128] and died in Lynn, Essex co., MA before 1726; he was 62.

40. John POTTER (*Robert⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 13d:7m:1665 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[135]. On 27 May 1692 when John was 26, he married **Elizabeth NORWOOD**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[45].

41. Elizabeth1 POTTER (*Robert⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 9d:12m:1667/8 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[136] and died in Lynn, Essex co., MA before 15 August 1671; she was 3.

42. Elizabeth2 POTTER (*Robert⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born in 15d:6m:1670 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[136] and married **Joseph FLOOD**.

43. Ruth POTTER (*Robert⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 27 February 1673 in Lynn, Essex co., MA and married **John IVORY**.

44. Joseph POTTER (*Robert⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 25 December 1676 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[135].

45. Captain Benjamin POTTER (*Robert⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 11 April 1680 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[137] and died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 25 April 1745; he was 65^[134]. He married **Ruth BURRILL**, daughter of **Lieutenant John2 BURRILL & Lois IVORY**. She was born on 17 May 1682 in Lynn, Essex co.,

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MA^[138] and died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 23 October 1771; she was 89.

46. Samuel² POTTER (*Robert⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 8 May 1681 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[139]. On 1 April 1709 when Samuel² was 27, he married **Elizabeth HARTT**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[45].

47. [possibly Thomas] POTTER (*Robert⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born circa 1684 in Lynn, Essex co., MA.

Sixth Generation

Family of Robert POTTER Jr. (38) & Martha HALL

96. Ephriam POTTER (*Robert⁵⁻⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 5 April 1683 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[135]. On 23 November 1708 when Ephriam was 25, he married **Sarah WITT**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[45].

97. Martha POTTER (*Robert⁵⁻⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 21 June 1685 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[135] and died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 17 May 1710; she was 24^[134].

98. Sarah POTTER (*Robert⁵⁻⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 12 April 1687 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[139] and married **Thomas BURNAP**.

99. Ruth¹ POTTER (*Robert⁵⁻⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 17 February 1688 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[135] and died on 26 February 1688 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[66].

100. Ruth² POTTER (*Robert⁵⁻⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 6 March 1690 in Lynn, Essex co., MA and married **Nathaniel COLLINS**.

101. Elizabeth⁶ POTTER (*Robert⁵⁻⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 13 March 1691/2 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[137] and died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 11 December 1743; she was 52^[156,162]. She is buried in the Old or West Cemetary, Lynn, Essex co., MA.

Her dower was settled on 7 May 1744 to her son, Jedidiah. He then gave bonds to pay his siblings Ebenezer Newhall of Lynn & Joseph Newhall of Salem served as surities^[159].

On 26 November 1713 when Elizabeth was 22, she married **Joseph NEWHALL Senior**^[154], son of **Ensign Joseph NEWHALL & Susanna FARRAR**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[45,125,155]. An Intention was also filed on 3 October 1713 in Lynn, Essex co., MA as "Joseph Newhall & Elizabeth Potter, both of Lynn."

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

- i. **Joseph**
- ii. Jedidiah
- iii. Nathaniel
- iv. Mary
- v. Bethia
- vi. Elizabeth
- vii. Martha
- viii. Andrew

Generation: G6 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 456/457

102. Robert POTTER (*Robert⁵⁻⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 11 October 1694 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[139] and died of consumption in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 20 January 1732/3; he was 39^[200,201]. On 29 November 1721 when Robert was 27, he married **Marcy BREED**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA. Marcy was born in

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1701, as estimated from her death information. She died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 6 June 1750 as "Potter, Mercy..a. 49 y."^[129].

103. Rebecca POTTER (*Robert⁵⁻⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 24 October 1696 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[139] and married **Jonathon COLLINS**.

104. Mary POTTER (*Robert⁵⁻⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 26 March 1699 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[135] and died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 26 May 1700; she was 1^[202].

105. Nathaniel POTTER (*Robert⁵⁻⁴, Nicholas³, Robert², Nicholas¹*) was born on 16 July 1701 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[139].

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