

## Smith Register Report

### First Generation

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**1. Francis<sup>1</sup> SMITH** was born somewhere in England and died on 20 March 1649/50 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[1,2,3]</sup>. His migration information is currently unknown, however he was one of the earliest migrants to Massachusetts and one of the early settlers of several towns in the Boston, Suffolk co., MA area. We know from town records that he was in Watertown, Middlesex co., MA by early 1628.

He first settled in Watertown, Middlesex co., MA, receiving an eight acre grant (as townsman #34) in the following land grant of 28 February 1628: "A Granto of the Plowlands at Beverbroke Planes, Devided & Lotted out by the Freeman to all the Townsmen then Inhabiting being 106 in number. Allowing one Acre for a person & likewise for cattle valued at £20 ye head, beginning next to the small Lotts beyond the ware..."<sup>[5]</sup>.

In 1637, Francis was made a Freeman of Watertown<sup>[2]</sup>. On 26 June 1637 in Watertown: "A Grant of the Remote or Westpine Meaddows, devided & Lotted out by the Freeman to all the Townsmen then Inhabiting being 113 in number; allowing one Acre for a person, & likewise for cattle valued at £20 the Head beginning next to Plaine Meadow & so to go on vntill the Lotts be ended..." Francis Smith is number 102 and was granted another eight acres<sup>[6]</sup>.

In 1636-1637 and 1642, Francis was called a Proprietor in Watertown<sup>[1,4]</sup>. On 10d:3m:1642, he received another Watertown land grant: "Ordered that all the Townes Men that hath nor Farmes laid out formerly shall take them by Ten in a Division & cast Lotts for the severall Divistions allowing 13 Acres of vpland to every head of Persons & cattle." Francis is part of Lott 9 Division & received a grant of lot #94, which had 131 acres<sup>[1,7]</sup>.

In the 1644 inventory of Lands & Possessions in Watertown, Francis' holdings were:

1. A homestall of Six Acres, the marsh to the south, John Smith to the north, Henry Cuttris on the East and Jeremiah Norcrosse to the West.
2. 2 acres of Marsh
3. 3 acres of upland
4. Eight acres of plowland in the "hither Plaine"
5. Eight acres of remote Meddow & the hundred & second lott granted to him.
6. Thirty acres of upland received in the second Division & twenty-one lot granted to him.
7. Thirteen acres & half of upland<sup>[8]</sup>.

In 1647, Francis moved his family to Reading, Middlesex co., MA and was one of the first settlers of the town. He settled at the north end of Smith's Pond (which is named for him), with his land extending around the pond and into what is now Woodville. He served as a Selectman in Reading<sup>[2]</sup>. The location of his house is near where the Wakefield Junction Railroad Station stood<sup>[2]</sup>. He also lived for a while in Rumney Marsh (later Chelsea Ferry, now Chelsea), Suffolk co., MA.

Francis' will is dated 14 March 1650/1<sup>[1]</sup>. In it, he mentions wife, though not by name, and sons John, Benjamin and granddaughter Mary Smith. He also left "To my kinsmen Henry and Benjamin Bulflower of the town, each £3. For fencing the burial lot, £3"<sup>[1]</sup>.

Before 1621 Francis married **Alice [surname not known]**, in Watertown or Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[9,10,11,12]</sup>. Alice was born in 1583 (as estimated from her age given on her death record) and died in 1667; she was 84<sup>[9]</sup>. She was buried on 13d:3m:1667 in Roxbury, Suffolk co., MA "a. abt. 84 y."<sup>[13]</sup>

They had the following children:

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| <b>2</b> | <b>i.</b> | <b>John</b> |
| <b>3</b> | ii.       | Benjamin    |
| <b>4</b> | iii.      | Hannah      |
| <b>5</b> | iv.       | Mary        |
| <b>6</b> | v.        | Andrew      |

Generation: G9 Grandparents  
Person Numbers: 3728/3729

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### Family of Francis SMITH (1) & Alice [surname not known]

**2. Lieutenant & Captain John<sup>2</sup> SMITH** (*Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born in 1621 in Watertown, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[2,9]</sup>. This birth year is estimated from his given age on his death record. John died in Chelsea, Suffolk co., MA on 21 September 1706; he was 85<sup>[9,14]</sup>. John is buried in North Chelsea (now Revere), Suffolk co., MA.

John lived at Winnesimmet (now Chelsea), Suffolk co., MA<sup>[14]</sup>. He bought land in Charlestown, Suffolk co., MA from R. Kennicut in 1678 and sold 12.5 acres from the second division to John Wilson, Sr. at some point. The deed was witnessed by Thomas Goodwell and William Johnson and was acknowledged in 1682 (although that is not the date of sale).

John served in the local militia and was a Lieutenant until at least 1663 (date of 2nd marriage), but a Captain by the time of his wife's death in 1694.

On 1 August 1647 when John was 26, he first married **Catherine MORRILL**, daughter of **Isaac MORRILL**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[2,9,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21]</sup>. Their marriage was also in the Roxbury, Suffolk co., MA vital records as "Smith, John & Katherine Morrol". Catherine was born circa 1635 and died in Reading, Middlesex co., MA on 12 September 1662; she was 27<sup>[2,3,9,14]</sup>. Her death record reads "Smith, Katherine". She is buried with John in North Chelsea, MA (now Revere), Suffolk co., MA.

They had the following children:

<b>7</b>	i.	Mary
<b>8</b>	ii.	John
<b>9</b>	iii.	Sarah
<b>10</b>	iv.	Isaac
<b>11</b>	v.	Benjamin
<b>12</b>	vi.	<b>Francis</b>
<b>13</b>	vii.	Abraham

Generation: G8 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 1864/1865

On 6 January 1662/3 when John was 41, he second married **Mary BILL**, daughter of **James BILL, Sr. & Mary [surname not known]** in Reading, Middlesex co., MA or Boston, Suffolk co., MA<sup>[2,9,15,16,22,23,24,25]</sup>. Mary was born circa 1645 and died in Chelsea, MA on 6 February 1693/4; she was 48<sup>[14]</sup>. She is also buried in North Chelsea (now Revere), Suffolk co., MA<sup>[4]</sup>. Note that on her marriage record, she is called "Martha" and is said to be "from Boston". In family genealogies, this Mary Bill is sometimes confused with her aunt, who is the Mary Bill who was born circa 1624 and came over on the *Planter* in 1635.

They had the following children:

<b>14</b>	i.	James
<b>15</b>	ii.	Jemima

**3. Benjamin SMITH** (*Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 10 October 1637 in Watertown, Middlesex co., MA as "Smith, Benjamin, s. of Francis, in Watertown."<sup>[2,26]</sup>. On 27 March 1661 when Benjamin was 23, he married **Jehodan PALFREY**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[27]</sup>.

**4. Hannah SMITH.** (*Francis<sup>1</sup>*) On 15 November 1659 Hannah married **George LILLEY**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[2,27]</sup>.

**5. Mary SMITH.** (*Francis<sup>1</sup>*) In 1664 Mary married **Jeremiah SWAIN**<sup>[2]</sup>.

**6. Andrew SMITH** (*Francis<sup>1</sup>*) died on 15 March 1639 in Roxbury, Suffolk co., MA<sup>[28]</sup>.

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#### Family of Lieutenant & Captain John SMITH (2) & Catherine MORRILL

7. **Mary SMITH** (*John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 15 November 1648 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[29]</sup>. On 5 November 1664 when Mary was 15, she married **Jeremiah SWAIN**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[14,25]</sup>.

8. **John SMITH** (*John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 4 November 1651 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[2,14,30]</sup>.

9. **Sarah SMITH** (*John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 14 April 1654 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[2,14,31]</sup> and died on 5 May 1654 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[2,3,14]</sup>. Another record says that she died on 1 May 1654, at 17 days of age. It could be that she died on the 1<sup>st</sup> and was buried on the 5<sup>th</sup> of May.

10. **Isaac SMITH** (*John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 20 June 1655 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA, as "Smith, Issack"<sup>[2,14,30]</sup>.

11. **Benjamin SMITH** (*John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 8 August 1657 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[2,14,26]</sup> and died on 1 January 1657/8 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[2,14,32]</sup>. The Reading, Middlesex co., MA vital records say that Benjamin died on 1 January 1657, but the correct year must be 1657/8. Otherwise, Benjamin would have died before he was born.

12. **Deacon Francis<sup>3</sup> SMITH** (*John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 23 December 1658 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA as "Smith, Frances"<sup>[2,9,14,30]</sup> and died in Reading, Middlesex co., MA on 14 November 1744 as "Smith, Francis, Dea..in his 86th y."<sup>[3,9,33]</sup>. He inherited the homestead around Smith's Pond and lived in Reading, Middlesex co., MA his entire life<sup>[33]</sup>. In addition to being a Deacon of the church, Francis served as Selectman & Town Clerk of Reading<sup>[33]</sup>.

On 1 March 1679/80 when Francis was 20, he married **Ruth MAVERICK**, daughter of **Elias MAVERICK & Anna HARRIS**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA <sup>[9,16, 34,35,36,37,38,39,40]</sup>

They had the following children:

16	i.	John
17	ii.	Isaac
18	iii.	Abraham
19	iv.	James
20	v.	Catherine
21	vi.	Benjamin
22	vii.	Ruth
23	viii.	Mary
24	ix.	Elias

Generation: G7 Grandparents

Person Numbers: 932/933

13. **Abraham SMITH** (*John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 10 April 1661 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[2,14,26]</sup>. Abraham married **Elizabeth PIERCE**, daughter of **Jonathon PIERCE & Mary LOBDELL**. Born on 29 June 1700 in Charlestown, Suffolk co., MA<sup>[42]</sup>.

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14. **James SMITH** (*John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 13 September 1663 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[2,14,30]</sup>.

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15. **Jemima SMITH** (*John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 29 May 1665 in Winnissimmet (now Chelsea), Suffolk co., MA as "South, Jemima, d. of Lieut. John..9b. at Winesimett, M.R.<sup>[2,14,30]</sup>. Jemima was born at Winesimmet, but her birth was recorded at Reading.

Jemima married **Paul MAVERICK**, son of **Elias MAVERICK & Anna HARRIS**. Born on 10 June 1657 in Boston, Suffolk co., MA as "Paul of Elias & Anne Mavericke"<sup>[43,44]</sup>.

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### Family of Deacon Francis SMITH (12) & Ruth MAVERICK

**16. John SMITH** (*Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 9 January 1680 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[14,30,33]</sup>.

**17. Isaac<sup>4</sup> SMITH** (*Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 9 December 1682 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA as "Smith, Izaack"<sup>[14,30,33]</sup> and died in Reading, Middlesex co., MA on 1 October 1779; "in his 98th y."<sup>[3,33]</sup>. Isaac is buried in Old Cemetary, Reading, MA. Isaac lived in Reading, Middlesex co., MA on the place formerly occupied by Dr. John Hart<sup>[33]</sup>.

On 22 November 1709 when Isaac was 26, he first married **Mary PIERCE**, daughter of **Jonathon PIERCE & Mary LOBDELL**, in Charlestown, MA by Mr. Justice Emerson as "Smith, Isaac and Mary Pierce of Charlestown, at Charlestown"<sup>[14,25,33]</sup>.

They had the following children:

<b>25</b>	<b>i.</b>	<b>Mary</b>
<b>26</b>	ii.	Sarah
<b>27</b>	iii.	Abigail <sup>1</sup>
<b>28</b>	iv.	Martha
<b>29</b>	v.	Isaac
<b>30</b>	vi.	Jonathon
<b>31</b>	vii.	Catherine
<b>32</b>	viii.	Phebe
<b>33</b>	ix.	Samuel
<b>34</b>	x.	Abigail <sup>2</sup>
<b>35</b>	xi.	Timothy
<b>36</b>	xii.	Maverick

Generation: G6 Grandparents  
Person Numbers: 466/467

In 1743 when Isaac was 60, he second married **Sarah PRATT**<sup>[33]</sup> and died on 12 April 1751 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[3]</sup>.

**18. Abraham SMITH** (*Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 4 November 1687 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[14,26,33]</sup>.

**19. James SMITH** (*Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 9 February 1690/1 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[30,33]</sup>.

**20. Catherine SMITH** (*Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 5 October 1684 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA as "Smith, Katherine"<sup>[33,45]</sup>. On 6 May 1714 when Catherine was 29, she married **Samuel FELCH**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[25,33]</sup>.

**21. Benjamin SMITH** (*Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 16 December 1692 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[26,33]</sup>.

**22. Ruth SMITH** (*Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born in 1694<sup>[33]</sup>. On 18 April 1732 when Ruth was 38, she married **John BURNAP**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[33,46]</sup>.

**23. Mary SMITH** (*Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 10 May 1695 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[33,45]</sup>. On 20 September 1722 when Mary was 27, she married **Abraham KNOWLTON**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[25,33]</sup>.

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24. **Elias SMITH** (*Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 9 April 1698 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[26,33]</sup>. On 31 December 1724 when Elias was 26, he married **Elizabeth EMERSON**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[27,33]</sup>.

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## Fifth Generation

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### Family of Isaac SMITH (17) & Mary PIERCE

**25. Mary<sup>5</sup> SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 10 September 1710 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[33,45]</sup> and died in South Reading (now Wakefield), Middlesex co., MA on 14 September 1805; she was 95<sup>[47]</sup>. Old Age was given as her cause of death<sup>[47]</sup>.

On 18 November 1731 when Mary was 21, she married **Michael SWEETSER**, son of **Samuel SWEETSER & Elizabeth SPRAGUE**, in Malden, Middlesex co., MA by The Reverend J. Emerson<sup>[48]</sup>.

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

- i. **Samuel**
- ii. William
- iii. Michael<sup>1</sup>
- iv. Michael<sup>2</sup>
- v. Mary
- vi. Martha
- vii. Paul
- viii. Sarah
- ix. Lydia
- x. Cornelious
- xi. Abigail
- xii. Elisabeth

Generation: G5 Grandmother

Person Numbers: 232/233

**26. Sarah SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 20 March 1712 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[31,33]</sup>. On 1 December 1744 when Sarah was 32, she married **Nathan PIERCE** of Wilmington, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[46]</sup>.

**27. Abigail<sup>1</sup> SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 22 September 1713 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[26,33]</sup> and died in Reading, Middlesex co., MA on 9 January 1723/4; she was 9, as "Smith, Abygall"<sup>[32,33]</sup>.

**28. Martha SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 23 January 1714/5 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[33,45]</sup>. On 26 September 1734 when Martha was 20, she married **Samuel NOYES** of Newbury, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[25,33]</sup>.

**29. Isaac SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 22 August 1717 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[30,33]</sup>. In 1741 when Isaac was 23, he married **Susanna WILEY**<sup>[33]</sup>.

**30. Jonathon SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 22 March 1719 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[33,45]</sup>. In 1743 when Jonathon was 23, he married **Martha WEBB** of Woburn<sup>[33]</sup>.

**31. Catherine SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 20 June 1721 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA as "Smith, Katherine"<sup>[33,45]</sup>. There is a death record for "Katherine, d. of Isaac and Mary, \_\_\_\_\_. (1716, T. C.)" Huh...<sup>[3]</sup> On 7 November 1739 when one of the Catherines was 18, she married **Joseph WOODMAN** of Newbury, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[27,33]</sup>. The mystery of the "2 Katherines" remains unsolved.

**32. Phebe SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 15 April 1723 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA as

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"Smith, Pheebe, d. of Iseck and Mary"<sup>[31,33]</sup>.

**33. Samuel SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 7 February 1726/7 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[1]</sup>. On 5 October 1758 when Samuel was 32, he married **Mary WESTON**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[46]</sup>.

**34. Abigail2 SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 13 May 1725 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[26,33]</sup>. On 31 January 1754 when Abigail2 was 28, she married **Samuel DAMON**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[27,51]</sup>.

**35. Timothy SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 21 August 1729 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[31,51]</sup> and settled in Amherst, NH<sup>[51]</sup>. On 9 April 1751 when Timothy was 21, he married **Mary DAMON**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[46,51]</sup>.

**36. Maverick SMITH** (*Isaac<sup>4</sup>, Francis<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Francis<sup>1</sup>*) was born on 20 May 1732 in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[45,51]</sup>. On 14 May 1754 when Maverick was 21, he married **Martha SMITH**, in Reading, Middlesex co., MA<sup>[25,51]</sup>. They settled in Amherst, NH<sup>[51]</sup>.



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