

# Foreman Family History Newsletter

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## ANCESTRAL HOME OF THE MONTH

Dedham, in the county of Essex, England, was the home of many generations of Shermans, ancestors in Sandy's line. His father Edmund Sherman was a prominent woollier in Dedham. He had a grand house. He donated funds for a large stained-glass window for the church in Dedham (see photo).



At his death in 1600, Edmund left his home to the town to be a school for boys (girls didn't attend school).

When Sandy and Larry visited Dedham in 2004, they found the Sherman home (see photo; that's Sandy standing in front). The home was closed, but the lady next door pointed out the bricks on the building. The bricks had been etched with the initials of students (see photo). Many etchings were made in the early 1700's.

Edmund Sherman had two wives. The first was Anne Pellatte. They had six children including our ancestor Edmund Sherman who immigrated to Connecticut. His second wife was Anne Clere; they had seven children.

## **ANCESTOR OF THE MONTH**

### **William Cahoon - Immigrant Ancestor from Scotland**

William Cahoon was born William Colquhoun in about 1633 probably near Luss, a village on the western shore of Loch Lomond in the western Highlands (mountains) of Scotland. He was a member of the clan Colquhoun. It is unknown who his parents were.



In 1642, civil war broke out in Britain. One side backed the king, Charles I; they were the Royalists. The other side supported Parliament, led by Oliver Cromwell. Sir John Colquhoun, 17th Laird of Colquhoun and 19th Lord of Luss and chief of the Clan, supported the King. William and the other clansmen followed Sir John.

On September 3, 1650, the forces of Oliver Cromwell met the Royalists in battle at the town of Dunbar on the southeast coast of Scotland. Due to poor leadership and overconfidence, the Scots were defeated. 3,000 Scots died. William Colquhoun was taken prisoner along with 10,000 Scots. About half were wounded or sick; that half was released. William proceeded on a long march ending at Durham, England. About 1,600 died on the march. The rest were imprisoned. Most of the prisoners died of poor food and illness from confinement. Only 600 prisoners survived; William, only about 17, was one of these.

Most of the 600 prisoners were shipped to America as indentured servants (actually slaves). Many died on the crossing, but William lived and ended up at one or more iron works in Massachusetts. Here, presumably, William learned the trade of brickmaking. It is not known exactly when William's servitude ended.

But, in 1661, a group of supporters of Roger Williams who founded the colony of Rhode Island, left Massachusetts and traveled to Block Island off the coast of Rhode Island. They wanted to escape the tyranny of the Puritans in Massachusetts. William "Cahoone" (now spelled phonetically in English) was among the 18 men who founded the settlement on Block Island.

In 1664, it was recorded that William "Cahoone" purchased 40 acres. He was listed as a "freeman" on Block Island.

By 1664 or so, William (now 31 years old) moved to Newport, Rhode Island, and married Deliverance Peck. They had four children, evidently in Newport. The first child was our ancestor Samuel Cahoon.

At the end of 1669, William and his wife and children moved to Massachusetts and helped found the town of Swansea. Here they had four more children. In 1673 (40 years old), William “Cahoun” and “Cahone” (in the same document) was appointed the official (and only) brickmaker in Swansea. This led to his financial success. (CONTINUED)

In 1675, the King Philip’s War broke out between the Indians and the Massachusetts colonists. In response to cruel treatment, unfair treaties, stealing of land, and executions, the Wampanoag revolted under the leadership of Metacom, or King Philip.

On Sunday, June 24, 1675, the colonists held a day of prayer concerning the unrest. Upon returning to their homes after church services, numerous residents of Swansea were killed. Others, including the family of William and Deliverance, sought refuge in the garrison home of Rev. John Myles. During the night, one of their sentries was attacked and injured. They decided to send two men to the neighboring town of Rehoboth to retrieve the doctor. One of these was William. Along the way, both men were killed by the Indians. William was 42 and had a wife and seven children. (Deliverance married Caleb Lambert in 1681.)

Source: *Famous and Infamous Cahoons*, Vol. 1, by Deborah A. Cahoon Didick, 2001.

Eventually the name was changed to Cahoon and later Calhoon. Larry’s great-grandmother was Mary Elizabeth Calhoon. It is 7 generations from her back to William Cahoone.

## **PROGRESS REPORT ON NANA’S AUTOBIOGRAPHY**

Nana (Peggy Jesse) and Larry have finished their second review of the manuscript. Most of the photos for the book are compiled. It may take a month or so to gather the final pictures and other materials from relatives in Arkansas. Accipiter Press of Guthrie, Oklahoma, will publish the book. It will have about 100 pages of text and perhaps 25 photos.



## **YOU CAN VIEW FOREMAN FAMILY PHOTOS AND GENEALOGY CHARTS ON-LINE**

You can find photos of your ancestors at [www.tribalpages.com](http://www.tribalpages.com). On the right side of the page is a block labeled "Visit the Site."

For photos of Sandy's ancestors, enter the user ID: Turk and Password: mansur1.  
For photos of Larry's ancestors, enter the user ID: Foreman and Password: mansur.

## **SPECIAL FEATURE OF THE MONTH Ancestor names used in our family**

Several living members of our family have been named after ancestors. Among these are the following:

1. **Andrew** John Foreman was named after his grandfather, **Andrew** M. (Marsellus) Foreman. He was named after his grandfather **Andrew** Shutz Carr, who was named after his uncle, **Andrew** Shutz.
2. Chelsey **Marie** Foreman was named after her mother Michelle **Marie** Mills.
3. Caleb **Marsellus** Foreman was named after his great-grandfather, Andrew **Marsellus** Foreman, who was named after his great-uncle, Daniel **Marsellus** Carr.
4. Elijah **Taylor** Lane was named after the **Taylor** line in Sandy's family (Frances Lydia - John Burton - George Madison - James W.),
5. **Katerina Ross** Lane was named after **Catherine Ross**, the sister of Katerina's great-grandmother.
6. Wyatt **Nathan** Lane was named after his great-grandfather Thomas **Nathan** Turk, who was named after his grandfather **Nathan** Adams.
7. Kyrstie **Elizabeth** Neely was named after her great-grandmother, Margaret **Elizabeth** Johnson. She was named after her mother, Margaret **Elizabeth** Alexander, who was named after her grandmothers, Margaret Ramey and **Elizabeth** Cravens.
8. Tatyanna **Marie** Neely was named after her aunt, Jenene **Marie** Neely. She was named after her aunt Joanne **Marie** Lee, who was named after grandmother Helena **Marie** Hanson.
9. Sawyer **Joe** Neely was named after his father Brian **Joe** Neely, who was named after his father Jerry Joe Neely.
10. McKayde **Andrew** Neely was named after his uncle, **Andrew** John Foreman. See entry 1 above for that derivation.

## TEMPLE WORK CONDUCTED RECENTLY

On August 2nd, 2008, Larry Don Foreman served as proxy for the baptism and confirmation of his father, Andrew M. Foreman. The ordinances were performed at the Oklahoma City Temple.

Larry has acquired some new software called *PAF Insight*. One of the things it can do is search the temple records (International Genealogical Index) to see what temple work has been completed. Based on this search, Larry matched ancestors with temple ordinances and recorded the dates and temples in his PAF data base. *PAF Insight* then lists the names that still need temple ordinances. Through this effort, Larry identified about 100 names of direct ancestors or their children who need temple work performed.

## FAMILY HISTORY JOKE OF THE MONTH

The following was on the tombstone of Lester Moore. He was a Wells Fargo station agent. He's buried at Boothill Cemetery in Tombstone, Arizona:

“Here lies Lester Moore  
Four slugs from a .44  
No Les No More.”

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