
Chapter 2

Children of John and Elizabeth Crabb

Stephen, William, John, Elizabeth, Mary, Nancy, Priscilla, Charity,
William II, Frances, Richard, Elijah

John and Elizabeth Crabb's Family Settle in New Brunswick

John Crabb and his family sailed from New York on the ship, Cyrus, and arrived at the mouth of the St. John River, September 14, 1783.

John and sons, John and Stephen, drew lots in Parrtown (Saint John) but soon moved up river to Kings County. Some settled on Kingston peninsula and some along Long Reach in Greenwich Parish, Kings County, New Brunswick.

—Duane Crabtree

John and Elizabeth Crabb's two youngest children, Richard and Elijah (my relatives), and most of their children, traveled to Kane County, Illinois, United States, to live. Many descendants of the other six Crabb children, stayed in New Brunswick, or the nearby states of Maine or Massachusetts.

I was excited to be able to email several of the John Crabb descendants that stayed in Canada or nearby New England.



The Counties of New Brunswick, Canada

The provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and Prince Edward Island are small compared to the other Canadian provinces. And most of the New Brunswick towns and cities are small compared to those in other parts of Canada or the US.

John and Elizabeth's Children:**1. Stephen (1766–1859)**

Stephen, born in New York, was 17 when he sailed to New Brunswick with his family. He married Mary CLARKE who was born in New Brunswick, and they had 11 children. He is buried in Kings County, New Brunswick.

Children of Stephen and Mary:

James John (about 1793–1875)
Margaret Florence (b. abt. 1794–)
Annie Rebecca (1799–1869)
Michael Clarke (b. abt. 1799–)
Samuel S. (1803–1878)
Charity (b. abt. 1810–)
Maria (1821–)
Pearl
Mary
George W.
Pearl

2. William (1767–)

William died before 1782.

3. John Jr. (1770–1853)

John Jr., born in New York, was about 13 when he sailed on the *Cyrus* with his family in September of 1783. The 1851 census of Greenwich parish lists John as Lame. John Jr. was almost 83 when he died November 1853, in Kings County, New Brunswick.

John first married Elizabeth Mary CRAM. **Their children:**
John III (1798–1882)
Lemuel Jenkins (1799–1865)
Mary Ann (1801–1876)
William Henry (abt. 1802–1865)
Elizabeth (abt. 1803–1846)

John Jr.'s second marriage was to Nancy A. WALLACE.

Children of John and Nancy:

Frances A. (abt. 1812–1896)
Charles (abt. 1815–)
Elias (1819–1892)
Sarah Ann Annie (1821–1901)
Lavenia (1824–1912)
Caroline (abt. 1830)
Henry
Prudence

4. Elizabeth (1771–1859)

Elizabeth was born in New York and sailed on the *Cyrus* with her family when she was almost 12. She married Hugh BROWN who was born in June 1743, in Ayrshire, Scotland. Elizabeth and Hugh both died in Greenwich, Kings County, New Brunswick.

Children of Elizabeth and Hugh:

Nancy Agnes "Ann" (1791–1868)
Elizabeth "Eliza" (1793–1865)
Alma "Almy" (1795–)
Mary Pinkey (1797–)
James Mitchell (1799–)
John (1802–)
Frances (1804–abt. 1881)
Hugh E. (1807–)
Sarah Prudence (1809–)
Charles Lewis (1815–)

5. Mary CRABB (1773–1850)

Mary, known as *Polly*, was 10 years old when she sailed with her family to New Brunswick. She married Joseph HOYT III, who was born about 1761 in Connecticut, and died in 1847, in Jerusalem, Queens County, New Brunswick. Polly died in Long Reach, Kings County, New Brunswick, and is buried in Oak Point, Kings County, New Brunswick, Canada.

Children of Polly and Joseph:

Israel Isaiah (1790–bef. 1861)
Mercy (abt. 1802–)
Joseph (1803–)
John (abt. 1807–)
James (abt. 1811–bef. 1861)
George B. (abt. 1812–1895)

6. Nancy CRABB (1775–?)

Nancy died young.

7. Priscilla CRABB (1777–?)

Priscilla died young.

8. Charity CRABB (1779–?)

Charity was not quite four years old when her family sailed to New Brunswick. She married Samuel SHARP, the son of Samuel and Priscilla Sutton SHARP (my 5-great grandparents). Charity's husband Samuel died in New Brunswick, Canada, in 1840.

Charity, at age 81, was living with her daughter, Charity and husband Samuel Reicker, in Queensbury Parish, in 1861. I have that Charity Sharp died between 1861–1871 in Queensbury Parish, New Brunswick.

Children of Charity and Samuel:

John (1796–)
Priscilla (abt. 1798–1817)
Samuel (abt. 1803–)
Adam (abt. 1806–)
Joseph (abt. 1808–)
James A (1811–)
Charity (abt. 1812–)
William

9. William CRABB #2 (1782–1783)

William, born July 1782, in New York, died before the family sailed to New York City in 1783.

10. Frances A. CRABB (1786–1871)

Fanny was born in New Brunswick. She married John B. WALLACE, the brother of Nancy Wallace, who was the second wife of John Crabb Jr. Fanny died in Embden, Maine, January 1871. She is buried in North Freeman, Maine.

Children of Fanny and John:

Eliza A. (1815–)
Alma "Amy" (1816–1885)
Paulina (1824–1890)
Mary (1826–)
John (1830–1907)
Charles H. (1840–)
Frances (died 1849)

Descendants of John and Elizabeth Crabb



Lemuel Jenkins Crabb. Copy of old tin type. Courtesy of Lloyd Webber.

Lemuel Jenkins Crabb

Lemuel Crabb, son of John Crabb Jr. and Elizabeth Mary Cram, was born in 1799, in New Brunswick. Lemuel married Sarah Margaret Lounder and they had 11 children.

About 1835, Lemuel and his family moved, from Greenwich, Kings County, New Brunswick, to what became Hainesville, York County, New Brunswick. They farmed in the area of present day Crabbe Mountain Ski Resort. The Crabb Cemetery, where he and Sarah are buried, is nearby.

In the 1880's, some of Lemuel's children, including his son Arnold, (not to be confused with John and Elizabeth Bassett Crabb's son Richard Arnold and grandson, Richard Arnold Bassett Crabb), took up grants of land in Cloverdale Settlement, Carleton County.

Lemuel and Sarah Margaret's son Richard (Arnold) Crabb, married Hannah Hoyt. Richard and Hannah Crabb had 11 children. Lloyd Webber and Barry Crabbe are two of their descendants. ❀

Lloyd Ransford Webber

Lloyd lives in New Brunswick, Canada, and is the first Crabb cousin I met through email. His hobby is collecting information on and finding descendants of John and Elizabeth Crabb, which he willingly shares with other cousins. He also has graciously answered my questions and has been a fun cousin to email.

Lloyd is related to three of John and Elizabeth Crabb's children: John Jr. (through Lemuel), Mary (Polly) Crabb Hoyt, and Elizabeth Crabb Brown. ❀



Lloyd Ransford Webber 1949.

Jeannine McGee Nichols

Jeannine is a New Brunswick Crabb cousin that I have enjoyed corresponding with through email.

Jeannine is related to John and Elizabeth Bassett Crabb's daughter, Elizabeth Crabb Brown.

Yes, I live in New Brunswick. We live in a small community called McAdam. McAdam is a very small community, less than fifteen hundred people, most of them very senior people. It is about an hour drive from Fredericton, which is the capital city of New Brunswick. We did live in the Fredericton area for 20 years.

—Jeannine McGee Nichols ❀



Jeannine McGee Nichols 1957.

Barry and Wendy Crabbe

Wendy is another Crabb family researcher I have enjoyed emailing. Barry is related to two children of John and Elizabeth Bassett Crabb: Mary (Polly) Crabb Hoyt and John Crabb Jr. (through Lemuel). Barry and Wendy live in Maine. ❀



Barry and Wendy Crabbe.

Descendants of Richard Arnold Crabb and/or Elijah Crabb

You have met the four of us before, but I thought it would be fun to put us all under descendants of Richard Arnold or Elijah Harris Crabb/ Crabtree, or as in the case of myself and Cal, both.



Duane Crabtree is a descendant of John and Elizabeth Crabb's sons, Richard Arnold Crabb (through Sarah Crabtree Kinney) and John Crabb Jr. (through his son William Henry.)



Dan Brady is a descendant of John and Elizabeth Crabb's son Elijah Harris through Len and Sarah Crabtree Gill's son, Daniel.



Louise Austin Smith, Granddaughter of Amanda Myrtie Crabtree Briggs and descendant of John and Elizabeth Crabb's sons, Richard Arnold Crabb and Elijah Harris Crabb.



Cal Bivens, Grandson of LeRoy and Ollie Crabtree, descendant of John and Elizabeth Crabb's sons, Richard Arnold Crabb and Elijah Harris Crabb.

11. Richard Arnold CRABB (1789–1867)

Richard Arnold, my great, great great Grandpa, was born in New Brunswick. He married Mary Giggey, and they had 10 children, most of whom moved west to Illinois. Richard and Mary are buried in Van Vlack Cemetery in Maple Park, Illinois.

Children of Richard and Mary:

Mary Elizabeth J. (1809–)
Hannah Priscilla (1811–1904)
James (1813–1892)
Frances (Fanny) (1815–1861)
Charles William (1817–1852)
Sarah (1820–1887)
Amelia "Amy" (1823–)
Richard Arnold Bassett
Margaret (1828–abt. 1854)
George W. (1830–1893)

12. Elijah Harris CRABB (1792–1882)

Elijah Harris is also my great, great great Grandpa. He was born in New Brunswick, Canada, and married Priscilla Isabella Sutton Sharp. They moved to Illinois in 1859. Elijah died in Chicago, Illinois, US, in May 1882. The death certificate says he is buried in Blackberry Cemetery.

Children of Elijah and Priscilla:

Joseph Sutton (1821–)
John (1823–)
Rachel (1824–1908)
William Henry
Sarah Miranda (1834–1930)
Jonathan (abt. 1839–) ❀