

Smithin Family – Severn Stoke

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This is the history of the Smithin family from Pershore and Birlingham. This document covers the descendants of Benjamin Smithin, born about 1645, and Elizabeth Tribble.



There is only very limited information on those born after 1920. Most of the information is from public sources.

Benjamin Smithin (c.1645-1724). Also spelt Smithsend. The son of Thomas and Ann. He married Elizabeth Tribble (c.1650-1727) in Birlingham on the 4th June 1673 (or possibly 1675); the marriage was by banns.^{1 2}

Smithsend was the early form of the family name and it seems gradually to have changed to Smithin. The early spellings in this branch of the family are quite varied.

Benjamin was a churchwarden in Birlingham in 1684, 1698, 1699, and 1700. On the 1st July 1684 as a churchwarden he reported his brother Nathaniel to the Bishop for not attending church!³

Likewise we present Nathaniel Smiton & William Godsaw for refusing to come to church

The other churchwarden was Thomas Priddie.

Church Presentments - Birlingham 1684

A presentment made by ye Minister and Chuchwardens of Birlingham to be delivered into ye Revd? Bishops Visitation holden at Evesham, upon ye first day of July Anno Domini 1684.

Imprimis: The Church, Chancel, grounds about and ye Chuchyard are in order and in good repair.

Ye Rector's house likewise in very good repair.

We present John Tribbell and his wife for not frequenting their Parish Church. Likewise we present Joseph Perks and his wife for refusing Communion with the Church.

Likewise we present Nathaniel Smiton and William Godsaw for refusing to come to Church (and frequenting Conventicles) [crossed out].

Also we present Edward Roberts ye Smith and his wife They have long stood Excommunicated and care not to submit to ye Court his wife teacheth School ye youth of the Parish which there is another more fit and conformable who is willing to undertake it.

It. We present William Richards on and his who stand Excommunicated for Articles Exhibited against them to prove their Marriage.

It. We present George Clifford and his wife who refuse Communion with the Church and can show no reason for it.

We present Will Compton for not coming to divine service

The presentment of Birlingham since last visitation 1684

*We Thomas Priddie and Benjamin Smithin
Churchwardens of ye Parish of Birlingham have nothing to present but all is well baring what is
already presented.*

Benjamin acted as a witness to a Will for John Cubberley of Birlingham, in 1694. This was probably John Cubberley who was a churchwarden in 1685. It was a busy time for the churchwardens because in the period 1685-1695 several new bells were made for St. James as the inscriptions on the Bells show.⁴

*Francis Bahrhlew Samuel Palmer churchwardens William Bagley made mee 1692
When you me ring i'll sweetly ring, A.R. 1748
Henry Bagley made mee 1695
George Lunne and John Cubberley Churchwardens 1685
Fear God and Honour the King 1685*

Benjamin was buried in Birlingham on the 12th August 1724.⁵

The Tribbles were an old established Birlingham family. Elizabeth's father was John Tribble (b.1620) and her grandfather was George Tribble (c.1590). A George Tribble is recorded as renting six acres of land in Walton Cardiff in 1314 renewing an agreement that had been established at least two generations before that.

Elizabeth made a Will in 1727 leaving her estate to her two surviving children Elizabeth and Thomas. Elizabeth was buried in Birlingham on the 23rd September 1727.⁶

Will of Elizabeth Smithin (d.1727)

In the name of God Amen. I Elisabeth Smithin of Burlingham in the County of Worcester, widow, being weak in body but of sound memory, praise be to God for the same. I do make this my last will and testament in manner following.

I give and bequeath my soule to Almighty God hoping for remission of sins through the merits of Jesus Christ my redeemer, and my body to be buried.

I give to my Daughter Elisabeth Smithin one feather bed, bolsters pillows and curtains, bedstead and all thereto belonging in the Chamber at the west end of the house. I give to my daughter Elisabeth one flock bed with all the furniture to the same bed. I give my Daughter one trunk with the linen therein being in the Chamber before mentioned. I give my daughter halfe my brass and pewter and her choice of two tables and two Coffors? and two chairs out of the rest of my goods. I give my Daughter Elisabeth halfe my linen of all sorts, besides I give my Daughter halfe my books. I give my Daughter Elisabeth the sum of ? pounds of British money also to be paid her within one year after my decease by my Executor out of my personal estate not before devised.

All the rest of my goods Chattel and Chattels whatsoever I am in any ways possessed of I give the same to my son Thomas Smithin who I make sole Executor of this my last will and testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of September and in the first year of the reign of our Sovereign King George 2nd Anno Domini 1727[---]

Signed sealed and declared by the said Elisabeth Smithin to be her last will and testament in the presence of us who at the request and in the presence of the testator have subscribed as witnesses.

*John Harris
Elisabeth Flower*

John Bradis

The mark of Elisabeth Smithin

Benjamin and Elizabeth had six children: Joseph (b.1675), Elizabeth (1677-1687), Benjamin (1680-1681), Thomas (1692-1761), Elizabeth (1687-1729), Mary (b.1684).

Joseph Smeeton (b.1675). Also Smithin. The son of Benjamin and Elizabeth. He was baptised in Birlingham on the 28th January 1675.⁷

He was apprenticed to William Butler in 1692.⁸

1692 Smithin Joseph, son of Benjamin, Birlingham, Worchester, yeoman, to William Butler, 4 May 1692, Turners' Company

The Turner's company was an ancient London Livery company for Wood turning whose members manufactured all sorts of wooden items and furniture for households and farms.

Joseph became a Freeman of the City of London in 1699.⁹

Joseph Smithin son of Benjamin Smithin of Birlingham, Worcs., Yeoman. Appr to Wm Buttler Cit. & Turner for 7 years from 4 May 1692

This might suggest that there was a link between the Smithin family in Birlingham and the Smithsend family in London; Thomas Smithsend born c.1669, for example, was an established Coachmaker in London.

Elizabeth Smeeton (1677-1687). The daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth. She was baptised on the 16th July 1677 in Birlingham.¹⁰ She was buried in Birlingham on the 20th April 1687.¹¹

Benjamin Smeeton (1680-1681). Benjamin Jnr. The son of Benjamin and Elizabeth. He died as an infant less than 2 years old and was buried in Birlingham on the 16th November 1681.¹²

Mary Smiton (b.1684). The daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth. She was baptised on the 25th October 1684 in Birlingham.¹³

She may be the Mary Smithin who married Giles Shepherd from Pershore, St. Andrews at Birlingham on the 10th May 1711.¹⁴

Elizabeth Smeton (1687-1729). The daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth. She was baptised in Birlingham on the 26th January 1687.¹⁵

Elizabeth was mentioned in her mother's Will of 1727 and was referred to as 'Smithin'.

Elizabeth was buried in Birlingham on the 25th July 1729.¹⁶

Thomas Smithin (1692-1761). The son of Benjamin and Elizabeth. He was baptised in Birlingham on the 22nd December 1692.¹⁷

Thomas acted as executor of his mother's Will in 1727.

Thomas married Anne Rickards (d.1765) by licence at St. Helen's, Worcester on the 11th January 1731.¹⁸

Thomas made a Will in 1761 and described himself as a Yeoman who owned land in Birlingham and Pershore.¹⁹

Will of Thomas Smithin (1761)

In the name of God Amen. I Thomas Smithin of Birlingham in the County of Worcester Yeoman. Do make this my last Will and Testament in Manner and Form following (that is to say).

I give devise and bequeath unto my dear Wife Ann all that my messuages or tenements with the Orchard Garden and Appurtenances thereunto belonging situate in Birlingham aforesaid. And also all that my Orchard or inclosed Ground with the Appurtenances situate in Pershore in the said County of Worcester and now in the Possession of John Spencer. To hold the same unto my said wife and her Assigns for and during the term of her natural life.

And from and immediately after her decease I give devise and bequeath my said Messuages or Tenements with the Orchard Garden and Appurtenances in Birlingham aforesaid and my said Orchard or inclosed Ground with the Appurtenances in Pershore aforesaid unto my Son Benjamin and his Heirs for ever.

To my said Wife I also give and bequeath all my Ready Money, Securities for Money, Household Goods, Cattle Implements of Husbandry, Goods, Chattels and all other my Personal Estate whatsoever and wheresoever to hold unto my said Wife and her Assigns for and during the Term of her natural Life.

And from and immediately after her Decease then I give and bequeath the same unto my Son Benjamin and my Daughters Mary, Elizabeth, Sarah, Ann and Martha to be equally divided between them share and share alike. And lastly I do constitute and appoint my said Wife sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this Eighth Day of September in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty One.

Thomas Smithin

Signed sealed published and declared for the said Testator Thomas Smithin as for his last Will and Testament in the Presence of us who in his Sight and at his Request have subscribed our names as Witnesses.

*Elis Badger
? Young
William Heath*

Thomas was buried in Birlingham on the 26th October 1761.²⁰
Anne died on the 31st January 1765 in Birlingham.²¹

Thomas and Anne had six children. Mary (1732-1821), Elizabeth (b.1723), Sarah (b.1736), Anne (1737-1804), Benjamin (1739-1791), Martha (b.1743).

Mary Smithin (1732-1821). The daughter of Thomas and Anne. She was baptised in Birlingham on the 5th January 1732.²² She married her second cousin Joseph Smithin on the 15th September 1760.²³

See separate document for details.

Elizabeth Smithin (b.1733). The daughter of Thomas and Anne. She was baptised in Birlingham on the 1st February 1733.²⁴

She was mentioned in her father's Will of 1761.

Elizabeth married Samuel George, by licence, at Birlingham on the 16th November 1761.²⁵

Sarah Smithin (b.1736). The daughter of Thomas and Anne. She was baptised in Birlingham in May 1736.²⁶

Sarah was mentioned in her father's Will of 1761.

Sarah married Robert Edwards by licence, at Birlingham, on the 15th September 1760.²⁷

Robert died in 1820 and was buried at Birlingham on the 3rd August.²⁸

Sarah and Robert had six children: Betty Edwards (b.1763), Thomas Edwards (b.1767), Benjamin Edwards (b.1766), Robert Edwards (b.1767), Sarah Edwards (b.1769), Martha Edwards (b.1771).²⁹

Anne Smithin (1737-1804). The daughter of Thomas and Anne. She was baptised in Birlingham on the 23rd December 1737.³⁰

Ann was mentioned in her father's Will of 1761.

Ann died in 1804 and was buried in Pershore on the 26th February.³¹

Martha Smithin (b.1743). The daughter of Thomas and Anne. She was baptised in Birlingham on the 23rd September 1743.³²

She was mentioned in her father's Will of 1761.

Martha married William Osborn (c.1740-1819) of Birlingham on the 29th June 1765 at Pershore, St. Andrews. The witnesses were Benjamin Smithin (probably her brother) and Robert Edwards her brother in law.³³

William was born in about 1740.

William died on the 2nd June 1819 at Wadborough Park.³⁴

Martha and William had a son Thomas Osborn born about 1773 who farmed at Wadborough Park. He married Elizabeth Abbot on the 17th July 1804 at Stoulton. In his Will (proved 1844) he mentioned his cousin Thomas Smithin (b.1782).³⁵

... and I charge and subject my said wife in respect of the estate and property hereby given to her with the payment of the sum of two shillings and sixpence per week (which I am liable to pay) to my cousin Thomas Smithin for his life [...] Upon Trust for my grandson William Foster, the son of my late daughter Mary Foster if he shall live to attain the age of twenty one years ...

Thomas Osborn died at Rushwick, Worcestershire on the 25th February 1844.³⁶

Benjamin Smithin (1739-1791). The son of Thomas and Anne. He was baptised on the 12th November 1739 in Birlingham.³⁷

He was mentioned in his father's Will of 1761.

Benjamin married Elizabeth Skinner (1745-1819) of Croome D'abitot, by licence, at Pershore Holy Cross on 20th June 1771.³⁸

Elizabeth was christened on the 22nd May 1745 at Holy Cross, Pershore. Her father was Thomas Skinner, a farmer, (1716-1788) and her mother was Mary. She had several siblings; William, Mary, Ann, Thomas.³⁹

In 1780 they were living in Severn Stoke and were still there in 1787; Benjamin was referred to as '*Benjamin Smithin of Severn Stoke*' on a contract with William Claridge.

In 1786 Benjamin was an executor of his uncle Joseph's Will with William Claridge.

14th January 1786. Benjamin Smithin one of the Executors of this Will appeared Personally and was then sworn in the common form of law and that Personal Estate did not amount to 300 pounds

Benjamin had moved to Wadborough by 1791 when he made his Will.⁴⁰ Six children were still alive in 1791 and he appointed his nephew Joseph Smithin (the son of his sister Mary; who

married a Smithin) as an Executor and as a Trustee for any land or money on behalf of the children. A witness to this Will was John Woodward; possibly the father of Benjamin's future son in law.

There is a memorial for Benjamin in the Churchyard at Pershore Abbey (Pershore Holy Cross).⁴¹

Benjamin Smithin late of Wadborough Park, died 25 day of Oct 1791, age 52 years. Also Elizabeth wife of the above who died June 2 1819 aged 74 years. Also Benjamin Smithin their son who died Oct 23 1810 aged 32 years. Also Joseph Smithin.

Will of Benjamin Smithin (1791)

In the Name of God Amen. I Benjamin Smithin of Wadborough in the Parish of Holy Cross Pershore, in the County of Worcester, Gentleman, being now Sick and weak in Body, but of sound and disposing Mind, Memory, and Understanding for which thanks be given to Almighty God, but seriously considering with myself the Certainty of Death and the uncertain Hour thereof. Do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say).

First I will and devise all my just Debts ? and Expenses, and the Charge of proving this my Will to be paid and discharged by my Executor and Executrix being? of the moment. ? to my nephew Joseph Smithin of Birlingham in this County of Worcester Yeoman, I give and devise all that my Messuages or Tenements Orchard Garden and Premises situate and being in Birlingham aforesaid. To hold to him his Heirs and Assigns forever. In Trust ? to permit and suffer my dear Wife for and towards the support of Herself and the Maintenance Educating, Clothing, and bringing up of my Children. And after her Decease upon further Trust in him the said Joseph Smithin and his heirs ? that he do and shall with all convenient speed after her Decease either by Publick Auction or private Contract sell and dispose of and for such Sum of Money as he my said Trustee shall think a fair and adequate Price for the same All my said Messuages or Tenements and Premises.

And I do hereby further will order and ? that the ? of him the said Joseph Smithin or his Heirs shall go to the Purchase ? good and sufficient legal and equitable release and discharge for the Money to be paid by any Person for the Purchase of the said Messuages and Tenements and Premises. And the Money arising from the Sale thereof upon Trust to pay and divide the same to any and all my six children or such as them as shall be then living share and share alike as Tenants in common and not as joint Tenants.

To my Daughter Martha I give my Silver Tankard to do with as she pleases.

Then to my said dear Wife I give devise and bequeath for and during the term of her natural Life. All my Household Goods Chattels, Cattle Stock, Crops and Effects, Ready Money, Monies at Interest, Bonds, Bills and Securities for Money and other my Personal Estate whatsoever, which at the time of my Decease I shall die possessed of, towards the Support of Herself maintaining educating and bringing up of my six Children and from and after her Decease I give and bequeath All my said Household Goods, Chattels, Cattle Stock, Crops and Effects Monies at Interest Bonds and Securities for Money to and amongst my dear Children or such as them as shall be living at the time of my said Wife's Decease equally to be divided between them share and share alike as Tenants in Common and not as joint Tenants.

*And Lastly I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my said dear Wife and Nephew Joseph Smithin joint Executrix and Executor of this my Will and hereby revoking all Forms and other Wills by me at any time heretofore made. Do publish and declare this only to be my last Will and Testament. In Testimony whereof I the Testator Benjamin Smithin have to this my last Will and Testament put my Hand and Seal this Twenty second day of October in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety One.
Benjamin Smithin*

Signed sealed published and declared by the Testator Benjamin Smithin in the Presence of us in His Presence at his request and in the sight and Presence of each other have subscribed our Names as Witnesses.

*Samuel George
John Checkits
John Woodward*

John Woodward was Benjamin's son-in-law.
Samuel George may have been his brother-in-law

Benjamin was mentioned in letters of Administration taken out by a William Palmer Knight in 1839.⁴²

And the said William Palmer Knight further alleges and represents to us that the said Benjamin Smithin hath also long since departed this life having by his will bearing date the twenty second day of October one thousand seven hundred and ninety one [1791] appointed his wife Elizabeth Smithin and his nephew Joseph Smithin 'Executrix' and Executor thereof and that the same will was duly proved by the said Elizabeth Smithin alone in the said Consistory court on the first day of July one thousand seven hundred and ninety seven'

Sworn statement of Elizabeth Smithin (1797)

1st July 1797 Elizabeth Smithin Widow of the ? within named appeared and was sworn in common form of Law and that the Personal Estate of the deceased? does not amount to One thousand pounds.

Before me, J Griffiths, Surrogate

Elizabeth died, aged 74, on the 2nd June 1819. She was buried with her husband at Pershore Abbey.⁴³

Her daughter Martha placed a notice about the administration in the local paper.⁴⁴

Worcester Journal, 19 August 1819

Elizabeth Smithin, Deceased

Martha Woodward, as sole Administratrix of the Goods, Chattels, Rights and Credits of Elizabeth Smithin, late of Wadborough Park, in the Parish of Holy Cross Pershore, in the County of Worcester, Widow, deceased. Having by Indenture dated 17th day of June last, assigned all her estate and effects as Administratrix as aforesaid, to William Fincher of Hampton Lucy, in the County of Warwick, Farmer, John Bayliss, of Birlingham, in the County of Worcester, Maltster, and Thomas Osbourne, of Wadborough, in the said Parish of Holy Cross, Farmer, In trust for themselves and all other Creditors of the said Elizabeth Smithin, who shall execute such assignment on or before the Twentieth day of September next, notice is hereby given, that the said deed of Assignment now lies at the Office of Herbert Woodward, solicitor, Pershore for inspection and signature of such of the Creditors of the said Elizabeth Smithin who wish to avail themselves of the benefit thereof. All persons who stand indebted to the Estate of the said Elizabeth Smithin, are requested to pay their respective Debts to the said John Bayliss, or Thomas Osbourne without delay.

Pershore 2nd July 1819

There was a sale of the household and farming items in 1820.⁴⁵

Worcester Journal, Thursday 20th April 1820

By order of the Trustees

To be sold by Auction by Hand & Bentley. On Thursday and Friday, the 27th and 28th days of April 1820, upon the premises, at ten o'clock each morning. All of the Neat Household Furniture Dairy and Brewery requisites, excellent casks, Farming articles, Cheese Bacon, and other Effects, of Mrs. Elizabeth Smithen, deceased, upon Wadborough Park Farm, near to Stoulton Inn, in the Parish of Holy Cross, in Pershore, in the county of Worcester.

Comprising four post and other bedsteads, with cotton furniture, fine seasoned beds, bolsters, and pillows, blankets and quilts, mahogany, oak, and deal dining, parlour, dressing and night tables, parlour chamber, and kitchen chairs, neat pier, swing and dressing glasses, mahogany bureau, chests with drawers, mahogany sofa with cover, quantity of china, glass and earthenware, large deal store cupboard with folding doors, oak and deal lined chests, capital oak dresser with three drawers and cupboards under, eight day clock and case, excellent double stone cheese press, with iron screw, several cuts of cheese, three sides of fine flavoured bacon, great variety of dairy brewing, and kitchen requisites in good condition, quantity of goose feathers, ditto of pewter, upwards of 20 capital hogheads, several rich staddles and cow cribbs, sieves, riddles, measures, bags, cyder jars, and various other farming articles, and will be fully expressed in Catalogues to be had in due time at the Joiners' Arms, Stoulton; Angel, Pershore; Boar's Head, Severn Stoke; Crown, Kempsey and the Auctioneers, Worcester. The farming articles will be sold on Friday.

Benjamin and Elizabeth had nine children: Thomas (1772-1773), Martha (c.1775-1839), Elizabeth (b.1776), Benjamin (1777-1810), Mary (b.1779), William (b.1780), William (b.1781), Thomas (1782-1843), Joseph (1784-1785).

Thomas Smithin (bd.1773). Possibly the son of Benjamin and Elizabeth baptised on the 2nd January 1773 at Pershore, Holy Cross.

Sadly Thomas died as an infant and was buried on the 24th January 1773 at Pershore, Holy Cross.⁴⁶

Martha Smithin (1775-1839). The daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth. She was born in about 1775.

Her father left her his silver tankard in his Will.

Martha married John Woodward on the 21st July 1795 at Pershore, Holy Cross.⁴⁷

Martha died in 1839; registered in Pershore in the December quarter.⁴⁸

Martha and John had four children; Elizabeth Woodward (b.1795), John Woodward (b.1798), William Woodward (b.1800), Joseph Woodward (b.1806).⁴⁹

Elizabeth Smithin (1776-1857). The daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth. She was christened on the 18th July 1776 at Severn Stoke.⁵⁰

Elizabeth married William Fincher (1772-1843) of Hampton Lucy, by licence, at Pershore on the 2nd June 1803.^{51 52}

At the 1841 census they were living at Marston Sicca near Stratford on Avon.⁵³

1841 Census

*Marston Sicca, Gloucestershire
William Fincher, age 69, Farmer
Elizabeth Fincher, age 65
Elizabeth Fincher, age 35
Thomas Smithin, age 60*

Thomas was Elizabeth's brother.

Marston Sicca is now part of Long Marston about 5 miles south west of Stratford in Warwickshire.

William was declared a bankrupt in 1842 and was in a debtor's gaol. He died on the 1st July 1843. His son John Fincher, who had emigrated to the USA in 1833, returned to the UK to help sort out his father's estate. There are modern descendants of John Fincher in the USA.

At the 1851 census Elizabeth was living at Weston upon Avon.⁵⁴

1851 Census

Weston upon Avon, Warwickshire

Elizabeth Fincher, Head, widow, age 73, born Croom, Worcestershire

Elizabeth Fincher, Daughter, unmarried, age 46, School mistress, born Hampton Lucy

Elizabeth died, age 80, in 1857 and was buried at Marston Sicca on the 8th April.^{55 56}

Elizabeth and William had four children: Elizabeth Fincher (b.1804), Mary Fincher (b.1807), William Fincher (b.1809), John Fincher (b.1810).⁵⁷

Benjamin Smithin (1777-1810). The son of Benjamin and Elizabeth. He was christened on the 15th September 1777 at Severn Stoke.⁵⁸

He died on October the 23rd 1810 aged 32 years and was buried with his parents in Pershore Abbey.⁵⁹

Mary Smithin (b.1779). The daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth. She was christened on the 2nd February 1779 at Severn Stoke.⁶⁰

William Smithin (bd.1780). The son of Benjamin and Elizabeth. He was christened on the 17th September 1780 at Severn Stoke

William sadly died as an infant only a few months old.⁶¹

William Smithin (b.1781). The son of Benjamin and Elizabeth. He was christened on 7th February 1781 at Severn Stoke.⁶²

Thomas Smithen (1782-1843). Also Smythen, Smithin. The son of Benjamin and Elizabeth. He was christened on the 21st October 1782 at Stoulton.⁶³ By this time the family had moved from Severn Stoke to Wadborough.

At the 1841 census, age 60, he was living at Marston Sicca, Gloucestershire (near Stratford on Avon) with his sister Elizabeth and her family.

Thomas was mentioned in the Will of his cousin Thomas Osborn (see above) which was proved in 1844. Thomas Osborn was the son of Thomas' Aunt Martha.

Thomas Smithin died on the 13th January 1843, age 62, at Marston Sicca; registered at Stratford in the March quarter.^{64 65}

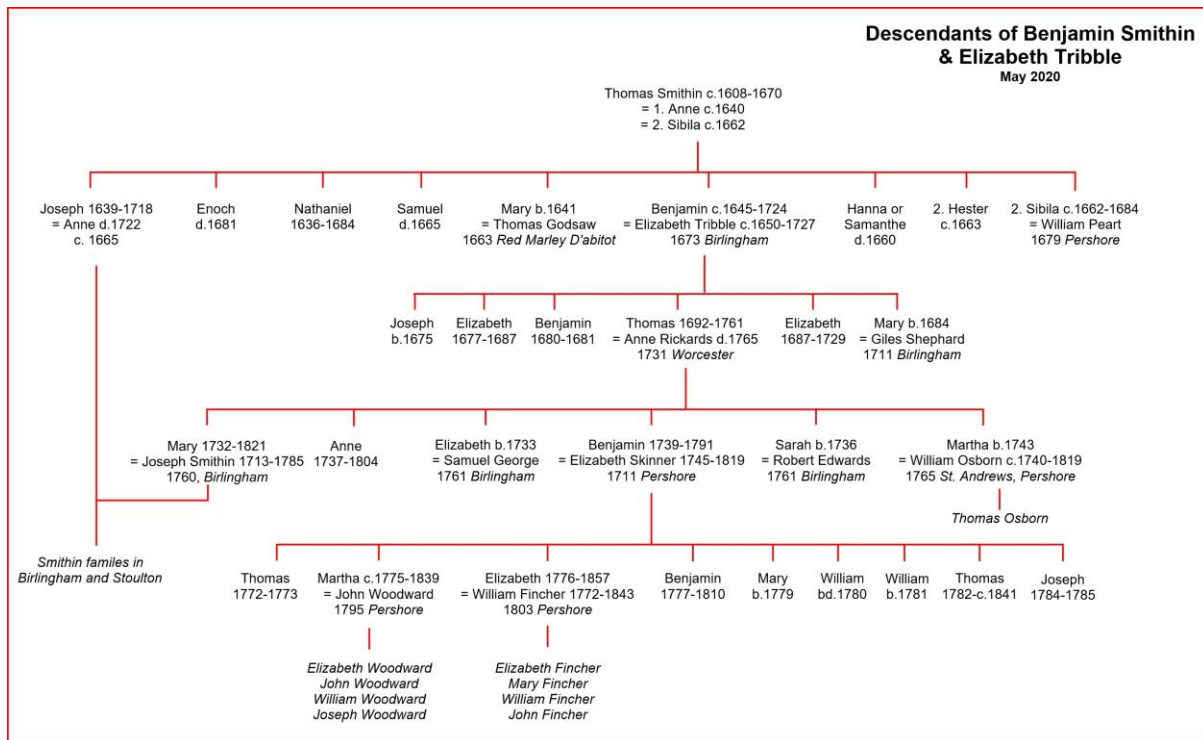
Burials in the Parish of Marston Sicca, Gloucestershire 1843

Thomas Smithin, Abode: Marston Sicca, Buried. 1843 January 13th, Age 62 Years, Ceremony by: John Colborne, Curate.

Joseph Smithin (1784-1785). The son of Benjamin and Elizabeth. He was christened on the 4th July 1784 at Stoulton.⁶⁶

He was buried with his parents in Pershore Abbey and although the details cannot be read the death was recorded on the National Burial Index as the 11th March 1785.⁶⁷

Family Tree



- ¹ Birlingham Parish Registers, 1675
- ² Birlingham Parish Register 1675
- ³ WRO: Birlingham records
- ⁴ Victoria History of England, Worcestershire, Birlingham
- ⁵ Birlingham Parish Register 1724
- ⁶ WRO: Will of Elizabeth Smithin, Worcestershire, 1727
- ⁷ IGI Joseph Smeeton, christening, 1675
- ⁸ London Apprentices Index
- ⁹ London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/0141-0146.
- ¹⁰ IGI Elizabeth Smeeton, christening, 1677
- ¹¹ Birlingham Parish Registers 1687
- ¹² Birlingham Parish Registers 1681
- ¹³ Birlingham Parish Registers 1684
- ¹⁴ FFHS: Worcestershire marriages, Mary Smithin=Giles Shepherd 10/5/1711
- ¹⁵ IGI Elizabeth Smeton, christening, 1687
- ¹⁶ Birlingham Parish Registers 1729
- ¹⁷ IGI Thomas Smithin, christening, 1692
- ¹⁸ FFHS: Worcestershire marriages. Thos. Smithen=Anne Rickards. Worcester St Helen. 11/1/1731
- ¹⁹ WRO: Will of Thomas Smithin, 1761
- ²⁰ Birlingham Parish Registers 1761
- ²¹ Birlingham Parish Registers 1765
- ²² Birlingham Parish Registers 1732
- ²³ Birlingham Parish Registers 1760
- ²⁴ Birlingham Parish Registers 1733
- ²⁵ FFHS: Worcestershire marriages, Elizabeth Smithin = Samuel George at Birlingham, 16/11/1761
- ²⁶ Birlingham Parish Registers 1736
- ²⁷ FFHS: Worcestershire marriages, Sarah Smithin = Robert Edwards, 15/9/1762 at Birlingham
- ²⁸ England Deaths & Burials 1538-1991. Birlingham. 1820
- ²⁹ England Births & Baptisms Birlingham. 1538-1975. Birlingham
- ³⁰ Birlingham Parish Registers 1737
- ³¹ FFHS: Worcestershire burials, Ann Smythen 26 Feb 1804, Pershore, St Andrew
- ³² Birlingham Parish Registers 1743
- ³³ Family information from Ann Widdowson
- ³⁴ Family tree: Ancestry.com website.
- ³⁵ Family information from Ann Widdowson; Will proved 1844
- ³⁶ Family tree: Ancestry.com website.
- ³⁷ Birlingham Parish Registers 1739
- ³⁸ FFHS: Worcestershire marriages, Benjamin Smithin = Elizabeth Skinner, 20/6/1771 at Pershore Holy Cross
- ³⁹ IGI: Christening: Elizabeth Skinner 22 May 1745, Holy Cross, Pershore.
- ⁴⁰ WRO: Will of Benjamin Smithin 1791

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- ⁴¹ Family information from Ann Widdowson; Memorial Pershore Abbey
⁴² WRO: Letters of Administration, William Palmer Knight 18 May 1839
⁴³ Family information: Memorial at Pershore Abbey
⁴⁴ Worcester Journal, 19 August 1819
⁴⁵ Worcester Journal, Thursday 20th April 1820
⁴⁶ NBI: Thomas Smithin, Pershore 1773
⁴⁷ IGI: Martha Smithin, marriage, 1795
⁴⁸ GRO: Deaths, Martha Woodward Dec. 1839, Pershore 18 257
⁴⁹ IGI: Worcestershire, Holy Cross, Pershore
⁵⁰ IGI Elizabeth Smithin, christening 1776
⁵¹ FFHS: Worcestershire marriages. Elizabeth Smithin = William Fincher, 2/6/1803, at Pershore
⁵² Warwickshire Baptisms 1753-1785. DR0326/2 p.11
⁵³ 1841 Census. Marston Sicca, Gloucestershire. HO 107/360/33
⁵⁴ 1851 Census, Weston upon Avon, Warwickshire. HO107; Piece: 2074; Folio: 438; Page: 3
⁵⁵ Warwickshire Burial Index 1538-1900. Marston Sicca. 1857
⁵⁶ PRO: Deaths. Elizabeth Fincher. Jun 1857, Stratford on Avon, Vol. 6d 285
⁵⁷ Warwickshire Baptisms. 1801-1812. Hampton Lucy. DR0025/4
⁵⁸ IGI Benjamin Smithin, christening 1777
⁵⁹ Family information from Ann Widdowson; Memorial at Pershore Abbey
⁶⁰ IGI Mary Smithin, christening, 1779
⁶¹ IGI William Smithin, christening 1780
⁶² IGI William Smithin, christening 1781
⁶³ IGI Thomas Smythen christening 1782
⁶⁴ GRO Deaths, Thomas Smithin, Mar.1843, Stratford 16, 355
⁶⁵ Warwickshire Record Office, Parish registers, Burials 1813-1918. Ref: DR0768/2
⁶⁶ IGI Joseph Smithin, christening 1784
⁶⁷ NBI Joseph Smithin, Pershore, 1785
WRO – Worcester Record Office
NBI – National Burial Index
IGI – International Genealogical Index
GRO – General Registry Office
FFHS – Federation of Family History Societies database