

- (5) *Ann Harris*, born 20 March 1740; (6) *Daniel Harris*, baptized 26 January 1742/43; and (7) *Mercy Harris*, born 29 February 1743/44.⁸⁸
- vi. Thankful Harris, born 27 December 1709 at Hartford; married at Woodbury on 28 April 1740, John Rumrill. Their four known children were all recorded or baptized at Woodbury, as follows: (1) *Eunice Rumrill*, born 13 May 1742; (2) *Rachel Rumrill*, born 29 August 1743; (3) *Tabitha Rumrill*, baptized 3 March 1745; and (4) *John Rumrill*, baptized 24 April 1748.⁸⁹
- vii. Eunice Harris, born 1 March 1711/12 at Wethersfield, was almost certainly the Eunice, wife of Ephraim Royce, who died at Wallingford on 16 or 17 October 1747—shortly after the birth of their fifth child. The identification of her marriage to Royce, as his first wife, at the Meriden Parish Church of Wallingford on 26 June 1739⁹⁰ also answers the 1947 query of Jacobus regarding her identity.⁹¹ It was almost certainly her father, the “aged Mr. Harris,” whose death was recorded at the same church in 1759.⁹² Ephraim, who had been born there on 9 February 1717/18 and died there on 14 September 1762, was the son of Nehemiah⁷ and Keziah (Hall) Royce. The five children born to Eunice and Ephraim (all recorded at Wallingford) were (1) *Mindwell Royce*, born 12 August 1740; (2) *Keziah Royce*, born 12 May 1742; (3) *Ephraim Royce*, born 30 June 1744; (4) *Ebenezer Royce*, born 8 December 1745; and (5) *Eunice Royce*, born 2 October 1747. On 19 April 1749, the widowed Ephraim took a second Eunice to wife—this one a Root, by whom he had another four children.⁹³

3. Robert² Harris (Thomas¹), born about 1670–75,⁹⁴ probably in (modern) East Hartford, left his Connecticut family and was not heard from again after about 1715–16.⁹⁵ As a resident of Wethersfield in 1700, he married Experience Chappell, who had been baptized at New London on 20 June 1675 as the daughter of John² and Elizabeth (Carpenter) (Jones) Chappell.⁹⁶ Although Experience was called a resident of Wethersfield in 1700, she may have been reared by her grandmother in adjacent Farmington. There, in April 1694, Mrs. Elizabeth Brunson (widow of David Carpenter, George Orvis, and Richard Brunson) left a bequest to her “grandchild Experience Chappell.” By her mark, Experience subsequently acknowledged an undated receipt as one of Mrs. Brunson’s five legatees.⁹⁷

Although Robert’s parentage is not stated on any known record, all evidence to date points to his placement in the family of Thomas and Sarah. First, Robert, like their proved son William, owned the covenant at First Church (15 March 1695/96), the church attended by the widowed Sarah.⁹⁸ Second, both Robert and William removed to Wethersfield at or about the same time; William was accepted there from Hartford in May 1700, and the next December Robert was “granted liberty to dwell in town half a year [but] at the end of that time to depart if the town shall see cause.”⁹⁹ Third, (as mentioned above) Robert’s wife was the granddaughter and heir of Mrs. Elizabeth Brunson of Farmington and thereby an in-law of William’s wife, Elizabeth Brunson. Fourth, Thomas’s son Ephraim Harris also had affiliations at Farmington, where he was a church member in 1710.¹⁰⁰