

R.059 FAMILY OF JOHN CHAPMAN 3/
(of Isle of Wight County, Virginia).

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Source of Information: My own research based on the book "Seventeenth Century Isle of Wight County, Virginia," by John Bennett Boddie, Pages 279 through 281.

Note of Explanation:

Back in December of 1992 and January of 1993, I received some Chapman information from others that appeared to me to have some genealogical problems.

I had some knowledge of the Bennett genealogy and knew of no Anne Bennett that had married a Charles Chapman Jr., so I preceded to look for it and came across other Chapman data that seems (to me) to conflict with the information given below by Chapman researches. I then took it upon my self to start a little research on this Chapman family.

Chapman researches list the Chapman family as follows:

1. Francis Chapman 1/ immigrant into Surry County, Va. ca. 1626. He had a son:
2. Charles Chapman Sr. 2/ b. ca. 1630, d. 1710 Isle of Wight Co., Va. He had a son:
3. Charles Chapman Jr. 3/, b. 1655, m. Ann Bennett. Among children was:
4. John Chapman 4/, b. 1685, m. first to Frances Ward ca. 1704 in Isle of Wight Co., Va. His second m. to Mary Marshall ca. 1727 probably Isle of Wight Co., Va. John Chapman died 1736 in Isle of Wight Co., Va. Among his children was a son named:
5. John Chapman Jr. 5/, b. 1712 in Isle of Wight Co., Va., wife was named Ann--?, he died in 1768 in Halifax County, N.C. He had three sons including:
6. David Chapman Sr. 6/, b. 1737, married Tabitha Hill 4/ (b. ca. 1727). They married ca. 1757-58, he died in May of 1780 in Chatham County, N.C. Tabitha Hill 4/ may have been previously married to a Cofield or Coffield, but if so they had no children." (quote continues)

I am unable to make any kind of a statement on the immigrant, Francis Chapman 1/, but assuming others have the information I am going to leave him listed as the 1st known generation of the Chapman family.

Now in my research, based on information found in the book

"17th Century Isle of Wight County, Virginia," by John Bennett Boddie, on page 279, it shows that Anne Day, was the daughter of John Day and his wife, Mary Bennett. Mary Bennett, was the daughter of Edward Bennett and wife Mary Bourne.

Anne Day, married three times and her first husband was Charles Chapman, who was the Clerk of Court from 1696 until his death in 1710.

Now relative to the Chapman listing, at the beginning of this document, we have no proof that this Charles Chapman 2/ (2nd generation) was the son of the immigrant Francis Chapman, however, based on the dates available, it does seem very possible.

Charles Chapman 2/ and wife Anne Day, had two children, they were:

John Chapman 3/, birth estimated 1679-1686.

Joseph Chapman 3/, birth estimated 1681-1688.

This John Chapman 3/ is the one that married Frances Ward on the 15th of February 1704. Frances Ward Chapman, wife of John Chapman 3/, died on the 22nd of July 1727 at the age of 39 (Ref: Page 280 of "17th Century Isle of Wight County, Va." by Boddie). This places her birth in 1688.

Notice that in the above Chapman listing, they have assigned John Chapman 4/ as the one that married Frances Ward. This is because they have a Charles Chapman Jr. (married Anne Bennett) listed as father of the John Chapman that married Frances Ward.

I could find no listing anywhere for Charles Chapman Jr. 3/ (as listed in Chapman listing) that married Anne Bennett, so this appears to be wrong and the third generation should be eliminated entirely, thus making John Chapman 4/, the 3rd generation or John Chapman 3/ as marrying Frances Ward.

Since I have not done any research on the Chapman family, other than what is in this document that relates to Charles Chapman & his son John Chapman, I have simply made the corrections and then inserted them into what the Chapman researcher have. I cannot say that Charles Chapman was the son of the immigrant Francis Chapman, NOR can I say that the John Chapman Jr. 4/ (4th generation) is in fact the same one that is listed as the son for John Chapman 3/.

By my actions above, the correct listing would then be as follows:

1. Francis Chapman 1/ immigrant into Surry County, Va. ca. 1626. No information on him but he MAY have had a son named:

2. Charles Chapman 2/ b. ca. 1630, d. 1710 Isle of Wight Co., Va. He had two sons: John 3/; Joseph 3/.
3. John Chapman 3/, b. 1679-1685, m. first to Frances Ward on 15 Feb. 1704 in Isle of Wight Co., Va. His second m. to Mary Marshall (ca. 1727) probably Isle of Wight Co., Va. John Chapman 3/ died 1736 in Isle of Wight Co., Va. Among ten his children was a son named John 4/, which MAY be the one listed below.
4. John Chapman Jr. 4/, b. 1708 in Isle of Wight Co., Va., wife unknown, he died in 1768 in Halifax County, N.C. He had three sons including:
5. David Chapman Sr. 5/, b. 1737? (questionable, may be 1725), married Tabitha Hill, b. ca. 1727. They married ca. 1757-58 (questionable dates. I say m. ca. 1747/48), he died in May of 1780 in Chatham County, N.C.

JOHN CHAPMAN 3/ & HIS FAMILY.

John Chapman 3/ was the son of a Charles Chapman 2/? & his wife, Anne Day, daughter of John Day and his wife, Mary Bennett. All of these were of Isle of Wight County, Virginia.

John Chapman 3/ is thought to have been born ca. 1679-1685. He first married on the 15th February 1704 to Frances Ward, daughter of Thomas Ward.

Below is a listing of their children. Several have no birth dates listed, but they have been placed into the gaps that exist between the known births so that as to get a better understanding of their births.

Children by first wife were: (From bible & will).

1. Benjamin Chapman 4/, born 8th February 1706, baptized 18th February 1706, Witnesses were: Jas. (James) Chapman; William Clark & grandmother Mary Clark. Benjamin Chapman 4/, died 23rd August 1723 at age 16 (I say age 17).
2. John Chapman 4/, , birth estimated to have been about 1708-1710. He was probably the son of the first wife, since his father requested he care for his own brother, Joseph Chapman

Note: The next four children are named in the bible or will as children. We have no birth dates for any of them but they are being assigned an estimated birth to fill in the large gap between what dates we do have.

3. Charles Chapman 4/. (estimated 1711-1713).
4. Thomas Chapman 4/. (estimated 1714-1716).

5. Mary Chapman 4/. (estimated 1715-1717).
6. Elizabeth Chapman 4/. (estimated 1718-1720).
7. Rachael Norsworthy Chapman 4/, baptized 6th August, 1722, Witnesses were: Mary Forbes and Wm. Norsworthy.

8. Patience Chapman 4/, married Moses Wills on 15th February 1723. Children:

9. Joseph Chapman 4/, born 13th November 1724, married Lydia ----? Children:
 - i. Sabra Chapman 5/, born 22nd Sept. 1755.
 - ii. John Chapman 5/, born 29th February 1763.
 - i. Mary Wills 5/, born 3rd May 1725.
 - ii. Ann Wills 5/, born 29th Nov. 1730

Frances Chapman, wife of John Chapman 3/, died on the 22nd of July 1727 in the 39th year of her age. John Chapman 3/ then remarried a widow named Mary Marshall, the daughter of Thomas Bevan.

10. William Chapman 4/, born 28th December 1729, apparently was child of 2nd wife, as he was born after the death of the first wife.

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