

R.077 INFORMATION ON THE HILL FAMILY OF SURRY AND SUSSEX
COUNTIES OF VIRGINIA AND SOME OF THEIR CONNECTIONS TO
OTHER FAMILIES OF SAME COUNTIES.

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Source for this Information: My research based on land deeds, wills etc of Surry & Sussex Counties taken from the following books: Sussex County Virginia Will Books A-F, 1754-1806 by William Lindsay Hopkins; Deeds of Sussex County, Virginia, 1779-1792, Abstracted by Dr. Stephen E. Bradley Jr.; Marriages of Sussex County, Virginia 1754-1810 by Catherine Lindsay Knorr in 1952; Surry County Deeds and Estate Accounts 1734-1755 by William Lindsay Hopkins; Surry County Virginia Deeds, 1684-1733 by William Lindsay Hopkins; Marriage Bonds and Ministers' Returns of Surry County, Virginia, 1768-1825 by Catherine Lindsay Knorr, Published in 1960; Surry County, Virginia Wills, Estate Accounts and Inventories, 1730-1800 by Lyndon H. Hart III; History of Bristol Parish, by Rev. Philip Slaughter, D.D.; Register of Albemarle Parish Surry & Sussex Counties, 1739-1778 published by The National Society Colonial Dames of America in the Commonwealth of Virginia, 1958.

THE HILL FAMILY OF SURRY COUNTY.

In the book entitled "East Goes West," by Alta Craft, now deceased, and shared in 1984 by Mrs. Winifred Jacob of Beaverton, Oregon, it shows that Robert Hill 1/ and his wife Mary Webb immigrated from England into Isle of Wight County, Virginia in 1642.

Little is known of Robert Hill 1/, who is said to have been born in 1615 in Northumberland, England. He died before 9th of February 1679/80 in Surry County, Virginia, which was the date his son, Sion Hill Sr. 2/ confirmed to Edmond Wickins land sold to Wickins by "my father Robert Hill, deceased," the land having been assigned to Robert Hill 1/ in 1653 by George Archer/Arthur.

Mary Webb, wife of Robert Hill 1/ is thought to have been born ca. 1621, in County Kent, England. She died after 1684 in Surry County, Virginia.

SION HILL SR. 2/, SON OF ROBERT HILL 1/

Robert Hill 1/ and Mary (Webb?) probably had several children but only two are known, they being Robert Hill 2/ and Sion Hill Sr. 2/.

children:

Robert Hill 2/ settled in Brunswick County and married Martha (Margaret) Holloman. Other sources say her name was Elizabeth Holloman/Hallomen.

Sion Hill Sr. 2/ was born ca. 1654 in Isle of Wight County, Virginia and died ca. 1705 in Surry County, Virginia. He married a widow named Elizabeth Spiltimber and they had the following known children:

1. Robert Hill 3/, born ca. 1680, d. 1766 in Halifax County, N.C. and married ca. 1705 in Isle of Wight County, Va. to Tabitha --?
2. Sion Hill Jr. 3/, born ca. 1682 in Surry County, Va. Sion Hill Jr. 3/ is said to have married Elizabeth Marriott but this has not yet been proved. He definitely had a son named Green Hill 4/. I think he had a son Sion Hill 4/ who lived in Greenville Co., Va., had a son named Abner Hill 4/ that went into Chatham Co., N.C.. I think Sion Hill Jr. 3/ died in Greenville, Va. ca. 1766, but this still has to be proved.
3. Richard Hill 3/, born ca. 1684, married Hannah Briggs, he died ca. 1722/23. (SEE LATER).
4. (Captain) Thomas Hill 3/, born 1686, died 1736, married Priscilla Gray, born 1692, died 1761.
5. Michael Hill 3/, born ca. 1688, died 1755, married Elizabeth R. Mitchell. (see later discussion).
6. William Hill 3/, b. ca. 1690, m. Ann DeLoach, moved to Northampton Co., NC died there in 1748.

RICHARD HILL 3/, SON OF SION HILL SR. 2/.

(Showing a connection to the Bennett, Briggs, Gilliam, Malone Families)

Richard Hill 3/ was the third child of Sion Hill Sr. 2/ and Elizabeth Spiltimber. He was born in 1684 and died between the dates of 20th of February and the 20th of March 1722/23. He married Hannah Briggs about 1713, who was born in 1692 and died sometime after her husband as she was administratrix of his estate. She was the daughter of Henry Briggs and his wife, said to be Elizabeth Lucas.

Richard Hill 3/ witnessed the sale of land to Henry Browne by his brother, Robert Hill 3/, which was witnessed by Robert's wife, Tabitha Hill. (Ref: Surry County Book 1715-1730, Page 391). Richard Hill 3/ applied for a 200 acre land patent on the south side of the Main Blackwater Swamp which was granted on the 20th of February 1722/23. This land was appraised in his estate on 20th March 1722/23, so he died during this period.

Children:

1. Green Hill 4/, born 1714, married Grace Bennett.
2. Mary Hill 4/, born ca. 1716, married William Malone.
(See his will below).
3. John Hill 4/, born ca. 1718, died in January or February of 1765. Married Mildred Gilliam, daughter of John Gilliam of Sussex County. They were the parents of ten children (fifth generation of Hill line), ages unknown.
 - a. Mary Hill 5/ married Sturcavant (sic).
 - b. Sally Hill 5/ married Mr. Green.
 - c. Nancy Hill 5/ married Mr. Williams
 - d. Burrell Hill 5/, died before 1796.
 - e. Elizabeth Hill 5/ married Mr. Spane.
 - f. John Hill 5/. (John Gilliam Hill?).
 - g. Tabitha Hill 5/ married Mr. Webb.
 - h. Susanna Hill 5/ married Richard Horn on 28 Oct. 1791.
 - i. Lucy Hill 5/ married Joel Newman Jr. (1783-ca. 1822), probably in Persons County, N.C.
 - j. Rebecca Hill 5/ married Shadrick Horn 3rd Sept. 1795 in Sussex Co., Va.
4. Richard Hill Jr. 4/, married Margery Gilliam. (see below).

Reference to daughter Mary Hill 4/ marrying William Malone. Sussex Co., Va. Will Book "C" 1772-1785, Page 134:

William Malone's Will: dated 5 Feb. 1773, probated 18 Aug. 1774. Daughter Frances Oliver. Daughter Lucy Makany. Daughter Mary Malone. Granddaughter Mary Chappell. Son Nathaniel Malone. Son William Malone. Son Michael Malone 315 acres joining the land I live on being the land I bought from Drury Robinson. John Ellis and Nathaniel Robinson and part of the land I lived on before (bounary done in the presence of Peter Winfield and Robert Winfield). Son Daniel Malone the rest of the 315 acres that I live on. Wife MARY (HILL) MALONE the rest of my personal estate for life.

Exxrs: Sons Nathaniel Malone and Daniel Malone.

Wits: Thomas Morris, Mordecia Jones and James Morris

CAPTAIN THOMAS HILL 3/, SON OF SION HILL SR. 2/.

(Showing a connection to the Gray Family)

Captain Thomas Hill 3/, was born ca. 1686 and died in 1737. He married Priscilla Gray, born in 1692 and died in 1761, daughter of Captain William Gray 2/.

Capt. William Gray 3/ married ca. 1682 to Elizabeth_____ and had at least seven children. Order of birth not recorded but apparently about as indicated below.

Children of William Gray showing inter marriage into the Hill Family:

1. William Gray 4/ (1682-1736) m. 1702 Mrs. Mary (Crawford) Seward (d. 1756). 7 children. (See later).
2. Elizabeth Gray 4/ (ca. 1684?-17), m. Wm. Andrews, had 2 sons.
3. Lucy (?) Gray 4/ (ca.1686 (?)-17), m. John (?) Edwards.
4. Faith Gray 4/ (ca. 1688(?)-ca. 1720) m. ca. 1707 William Ruffin (ca. 1683-1739).
5. Mary Gray 4/ (ca. 1690?-17)
6. Priscilla Gray 4/ (ca. 1692?-17--) m. CAPTAIN THOMAS HILL 3/ (1686-1737). He was a brother to Richard Hill 3/ (m. Hannah Briggs) & Robert Hill 3/ (m. Tabitha) who went to & died in Halifax Co., N.C.
7. Gilbert Gray 4/, (ca. 1696?-1764), m. ca. 1720? Margaret_____ (d. 1767). 7 children. (See later).

MICHAEL HILL 3/, FIFTH CHILD OF SION HILL SR. 2/.

Michael Hill 3/ has been listed as being born in 1688 and died in 1755. He married Elizabeth Mitchell, daughter of John Mitchell. _____

Bristol Parish Registry shows a son Michael Hill, son of Michael Hill and wife Elizabeth was born on the 20th of February 1721, baptised on the 2nd of November 1721. This appears to have been Michael Hill Jr. 4/.

Michael Hill 3/ is said to have died in 1755 and his inventory for his estate is listed as having been filed on the 13th of October 1755 by William Gilliam Sr., William Gilliam Jr. and Richard Hill (probably his nephew, Richard Hill Jr. 4/, son of his deceased brother Richard Hill 3/).

Important definitions:

Parish... the ecclesiastical unit of area committed to one pastor and the residents of such an area; a subdivision of a county often coinciding with an original ecclesiastical parish and constituting the unit of local government. A local church community composed of the members or constituents of a Protestant church.

Rector... The meaning, a clergyman (as of the Protestant Episcopal Church) in charge of a parish. He was an incumbent of a Church of England benefice in full possession of its rights; a Roman Catholic priest directing a church with no pastor or one whose pastor has other duties.

Vestry... The meaning of Vestry (to me) is a business meeting of an English parish, held by an elective body in an Episcopal parish composed of the rector and a group of elected parishioners administering the temporal affairs of

the parish. A Vestryman was a member of a vestry.

Duties of the Vestry

It was the policy of the British government that wherever the people went, the State and the Church should keep them company. A courthouse, a church, a prison, pillory, stocks and sometimes a ducking-stool were the earliest institutions in the new settlements. The minsters and vestries were nearest to the people; coming into contact with them at every step, from birth to burial. There having been, for the first century or more, no other church organization in Virginia, all the people of a parish were under the care of its pastor; and they were all required by the civil law, to have their children baptized, and the dates of their births and baptisms recorded in the regiater, and reported to the secretary's office; and so of the marriages and burials.

Thus we have (when the record has not been lost) the names of all children, the names of their father and mothers, and sometimes of their god-fathers and god-mothers, the names of those joined in marriage and of the buried dead.

Another office of the vestries was to take care of the poor, for there were no poor-houses in those days. The poor, the weak and the blind, and those unable from age or infirmity to work, were freed from levies, and distributed among the planters, who fed and clothed them, and furnished them with medicines and medical attendance at the expense of the parish.

Another function of the vestry (church) was to take care of orphans, illegitimate children and children neglected by their parents, and bind them to some respectable person. Vagrants and all people, who had no visible means of support, were also the subjects of their care and discipline. The church wardens too played the part of censors of the public morals, and were required to impose fines upon blasphemers, Sabbath-breakers and other gross and open transgressors of human and divine laws. These things fill much space in the vestry-books, and give us an census, as it were, of all these varied classes of the people with their names, characters and conditions.

It was also the duty of vestries to build and furnish churches and chapels, and provide them with ministers, clerks (lay readers) and sextons, and all things necessary to the decency of public worship.

All of these duties had to be paid for, so planters were taxed so that the required funds were available.

Now among the responsibilities of the church was the caring

for the poor, those that were disabled, illegitimate children etc... and money was needed for these purposes, so all land owners were taxed.

I have a copy of the Vestry & Register for Bristol Parish, 1720-1789 and while most of the material enclosed is clear, there are portions of the book that offers little or no explanation whatsoever.

Example, land owners were taxed by the parish on the tobacco that they were growing. It appears to me that the owners are listed with a certain number of pounds of tobacco and then in the next column is listed "Casq." (cash) or the amounts they are to pay in taxes.

There is no real good explanation of the Vestry Book on the taxation of tobacco but on page 32 of the original Vestry Book for Bristol Parish, it shows a Vestry was held on the 15th of October 1729 and it appears to show that several land owners, including Michael Hill were assigned a certain number of tobacco plants and then were taxed for a certain amount of tobacco. Michael Hill 3/ seems to have had 1,000 tobacco plants and was taxed 80 plants.

Michael Hill 3/ was listed as being in south side of Bristol Parish.

Based on some records of Bristol Parish, it appears to this writer that Elizabeth (Mitchell) Hill, widow of Michael Hill 3/, appears to have died between 110th of October 1750 and the 17th of August 1751,

Michael Hill 3/ and wife Elizabeth Mitchell apparently had a son named Michael Hill Jr., 4/, born on the 20th of February 1721 (Bristol Parish Registry).

Little is known of Michael Hill 3/ but he owned 120 acres of land on the north side of the Nottoway River in Sussex County, Virginia, which he deeded to his son, Michael Hill Jr. 4/ by patent in 1723.

Note: At this point I question the accuracy of this statement because Michael Hill Jr. 4/ would only have been about 2 years old. I do not think British Law would allow a 2 year old male to own land. I believe that there was another Michael Hill that was born prior to Michael Hill Jr. 4/.

Only one child, Michael Hill Jr. 4/ has been found listed for Michael Hill 3/ and Elizabeth Mitchell.

- a. Michael Hill Jr. 4/, born 20th February 1721, (Bristol Parish Register, Page 312). He married Susannah Cook, daughter of William Cook ca. 1740.

They had two children:

- i. Elizabeth Hill 5/, born 18 July 1743, died 28th July 1758.
- ii. Amie (Amy?) Hill 5/, born 27 April 1746.

(NOTE: There was another Michael Hill, whose family is reported in the Albemarle Register. Since he married ca. 1755, he could not be the son of Michael Hill 4/, who was married ca. 1740 and had children born in 1743 and 1746. This Michael Hill married ca. 1755 to Mary (Malone?) and had following children:

- i. Elizabeth Hill born 15 October 1756, Sponsors were William & Mary Malone, Lucy Hill.
- ii. Michael Hill, born 3 May 1759, sponsors, George Robertson, Richard Hill & Francis Threewats.

This Michael Hill probably married a 2nd time to Nancy Tyus, security was John Tyus. Children:

- i. Isaac Hill, born 31 August 1763, sponsors William & Sarah Welborn, John Brown.
- ii. Mary Hill, born 28 March 1765 after father's death. Sponsors: Peter Winfield, Francis Threewats & Betty Wynne.

The Inventory of the estate of this Michael Hill was filed in 1766 by George Booth, Richard Jones and Richard Hill. Ann Hill was Executrix. (REF: WILL BOOK B. "B" PAGE 219). In 1770 an account of his estate was returned by John Hill and Anne, his wife, widow of Michael Hill. In 1778, The will of Michael Hill, orphan of Michael Hill, deceased, was proven. Legatees were: COUSIN George Bell, son of James Bell, cousin Rebecca Bell, daughter of James Bell, Cousin James Bell to be Executor. (REF: WILL BOOK C, PAGE 309).

Sussex County, Virginia Information found on Michael Hills.

Sussex County, Virginia Will Book "A" 1754-1764

Page 49, Will of John Treewits (sic), dated 13th December 1755, probated 9th February 1756. Wife Frances Threewits (sic) 310 acres of land for life. Son Joel Threewits (sic).

Exors: Wife and MICHAEL HILL.

Wits: MARY HILL and ANN HILL.

Comments by Robert Hill: Notice that Michael Hill 3/ died in 1755. The above will was dated 13th December 1755 giving some strong reasoning to think it was not Michael Hill 3/, unless he died after 13th December 1755. First thought is that it was perhaps his son, Michael Hill Jr. 4/, except that his wife was Susannah Cook. One of the witnesses was named Ann Hill and Michael Hill Jr. 4/ did have a daughter named Anne Hill. This could have been her listed as one of the

witnesses since she was born in 1746. Who Mary Hill was is not yet known, HOWEVER I wonder if this particular Michael Hill could have had a wife named Mary and moved into N.C. perhaps Persons County?? (not proved).

ANOTHER MICHAEL HILL.

There is a record of another Michael Hill, son of a deceased Michael Hill, (Which Michael Hill?) who was the cousin of a George Bell, son of James Bell.

Now Gray Judkins, as executor of James Bell, deceased, who was the executor for this Michael Hill, deceased, stated that Michael Hill died before he was age 18. George Rose stated that Michael Hill died in December 1777 in Pennsylvania. David Mangum, also a soldier in the Continental Army deposes (verified). Burrell Hill produces a certificate from the Albemarle Parish Register that states Michael Hill was born on 3rd of May 1759. The Court rules that Michael Hill was age 18 when he spoke with George Rose concerning his will and it is probated. Dated 18th February 1779

This seems to imply that James Bell was therefore his "Uncle" and probably a brother to his mother, who's maiden name was apparently Bell. Note that Michael Hill's 3/ wife was named Elizabeth R. Mitchell, suggesting a probability that this was not the same Family as that listed above..

Below is the controversial will of this <Michael Hill.

Sussex County Will Book "C" 1772©1785 (Page 309)

(Will of Michael Hill, son of Michael Hill, deceased).

Dated 7th February 1777, Probated 16th July 1778.

Michael Hill, orphan of Michael Hill, deceased, (was) about to go into the service of the United States (Revolutionary War) dated 7th February 1777/ probated 16 July 1778
Cousin George Bell, son of James Bell, my land where Mildred Hill now lives. Cousin Rebecka Bell, daughter of James Bell.
Cousin James Bell a slave now in the possession of John Holt.
Exor: Cousin James Bell.

Wit: Nathan Barker, George Rose and John Williss.

Comments by Robert Hill: Based on the wording of this will, it appears that if George Bell was a cousin and was the son of James Bell, then James Bell (the father & the executor) was in reality "Uncle" to this Michael Hill and not cousin.

It is possible that James Bell had a son also named James Bell and this would be the so called "Cousin" that Michael Hill was referring to. In any case, a James Bell was apparently a minister of the Baptist Church and died in

October of 1778 (see his Will below).

Following taken from Sussex County, Va. Will Book "C," Page 310:

Will of James Bell.

Will dated 16th September 1778, Probated 15th October 1778

James Bell, Minister of the Baptist Church at Sappona Creek... Will dated 16th September 1778/ Probated 15 October 1778. Fellow brother in the Ministry David Tinsley, John Williams and Jeremiah Dargan to officiate at my interment. Son GEORGE BELL the 230 acres whereon John Willias now lives part of which I recovered from Jeremiah Dornald by Petition with all my lands on north side of Willises Pondt Branch to Abraham Bolton's line. Wife Mildred Bell the use of my other lands until son BENJAMIN BELL is 21 and then to be equally divided between Mrs. Mildred Bell and BENJAMIN BELL. Son BALAAM BELL (under 20), daughter REBECKA BELL (under 20). My two youngest daughters viz MILDRED LUCAS BELL and SALLY BELL. Exors: son GEORGE BELL, SILVANUS BELL and GRAY JUDKINS.

Wits: Robert Jones, John Bell, Silve Newsum and Ann Field.

Now relating to this Michael Hill's Will:

THE FOLLOWING TAKEN FROM SUSSEX COUNTY WILL BOOK "C", PAGE 320...

Gray Judkins, as executor of James Bell, deceased, who was the executor of Michael Hill, deceased, states that Michael Hill died before he was age 18. George Rose states that Michael Hill died in December 1777 while a soldier in the Continental Army (as was also the said George Rose) in Pennsylvania. David Mangum, also a soldier in the Continental Army, deposes. BURRELL HILL produces a certificate from the Albemarle Parish Register, which states that Michael Hill was born on 3rd May 1759. The Court rules that Michael Hill was age 18 when he last spoke with George Rose concerning his will and it is (Ordered to be) probated. Dated 18th February 1779.

Comments by Robert Hill of Brandon, Fl.: I do not see how this James Bell could be a cousin and yet be the father to George Bell, Rebecka (sic) Bell, who were called "cousins" in the Will of Michael Hill. He appears to me to have been the uncle to Michael Hill, and probably his mother's brother.

Note the following: The Michael Hill, who's will was probated on the 16th of July 1778, who served in the Continental Army during the Revolution, and who died in December of 1778 in Pennsylvania, was born in Albemarle Parish on the 3rd of May 1759.

These facts prove it was not Michael Hill 3/, son of Sion Hill Sr. 2/ or his son, Michael Hill Jr. 4/. I suspect this Michael Hill was related to a man named Isaac Hill of Surry and Sussex County, Virginia, possibly a brother.

Following taken from Sussex County Will Book "A" 1754-1764

Page 34.. Inventory of Estate of Michael Hill, deceased, for John Hill, administrator, by William Gilliam, RICHARD HILL and William Gilliam Jr.

Comments by Robert Hill of Brandon, Fl.: John Hill 4/ was a son of Richard Hill 3/ and Hannah Briggs. John Hill 4/ married Mildred Gilliam, daughter of John Gilliam. His brother Richard Hill Jr. 4/ married Margery Gilliam, daughter of William Gilliam Sr. I think the above Michael Hill, deceased, was the brother of Richard Hill 3/, or the uncle to both John Hill 4/ and Richard Hill Jr. 4/. (not proved).

I do not think it was the same Michael Hill, said to be a son of the deceased Michael Hill, who died in December of 1778 in Pennsylvania, but was related, probably a copusin.

Following taken from Sussex County Will Book "C" 1772-1785

Page 346 John Dillehay... 11 July 1778, probated 18 November 1779... Wife Sarah Dillehay my estate for life. ISAAC HILL, orphan of MICHAEL HILL. John Dillehay, orphan of my brother, Arthur Dillehay. Sarah Mangam. Other children of my deceased brother, Arthur Dillehay (viz) Edmund Dillehay; Arthur Dillehay; Nancy Dillehay and Betsy Dillehay. In case my wife should be with child, then this will is void. Executor: Wife. Wits: Isaac Robinson; Daniel Malone; William Wilborn.

Following taken from Sussex Co. Will Book "E" 1790-1796

Page 374 Joseph Atkinson, Dated 13 January 1795, Probated 1st October 1795... Wife Martha Atkinson my 174 acres for life and then to go to my son, Johnson Atkinson, if he allows his sister Susan Atkinson, to live there while single. Exxrs: Brother Robert Atkinson, Joshua Bailey. Wits: William Lane, Jesse Bryant, ISAAC HILL.

Comments by Robert Hill of Brandon Fla.: Who was this Michael Hill & Isaac Hill? Note that a Michael Hill, deceased, was said to be the father of an Issac Hill. They do not appear to be part of the Michael Hill 3/ and Michael Hill Jr. 4/ families.

WILLIAM HILL 3/, YOUNGEST SON OF SION HILL SR. 2/.

William Hill 3/, was born ca. 1690 and married Anne DeLoach. He was granted land adjoining brother Robert Hill 3/ in Northampton County, N.C. on 28th February 1733, sold it in 1754 after buying other land on 8th November 1742. His will was dated 3rd September 1748 and proved in November 1748 in Northampton County, N.C.

Abstracted Will of William Hill 3/.

William Hill, Northampton Co., Will Dated 3rd September 1748, proved in November Court 1748, Son William ("my plantation"), daughters: Ann Hill & Celia Phillips. Wife & Executor: Ann. Witnesses: John Simpson, Jacob Little & Francis DeLoach. Clerk of Court: I. Edwards.

(Note by R. Hill: The wife of this William Hill seems to have been Ann DeLoach). He was the brother to Robert Hill 3/ of Halifax Co., N.C., both sons of Sion Hill Sr. 2/ & Elizabeth Spiltimber.

MARY HILL 4/, DAUGHTER OF SION HILL JR. 3/.

(SHOWING A CONNECTION TO THE JONES FAMILY)

Mary Hill 4/, is said to have been the second child of Sion Hill Jr. 3/, and born ca. 1712 and married Edward Jones Jr., son of Edward Jones Sr. and Abigail Sugre, who's name was later changed to Sugar. Their children were of the fifth generation (Hill Family)

NOTE: Not sure if this is correct Edward Jones family as there were more thsn one.

1. Colonel Sugar Jones 5/, married Sarah Franklin, Granville County, N.C.
2. Priscilla Jones 5/, married Colonel Gideon Macon and second marriage to Nathaniel Henderson.
3. Questionable.. (Frances) Elizabeth Jones 5/, married ca. 1740 Joel Halbert Sr., born Essex Co., Va. 1712, died 1762 in Caroline Co., Va. (Not sure this is same family).
4. Mary (Polly) Jones 5/, married ca. 1776 to William Hill 5/, son of Green Hill 4/ and wife Grace Bennett. Green Hill 4/, son of Richard Hill 3/ and Hannah Briggs.
5. Samuel Jones 5/, married Elizabeth Short Goodlow.

Comment by Robert Hill of Brandon, Fl.: Any Information relating to Sion Hill Jr. 3/ is, in my opinion, skeptical at best.

JOHN HILL 4/, SON OF RICHARD HILL 3/.

John Hill 4/ was born ca. 1718 in Surry County, Virginia, the son of Richard Hill 3/ & Hannah Briggs. He married Mildred Gilliam 1765 in Surry County, Virginia, the daughter of John

Gilliam & --? She was born ca. 1725. John Hill 4/ died ca. Jan/Feb. 1765 in Surry Co., Va. Children:

1. Mary Hill 5/, b. 14th November 1743 in Surry Co., Va., m. (John?) Sturdivant, she d. 2nd November 1761.
2. Sarah Hill 5/, b. 12th March 1744 in Surry Co., Va., m. a Mr. Green.
3. Burrell Hill 5/, b. 8th of April 1749 in Surry Co., Va., m. ca. 1766 to Martha Cattell.
4. Anne Hill 5/, b. 15th May 1746 in Surry Co., Va.
5. John Hill (Jr) 5/, b. 9th March 1750 in Surry Co., Va.
6. Elizabeth Hill 5/, b. 7th November 1754 in Surry Co., Va., m. a Mr. Spane.
7. Tabitha Hill 5/, b. 17th October 1756 in Surry Co., Va., m. a Mr. Webb.
8. Susanna Hill 5/, b. 17th October 1759 in Sussex Co., Va., m. Richard Horn on the 28th October 1791.
9. Lucy Hill 5/, b. 24th of August 1761 in Sussex Co., Va., m. in 1783 to Joel Newman.
10. Rebecca Hill 5/, b. 15th August 1764 in Sussex Co., Va., m. Shadrack Horn on 3rd September 1795.

This family had very close ties to a Michael Hill, who joined the Continental army during the Revolution and who died as a single man in Pennsylvania while in the service. (Was this at Valley Forge)? .

RICHARD HILL JR. 4/, SON OF RICHARD HILL 3/.

(Showing a connection to the Gilliam Families)

Richard Hill Jr. 4/, son of Richard Hill 3/ and wife, Hannah Briggs was born in 1720 and died on the 9th of July 1775. His will was dated 3rd of October 1774 with a codicil dated 23rd of January 1775, was probated in August of 1775 in Sussex County, Virginia. He married Margery Gilliam in 1742, the daughter of William Gilliam and Susanna Green. William Gilliam, father to Margery Gilliam, gave her and her husband, Richard Hill 4/, 200 acres of land. They lived in the southern section of Surry County, which in 1753, became known as Sussex County, Virginia. Richard Hill 4/ accumulated considerable amount of land. In 1755, he bought 100 acres of land on the Nottoway River in Sussex County, Virginia and in 1762, he bought another 700 acres on the north side of the Nottoway River. On the 4th of May 1763, "Martha Gilliam of Brunswick (County) to Richard Hill of Sussex County, for divers good causes, but more especially for the better maintenance of the said RICHARD HILL and his wife, MARGERY, all my estate, being what kind soever." (Ref: Sussex Co. Deed Book C, Page 12). This Richard Hill Jr. 4/, son of Richard Hill 3/ and Hannah Briggs, became known as CAPTAIN RICHARD HILL, but no reference has been found as to where he received that title.

CONNECTION OF THE HILL©PARHAM-RUFFIN FAMILIES.

The children of Captain Richard Hill 4/ and wife Margery Gilliam were:

1. Sarah Hill 5/, born 1743, died ca. 1813. She married in 1762 to William Ruffin (1735©1781), son of Robert Ruffin & Ann Bennett. Sarah married a second time to Captain James Smith who died in 1811.
2. William Gilliam Hill 5/, born 1746, died 1764.
3. Hannah Hill 5/, born 1748, married 1764 to EPHIRAM PARHAM, whose Will was drawn in 1793.
4. Green Hill 5/, born 1751, married 1773 Mary Booth, dau. of George Booth. They lived on the Stony Creek Plantation. Green's Will was drawn in Sussex Co., Va. on 3rd July 1800.
5. Richard Hill 5/, born 1754.
6. Thomas Hill 5/, born 1757.
7. Mary Hill 5/, born 1760, died 1761.
8. & 9. (twins) Henry Hill 5/ & Howell Hill 5/, born 1762 and died 1763.
10. a second William Gilliam Hill 5/, born 1765.
11. Rebecca Hill 5/, born ca. 1768, married Nicholas Long in 1788.

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