



*THE MERRILL FAMILY  
OF  
ENGLAND*

*NEWBURY, MASSACHUSETTS*

*HAVERTHILL, MASSACHUSETTS*

*PELHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE*

**NATHANIEL MERRILL**

1<sup>st</sup> Generation Nathaniel Merrill b. 1601 England d. 1654-65 Newbury MA, m. Susanna.

2<sup>nd</sup> Generation Nathaniel Merrill b. 1633 Newbury d. 1682-83 m. Joanna Nimian.

3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Nathaniel Merrill b. 8 Feb 1664-65 m. Sarah Woodman b. 18 July 1655, both of Newbury.

4<sup>th</sup> Generation **John Merrill** b. 12 Feb 1706-07 n. 3 July 1741 Haverhill MA, m. **Lydia Gage** b. about 1695 Hartford CT. Their children:

Thomas b. 1727. Daniel b. 2 June 1729. Sarah b. 14 July 1730. **Nathaniel** b. 26 Feb 1731-32. Martha b. 27 Feb 1732-33. Moses b. 10 Sept 1735. **Abigail** b. 11 June 1737. John b. 2 July 1741. Asa b. 1742. (Haverhill VR).

The family of John and Lydia Gage Merrill is joined through marriage to the family of John and Sarah Baldwin of Pelham NH.

5<sup>th</sup> Generation **Lt. Nathaniel Merrill** (member of the Militia and a Revolutionary Soldier with the rank of Major) m. 7 Nov 1754 **Anna Baldwin**, daughter of John and Sarah Baldwin. Nathaniel and Anna remained in Pelham until 1759. Their children born there are: **Nathaniel** b. 9 March 1755. James b. 15 Nov 1756. Thaddeus b. 22 Feb 1758. Nathaniel's birth is the only one recorded at Pelham.

Nathaniel and Anna moved to Westminister MA and their children born there are: Anna b. 4 Feb 1760 d. 1773. Benjamin b. 2 Aug 1767. John b. 12 Sept 1668. Joseph b. 17 July 1769. (Westminister VR) The family then removed to Shelburne MA.

**Abigail Merrill**, sister of Lt. Nathaniel and daughter of John and Lydia Merrill of Haverhill m. 29 June 1758 **Simeon Baldwin**, son of John and Sarah, at Pelham NH. Their children: Asa b. 12 August 1760 d. 6 June 1779, was a Revolutionary Soldier with the Pelham Militia at the Battle of Ticonderoga 29 Sept 1777, serving with Capt. Amos Gage's Company. Sarah b. 5 March 1763. Rhoda b. 13 July 1767, presented for baptism by the widow Abigail. Abigail apparently remained in Pelham or her son Asa would not have been there in 1779. (Pelham VR, "Old Days & Old Ways",).

**Nathaniel Merrill Jr. b/ 1755** m. 1<sup>st</sup> **Submit Phelps** at Shelburne 25 Sept 1777. They had two sons: Thaddeus b. 1777 Shelburne, and Rufus b. 3 Sept 1780, in Rowe MA. Submit d. April 1781. Nathaniel m. 2<sup>nd</sup> **Anna Long**, and their children born at Rowe are: **Simeon** b. 10 Jan 1782. **Baldwin** b. 27 Dec 1784. Nathaniel b. 17 Jan 1786. Chester b. 18 April d. 28 April 1788. **Ann** b. 26 May 1789. (Rowe VR)

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