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Hester (Evans) Smallwood (abt. 1645 - 1693) *ID/Link



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Hester **Smallwood** formerly **Evans** aka **Nichols** [uncertain]

Born about 1645 in England ?

Daughter of William Evans [uncertain] and Ann Alice (Norris) Nicholls [uncertain] [sibling(s) unknown]

Wife of James Smallwood — married 24 May 1663 in Province of Maryland 📍

Mother of John Smallwood, James Smallwood, Mary (Smallwood) DESCENDANTS 1 Maddox, Matthew Smallwood, Thomas Smallwood, William Smallwood, Benjamin Smallwood, Pryor Smallwood, Bayne Smallwood and Sarah (Smallwood) Moore

Died 10 Mar 1693 at about age 48 in Charles City, Charles County, Maryland ₹

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Biography

1645 Birth and Parents

Name: Hester /Evans/[1]

Hester Evans was born about 1645 in England. Her parents are uncertain -- see Research Notes. [2]

Find-a-Grave shows Hester Evans Smallwood born 1633, no place specified. [3]

1650 Arrival in Maryland

Marshall states that she came to America 1650, according to James Smallwood's land grant application. [2] It is not clear then, if she were 5 years old, if she arrived as part of a family.

1664 Marriage to James Smallwood

About 1664 in Charles County, Maryland, she married James Smallwood, born 1638 in England, d. 12 Jan 1714/15, Charles County, Maryland - Probate (Age 77 years) [2]

Find-a-Grave gives the marriage year as 1666 and her husband's name as James Matthew Smallwood (1639–1714) $^{\left[3\right]}$ Note that double given names were extremely unusual in this time period and generally indicate that two or more persons have been conflated.

Lt. Col. Smallwood was a soldier, merchant, attorney and large landowner with a tobacco plantation. He is believed to be the son of Matthew Smallwood (1585-1650) and the

former Ann Whittington. [4]

Lt. Col. James Smallwood and his 1665 bride, Hester Evans, were both born in England and married each other in Charles Co., Maryland in 1665. She belongs to the family of the first Evans immigrant to Maryland. [4]

1664 Hester Transported by Husband

Smallwood, Hester [2]

- EE:418 Film No.:
- In 1664 transported by James Smallwood, her husband
- Transcript. 9:432; 11:156
- Original. GG:160
- MSA SC 4341-

Smallwood, James

- EE:418 Film No.: SR 8203
- In 1664 transported himself & Hester, his wife
- Transcript. 9:432 [SR 7351]; 11:156 [SR 7353]
- Original. GG:160 [SR 8205]
- MSA SC 4341-5152

1677 James Smallwood listed as debtor in John

Evans Estate

John Evans 5.6 I CH #8341 May 3 1677 ^[2] Appraisers: Michaell Minock, Thomas Beamond. List of debts: Robert Lofton, James Smallwood, John Twiggs, Stephen Cocks,

1693 Death

Hester Evans died 10 Mar 1693/94 in Charles County, Maryland [2]

Hester died 10 Mar 1693 in Charles County, Maryland. Her place of burial is unknown. [3]

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<u>[5]</u>

Hester Evans was born 1635 in Charles County, Maryland

Hester Evans married James Smallwood.

Hester Evans was the daughter of William Evans, born in England and died 1651 in Charles County, Maryland; and Alice Norris. They married in Maryland.

Siblings

Children of William Evans and Alice Norris

- 1. Hester Evans, born 1635 in Charles Co, Md. She died on 10 Mar 1693 in Charles Co, Md
- William Evans, born in 1637 in , Charles Co., Md. He died in 1677 in , Charles, Maryland.
- 3. John Evans, born about 1645 in of Charles Co, Md. He died before 18 Apr 1677 in , Charles, Maryland.

Hester Evans, daughter of William, was born in 1635 in of Charles Co, Md. She died on 10 Mar 1693 in Charles Co, Md. She married COL. JAMES SMALLWOOD in 1665 in Md.

Children

They had the following children:

i. JOHN SMALLWOOD born 1666/7 died 1694 married Lettis ii. JAMES SMALLWOOD born Oct 1668 iii. MARY SMALLWOOD born 11/2/1670 married CORNELIUS MADDOCKS and ? TAYLOR iv. MATTHEW SMALLWOOD born April 1673 died before 1712 v. THOMAS SMALLWOOD exec of brother John's will in 1694 died May 4, 1734 vi. WILLIAM SMALLWOOD married 1693 died 1706 vii. PRIOR SMALLWOOD born 1680 died 1734 viii. BENJAMIN SMALLWOOD was born in 1680 in Charles, Md. He died on 24 Jun 1737 (not mentioned in his father's will?) ix. BAYNE SMALLWOOD died 1709 x. LEDSTONE SMALLWOOD born 1687 died 1755 xi. SARAH SMALLWOOD married HENRY MORE. She died after 1736 xii. ESTHER SMALLWOOD

Research Notes 2

Death of William Evans

William Evans died in 1646 leaving a widow Ann.

However, another source refers to William Evans (Sr.?), the immigrant, as born about 1597, married to Ann Norris, and who is probably the William Evans who died in 1651 in Charles County. [4]

This date is problematic if it is his widow who remarried in 1646, and whose widow then married John Nicholls.

Remarriage of William Evans' widow Ann

As early as December 1646 John Nichols married Ann, the widow. At that time he was reimbursed out of the William Evans estate.

The Matter of the Indenture

In 1661, Esther Nicholls, daughter of John Nicholls, is under 18 (born not earlier than 1643), and involved in a disputed indenture.

This leaves open the question of whether Esther / Hester was born between 1643 and 1646, in which case she was the daughter of William Evans and then adopted by John Nicholls, or whether she was born after 1646 and was the biological daughter of John Nicholls and William Evans' widow Ann.

Notes

Lineage researched by Mary Ann (Ward) Brady; Maryland Archives, Vol. 3, pg. 346, Proceedings of the Council of Maryland, 1636-1667.

"JAMES MATTHEW SMALLWOOD (MATTHEW, MATTHEW, EDWARD) was born 1639 in Middlewich, Cheshire, England, and died September 16, 1714 in Prince Georges County, Beau Plains, Maryland. He married

(1) MARY THOMPSON. He married

(2) HESTER EVANS May 24, 1663 in Maryland Colony, daughter of WILLIAM EVANS and ALICE NORRIS. She was born 1635 in England, and died March 10, 1692/93 in Charles Co., MD Colony."

http://www.goodmanancestors.com/smallwood.html

From Deborah Longoria:

England Select Births and Christenings 1538-1975, Family Data Collection - Births, Family Data Collection - Deaths, Family Data Collection - Individual Records, Global Find A Grave Index for Burials at Sea and other Select Burial Locations 1300-Current, Millennium File, U.S. and Canada Passenger and Immigration Lists Index 1500-1900, U.S. and Canada, Passenger and Immigration Lists Index, 1500-1900, U.S. and International Marriage Records 1560-1900, U.S., Find A Grave Index 1600-Current, U.S., Naturalization Records - Original Documents 1795-1972 (World Archives Project), U.S., Sons of the American Revolution Membership Applications 1889-1970.

Hester was born in 1644. She passed away in 1692. [6]

"Hester Evans Clark-Day Tree Birth: dd mm 1643 - Somersetshire (Somerset), England $^{[\underline{6}]}$

Marriage: date - Charles, Maryland, USA [6]

Death: date - Prince Georges, Maryland, USA [6]

Parents: name surname, name surname^[6]

Spouse: name surname

Public Member Photos & Scanned Documents PICTURES

PHOTO: HESTER EVANS SMALLWOOD

CATEGORY: Other

DESCRIPTION: U.S and INTERNATIONAL MARRIAGE RECORDS 1560-1900 Location:

MARYLAND USA

ATTACHED TO: Hester or Esther Evans (1644-1693)

Public Member Stories STORIES, MEMORIES & HISTORIES

TITLE: Immigration of James Smallwood and Hester Evans

DESCRIPTION: Immigration of James Smallwood in 1664 and Hester%ehl% Evans%ehl% in 1650. In 1666 James claimed land... $^{[6]}$

ATTACHED TO: Hester Evans (1643-1693)."

Ancestry.com link

"Hester Smallwood (Evans)

Also Known As: "Hester"

Birthdate: circa 1635 (58) [6]

Birthplace: Charles County, Maryland, United States

Death: March 10, 1693 (54-62) [6]

Charles County, Province of Maryland

Place of Burial: Maryland, United States

Immediate Family:

Daughter of William Evans and Alice B Evans

Wife of Col. James Smallwood [6]

Mother of Charles Smallwood; James Smallwood; Mary Maddox; Thomas Smallwood; William Smallwood; Sarah Moore; Pryor Smallwood; Bayne Smallwood; Matthew Smallwood; John Smallwood and Ledstone Smallwood $^{[6]}$

Sister of John Evans and William Evans [6]

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Children

1. John Smallwood, b. Jan 1666/67, Charles County, Maryland, d. 6 Aug 1694, Charles County, Maryland - Probate (Age ~ 27 years) [2] 2. James Smallwood, b. Oct 1668, Charles County, Maryland, d. 12 Dec 1723, Charles County, Maryland - Probate (Age ~ 55 years) [2] James Smallwood (1668–1723) [3] 3. Mary Smallwood, b. 2 Nov 1670, Charles County, Maryland, d. Sep 1712, Charles County, Maryland (Age 41 years) [2] Mary Smallwood Taylor (1670–1712) [3] 4. Benjamin Smallwood, b. Abt 1673, Charles County, Maryland d. 24 Jun 1737, Charles County, Maryland - Inventory (Age ~ 64 years) [2] 5. Matthew Smallwood, b. Apr 1673, Charles County, Maryland, d. Bef 1712, Charles County, Maryland (Age \sim 38 years) [2] 6. Thomas Smallwood, b. 1675, Charles County, Maryland, d. 9 Apr 1735, Charles County, Maryland - Probate (Age 60 years) [2] 7. William Smallwood, b. 1677, Charles County, Maryland, d. 12 Jun 1706, Charles County, Maryland - Probate (Age 29 years) [2] 8. Pryor Smallwood, b. 1680, Charles County, Maryland, d. 29 Mar 1734, Charles County, Maryland - Probate (Age 54 years) [2] Prior Smallwood (1680-1734) [3] 9. Sarah Smallwood, b. Aft 1680, Charles County, Maryland, d. Bef 11 Sep 1744, Charles County, Maryland (Age < 62 years) [2] 10. Bayne Smallwood, b. 1685, Charles County, Maryland, d. 2 Dec 1709, Charles County, Maryland - Probate (Age 24 years) [2] 11. Ledstone Smallwood, b. 1687, Charles County, Maryland, d. 22 Feb 1755, Charles County, Maryland - Probate (Age 68 years) [2] Ledstone Smallwood (1687–1755) [3] 12. Samuel Smallwood, b. Abt 1688, Charles County, Maryland, d. Aft 1712, Baltimore County, Maryland (Age ~ 25 years) [2]

Smallwood-Evans Lineage

The following line of descent from Hester Evans and James Smallwood was given to this author in the 1970s by researcher Mary Ann (Ward) Brady, who was born in 1913 at Muncie, Indiana. 4

- 1. James Smallwood and Hester Evans.
- Thomas Smallwood (1675-1734) of Charles Co., Maryland, who wed Lettice Alice Godfrey (1678-1735).
- 3. Esther Smallwood (ca. 1706-1776) of Charles Co., Maryland; married there ca. 1723, Richard Harrison Sr. (ca. 1696-1734).
- 4. Richard Harrison Jr. (b. ca. 1726) and married in Charles Co. ca. 1755 his first cousin, Elizabeth, daughter of Pryor Smallwood.
- 5. Verlinda Harrison (1758-1831) was born in Charles Co., Maryland, and died in Fountain Co., Indiana; in 1778, she married William Ward (1758-1833) in Charles Co. He served three years with the Virginia Continental Line during the Revolutionary War.
- John Ward (1790-1853) was born in Scott Co., Kentucky, and died in Fountain Co., Indiana. He married Tamer Masterson (1791-1859) of Scott Co.
- 7. Zachariah Thomas Ward (1813-1881) of Scott Co. married in 1844 in Fountain Co., Harriett Bowman (1825-1869). She was born in Greene Co., TN; both died in Fountain Co.
- 8. Benjamin Franklin Ward (1861-1948) married in 1883, Mary Ann Newkirk (1860-1946); both were born in Fountain Co. and died at Crawfordsville,
- 9. Jesse Lynn Ward (1883-1975) married in 1912 at Muncie, Indiana, Edith Carmichael (1884-1976). Jesse was born in Fountain Co., Indiana, and died at

Toledo, Ohio.[They were parents of Mary Ann (Ward) Brady, who researched this lineage.]

Readers should use data from this lineage—and from all undocumented online lineages—only for clues leading to their own documented pedigree.

Research Notes

Is her identify established by a brother John Evans?

Last name believed to be Evans from will of John Evans, evidently her brother; gives us names of parents. [2]

She was the daughter of William Evans and Alice Norris. [2]

Was Hester the daughter of William Evans?

Hester Evans was thought to be the daughter of William Evans, who immigrated in 1630 and died in 1651, whose widow remarried John Nicholls before the birth of daughter Hester. Therefore, it was not certain if her father was Evans or Nicholls. Hester died in 1693. [4]

Evans Family is a Researcher's Headache. Much about the first Williams Evans, who was in Maryland by 1650, is shrouded in mists of the past. We don't know if William was accompanied by his English family. Indeed, it is difficult to separate him from a younger William Evans also in Charles County, Maryland, in the 1650s. [4]

William Evans (Sr.?), the immigrant, was born about 1597, married Ann Norris, and is probably the William Evans who died in 1651 in Charles County. 4

In 1655, a Captain Evans was captured at the Battle of the Severn between Catholics and Protestants, tried and sentenced to death, but subsequently released. This William Evans, however, died in 1668, so must be a different William Evans. [7]

It was probably this Capt. William Evans who was appointed by Gov. Josias Fendall in 1658 as officer in charge of all forces between "Wicocomaco River and Poplar Hill exclusively, them to muster Exercise and traine up in the art of Warre." [4]

Genealogists are urged not to copy data on the first three generations of Maryland Evans family members from web-based family trees. They are full of contradictory parent-child relationships and such impossible dates as a daughter being born before her mother! Unfortunately, dozens of inexperienced family researchers have copied and proliferated these unproven conclusions. [4]

Were Hester Evans and Esther Nichols the same person?

1661 Maryland Provincial Court Proceedings and Esther Nichols

In the proceedings of the Maryland Provincial Court, 1661, is found a dispute between John Nicholls and John Nuthall concerning the servitude of Nichols' daughter Esther Nicholls. John Nicholls had indentured his daughter for service in the household of Captain Thomas Cornwallis; in exchange for her service to his wife, she would be taught domestic skills and freed when her term was over. Cornwallis, however, died, and the indenture passed to John Nuthall. [8]

Esther ?Hester? is named by the court and called ?my daughter? by John Nichols. A jury of 12 in the Lower Court who ?find this Indenture illegal, deceitful, and void? sets Hester free. [9]

The Indenture has the distinct John Nichols mark and Hester Nichols her + mark. Archive

editors show the John Nichols mark as overlapping Hs. His actual mark looks like a rope with a knot in the middle and knots on each end with the rope protruding from the ends.
[9]

Thomas Cornwallis, a previous Lt. Governor, in a self-righteous harangue petitioned to bring the case to the Court of Chancery on a claim of error. Cornwallis crudely disparaged the Nichols and the only witness who did support the Nichols. [9]

In the Provincial Council in 2 to 3, the Nichols case is lost and Hester must serve out her term. [9]

Mr. Secretary [Mr. Henry Sewall] and Mr. Jerome Whyte declared the Indenture insufficient because there was no consideration specified at the expiration of the said Hester?s time and because she was not brought before a magistrate as should have been done. The other 3 declared the Indenture valid. Counselor was Baker Brook [married Anne Calvert]; Chancellor was Phillip Calvert; Governor was Charles Calvert. [9]

Also, there was no term of service specified in the Indenture although Cornwallis discussed the disagreement about a term of 5 years or 7 years. The two Indenture witnesses were not called to testify the Nichols understood the words although the Nichols only signed by marks.

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Virginia Easley

There was no William Evans who died 19 May 1651 in Charles Co., MD. That was the date upon which John Nichols gave a cow to John Evans.

19 May 1651 • Maryland, USA

John Nicholls to John Evans, son of William Evans, decd., whose widow John Nicholls had married, gift of a cow. https://msa.maryland.gov/megafile/msa/speccol/sc5800/sc5881/000001/000000/000086/pdf/msa_sc_5881_1_86.pdf

posted Jan 11, 2024 by Virginia Easley

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Linda (Noland) Layman

I had several conversations with Joyce Odum about Hester (Evans) and she was not very happy that I said I really didn't know what to believe. I just noticed that she died this past January. I am very glad you have printed all this information and I will be attaching my ancestors (two Smallwood lines) to this.

posted Mar 18, 2020 by Linda (Noland) Layman

reply flag move to G2G thank Linda



Esmé (Pieterse) van der Westhuizen

Evans-20392 and Evans-2014 appear to represent the same person because: Exact dates, same spouse and child

posted Oct 26, 2017 by Esmé (Pieterse) van der Westhuizen

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<u>Janne (Shoults) Gorman</u>

Evans-10540 and Evans-2014 appear to represent the same person because: Wife of James Smallwood married 24 May 1663 in Maryland

"Unknown" mother needs to be merged into Norris mother first

posted Nov 06, 2016 by Janne (Shoults) Gorman

reply flag move to G2G thank Janne



Jack Day

Evans-2015 and Evans-2014 appear to represent the same person because: Same person, same death dates....

posted Jan 02, 2015 by Jack Day

reply flag move to G2G thank Jack



<u>Jack Day</u>

<u>Evans-4441</u> and Evans-2015 appear to represent the same person because: Same family name, same spouse, same location.