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Captain John Fleming

Born **27 Aug 1633** in **Cumbernauld, Lanarkshire, Scotland** ♀

Son of [father unknown] and [mother unknown]

Husband of **Mercy (Thompson) Fleming** — married [date unknown] [location unknown]

Husband of **Mary Mercy (Randolph) Martiau** — married [date unknown] [location unknown]

Husband of **Mary (Boiling) Fleming** — married [date unknown] [location unknown]

Father of [Marion Fleming](#), [Henry Fleming](#), [Charles Fleming](#), [Alexander Fleming](#), [William Fleming](#), [Lidia Fleming](#) and [John Fleming](#) DESCENDANTS 🔍

Died **27 Apr 1686** at age 52 in **St. Peter's Parish, New Kent County, Colony of Virginia** ♀

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John Fleming resided in the Southern Colonies in North America before 1776.

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Biography

Traditional stories claim that John was the son of [Captain Alexander Fleming](#), but there is no direct evidence to support this. John was not mentioned in any of the many records



DNA Connections

It may be possible to [confirm](#) family relationships. It is likely that these [autosomal DNA](#) test-takers will share [some percentage](#) of DNA with John:

~0.78% [Irene Pinnix](#) 🔍 ✉: [FamilyTree DNA Family Finder](#), GEDmatch [T248982](#) [\[compare\]](#), FTDNA kit #549009 [\[test details\]](#)

~0.39% [Katrine \(McDonald\) Coates](#) 🔍 ✉: [FamilyTree DNA Family Finder](#), GEDmatch [AE4004974](#) [\[compare\]](#) [\[test details\]](#)

~0.39% [Thomas Alexander Taylor](#) 🔍 ✉: [FamilyTree DNA Family Finder](#), FTDNA kit #194518 [\[test details\]](#)

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Research

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could be because John, the eldest son, would automatically inherit his father's plantation. However, John does not appear in any land transactions in Old Rappahannock County (later Essex and Richmond Counties) where Alexander's land was located.

John Fleming appears in Virginia records when he was granted a patent on 28 Feb 1658 for 250 acres in New Kent County (Patent Book 4, p. 254). Although there are exceptions, a man had to be 21 in order to take out a patent. If John was in fact 21, he must have been born before 1637 or at least six years before the marriage contract between Alexander Fleming and Elspet Anderson.

An interesting question is what went on in John's life between 1658 and 1679? Did he have other wives and children?

Charles Fleming was very probably related to John Fleming but we don't know if he was a son, brother, nephew or some other relation. Charles is usually said to be John's son. They lived on adjacent land and Charles took up a patent which had first been granted to John.

Name

John /Fleming/ ^[1]

Birth

Date: BEF 1637^[2]

Death

Date: 27 AUG 1686

Place: St. Peter's Parish, New Kent County, Virginia^[3]

Land Transactions

1653: A John Fleming was claimed as a headright by Joseph Croshaw, York Co.^[4]

1658: 250 acres New Kent Co. on south side of the York River^[5]

1661: 493 acres New Kent Co. on south side of the York River^[6]

1670: with Thomas Glass 900 acres New Kent Co. between Totopotomoy and Matadequin Creeks. Adj. Chas. Loving, Cornelius Dabney, Rob. Anderson, John Sexton, Moses Davis^[7]

1680: with Andrew Davies 1000 acres New Kent Co. on branch of Mechumps Creek adj. devident Andrew Davis^[8]

Children

The children of John and Mercy included:

1. Lidia, bapt. 30 Oct 1679, York Parish, York County, VA.^[9]
2. John, b. 14 Apr 1683, York Parish, York County, VA.^[10]

Research Notes

Place Creation

- York County, Virginia, was created in 1634 as one of the original eight shires.
- New Kent County, Virginia, was created in 1654 from York County.

Children

This profile previously included the below in the Biography:

The baptisms of two of John's children are recorded in Charles Parish, York County. They are Lidia, daughter by Mercy bap. 30 Oct 1679 and John, son by Mary bap. 14 April 1683. There is nothing to tell us whether or not Mercy and Mary were the same person.

However, an inspection of the record for John^[10] appears to be for a birth, not baptism, and the mother appears to be Mercy, not Mary. It is also not clear what the parish name was at the time. The register contains a modern title page of Charles River (1634–1642) and York-Hampton (1707–) Parishes. It does not appear either of these parish names was in use in 1679 and 1783. York Parish (1638–1707) appears more likely. [Spratlin-29](#) 22:28, 5 January 2024 (UTC)

Possible Records

John signed a grievance during Bacon's Rebellion^[11]

FamilySearch.org lists Thomas FLEMING (AFN: PGZ0-36) and Judith TARLETON (AFN: PGXZ-XD) as John's parents. This is not correct. There was no Thomas Fleming in Virginia records. [Stewart-2795](#) 19:24, 27 February 2013 (EST)

Sources

- ↑ Fleming Family, WMQ series 1, vol. 11, pp. 45-47
- ↑ Fleming Family, WMQ series 1, vol. 11, pp. 45-47
- ↑ Fleming Family, WMQ series 1, vol. 11, pp. 45-47. "Departed this life the 27th day of August and was buried the 30th of August 1686"
- ↑ Nugent, Vol 1, p. 249 [3:51]
- ↑ Nugent, Vol 1, p. 386 [4:254]
- ↑ Nugent, Vol 1, p. 397 [4:303]
- ↑ Nugent, Vol 2, p. 77 [6:303]
- ↑ Nugent, Vol 2, p. 207 [7:25]
- ↑ Charles River Parish, Episcopal Church, *Parish register, 1648-1800* [*York County, Virginia*], *Parish register, 1648-1800*; database with images, *FamilySearch* ([image 39](#)). [two from bottom of page]
- ↑ [10.0](#) [10.1](#) Charles River Parish, Episcopal Church, *Parish register, 1648-1800* [*York County, Virginia*], *Parish register, 1648-1800*; database with images, *FamilySearch* ([image 40](#)). [midway down the page]
- ↑ Vestry Book of Blisland p. xlv

See also:

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
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Kenneth Milton Spratlin (1962-2024)

If John was getting land patents in New Kent County as early as 1658, and he dies there in 1686, why do we think the John Fleming with children baptized in York County is the same person?

[posted](#) Jan 05, 2024 by [Kenneth Milton Spratlin \(1962-2024\)](#)

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Anne Massey

[Fleming-10361](#) and Fleming-21 appear to represent the same person because: they appear to be the same

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[Living Lajiness]

[Fleming-3638](#) and Fleming-21 appear to represent the same person because: Maybe resolve some issues and consider trying to come to a consensus

[posted](#) Jul 02, 2023 by [\[Living Lajiness\]](#)

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Mary Elizabeth Stewart

[Fleming-3638](#) and Fleming-21 do not represent the same person because: The story of Sir Thomas Fleming is completely false

[posted](#) Jul 03, 2023 by [Mary Elizabeth Stewart](#)

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[Living Lajiness]

You will be proven wrong with DNA and your not listening per usual I said the name is Alexander or Thomas Alexander and just because you say so dont make it true, you are egnoring the evidence

[posted](#) Jul 04, 2023 by [\[Living Lajiness\]](#)

[edited](#) Jul 04, 2023 by [\[Living Lajiness\]](#)

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Mary Elizabeth Stewart

Mary E. Stewart

8:08 PM (2 hours ago) to WikiTree

I would be delighted to see any evidence of Sir Thomas Fleming in Virginia. In 40+ years of research I have found none

You might want to consult The Scots Peerage (link below) for the history of the Earls of Wigton. John Fleming, b. 1567, was 6th Lord Fleming and became the 1st Earl of Wigton 19 March 1606.

Balfour Paul, James (1904). The Scots Peerage. Edinburgh: D. Douglas. pp. 518-558

posted Jul 05, 2023 by [Mary Elizabeth Stewart](#)

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<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Fleming-1141>, There are two historical documents on the right panel you dismiss why. you say nothing in 40 years that is obviously disputed, I have to much DNA stuff to go into right now, I'll make it simple obviously someone in the past and pressant has a differant opinion

posted Jul 06, 2023 by [\[Living Lajiness\]](#)

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Genealogies of Kentucky Families from The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society, Vol. II

The Flemings of Virginia Pg 108; <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/48033Name>, Re: The Flemings of Virginia-Earls of Wigton Connection? By Janet Flemming August 31, 2007 at 04:57:43 In reply to: Re: The Flemings of Virginia-Earls of Wigton Connection? Mary Stewart 8/30/07. <https://www.genealogy.com/forum/surnames/topics/fleming/5521/>

THE FLEMINGS OF VIRGINIA Sir Thomas Fleming,(I've Heard Thomas Alexander) b. 1593 (m) Miss Tarleton. He was the 5th Lord, and 1st Earl, of Wigton Scotland. He was a son of John Fleming, and came to Virginia, 1616, and settled at Jamestown. He died in New Kent Co., Va. His sons were 1st John Fleming, b. , d. Aug. 27, 1686 (m) Judith Tarleton, and they had Col. Charles Fleming, b, 1660, d. 1720, (m) Susannah Tarleton, daughter of Stephen Tarleton, and d, about 1678. He and his wife attended the wedding of their daughter Elizabeth who married Samuel Jordan Nov. 10, 1703. He patented land in New Kent County, Va., 1701. Their children were John, Charles, Tarleton, Ursula, Susannah, Elizabeth, Judith, William and Robert. The oldest son Col. John (m) Mary Bolling. He was b, 1688, d, 1720. Tarleton was b, 1705, d, 1750. Ursula (m) Tarleton Woodson. Susanna (m) John Bates, Elizabeth (m) Samuel Jordan, Judith (m) Thos. Randolph of 4Tuckahoe77. 2nd Charles. 3rd Thomas. As you will see by reference to "Haileys and Kindred Families", I, Wm. E. Railey, descend from Thomas Randolph and Judith Fleming on my maternal side. * Wm. E. Raidey.

posted Jul 02, 2023 by [\[Living Lajiness\]](#)

edited Jul 07, 2023 by [\[Living Lajiness\]](#)

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[Thomas Jurgensen](#)

Captain John Fleming was my 9th great grandfather.

posted Oct 28, 2022 by [Thomas Jurgensen](#)

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[Sheila Tidwell](#)

Could you please look at [John Fleming \(abt.1633-abt.1686\)](#) and see if this is the same person?

Thanks, Sheila

posted Sep 05, 2021 by [Sheila Tidwell](#)

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[Mary Elizabeth Stewart](#)

No, he is not the same person. Fleming-10361 is not documented and is attached to parents and siblings without any evidence

[posted](#) Sep 05, 2021 by [Mary Elizabeth Stewart](#)

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[Sheila Tidwell](#)

Thanks....I will keep researching

[posted](#) Sep 05, 2021 by [Sheila Tidwell](#)

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[Scott McClain](#)

I agree with Jack and given the other comments below, it appears that this profile needs a careful overhaul to bring it up to PPP standards for the Southern Colonies Project. Are one of the PMs willing to take that on?

[posted](#) Jun 03, 2021 by [Scott McClain](#)

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[Mary Elizabeth Stewart](#)

Since I wrote most of what is there, I'm happy to take it on. John's wife's (or wives) identity is not known.

[posted](#) Jun 03, 2021 by [Mary Elizabeth Stewart](#)

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[Scott McClain](#)

Thank you! The main issue I think is checking these relationships that have been attached, and if there is nothing to support them - detaching them (and adding a disputed children/spouse/etc. section in the Research Notes noting that the profiles have been detached because....). Let me know if I can help.

[posted](#) Jun 03, 2021 by [Scott McClain](#)

[edited](#) Jun 03, 2021 by [Scott McClain](#)

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[Porter Fann](#)

For the present wife that is attached, she has on her profile descriptions of both a Mary and Elizabeth conflation. That information more correctly belongs on this profile, under a heading for possible other wives.

Also, the records appear to show, and the consensus seems to be that Mercy (Thompson) Fleming was definitely his wife and that they had only two children...

Thus, the additional children definitely need to be removed from Mercy and the Research Notes made consistent with the questioned relationships on all of the affected profiles.

The other, not well-documented children would need to either be detached from John with Research Notes both here and on the "children's" profiles, or kept as possible children of the possible wives (who are presently described, incorrectly) on Mercy's profile.

[posted](#) Jan 06, 2024 by [Porter Fann](#)

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[Scott McClain](#)

dispute as to whether [Marion Fleming \(1648-\)](#) should be attached as a child.

posted Jun 02, 2021 by [Scott McClain](#)

edited Jun 02, 2021 by [Scott McClain](#)

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Jack Day

I'm a strong advocate for every profile having a distinct section marked =Children= in which the children are listed and in-line sources given to document their relationship.

posted Jun 02, 2021 by [Jack Day](#)

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Anonymous Anonymous

There is no convincing evidence to support this John Fleming being the son of Alexander Fleming, or of anyone else. The link to any parents of this John Fleming should be removed.

posted Oct 04, 2018 by [Anonymous Anonymous](#)

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James Evans

[Fleming-2720](#) and Fleming-21 appear to represent the same person because: Clear Duplicate. Fleming-2720 has no sources. Please merge into Fleming-21 and keep all info for Fleming-21.

posted Mar 14, 2017 by [James Evans](#)

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Mary Elizabeth Stewart

[Fleming-21](#) and Fleming-2720 do not represent the same person because: No documentation for Fleming-2720. Wrong husband for Ursula Brown. Alexander Fleming (of Richmond County) parentage is not known.

posted Apr 30, 2016 by [Mary Elizabeth Stewart](#)

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James Evans

[Fleming-21](#) and Fleming-1937 appear to represent the same person because: Same place of birth, slightly different date of birth. Same parents, same spouse (spouses also need to be merged). Same date and place of death. Please consider merging.

posted Dec 11, 2014 by [James Evans](#)

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James Evans

[Fleming-3350](#) and Fleming-1937 appear to represent the same person because: Same place of birth, close year of birth, year of death, place of death, mother name, spouse name. Please consider merging.

posted Nov 12, 2014 by [James Evans](#)

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