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Anne {Unproven} Hall

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♀ Abt 1671 - 1716 (~ 45 years)




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Name	Anne {Unproven} Hall	
Birth	Abt 1671	Calvert County, Maryland P
Gender	Female	
Death	18 Feb 1716	Calvert County, Maryland - inventory P
Person ID	I39189	Tree1
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Father	James Mackall , b. 1630, Scotland P d. 11 Dec 1693, "Cliffs" Calvert County, Maryland - Probate P (Age 63 years)	
Relationship	natural	
Mother	Mary Graham , b. 1639, "House of Claverhouse, " Scotland P d. 15 May 1718, Calvert County, Maryland - probate P (Age 79 years)	
Relationship	natural	
Marriage	1659	Calvert County, Maryland P
Family ID	F1955	Group Sheet Family Chart

Family 1	Andrew Tannehill , b. 1642, Calvert County, Maryland P d. 14 Jul 1694, Calvert County, Maryland - probate P (Age 52 years)	
Marriage	Abt 1687	Calvert County, Maryland P
Children	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> John Tannehill, b. Abt 1687, Calvert County, Maryland P [Father: natural] Elizabeth Tannehill, b. Abt 1688, Calvert County, Maryland P d. Aft 1698, Calvert County, Maryland P (Age ~ 11 years) [Father: natural] 	

	3. Andrew Tannehill , b. Abt 1689, Calvert County, Maryland  d. 1 Apr 1717, Calvert County, Maryland - inventory  (Age ~ 28 years) [Father: natural]	
Family ID	F10553	Group Sheet Family Chart
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Family 2	John Short d. 26 Aug 1698, Calvert County, Maryland - inventory 	
Marriage	Abt 18 May 1697	Calvert County, Maryland 
Children	1. Benjamin Short , b. Aft 1690, Calvert County, Maryland  [Father: natural]	
Family ID	F24699	Group Sheet Family Chart
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Family 3	Clarke Skinner , b. Abt 1674, Calvert County, Maryland  d. 18 Feb 1714, Calvert County, Maryland - probate  (Age ~ 40 years)	
Marriage	Bef 1709	Calvert County, Maryland 
Children	1. Anne Skinner , b. Bef 1709, Calvert County, Maryland  d. Aft 1751, Calvert County, Maryland  (Age > 44 years) [Father: unknown]	
Family ID	F24700	Group Sheet Family Chart
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Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o === Tennehill, Andrew, Calvert Co., 9th July, 1693; 14th July, 1694. To eld. son John and hrs., 200 A., "Calendar," and part of 150 A., "Friendship." To young son Andrew and hrs., 150 A., "Cooper," and residue of "Friendship." Sons to be of age at 18 yrs. To dau. Eliza:, personalty at 16 yrs. of age. In event of death of all child. without issue, real estate to pass to brother, John Tennehill, of Chas. Co., and his hrs. To wife Ann, extx., 1/3 of personalty; residue of personalty equally among 3 child. afsd. Overseers: Brother Wm. Tennehill, Walter Smith. Test: Robt. Gillian, Geo. Cole, Danll Robertson. 7. 4 === Andrew Tanehill 14.112 A CA £182.16.8 #13814 May 18 1697 Payments to: Samuell Chew, Nehemiah Birkhead, Mr. Hennag Robinson, due from Nicholas Brattier George Lingan due to estate of John Abbington, Jeremiah Eldridge, Zacharia Allen, James Dryden, Edward Swan, Dr. Wootten, Dr. Benjamin Arnolld, Benjamin Scrivener, Mr. William Dent, Daniell Robinson, Richard Evans, George Cole, Robert Simons, James Cranford due to John Abbington (dead). Administratrix: Anne Short (relict), wife of John Short. == John Short 36B.45 A CA £233.17.0 £216.16.9 Sep 17 1714 Received from: Jonathon Mathew, Joseph Jackson. Payments to: Thomas Ennis, George Keeple, Thomas Lynch, James Waldey, William Smith, Thomas Tasker, Esq., Richard Jones, Mr. Walter Smith, George Cole, Sir Thomas Lawrence, John Manning, Mr. Cheseldyne, (entry unreadable), Joseph West, William Sturnace, William Jones, Michael Askew, John Deaver, Thomas Larkin, Maj. Watson, Joshua Cecil, William Wilkinson,
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Richard Evans, Nicholas Spowrne, Mr. Walter Smith, William Stone, John Elsey, William Bladen, Esq., Archibald Edmondson, Henry Fernley, Thomas Brooke, Esq., Dr. James Kingsbury, John Gardner, Mr. Beale, John Melfitt, Joseph Hall, Samuel Watkins.

List of debts: William Restall (runaway), Richard Saynesbury, Charles Tracy (dead). Executrix: Anne Skinner, wife of Clarke Skinner.

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The problems with Anne Mackall, seemingly the eldest child of James Mackall, the Pioneer, are her husbands, their order of husbandry, and their offspring by Ann.

Of the children of the pioneer James Mackall, John was always supposed to have been the oldest, but such is not the case. In looking over some old Chancery records, under date of May 2, 1716 (liber P L. Folio 279), Anne Mackall testifies that she was 55 years old. Such being the case it would place the year of Ann's birth as being in 1661. Later on in the same court, under date of May 27, 1735, (liber I R 3, Folio 889), Colonel John Mackall, her brother, testifies that he was 66 years old, thus making the year of his birth 1669. All known records confirm that date and as there is a lapse of about eight years between the births of Anne and John, I think that it is safe to assume that Elizabeth is also older than John.

Anne Mackall married four times, first, Andrew Tannehill; this marriage ended in either a divorce or an annulment, as Anne Mackall on May 2th, 1716, in the Chancery Court case mentioned above, stated that recently she had ridden to church several times with her former husband, Andrew Tannehill. There were no children by that union. Anne Mackall next married John Taney and had by him four children as follows: Mary Taney, died 1712, Benjamin Taney, N.O.R, Mackall Taney, N.O.R., Nathaniel Taney, N.O.R

- Anne Mackall next married a man named Bruce, N.O.R

Anne Mackall next married Robert Skinner, by whom she had two children as follows: Anne Skinner and Robert Skinner, Jr. Mary Taney, in her will dated in 1712, mentions her three brothers, also her half-sister, Anne Skinner, and her half-brother Robert Skinner, Jr., as being children of her mother by her fourth and last marriage.

Louis C. Mackall, A Short History the Mackall Family, 1946

Mildred Bowen O'Brien in her booklet, Mackall, lists different marriages and children than does Louis C. Mackall. Primary source material lends support for her view. Accordingly, I have used this view of Ann's life until indisputable proof is established.

Anne MACKALL married 1st) Andrew TANEYHILL: Children - John, Andrew, Elizabeth (Anne Elizabeth).

married 2nd) John SHORT

married 3rd) John TANEY: Children - Mary

married 4th) Robert SKINNER, Jr.: Children - Robert, Benjamin, Mackall, Ann, Nathaniel

married 5th) Mr. BRUSE

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Maryland Calendar of Wills: Volume 7; page 194

Skinner, Robert, gentleman, Prince George's Co. 25th Aug., 1736; 1st Oct., 1736.

To bro. Nathaniel and hrs., marsh land.

To bros. Nathaniel and Mackall and their hrs., residue of real estate Shd.

mother, Mrs. Anne Bruse, take her whole thirds [p.194] out of lands given to bro. Nathaniel then 1/3 of land herein given to bro. Mackall is bequeathed to bro. Nathaniel and hrs.

Bro. Nathaniel ex. and residuary legatee.

Test: Thomas Gantt (Guant), Alexander Magruder, William Read. 21. 677.

There is an argument to include Clarke Skinner, brother of Robert Skinner.

Jr. and Dr. William Skinner as a sixth husband for Anne; however the proof is not strong enough to make other than a passing comment. The most outrageous claim to marriage with Anne was found in an old history of the Parrot's Cage wherein it was claimed that Anne Mackall was married to William Parrott, an original grantee in the County. Caveat Emporator...Semper.

In August 2000 I received this absolutely fascinating e-mail which persuasively argues that Anne Mackall did not marry Andrew Taneyhill much less bear his children.

Dear Robert;

I recently came across your web page on the Mackall family of Calvert County, Maryland. Sad to say that the error re: the wife of Andrew Tanyhill will likely continue forever due to the same being recorded in several prominent genealogical works of many years ago.

Ann/Anne Mackall was not the wife of the immigrant Andrew Tanyhill, my gggggg grandfather; her given name was indeed Anne but after many years of research, Ann's surname remains unknown. The confusion over Anne probably arose due to the fact that there were three Anne Skinners extant during the early 1700s in Calvert County.

There was

- 1) ANNE () HOLLYDAY SKINNER, wife of Robert Skinner Sr. & mother of Clarke, Robert, Jr., Adderton, William Skinner, who died in 1714;
- 2) there was Anne () TANYHILL SHORT SKINNER, the widow of Andrew Tanyhill & John Short & the wife of Clarke Skinner, who died around February 1715/16; and finally there was
- 3) ANNE MACKALL TANEY SKINNER [later BRUCE], the wife of Robert Skinner, Jr., (the brother of Clarke Skinner) who died 1712. The latter was the mother of Mary Taney whose will gave the names of her Skinner half siblings.

The administration bond of Benjamin Short, administrator of Anne Tanyhill Short Skinner was dated 8 Feb. 1716; his surety was Richard Hall. An inventory of Ann's estate was taken 18 Feb. of the same year & signed by Eliz. Bowen [her daughter] as nearest of kin. It is apparent from the inventory that Anne was living with daughter Elizabeth Bowen as it listed items at the 'Whome House' as well as items 'At Nathaniel Bowens.' No account of Ann's estate has been located in the MD Prerogative Court records but in 1718, Benjamin Short was cited by the Court re: an account. Clarke Skinner, Ann's third husband died in 1714 & she was admx. of his estate; following her death in 1715/16, Benjamin Short completed the administration of Clarke Skinner's estate as well as administering Ann's estate.

Anne Tanyhill Short Skinner many have been nee Hall & she may have been a relation of the immigrant Richard Hall of Calvert County, Maryland whose will she witnessed. In the few recorded documents re: Anne &/or her children, one of the Hall family either witnesses or is a surety.

This error re: the wife of Andrew Tanyhill could have been avoided if early researchers had dug a bit deeper & examined all the documents relating to Anne Skinner. As it stands now, the error will probably perpetuate itself forever.

Regards,
Rebekah Boyd

I have not presumed to immediately discard the overwhelming opinion of earlier researchers and change this presentation of the Mackall lineage. The input of all those interested is valuable and sought.