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## Martha **Greenfield** formerly **Truman**

Born **1656** in **Gedling, Nottinghamshire, England** 📍

Daughter of [James Truman](#) and [Anne \(Clarke\) Skinner](#) ANCESTORS 🔍

Sister of [Anne \(Truman\) Andrews](#), [Mary \(Trueman\) Hollyday](#), [Ann Trueman](#), [Mary \(Skinner\) Letchworth](#) [half], [Clarke Skinner](#) [half] and [Adderton Skinner](#) [half]

Wife of **Thomas Greenfield** — married 1679 in Province of Maryland 📍

Mother of [Ann \(Greenfield\) Wight](#), [James Greenfield](#), [Thomas Trueman Greenfield](#), [Truman Greenfield](#), [Martha \(Greenfield\) Waring](#), [Elizabeth \(Greenfield\) Parker](#) and [Jane \(Greenfield\) Hawkins](#) DESCENDANTS 🔍

Died **after 27 Mar 1739** after age 83 in **Magoonskin Plantation, Prince George's County, Province of Maryland** 📍

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## Biography



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 managed by [Doug Matthews](#).  
 B. **20 Feb 1681** in Calvert County, Maryland.  
 D. **26 Mar 1734** in Prince George's County, Maryland.

### 1656 Birth and Parentage

Name: Martha Truman (Female) <sup>[1]</sup> [Martha \(Truman\) Greenfield \(1656-aft.1739\)](#) <sup>[1]</sup> [2 spouses / 3 children](#)

Martha was born in 1656 in Gedling Parish, Nottingham, England <sup>[1]</sup>

She was the daughter of James Truman, b. 1622, Nottinghamshire, England, d. 7 Aug 1672, Trent Hall, St. Mary's County, Maryland - Probate (Age 50 years) and Anne Storer, b. 1642, Leicestershire, England d. 19 Jun 1714, Prince Frederick, Calvert County, Maryland - Probate (Age 72 years). They married about 1656. <sup>[1]</sup>

Martha, wife of Col. Thos. Greenfield, was the daughter of James Truman, testator of 1672. <sup>[2]</sup>

Martha Truman was the daughter of Dr. James Truman and his wife Ann Storer of Calvert County (died before 19 June 1714) <sup>[3]</sup>

### 1665 Arrival

Martha's uncle Thomas Trueman, Esquire paid for his transportation to Maryland in 1665 along with that of 11 others for which he received 600 acres in return. The Trueman and Greenfield families had been allied by intermarriage in England. Trueman settled on Brandywine Creek south of the Patuxent River near the village of Nottingham that he named for his hometown in England. <sup>[4]</sup>

### 1677 Marriage

By 1677 she married Thomas Greenfield, baptized 19 Feb 1648 in the village of Carlton, Gedling Parish, Nottinghamshire, Engkland. <sup>[3]</sup>

About 1679 in Prince Georges County, Maryland, Martha Truman married Thomas Greenfield, b. 19 Feb 1647/48, Carleton, Gedling Parish, Nottingham, England d. 7 Nov 1715, Prince George's County, Maryland - Probate (Age 67 years) <sup>[1]</sup>

Martha was 12-15 years younger than Thomas Greenfield when they were married. She outlived him by 24 years. <sup>[5]</sup>

### Residence

Their home was known as "Magoonskin", named after an Indian village. <sup>[6]</sup>

### Religion and Character

She was Episcopalian. <sup>[7]</sup>

When she died, she was between 74 and 79 years old. An interesting story has been handed down about Martha: "She was a woman of great force and managed her husband's estate after his death. She persisted in horseback riding as an elderly woman. She fell and broke a leg and walked with a limp for the rest of her life." <sup>[8]</sup>

### 1686 Legatee of Arthur Storer, 1686

Storer, Arthur, Calvert Co, 25th Nov, 1686; 5th Jan, 1686/7. To Joseph Clarke, Lough Burrough, Lancashire, Eng, to brother Edward and sister Katharine, mother Katharine Clarke, cous. Mary Hollyday, and to John Hunt, personalty. Sister Ann Skinner, widow, and cous. Martha Greenfield, execxs. and residuary legatees. Test: Ninian Beall, Thos. Gant, Rich'd Brlghtwell. 6. 68,

## 1688 Witnesses Basil Waring's Will

Waring, Basill, Calvert County, 8th Dec., 1688; 29th Dec, 1688. To wife Sarah, 5/3 of entire estate, To sons Samson, Marsham and Basill, residue of estate in equal parts. Wife afsd. joint ex. together with father Richard Marsham and father John Hance; Richard Marsham in behalf of Marsham and Basil Waring afsd., and father John Hance in behalf of son Samson. Test: Thos. Greenfield, Mary Bevan, Martha Greenfield. 6. 66.6.<sup>[1]</sup>

## 1697 Inherits Indian Creek with Addition

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY LAND RECORDS, Indenture, 17 September 1697 From: CHARLES GREENE of Kings Lynn, Co. of Norff, England, apothecary, and ELIZABETH his wife, daughter of JAMES TRUMAN, late of Maryland, deceased. To: THOMAS GREENFIELD, gent., Province of Maryland Price: 140 pounds sterling Property: About 1169 acres of land being one-third of the following tracts inherited by ELIZABETH, the wife of CHARLES GREENE: 1) JAMES TRUMAN bequeathed one-third of a tract, 750 acres, called "Indian Creeke with Addition" to his wife Anne TRUMAN, and two-thirds to his daughters MARTHA TRUMAN, MARY TRUMAN, and ELIZABETH TRUMAN, in equal shares. Anne TRUMAN and her second husband ROBERT SKINNER, then conveyed all their one-third part to the three daughters above, equally. 2) NATHANIEL TRUEMAN owned several tracts including a 130 acre parcel called "Truemans Hills," which he bequeathed to his three nieces, Anne TRUMAN, MARY TRUMAN, and ELIZABETH TRUMAN. 3) THOMAS TRUMAN owned several tracts including 375 acres called "Trumans Choyce Deminished," 300 acres called "Retalliation," 150 acres called "Addition," 200 acres called "Mazoonscon," 110 acres called "Barrens," 162 acres called "The Goores," 75 acres called "Newton " 28 acres called "Prevention," 100 acres called "Purchase," 400 acres called "Trumans Lott," 95 acres called "Trumans Chance," 127 acres called "Trumans Hope," 50 acres called "Wolves Den," 300 acres called "Nottingham," 500 acres called "Trumans Acquaintance," all of which he bequeathed by his will of 1685 to his nieces MARY TRUMAN, ELIZABETH TRUMAN, now the wife of the above mentioned CHARLES GREENE, and to THOMAS TRUMAN, the eldest son of the above mentioned THOMAS GREENFIELD, in equal shares. Signatures: CHARLES GREENE, ELIZ. GREENE Wit.: JOHN MAXEY, JOHN CRYER, JOHN LINGE Ackn'd: CHARLES GREENE and ELIZABETH his wife in England, 17 September 1697. Recorded: 25 June 1698, Vol. A, p. 97<sup>[1]</sup>

## 1712 Examined for Dower in Property Sale

Prince George's Land Records 1710-1717 - Liber F -folio 217 o Indenture, 9 Dec 1712 From: Thomas Greenfield of Prince George's County, Esgr. To: Thomas Truman of Prince George's County, Gentleman For 50£ a parcel of land in Prince George's County near Swanson's Creek called Purchase formerly taken by Major Thomas Trueman Signed: Thomas Greenfield (seal) Witnessed: Thomas Clagett, Philip Lee Alienation: Thomas Truman paid 2s Memo: Martha Greenfield, wife of Thomas, examined out of hearing of her husband<sup>[1]</sup>

## 1714 Legatee of Mother Ann Skinner

Skinner, Ann, widow, Calvert Co., 4th May, 1713; 19th June, 1714.

- To dau. Greenfield, dau. Elizabeth Green and each grandchild. ----, personalty.
- To eld. son Clarke (Skinner), ½ residue of estate,
- Balance to be divided between 2 young, sons William and Adderton.
- Exs.: 3 sons afsd.
- Test: Jno. Mackall, Mary Monk, Gabriel Parker. 13. 703.
- By codicil, 30th July, 1713: To young, son Adderton Skinner, testator's portion of "The Reserve" as devised her by last husband, Robert Skinner.<sup>[1]</sup>

## 1715 Legatee of Ann Skinner Estate

Ann Skinner 36B.20 A CA £167.9.7 £172.2.7 Mar 1 1714/15

- Payments to: Christian Swarmstead, Dr. Thomas Corne, William Bladen, Esq.

Legatees:

- Mrs. Martha Greenfield,

7 children (unnamed) of Martha Greenfield, 3 children (unnamed) of Col. Holladay, daughter (unnamed) Mrs. Elisabeth Greene, 2 children (unnamed) of Mrs. Elisabeth Greene, 4 children (unnamed) of Adderton Skinner, 6 children (unnamed) of William Skinner, child (unnamed) of Clarke Skinner. Distribution to: Mr. Clarke Skinner (½), Mr. William Skinner (1/4), Mr. Adderton Skinner (1/4). Executors (surviving): Mr. Adderton Skinner, William Skinner.<sup>[1]</sup>

## 1717 Conveys Land

Prince George's Land Records 1710-1717 - Liber F - Folio 126: Indenture, 13 Oct 1711  
From: Thomas Greenfield (Junior) and Martha his wife To: James Greenfield For the sum of 5s Thomas and Martha give to their son James 334 acres of land called Truman's Hills lying on the west side of the Patuxent in Prince George's County Signed: Thomas Greenfield (seal), Martha Greenfield (seal) Witnessed: Henry Boteler, Josh. Cecell Acknowledged: Thomas Greenfield, Esgr. and Martha his wife acknowledge deed 9 Jan 1711 Alienation: 2 Feb 1711 James Greenfield paid 6a/8p<sup>[1]</sup>

## 1738 Will

Greenfield, Martha, widow, Prince George's County, 20th Feb., 1737/8; 27th Mch., 1739.

- To dau. Anne Wightt, certain personalty with proviso that she give the same to grandson Thomas Truman Greenfield and to grandson Thomas, son of Truman Greenfield; also other personalty in which grand-dau. Innocense Wight, grandson Isle of Wight, and grand-dau. Anne Wight, have a designated interest.
- To grandson Walter Truman Greenfield, grand-daus. Sabina Truman Gleenfield, Sarah and Elizabeth, grandson George Parker, grand-daus. Innocence Wightt, Martha Hawkins, grandson Francis Waring, grand-dau. Mary Taylor and her dau., Verlinder Taylor, personalty.
- To dau. Martha Waring, certain personalty, with proviso she gives a portion thereof to her dau., Martha Burgis.
- To dau. Jone Hawkins, personalty on condition that son-in-law Henry Hawkins pay to niece, Mrs. Margery Gantt, ;£16, which is due sd. niece.
- To grandson Garatt Truman Greenfield and hrs., 200 A. "The Golden Race," it having been paid by son Thomas Truman Greenfield, but not made over to him. Exs. empowered to sell "Dunnbar" nr. Mills Town, given testatrix by her dec'd. husband, who bou. it of William Mills, also a lot in sd. town bou. of William Watson.
- Exs.: Son-in-law Henry Holland Hawkins, daus. Martha Waring and Anne Wightt, shd. they refuse to act grandsons Francis Waring, Thos. Truman Greenfield and George Parker are appointed.
- Overseers: Nephew Leonard Hollyday, Thomas Gantt.
- Test: Coll. Leonard Hollyday, John Parker, Fr. Waring, John Orchard. 22. 61,<sup>[1]</sup>

## 1739 Death and Will

She died 27 Mar 1739 at Magoonskin Plantation, Prince George's County, Maryland - Probate<sup>[1]</sup>

Will Dtd. 20 Feb 1738 and proven 27 Mar 1739 in Prince George Co., MD. <sup>[9]</sup>

Will from Maryland Calendar of Wills, Vol. III, p. 30:

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- also other personalty in which

- grandson Isle of Wight, and
- grand-dau. Ann Wight, have a designated interest.
- grandson Walter Truman Greenfield,
- grand-daus. Sabina Truman Greenfield, Sarah and Elizabeth,
- grandson George parker,
- grand-daus. Innocence Wightt, Martha Hawkins,
- grandson Francis Waring,
- grand-dau. Mary Taylor and her dau., Verlinder Taylor, personalty.
- dau. Martha Waring, certain personalty, with proviso she gives a portion thereof to her dau., Martha Burgis.
- dau. Jone Hawkins personalty on condition that son-in- law Henry Hawkins pay to niece, Mrs. Margery Gantt, 16lbs, which is due sd. niece.
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- Overseers: Nephew Leonard Hollyday, Thomas Gantt.
- Test: Coll. Leonard Hollyday, John Parker, Fr. Waring, John Orchard

## 1739 Appraisal and Accounting of Estate

Madam Martha Greenfield 24.192 PG £233.10.1 Apr 17 1739 Aug 30 1739 Legatees: Mr. George Parker Thomas Trueman Greenfield, Thomas Greenfield. Appraisers: Thomas Duett, Jos Smith. Creditors: Pat. Sim, Francis Waring. Next of kin: Anne Wightt, Francis Waring. Executrix: Mrs Martha Waring.<sup>[1]</sup>

Mrs. Martha Greenfield 22.45 A PG £233.10.1 £287.14.10 Aug 28 1745 Received from: Thomas Austin, Capt. James Willson. Payments to: Mr. James Russell, James Swan, William Oliver, Dr. Patrick Sims, Peregrine Meekness, Dr. Charles Stewart, Mary Sim (administratrix of Patrick Sim), Margery Gant (executrix of Levin Covington). Legatees: Anne White, Sarah Greenfield, Samuel Taylor, Henry Hawkins, Francis Warring, Martha Hawkins, Elisabeth Greenfield, Sabina Truman Greenfield, accountant. Executrix: Mrs. Martha Warring. Came Mr. Francis Warring.<sup>[1]</sup>

*Colonel Thomas Greenfield and wife, Martha Truman, are buried in the Greenfield Cemetery located on Key Farm (old "Magoonscon" plantation) near Bald Eagle School Road and Nelson Perrie Road in Prince George's County, Maryland (Sargent, p. 575).<sup>[10]</sup>*

## Children

1. Anne Greenfield, b. 21 Apr 1680, Calvert County, Maryland, d. 21 Jun 1742, Prince George's County, Maryland - Inventory (Age 62 years)<sup>[1]</sup>
2. James Greenfield, b. 20 Feb 1680/81, Calvert County, Maryland, d. 26 Mar 1734, Prince George's County, Maryland - Probate (Age 53 years)<sup>[1]</sup>
3. Thomas Truman Greenfield, b. 1682, Calvert County, Maryland, d. 11 Mar 1733/34, Trent Hall, St. Mary's County, Maryland - Probate (Age 52 years)<sup>[1]</sup>
4. Thomas Truman {Land Records} Greenfield, b. 1682, Charles County, Maryland <sup>[1]</sup>
5. Micajah Greenfield, b. Abt 1685, Calvert County, Maryland, d. Between 1715 and 1720, Calvert County, Maryland (Age ~ 30 years)<sup>[1]</sup>
6. Martha Greenfield, b. 1687, Calvert County, Maryland, d. 6 Jan 1758, Prince George's County, Maryland - Probate (Age 71 years)<sup>[1]</sup>
7. Truman Greenfield, b. 1692, Calvert County, Maryland, d. 7 Oct 1726, St. Mary's County, Maryland - Inventory (Age 34 years)<sup>[1]</sup>
8. Elizabeth Greenfield, b. 1696, Calvert County, Maryland, d. 8 Aug 1715, Prince George's County, Maryland (Age 19 years)<sup>[1]</sup>
9. Joan Greenfield, b. 1698, Calvert County, Maryland d. 25 Jul 1755, Charles

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