



Hugh Weir (abt. 1725 - 1779) /UserID



Hugh **Weir** aka **Wear**

Born **about 1725** in **Enniskillen, County Fermanagh, Ireland** 🇮🇪

Son of [George William Weir](#) and [Jean \(Good\) Weir](#)

ANCESTORS 🗑️

Brother of [John Weir](#), [Samuel Weir](#) and [George William Weir](#) [half]

Husband of **[Margaret \(Mcewen\) Weir](#)** — married about 1740 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 🇺🇸

Father of [Joseph Weir](#), [Mary \(Weir\) Walker](#), [George Weir](#), [Hugh Weir Jr.](#), [Jean \(Weir\) Cunningham](#), [Susannah \(Weir\) Buchanan](#), [Samuel Weir](#), [Jonathan Weir](#), [Margaret \(Weir\) Montgomery](#), [Abraham Weir](#), [Elizabeth \(Weir\) McCutchen](#) and [James Weir](#)

DESCENDANTS 🗑️

Died **3 Aug 1779** at about age 54 in **Rockbridge County, Virginia, United States** 🇺🇸

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Biography

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Hugh WEIR Birth abt 1725, Enniskillen, Antrim, Ireland Death abt 1779, Rockbridge Co., Virginia NOTES for Hugh Weir: Variant spelling WEAR.



Hugh Weir was born in Ireland.

Spouse 1 Margaret

Children

- [John \(1741--1800\)](#)
- [Hugh \(~1742->1830\)](#)
- [Joseph \(~1744~1809\)](#)
- [Mary \(ca1745-<1815\)](#)
- [George \(~1746~1783\)](#)
- [Elizabeth \(ca1747-1842\)](#)
- [Jean \(~1747-\)](#)
- [Susannah \(~1748-ca1815\)](#)

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 Hugh:

~1.56% [Frances \(Weir\) Mosher](#) 🗑️ :

[23andMe](#) + [AncestryDNA](#)

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~0.78% [Charles Gifford](#) 🗑️ : [23andMe](#), GEDmatch [SP9546577](#) [\[compare\]](#)

~0.78% [Linda \(Gollaher\) Parker](#) 🗑️ : [AncestryDNA](#), GEDmatch [A080754](#) [\[compare\]](#)

~0.78% [Sally Bulgier](#) 🗑️ : [AncestryDNA](#), GEDmatch [A843580](#) [\[compare\]](#), Ancestry member acjdmb81

~0.78% [Mary \(Shields\) Campbell](#) 🗑️ : [AncestryDNA](#), Ancestry member mkcampbell44

~0.78% [Julia Humphreys](#) 🗑️ : [AncestryDNA](#), GEDmatch [A208537](#) [\[compare\]](#), Ancestry member juliaakers96

~0.78% [Marlene Medefind](#) 🗑️ : [AncestryDNA](#), Ancestry member mmbhonorlulu

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- Samuel (~1749-1802)
- Jonathan (ca1750-1832)
- Margaret (~1750-)
- Abraham (~1755-<1828)
- James (1762-1820)

HUGH WEIR 1725 to 1779 and Margaret had sons that fought at the battle of King's Mountain during the Revolutionary War. (Captain Samuel Weir - Captain John Weir - James Weir - Jonathan Weir - Joseph Weir) ^[1]

Will' dated 31 March 1779

Will of Hugh Weir Rockbridge co., Virginia March 31st 1779 [probably Will Book A]

In the name of God Amen. I Hugh Weir of the County of Rockbridge and Colony of Virginia Calling to mind that mortality of my body though sound in Memory knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die as also believing that God is able at the Resurrection to Raise this same Body and to unite it to the soul again do make and constitute this my last Will and Testamnt. That is to say first and principally I give my soul to God who gave it and my Body to be Bruied in a Christian and Decent like manner at the Direction of my Executors and as Touching such wordly Estate as it hath pleased God to Bles me with I give and Bequeath in Manner following. First I give and bequeath to my Beloved wife my old bay mare two best Cows and four sheep her bed and furniture her Chest and also all Dressing furnishing my Dwelling House with a sufficient Maintinance from my plantation during her life, as also my Negro wench during her life and then I order her to my son Abrahm Jonathan likewise I order my plantation to my son Abraham and allow him to pay to my son James the sum of Two Hundred pounds good and lawful money of Viginia if Money stands at the same value it now goes at if it alters I leave my Executors Judges in that Alteration. Likewise I give and Bequeath to my son Abraham my Sorrel Colt paying to my son George and Hugh each fifty pounds leaving the Alteration as aforesaid to the Direction of my Executors the several sums I order Abraham to pay at the expiration of two years after my Decease. Also I give to my sons John, Joseph and Samuel to each Twenty Shillings likewise I give to my Daughters Jean Cunningham, Margret Montgomery, Mary Walker, Susanna Buchanan, Elizabeth McCutchen to each Ten Shillings likewise I give and bequeath to my Grandson Hugh to wit my son Johns son the sum of Twenty pounds. Also I allow my son Abraham to provide and lay in a sufficient Quantity of food for the aforesaid Stock willed to my wife yearly. Item I give to my Grandchildren to with the Hughes to each forty Shillings and the Remainder of the thick Cloath after Abrahms suit to be equally Divided betwixt my three youngest sons and all the Remainder of my Estate to my wife to pay debts and to be at her Disposal and lastly I constitute John Weir Junior and George Weir my Executors and Revoke all former wills witnes my hand and seal this 31st Day of March in the year above Mentioned.

Hugh Weir (Seal)

Signed Sealed and published in presence of us Saml. Weir Mathew Houston George Weir

Research Notes

- Enniskillen is actually in the County of Fermanagh.
- [Rootsweb thread](#) suggests that alternate parents might be Robert Weir and Martha Smith.
- [Rootsweb thread](#) indicates wife Margaret McEWEN. Children consistent with this profile.

See also:

- This opinion is that of Kyle J. Wear ^[2]

First, there has never been any evidence of any relationship of Robert Wear (who married Rebecca Carrell and is the father of Col. Samuel Wear) and Hugh Weir of Rockbridge Co., Virginia. Many researchers have attempted to link them, but the evidence is simply not there. Robert Wear was presumably the son of Robert and Martha Wear of the Nutfield, New Hampshire Presbyterian colony (this was a remnant

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of a pilgrimage of Presbyterians under Rev. James MacGregor during Queen Ann's War to escape religious persecution--they originally were supposed to settle in Massachussets in 1718, but because of a severe winter and a lack of welcome from the Puritans, half of the original congregation went to Maine in 1719 and the other half went to Nutfield [renamed Londonderry]). Although there has never been proof that Robert (father of Col. Samuel Wear) was the son of the Robert and Martha Wear, it had been shown that many of the New Hampshire Presbyterians later relocated to Bucks Co., PA about 1730 and since it was known that John Wear (son of Robert and Rebecca Carrell) was born in Bucks Co., PA, many genealogists have assumed that there was a connection so it has more or less become dogma.

In contrast, Hugh Weir first appears in Lurgan twp. of Old Cumberland Co. (present-day Franklin Co.), PA on the 1751 tax list. It has been shown on an 1754 land warrant from John Weir (presumably Hugh Weir's brother) that his land was bordered on the south by Hugh Weir who had entered his land in 1746. A review of the muster roles of Captain John Hasslet's Company (whose recruits were from this area of Cumberland Co.) shows in 1758 a Hugh Weir age 28 (although this is age is almost certainly incorrect--virtually all other recruits were in ages ranging from 18-21 and would have had Hugh Sr. fathering a child at the age of ten--most likely it is a typo and his age was in fact 18); this muster role states that Hugh Weir was born in Enniskillen, Ireland. In 1759, the muster role shows a John Weir, age 18, who was born in County Antrim, Ireland. This Hugh Weir and John Weir on the muster roles of Capt. John Hasslet's Company were almost certainly the sons of Hugh Weir--although there were other Weir's in Cumberland Co., none of them had children with the right names or ages to have appeared in this company. Assuming that these are Hugh Weir's children (and although some genealogists still argue with me, I believe that I have largely won the debate on this), then it would imply that Hugh Weir and his family were still in Ireland until at least 1741. Based on the 1754 land warrant of John Weir which shows Hugh Weir entering land in 1746, this would suggest that Hugh Weir arrived from Ireland sometime between 1741 and 1746. Based on this evidence, it would be impossible for Hugh Weir to be a brother of Robert Wear (father of Col. Samuel Wear), although it would be possible for there to be a more remote relation back in Ireland. The early records of Augusta Co., Virginia are replete with the name Weir

DNA

This profile is of interest in my DNA research, if you are a descendant and have had your autosomal DNA tested, please contact [Veronica Williams](#).

'Other info yet to be incorporated into biography

jowearsore <http://www.switchboard.com/bin/cgimenu.dll?FUNC=SENDMAIL&ATTRID=3034167> Olga Jones Edwards and JoAnn Wear Spore (comp.):

From Here and There to the White House: Weir/Wear Families. [Tucson, AZ]: J. Spore, c.1990. 244 pp.; maps. available from JoAnn Wear Spore, 3826 E. Glenn St., Tucson, AZ 85716-2324 (602) 332-6124 for \$24.50 each. Hugh Weir owned a plantation in Rockbridge Co., Virginia. His wife was possibly Margaret, and they were the parents of thirteen children. Hugh Weir died in 1779, leaving a will. His descendants later settled in Blount Co., Tennessee. Other descendants and relatives lived in Illinois, Texas, Missouri, and elsewhere. One descendant, from Texas, was George Herbert Walker Bush. Includes index. Includes Anderson, Brown, Cowan, Houston, McCutcheon, McReynolds, Montgomery, Wear, Weir and related families.

http://sites.rootsweb.com/~langolier/Augusta_Washington/ps66/ps66_029.htm

Hugh Weir 1725 Hugh Weir 1725, Birthdate: circa 1725 (54), Birthplace: County Antrim, Ireland, Death: August 3, 1779 (50-58), Rockbridge, Augusta, Virginia. Immediate Family: Son of George William Weir and Jean Weir (Good) Husband of Margaret Weir (McEwen) Father of Margaret Montgomery; Susannah Buchanan; Jean Cunningham; Jonathan Weir; Abraham Weir; Elizabeth McCutcheon; Jonathan James Weir; Joseph Weir; James Weir; Mary Walker; Hugh Weir and LT George Weir « less , Brother of Anabell Weir; John Weir and James Weir

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James Weir is the son of Hugh Weir & Margaret Elizabeth (McEwen) Weir. He was a Revolutionary War Soldier who served with Colonel Campbell's Virginia Regiment at the Battle of Kings Mountain and at the Battle of Guilford Courthouse.

Sources

- [Geni](#)
- [Roots Web Thread](#), accessed 18 Sep 2016.

Acknowledgements

Hugh WEIR. WikiTree profile Weir-452 created through the import of Rimmel Family Tree.ged on Aug 20, 2012 by [Pam Rimmel](#).


Hugh Weir was baptised on 12 February 1721 in Sorn, Ayrshire, Scotland, the son of [William Weir](#) and his wife [Jean Good](#).^[3]

Sources


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