



*THE RICHARDSON BROTHERS
OF*

WESTMILL, ENGLAND

CHARLESTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS

WOBURN, MASSACHUSETTS

PELHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

THE RICHARDSON MARRY GO ROUND

Phebe Richardson 2 (Ezekiel 1) m. Henry Baldwin 1 Nov 1649, Woburn.
Mary Richardson 2 (Thomas) m. John Baldwin before 1659, Billerica.
Hannah Green Richardson 3 (Joseph 2 Samuel 1) m. Daniel Baldwin 2 (Henry 1).
Samuel Richardson 2 (Samuel 1) m. Phebe Baldwin 2 (Henry 1) Woburn.
Ruth Richardson 4 (Jos. 3-2 Samuel 1) m. James Baldwin 3 (Henry 2-1) Woburn.
Mary Blodgett Richardson 4 (Jos. 3-2 Samuel 1) m. Henry Baldwin 3 (Henry 2-1).
Ichabod Richardson m. Ruth Baldwin 5 (Ruel 4 James 3 Henry 2-1) Woburn.
Phebe Richardson (Samuel & Hannah of Billerica) m. Moses Noyes of Wilmington.

In Pelham:

Seth Richardson m. Sarah Messer 3 July 1753
Phebe Richardson m. Moses Noyce/Noyes 2nd wife 30 May 1775
Moses Noyes, Jr. m. Sarah Baldwin (Joshua & Sally Grime Baldwin) 1791.
Amos Richardson m. Hannah Coburn 2 Nov 1756.
Anne Richardson m. Edward Colburn 14 June 1757.
Amos Richardson m. Mary Howard of Chelmsford 3 March 1756.
Susanne Richardson m. Samuel Hutchinson 6 March 1755.
Mary Richardson m. Jacob Fletcher 4 Oct 1759.
Zebediah Richardson m/ Rebecca Snow 22 April 1763
Joseph Richardson m. Joanna Gage 13 April 1802.
Rhoda Richardson m. Lt. Daniel Gage 17 Nov 1808.
Abiah Richardson m. Capt. Daniel Gage 8 June 1813.
Ens. Solomon Richardson m. Hannah Currier 24 March 1814.
Lucretia Richardson m. William Barker 11 Feb 1821.
Survina Richardson m. Oliver Morse of Salem 30 Dec 1824.
James Richardson m. Betsy Johnson 17 March 1825.
Betsy Richardson m. John L. Jones of Dracut 4 Sept 1827.
Israel Richardson m. Mary Ann Davidson 12 August 1829.
Nathan Richardson m. Mary G. Johnson 20 Sept 1829.
Dorothy P/ Richardson m. James H. Currier 14 Oct 1830.
Stephen Richardson Jr. m. Mrs. Lydia Gilcrest 3 Oct 1833.
Hannah Richarson m. Luther Colburn 19 May 1836.
George Richardson m. Judith Ellenwood 28 Oct 1838.
Lavinia Richardson m. William Lynn 5 Oct 1841.

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Amos Richardson to Sarah Wyman 1 June 1751
Sarah Richardson to Benjamin Gage 2 Aug 1770
Sarah Richardson to John Marsh 24 Dec 1772
John Richardson to Margaret Gage 11 June 1744
Hannah Richardson to Jesse Wyman 18 Jan 1787
Asa Richardson to Sarah Burnham 30 June 1790
Caleb Richardson to Dorcas Carlton 17 Feb 1791
Zachariah Richardson to Harriet Ellenwood 20 Mar 1794
John Richardson to Eda Richardson 2 Feb 1799
Thomas Richardson to Sarah Wilson 16 Dec 1799
Ezekiel Richardson to Mary Doty Sept 1805
Mary Richardson to Wm. Reed Lynn 2 July 1807
Abijah Richardson to Elsie Carlton 29 Nov 1823
Nathaniel Richardson to Hannah Titcomb 28 Nov 1824
Ruby Richardson to Wiliam Henry 1 Sept 1825
Miriam Richardson to Joshua Hill 22 Mar 1836
Betsey Richardson to Andrew Tallant 3 May 1841
Nathan Richardson to Bethia Johnson 10 Apr 1842
Melinda Richardson to Josiah Coburn 10 Mar 1846
Judith Richardson to Benjamin Atwood 25 Nov 1847.

Mr. Vinton had a list of Richardson marriages in Dracut equally as long. As I read the 944 pages of his book published in 1886, I will be copying all information pertinent to Pelham and add to this offering. Mr. Vinton did a magnificent job of recording the Richardson families and his labor is to be appreciated by all who read it. I could not find Pelham's outstanding early settler, William Richardson, in the four generation Richardson families published in The Vinton Memorial book, but I have found him now.

The Richardson Brothers

Thomas Richardson b. 1543 in Westmill England m. 15 Jun 1567 **Margaret Silverside**. Their son **Thomas** b. 1570 Westmill 7 Jan 1633-4 m. 25 Aug 1590 **Katherine Duxford** b. 1565 Westmill, daughter of Richard. Their children are:

Elizabeth b. 13 Jan 1592-3 d. about 22 Jun 1630 m. Francis Wyman 2 May 1617 Westmill.

John b. 7 Nov 1696.

James b. 6 Apr 1600 d. after 1631, m. Agnes.

Samuel b. 22 Dec 1604 d. 23 Mar 1657-8 Woburn MA m. 18 Oct 1632 Joanna Thake b. 2 Feb 1606-7 Barkway England (Wm Thake & Joan Wood), in Great Homestead England.

Ezekiel b. 24 Sept 1606 d. 21 Oct 1647 Woburn MA m. before 27 Aug 1630 Susannah (thought to be Bradford) in Charlestown MA.

Margaret b. 19 Apr 1607.

Thomas b. 3 Jul 1608 d. 28 Aug 1651 Woburn MA m. Mary Baldwin in England.

Ezekiel Richardson arrived in America with Winthrop's Fleet in 1630. Ezekiel and his wife Susanna (thought to be Bradford) were admitted to the Boston Church as members on 14 Oct 1632, and were dismissed to participate in the organization of the Charlestown church on 2 Nov 1632. Ezekiel's brothers Samuel and Thomas arrived in New England by 1635 with Francis Wyman and John Wyman, sons of their sister Elizabeth Richardson Wyman. The three Richardson brothers were commissioned by Governor John Winthrop to establish the colony now known as Woburn MA, and were known as Pillars of the church that they helped to build and organize. The Richardson brothers and their descendants are known to be "movers and shakers" in the development throughout New England, and later throughout the United States. We will concentrate herein on their families in Pelham NH, beginning with descendants of Ezekiel and Susanna. Children:

Phebe bpt. 8 June 1632 Boston m. Henry Baldwin of Woburn 1 Nov 1649. Among their children were Phebe b. 7 Sept 1654 m. 7 Nov 1676 Samuel Richardson (Samuel 1). They had one child; Zacharia Richardson.

Theophilus Richardson bpt. 22 Dec 1633 Boston d. 28 Dec 1674 Woburn m. 2 May 1654 Mary Champney of Cambridge. Their children:

Ezekiel 2 b. 28 Oct 1655 m. Elizabeth Snow.

Mary b. 15 Jan 1657 m. 1st Thomas Pierce, 2nd Daniel Hudson.

Sarah b. 23 Apr 1660. Abigail b. 21 Oct 1662 m. John Bateman.

Hannah b. 6 Apr 1665 m. Thomas Frost of Billerica.

John b. 16 Jan 1667 m. 1st Deborah Brooks, 2nd Lydia Pratt

Ruth b. 31 Aug 1673 m. William Russell of Salem.

Bridget b. 1674 m. Stephen Richardson (Joseph 2 Samuel 1).

Capt. Josiah b. 7 Nov 1635 m. Remembrance Underwood of Concord MA. The Capt, his wife, and his brother James removed to Chelmsford about 1659. I note that James' birth was not listed. Children of James and Remembrance:

Sarah b. 25 Mar 1657 m. Wm. Fletcher. Mary b. 14 Apr 1662 m. Thomas Colburn.
Josiah b. 18 May 1665 m. Mary Parrish. Jonathan b. 6 Oct 1667 m. Elizabeth Bates.
John b. 14 Feb 1659 m. Elizabeth Farwell. Samuel b. 21 Feb 1673 m. Rachel Howard.

Thomas Richardson b. 26 Oct 1661 Chelmsford (James 2 Ezekiel 1) m 28 Sept 1682
Hannah Colburn (Edward) of Dracut. They settled in Dracut when it was part of
Chelmsford. Their children:

James b. about 1686 m Mary ? Ezekiel b. about 1690 m. Mary ? Joseph b. 17 Apr 1694,
and bought land in Dracut in 1712.

Capt. Jonathan Richardson b. 8 Oct 1667 Chelmsford (Josiah 2 Ezekiel) m.
8 Nov 1692 Elizabeth Bates (John & Mary). Children: Jonathan b. 28 Dec 1693 d. 1753
Pelham. Elizabeth b. 10 Oct 1698 m. Edward Colburn. Mary b. 26 June 1700 m. Samuel
Colburn. Lydia b. 14 Jul 1702 m. Rev. Thomas Parker.
Olive b. 26 June 1705 m. John Colburn who d. June 1739.
Thankful b 16 Aug 1709 m. Ezra Colburn.
Lucy b. 6 Apr 1712 m. John Sprague of Charlestown.
Sarah b. 171- m. Wm Pierce.

Capt. William Richardson b. 19 Sept 1701 (Josiah 3-2 Ezekiel) m. 1722 Elizabeth
Colburn of Dracut (Daniel & Sarah). They settled in Dracut (Pelham) and William's
Will was proved 7 Nov 1776. Their children:

Elizabeth b. 27 July 1724 m. Capt. Joseph Butterfield.

Mary b. 19 Apr 1728 m. Capt. Reul Butterfield.

William b. Jan 1730-31. Mercy b. 19 June 1733 m. Joseph Fletcher.

Asa b. 23 Feb 1738 lived until Feb 1794.

Daniel b. 11 Mar 1749 m. 26 Jan 1778 Sarah Merchant of Boston. They settled on a
farm in Pelham, part of which was owned by his father William.

Capt. Daniel Richardson, son of Capt. William served the Revolution from 1777-1783.

Children: Wm. Merchant b. 4 Jan 1774 m. Betsey Smith.

Samuel Mather b. 12 Jan 1776 m. 1st Abigail Spofford, 2nd Hannah Greeley.

Daniel b. 10 Jan 1783 m. 1st Mary Adams, 2nd Hannah Adams.

Elizabeth Richardson b. 10 Oct 1696 Chelmsford (Jonathan 3 Josiah 2 Ezekiel) m.
Edward Colburn of Dracut. Their children:

Elizabeth b. 13 May 1716. Thankful b. 23 Nov 1717 m. 8 Dec 1786 Benjamin Butterfield
of Dracut. Rebecca b. 23 May 1719. Edward b. 20 Dec 21. David b. 2- Jan 1723-4.

Olive b. 20 May 1726. Sarah b. 20 Sept 1729. Lucy b. 4 May 1731.

Willard b. 28 Oct 1734. All in Dracut.

Mary Richardson b. 26 June 1699 (Jonathan 3 Josiah 2) m. 1717 Dr. Samuel Colburn of Dracut. Children: Mary, Samuel, Jonahan, Elizabeth, Martha, Hexekiah.

Capt. Zachariah Richardson b. Feb 1695-6 Chelmsford d. 22 Mar 1776 (Josiah 3-2-Ezekiel) m. Sarah Butterfield b. 23 Sept 1701 d. 11 May 1798 (Benjamin & Sarah). Children: Sarah b. 13 Oct 1719. Zachariah b. 23 Apr 1726 m. Timothy Fletcher. Deborah b. 1 June 1727 m. Joseph Farrar. Lydia b. 17 May 1728 m. Jacob Chamberlain. Mercy or Mary b. 20 Feb 1730. Josiah b. 8 May 1734 m. Lydia Warren. Rebecca b. 10 Feb 1735-6. Lucy b. 11 Nov 1742 m. Peter Spalding 26 May 1763. Phebe m. 28 Dec 1800 Joseph Butterfield Varnum of Dracut.

Note: Reading the Richardson Memorial has also helped me to connect one of my DAR sisters to my Baldwin's of Woburn. This book written by John Vinton is an amazing work, and I am not surprised that it took years of research to complete.

Ezekiel Richardson b. about 1690 (Thomas 3 James 2 Ezekiel) m. Mary ? Children: Ezekiel b. 24 Sept 1714 m. Elizabeth Watson. Mary b. & d. Feb 1717 Dracut. Edward b. 19 Jan 1718 m. Sarah Blood. Mary b. 24 Jun 1720. Ezekiel Jr. sold the farm in Dracut and is believed to have purchased land in Pelham where he died in 1820, leaving his widow Mary with several children that included Amien and Dorothy, who were placed under the guardianship of his son Ezekiel in 1820. Dorothy m. 1821-2 James B. Currier of Pelham.

James Richardson b. 3 May 1713 Dracut (James 3 Thomas 2 Ezekiel) m. 1741 Mary Richardson. They were in the section of Dracut that became Pelham. Children: James b. 17 Jun 1742 m. Sarah Clark. Abijah b. 13 Feb 1748 m. Judith Clark. Molly (no date) m. Asa Stickney 11 Feb 1768. Olive b. 7 Jul 1754 m. Cyrus Hardy. Bridget b. 28 Jun 1758 m. Jacob Marsh 12 Dec 1785. Ezekiel b. 7 Mar 1761 m. 1st Betsey Coburn, 2nd Dolly Littlehail. **Phillip** b. 1 Oct 1715 m. 1st 1744 Eleanor Wood of Pelham, 2nd Hannah ? Phillip's child w/ Eleanor: Phillip m. Mehitabel Hill. Children with Hannah: Hannah b. 8 Oct 1758. Eliphalet b. 7 Sept 1760 m. 1st **Lavinia Butler**, 2nd Elizabeth. James b. 5 Mar 1763 m. Polly Taylor. Molly b. 24 Mar 1765. Betsey b. 4 Mar 1767. Zachariah b. 14 Apr 1771 m. 13 May 1800 Polly Parker, living in Dunstable MA.

Sarah Richardson b. 5 Aug 1796 (John 3, Josiah 2, Ezekiel 1) m. 1715 John Colburn of Dracut. I include this because I think it is pertinent to Pelham.

Eleazer Richardson b. about 1720 Chelmsford (Samuel 3 Joseph 2 Ezekiel) m. Lydia Perham of Chelmsford.

Hon. William Merchant Richardson b. 4 Jan 1774 (Daniel 5 Wm 4 Josiah 3-2 Ezekiel) m. 7 Oct 1799 Betsey Smith b. 5 Nov 1773 (Jesse) Both born in Pelham. He was a Harvard graduate and received his law degree from Dartmouth in 1827; principal of the

Groton MA Academy, postmaster of Groton 1804-12, twice elected from the Middlesex District to the U.S. House of Representatives. In 1814, Wm. Resigned his seat in Congress and removed to Portsmouth NH where he resumed his law practice. He was appointed Chief Justice of the NH Supreme Court in 1816, a position that he held for 22 years, until his death 16 Mar 1838. A man of many talents, Wm. also was a musician as was his brother General Samuel M. Richardson for whom William fashioned a fiddle. Children: Sarah Merchant b. 3 May 1800 m. Dr. Samuel M. Barker. William b. 10 May 1803 d. 1810. Betsey Smith b. 13 Jul 1805 m. 1825 Benjamin French. Mary Woodbury b. 12 Apr 1806 m. Samuel J. Sprague Vose. Anna b. 26 Sept 1811 m. Henry Flagg French. Louisa b. 27 Jun 1814 m. Rev Charles Pinckny Russell. Samuel Mather b. 26 Dec 1817 m. Mary Whitmore.

Gen. Samuel Mather Richardson b. 12 Jan 1776 Pelham (Daniel 5 Wm 4 Josiah 3-2) d. 11 Mar 1858 Pelham, m. 1st 26 Jun 1798 Abigail Spofford, 2nd Hannah Hardy (Daniel). Samuel and his family occupied the family farm of his father, and taught school in Pelham 1796. He representative from Pelham to the General Court of NH for twelve years and was for one year a member of the State Senate. He served as a Major in the War of 1812, and then as Brigadier General in the NH Militia. Samuel had no children. It most certainly should be mentioned that Gen. Richardson donated the land upon which the Pelham Congregational Church stands

Honorable Daniel Richardson b. 19 Jan 1783 Pelham d. 12 Feb 1842, (Daniel Wm Josiah 3-2) m. 1st 2 Apr 1816 Mary Adams b. 4 Jan 1788 d. 1 Aug 1826 Pelham. M. 2nd Mary's sister Hannah Adams b. 14 Jul 1803. Daniel studied law in Groton and settled in Tyngsboro where he conducted a successful law practice. He was postmaster of Groton for 35 years, selectman in 1817, Representative to the General Court for two years, and held various town offices.

Children by his 1st wife Mary:

Daniel Samuel b. 1 Dec 1810 m. 1st Isabella Aiken, 2nd Anna B. Sawyer.
William Adams b. 2 Nov 1821 m. Anna Marie Marston. Children by 2nd wife Hannah:
George Francis b. 6 Dec 1829 m. Caroline Reed. All children b. in Tyngsboro.

James Richardson b. 17 Jun 1742 Dracut (James 5-4 Thomas 3 James 2 Ezekiel) m. 1 Dec 1767 Sarah Clark. They resided in Pelham. Children:
Samuel b. 17 Dec 1768. Sarah b. 3 Apr 1771. James b. 15 May 1773 n. Betsey ? Joseph b. 1 Aug 1775 m. 1 Mar 1802 Joanna Gage. John b. 7 Mar 1778, thought to marry Martha Parker.. Solomon b. 24 Dec 1780 m. Hannah Currier. Molly b. 10 Feb 1786.

Abijah Richardson, brother of James above, b. 13 Feb 1748 d. 13 Jul 1784 m. 16 Oct 1775 Judith Clark. They lived in Pelham. Children:
Nehemiah b. 11 Feb 1777 m. Rebecca Herick. Rhoda b. 3 Oct 1784 m. Daniel Gage.

Ezekiel Richardson, beother of Abijah & James, b. 7 Mar 1761 Dracut m. 1st 22 Feb 1787 Betsey Colburn. 2nd 25 Nov 1790 Dolly Littlehail. They lived in Dracut, their farm

adjoining the boundary line of Tyngsboro. Children: Joseph. **Ezekiel** m. 3 Feb 1820 Sybil Marsh, lived in Pelham with their children: Sybil b. 5 Apr 1822. Jacob b. 26 Nov 1820.

Eliphalet Richardson b. 7 Sept 1760 Pelham d. 21 Aug 1821 (Phillip 5 James 4 Thomas 3 James 2 Ezekiel) m. 1st Lavinia Butler and appears to have removed to Royalston, Worcester County. Children: Daniel, Betsey and Licinda.

James Richardson b. 5 Mar 1768 Pelham m. 23 June 1800 Polly Taylor. Children: Sybil b. 11 Feb 1802, James b. 16 Apr 1803, Mary b. 12 Jul 1809, and Olive b. 20 Jun 1811. James m. Betsey Johnson.

Thomas Richardson b. 1750 Westford MA (Thomas 5 James 4 Thomas 3 James 2 Ezekiel) m. 1st 28 Nov 1774 Abigail Spaulding, 2nd Lucy Spaulding about 1780. Lived in Pelham. Children: Thomas b. 9 Mar 1771, Abigail b. 13 Jun 1772, Jesse b. 6 Jan 1773. Willard b. 13 Mar 1774, Hannah b. 23 Jan 1776.

Samuel Richardson b. 20 May 1800 Pelham d. 1829, son of Samuel & Tamar Colburn Richardson (Moses 5 Josiah 4-3-2 Ezekiel) m. Sybil Richardson b. 1788 Chelmsford (dgr of Josiah & Sybil). Samuel was a stonecutter in Pelham who dies intestate and insolvent. Among his creditors were Richardson relatives; Olive, Asa, Mary, his father Samuel, and cousin Israel of Dracut. A sad ending to a short lifespan.

Louisa Richardson b. 21 May 1807 Dracut (Thaddeus 6 David 5 Josiah 4-3-2 Ezekiel) m. Jan 1830 **John Richardson** of Pelham, where John was a shoemaker. Children: Charles A. b. 20 Apr 1833. Marietta b. 4 Jun 1845. Louisa b. 9 Oct 1846.

James Richardson b. 15 May 1773 d. about 1837 Pelham, son of James & Sarah Clark Richardson (James 5-4 Thomas 3 James 2 Ezekiel) m. Betsey. He was a yeoman and died intestate. Jesse Gibson of Pelham was appointed administrator 2 Oct 1832, setting off the widow dower. Children: Mary m. Hobbs. Eliphalet appears unmarried and died in Pelham 1837.

SAMUEL RICHARDSON

Samuel Richardson b. in England m. **Joanna Thake** of England. Samuel d. 23 Mar 1658 Woburn MA. Children are:

Mary b. 25 Feb 1637 m. Thomas Mousell (John).

John bpt 12 Nov 1639 m. 1st Elizabeth Bacon, 2nd Mary Pierson, 3rd Margaret Whitting.

Hannah b. 8 Mar 1641 d. 8 Apr 1642.

Joseph b. 27 Jul 1643 d. 1716 m. 5 Nov 1666 Hannah Green.

Samuel 2 b. 22 May 1646 m. 1st Martha, 2nd Hannah Kingsley, 3rd Phebe Baldwin (Henry), 4th Sarah Hayward. Samuel's 1st wife d. young, his 2nd wife, infant daughter and son were killed by Indians in their home at Woburn, 3rd wife d. young.

Stephen b. 15 Aug 1649 d. 22 Mar 1717-8 m. 2 Jan 1674-5 Abigail Wyman (Francis & Abigail) in Billerica MA.

Thomas b. 31 Dec 1651 d. 17 Sept 1657 m. 27 Sept 1657 Rebecca Vinton at Woburn.

Elizabeth b. 1665, living 1666 at time of mother's will. Samuel d. 29 Apr 1712.

Joseph Richardson 2 b. 1643 Woburn m. **5 Nov 1666 Hannah Green** (Joseph & Hannah Green). Joseph d. 5 Mar 1717-18. Children:

Hannah b. 22 Oct 1667 m. Daniel Baldwin (Henry 1).

Mary b. 22 Mar 1668-9 m. 1st James Fowle 2nd Samuel Walker, both of Woburn.

Jonas Richardson, son of Ebenezer & Ruth, b. Pelham 21 Oct 1748 m. 4 Apr 1782

Zizpha Barker. Children: Ruth b. 10 Jan 1783. James b. 12 May 1784.

Achah b. 7 Jun 1786. The family lived in Pelham until 1786 and moved to VT.

Eri Richardson, son of Dr. Amos Richardson of Pelham (Stephen 3-2-Samuel 1)

b. about 1740 m. 26 Sept 1762 **Sarah Durant**. They lived in Pelham. Children:

Amos b. 27 Feb 1764. Reuben b. 30 Mar 1766 d. Oct 1767. Phebe b. 25 Jun 1768.

Eldad b. 20 Nov 1769. Lemuel b. 23 Aug 1771. Rhoda b. 5 Jul 1774.

Benjamin b. 20 Mar 1777. Eri b. 6 Mar 1779. Eri Jr.'s son m. 11 Sept 1848 Sophronia Bidwell, both of Lowell MA.

Joseph Richardson, brother of Eri above, b. 5 Mar 1745 Dracut d. 10 Apr 1827

Pelham, m. 11 May 1767 Miriam Hildreth (Joseph & Rebecca Wright Hildreth) of Dracut.

They lived in Pelham. Children: Miriam b. 24 Aug 1768 m. Joshua Wyman of Pelham.

Joseph b. 21 Jan 1771 m. 1st Hibbard 2nd Lydia Wilkins.

Sarah b. 10 Mar 1778 m. John Higgins. David b. 15 Jan 1776 m. Sarah Goodman Ford.

Josiah b. 12 Dec 1778 became a Baptist minister. Mary b. 4 May 1781 m. A. Hibbard.

Henry Baldwin and his cousin John Baldwin of Pelham are great grandsons of both Ezekiel Richardson and his brother Samuel. Thomas Richardson is their great uncle whose daughter Mary m. their great uncle John Baldwin of Billerica.

Elizabeth Richardson of England is their ancestral aunt and her husband Francis Wyman is their ancestral uncle.