

## **Annis Family**

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*Charles Annis is the first recorded ancestor of this family in the New World. Born 1638 in Enniskillen, Ireland, Charles left his homeland and sailed for Massachusetts in 1662 at the age of about 24 years old probably securing his passage as an indentured servant. Charles settled in Newbury, Massachusetts where the story of the Annis Clan begins in America. Each following generation would carry forward the name Charles. His grandson, Charles, bought land and moved to Wells, Maine in 1715. His son, Nehemiah, moved to Sanford by C/1790.*

Charles Annis (13<sup>th</sup> child)

*s/o Nehemiah Annis*

b. 1767 Wells

d. 1833 Waterville

m. 11 Aug 1787 Sanford

Eleanor Morrison

*d/o Joseph Morrison & Elizabeth Johnson*

b. 1769 Wells

d. aft. C/1850 Hartland

*Charles, the youngest of the 13 children, moved to Waterville after C/1820 apparently following his son, Dudley, who eventually ended up in Hartland soon after 1830.*

### Ch. ANNIS: *(Each of these families below with children have a son named Charles)*

1. Nehemiah Annis, b. 1788 Sanford, d. Somersworth, NH. Married Levina Hobbs, 8 children

2. Joseph Annis, b. 1793 Sanford, d. 1863 Madison, NH. Married Eleanor Littlefield, 10 children

**3. Dudley Annis, Sr**, b. 1796 Sanford, d. 1870 Hartland

4. Sally Annis, b. 1798 Sanford, d. aft C/1850 Hartland. She never married

5. Joann Annis, b. 1804 Sanford, d. 1861 Hartland. (IC) Married Samuel Ricker, at least 7 children

6. Eliza Annis, b. 1808 Sanford, d. 1869 Waterville. She never married

7. Dorothy Annis, b. 1811 Sanford, d. 1889 Waterville. Married Franklin Chase, at least 3 children

### **3. Dudley Annis, Sr**

b. 3 Feb 1796 Sanford

d. 27 Jan 1870 Hartland (Ireland Cemetery)

m. 23 May 1818 Sanford

Abigail Thompson

*d/o Solomon Thompson & Lydia \_\_\_\_\_ of Sanford*

b. 1799 Sanford

d. 23 Aug 1885 (IC)

*He moved from Sanford between 1818 and C/1820 to Waterville then to Clinton by C/1830 and onto Hartland soon after C/1830. Along with his family, his widowed mother Eleanor and sisters Sally and Joan also came to Hartland with him. Eleanor and Sally are living with Joan (Annis) Ricker and her family in C/1850. Abigail is living with her son, Joseph in C/1880 in Hartland.*

### Ch. ANNIS:

1. Robert Annis

b. 1819 Sanford/Waterville

d.

m. 8 Feb 1840 Hallowell

Elizabeth Rollins

b. 1812

d. 1844

They had no children

*He moved to Dexter by C/1850.*

2. Ellen E. Annis

b. 25 Oct 1820 Waterville

d. 27 Jan 1910 Damariscotta

m.

George W. Phillips

b. 3 Jan 1810 Boston, Massachusetts

d. 30 July 1880 Saugus, Massachusetts

They had no children

*They lived in Saugus, Massachusetts by 1855 where she spent most of her adult life. He was a Harvard Graduate in the Class of 1828 and is related to the first Governor of Massachusetts, John Phillips. She returned to Hartland following his death.*

3. Solomon Annis

b. 1823 Waterville

d. bef. 1860 Hartland

m. abt. 1849 Hartland (She remarried \_\_\_\_\_ Abbott after 1870)

Helen Towle

b. 1831

d. abt 1910 Lisbon

*Solomon was living with his parents and his new wife and son, Henry in C/1850 in Hartland. C/1860 shows Helen living in Lewiston with daughter Caroline at a large boarding home which means Solomon may have died by then as no further records of him are found.*

Ch. ANNIS:

A) Henry Annis

**Civil War**

b. 1850 Hartland

d. 1932 Wales (Lewiston)

m. 1870 Wales

Roxanna Libby

They had 4 children (including Charles)

*He was living in Sidney in C/1860 at 10 yrs old with a Taylor family. He removed to Wales, Maine after serving in the Civil War where he spent his adult life.*

B) Isabelle H. Annis

b. 1853

C) Mary A. Annis

b. 1854

D) Caroline Annis

b. 1854

4. Charles Annis

b. 26 Dec 1829 Clinton

d. 2 Apr 1852 Hartland (IC)

*He apparently never married*

5. John Morrill Annis "Morrill"

**Civil War 7<sup>th</sup> Maine, Company C & 2<sup>nd</sup> Calvary, Company K**

b. 23 Mar 1832

d. 17 Apr 1892 (Pine Grove Cemetery) He has a headstone at Ireland Cemetery but is buried at PG

m. 21 Aug 1869 St Albans

Susan Woodbury       **(See Woodbury Family)**  
*d/o Isaiah Woodbury II (IC) & Susan Cook (IC)*  
b. 13 Mar 1845 Hartland  
d. 26 Nov 1912 Hartland (PG)

Ch. ANNIS:

A) Georgia Ellen Annis  
b. 1870 Hartland  
d. 1963 Hartland (PG)  
m. 14 Jul 1891

Elberton P. Dyer                       **(See Dyer Family)**  
b. 1869  
d. 1947 Hartland (PG)

*They operated the E. P. Dyer Clothing Store on Commercial Street from the early 1900s until the early 1940s which was likely built by Walter E. M. Seekins, the father of her brother Wendall's wife, Edda Seekins. Elberton also sold insurance. Georgia then opened a bowling alley which operated until she sold the building to Knowles sisters, Meredith Hollister-Randlett & Geraldine Bishop, in 1945 who opened the B&H Market.*

Ch. DYER:

I. Mervyn Esmond Dyer  
b. 4 Sep 1892 St Albans (noted as 1<sup>st</sup> child by Dr. Charles Moulton)  
d.  
m1. 18 Oct 1916 Hartland (divorced)  
Ellen H. Leavitt

m2. 1 Sep 1930  
Pauline Cilly

II. Doris E. Dyer  
b. Jan 1895  
d. 1973 (PG)  
m. 21 Jul 1915 Hartland  
Ralph E. Nutting

B) Wilmont S. Annis  
b. 25 Aug 1872 Hartland  
d. 4 Dec 1896 Hartland (PG) Accidentally drowned  
*He never married*

C) Myrtle Maude Annis "Maude"  
b. 1874 Hartland  
d. 29 Mar 1963 Hartland (PG)  
m. 27 Oct 1900 Hartland  
Carl Fuller Randlett                       **(See Randlett Family & Fuller Family)**  
*s/o Harrison Randlett & Ellen Fuller*  
b. 8 Sep 1868 Pittsfield  
d. 1951 Hartland (PG)

Ch. RANDLETT:

I. Beatrice Ellen Randlett  
b. 26 Jun 1901 Hartland  
d. 19 Apr 1992 Yarmouth (Buried in Skowhegan)

m1.  
Harold Oliphant Pelly  
b. 14 Jul 1899 Digby, Nova Scotia, Canada  
d. May 1960 Skowhegan

Ch. PELLY:

a) Gordan Randlett Pelly  
b. 7 Jan 1924 Hartland  
d. 22 Nov 1997 Keene, New Hampshire  
m.  
Marilyn Symons

b) James Holman Pelly  
b. 9 Nov 1926 Skowhegan  
d. 10 Dec 2006, North Haven, Connecticut  
m. Barrington, Rhode Island  
Eleanor Lewis

m2.  
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II. Thelma Mae Randlett (noted as Helena M. on C/1910)  
b. 24 Jun 1904 Hartland (unnamed on her birth certificate, 2<sup>nd</sup> child)  
d. Lewiston (buried in Lewiston)  
m1. 11 Dec 1926 Lewiston  
Ernest Libby Small  
b. 22 Dec 1891 Lewiston  
d. Oct 1977 Lewiston

Ch. SMALL:

a) Janet Small  
b. 8 Sep 1927 Lewiston  
m.  
Charles G. Adams

b) Suzanne Small  
b. 6 Oct 1928 Lewiston  
m.  
Francis Peter Shanahan

c) Patricia Small  
b. 26 Dec 1932 Lewiston  
m.  
James Kerr Shilling

m2.  
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III. Linwood Annis Randlett  
b. 8 Dec 1906 Hartland (unnamed on his birth certificate, 3<sup>rd</sup> child)  
d. 4 Jul 1992 Hartland (PG)  
m. 19 Jan 1927 Hartland  
Ada Louise Cyr

*d/o Theophille Cyr & Julia Young*  
b. 4 May 1908 Presque Isle  
d. 20 Oct 1993 Hartland (PG)

Ch. RANDLETT:

a) Estelle Randlett (no middle name)  
b. 2 Sep 1927 Hartland  
m. 7 Aug 1944 Hartland  
Keith Rees Tapley **WWII**  
*s/o Eugene Hale Tapley & Amber Rees*  
b. 23 Dec 1924 Mars Hill  
d. 23 Dec 2002 Hartland (PG)

b) Richard Carl Randlett  
b. 24 May 1931 Hartland  
m. 26 Oct 1953 New Britain, Connecticut  
Gunwor Adeline Swanson  
*d/o Berger J. Swanson (PG) & Julianna \_\_\_\_\_ (PG)*  
b. 26 Oct 1928 New Britain, Connecticut

D) Wendell Daniel Annis  
b. 17 Jan 1880 Hartland  
d. 1943 Hartland (PG)  
m. 17 Feb 1903 Hartland  
Edda Alice Seekins **(See Walter Seekins Family)**  
*d/o Walter Ernest Mebroy Seekins & Alice Hewie Waldron*  
b. 15 Nov 1883 St Albans  
d. 31 Mar 1939 Hartland (PG)

Ch. ANNIS:

I. Donald Francis Annis  
b. 18 May 1903 Hartland  
d. 10 Oct 1951 Bangor (PG)  
m. 15 Oct 1927 Bangor  
Selina Mary Tardy  
*d/o Edward Tardy & Elizabeth Martin*  
b. 1907 Presque Isle  
d. 3 Mar 1982 Brewer (PG)

Ch. ANNIS:

a) Betty E. Annis  
b. 1929 Bangor  
  
b) Marilyn J. Annis  
b. 1935 Bangor  
  
c) \_\_\_\_\_ Annis  
b.

II. Audrey Annis  
b. 24 Sep 1912 Harmony  
d. 17 Mar 2003 Revere, Massachusetts (PG)  
m. 16 Apr 1933

Leland R. Libby  
b. 1910  
d. 1965 (PG)

III. Walter M. Annis  
b. 24 Jun 1914 Harmony  
d. 14 Feb 1917 Harmony (PG) at 2 yrs 8 mos of Whooping Cough

E) Mary A. Annis "Marie"  
b. 19 Feb 1884 St Albans  
d. 21 Jul 1970 Hartland (PG)  
m. 29 Jun 1904  
John F. Connelly  
b. 21 Mar 1875 Bangor  
d. 12 Jan 1944 Hartland (PG)

Ch. CONNELLY:

I. Daniel Elmer Connelly  
b. 10 Feb 1908 Hartland (1<sup>st</sup> child as noted by Dr. Charles A. Moulton)  
d. 29 Mar 1973 Pinellas County, Florida (PG)  
m. 26 May 1934

Norma N. Clark  
*d/o Walter & Nydia Clark*  
b. 29 Aug 1913 Madison  
d. 12 Dec 1997 (PG)

*Dan was the Plant Manager at H. C. Baxter Brothers Canning Company. He was hired by Kirsten Meyers to be the Plant Manager of the new Hartland Tanning Company.*

Ch. CONNELLY:

a) Clark A. Connelly **U. S. Army**  
b. 1 Dec 1934 Hartland  
d. 31 July 2010 East Madison (Calvary Cemetery, Skowhegan)  
m. 1963

Rena Levesque  
b. 14 July 1937  
d. 17 Apr 1997 (Calvary Cemetery, Skowhegan)  
*"Clark was born in Hartland at Scott Webb Hospital. He graduated from Hartland Academy and graduated from the University of Maine. He joined the Army in 1957, where he became a Lieutenant. He worked as a United States Customs Officer for 33 years. He & Rena settled in Jackman and raised their children together. After Clark retired, they moved to his family cottage in East Madison."*

Ch. CONNELLY:

1. Daniel Connelly  
b.

2. Sandra Connelly  
b.  
m. Tracy Cook

3. Susan Connelly  
b.

m. Daniel Allen

4. John Connelly  
b.

b) John W. Connelly  
b. 1940 Hartland  
m1.

m2.  
Joan (Lavorsere) Randlett      **(See Randlett Family)**

F) James Howard Annis, Sr  
b. 14 Mar 1888 St Albans  
d. 24 Oct 1960 Harmony (PG)  
m. 23 May 1913  
Maude F. Graves  
b. 28 Jun 1889 Sangerville  
d. 28 May 1991 Hartland

Ch. ANNIS:  
I. Priscilla D. Annis  
b. 30 Jul 1913 Hartland  
d. 21 Mar 1995 Harmony  
m1. 30 Jul 1932  
Richard A. Mason  
b. 1913  
d.

Ch. MASON:  
a) Joyce Mason  
b. 1935  
married  
Wallace James

b) Sheila Mason  
b. 1937  
married  
Carroll Bangs

m2. 1976  
Donald Morrill  
b.  
d. 1976

II. Morrill W. Annis  
b. 3 Apr 1915 Sangerville  
d. 3 Nov 1985 Harmony  
m. 13 Dec 1934 (divorced)  
Mona Patterson

Ch. ANNIS:  
a) Howard Annis

b.

b) Doreen Annis  
b. 1936

III. Marguerite F. Annis  
b. 24 Sep 1916 Sangerville  
d. 30 Nov 1996 Fairfield  
m. 16 Nov 1935  
Glenwood M. Olsen  
b. 1914  
d. 1988

IV. James Howard Annis, Jr  
b. 9 Mar 1919 Dover-Foxcroft  
d. 29 Oct 1998  
m. 28 Jan 1940  
Arrietta Chadborne  
b. 1920  
d. 1964

V. Arnold C. Annis  
b. 4 Mar 1921 Harmony  
d. 20 Mar 2012  
m. 19 Dec 1937  
Hazel G. York  
b. 1923  
d. 1962

Ch. ANNIS:

a) Luella J. Annis  
b.

VI. Philip Annis  
b. 1923  
d. before C/1930

VII. Meredith I. Annis  
b. 14 Jan 1924 Harmony  
d. 27 Mar 1976 Weymouth, Massachusetts  
m. 15 Nov 1947  
Robert Nisenbaum  
b. 1920  
d. 1997

VIII. Reginald F. Annis  
b. 24 Aug 1925 Harmony  
d. 7 Sep 2008 Athens (Libby Cemetery, Harmony)  
m. 1944  
Hazel Walker  
b. 1928  
d. 2007



Ch. ANNIS:

a) Child 1 Annis

b) Child 2 Annis

IX. Ruth A. Annis  
b. 18 Feb 1929 Harmony  
d. 2 Dec 2003 Harmony  
*She never married*

X. Mary Annis  
b. 1932  
married  
Donald Bowman

6. Dudley Annis, Jr **Civil War 17<sup>th</sup> Maine MIA**  
b. 1834 Clinton  
d. 6 May 1864 Chancellorsville, Virginia (IC) He has a memorial headstone at the cemetery.  
m. abt 1858 Hartland  
Anne Coulehan  
b. 1840 Ireland  
d. 1920 Lowell, Massachusetts  
*He was at the Battle of the Wilderness between May 5-7, 1864. He was reported MIA and his remains were never found. She moved to Lowell after Dudley's death*

Ch. ANNIS:

A) Abigail Thompson Annis  
b. 6 May 1859 Hartland  
d. Lowell, Massachusetts  
m. 29 Nov 1878 Lowell, Massachusetts  
John Williams Davis  
b. 1857  
d. 1902

B) Edward Chester Annis  
b. 10 Mar 1861 Hartland  
d. 29 Aug 1868 Lowell, Massachusetts

C) Louella Ellie Annis  
b. 26 Jan 1863 Hartland  
d.  
m. 28 Jun 1882 Lowell, Massachusetts  
John McDonald

7. Joseph Annis **Civil War 2<sup>nd</sup> Maine Calvary, Company K**  
b. 5 May 1837 Clinton  
d. 8 Sep 1912 Plymouth (IC)  
m1. abt. 1854  
Anna Eliza Nichols  
*d/o George Nichols & Lucinda \_\_\_\_\_*  
b. 12 Oct 1836 Canada  
d. 22 May 1884 Hartland (IC)  
*He resided in Plymouth after his marriage to his second wife in 1889.*

Ch. ANNIS:

A) Wallace E. Annis  
b. 1855  
d. aft. 1915 Massachusetts  
m. 25 Apr 1885 Rhode Island (divorced)  
Helen Frances Hewitt Nichols  
*d/o Henry Nichols & Loretta Hewitt*  
b. 1867 Warren, Massachusetts  
d. 1931 Springfield, Massachusetts

Ch. ANNIS:

I. Unnamed Son Annis  
b. 7 May 1885  
d. 7 May 1885 Rhode Island

II. Lillian Josephine Annis  
b. 4 Apr 1886 Rhode Island  
d.  
m. 1905 Worcester, Massachusetts  
Francis E. Winter  
b. 1873  
d.

III. Frederick Dunton Annis **WWI U. S. National Guard**  
b. 28 Jan 1888 Warren, Massachusetts  
d. 28 Jun 1945 Saratoga, New York (Greenridge Cemetery, Saratoga Springs, NY)  
m. abt 1930 Peabody, Massachusetts  
Jennie B. Sennecal  
b. 1905 Saratoga Springs, New York  
d. Saratoga Springs, New York (Greenridge Cemetery, Saratoga Springs, NY)  
*He served with the Massachusetts 5<sup>th</sup> Infantry, Company M from 17 Sept 1917 until 18 April 1919. The 5<sup>th</sup> Infantry was part of the famous "Yankee Division" which was the first U.S National Guard unit to reach France.*

Ch. ANNIS:

a) Walter James Annis **WWII U. S. Marines KIA**  
b. 1925 Saratoga Springs, New York  
d. 15 Apr 1945 Okinawa, Japan (Greenridge Cemetery, Saratoga Springs, NY)  
*He was killed in action during the Battle for Okinawa.*

IV. Mary Annis  
b. 23 Aug 1889  
d. 24 Sep 1889 Springfield. Massachusetts

m2. 28 Nov 1889 Hartland  
Rose Stackpole  
b. 16 Aug 1864 Plymouth  
d. 4 June 1953 Plymouth (Ridge Road Cemetery, Plymouth)

8. Lydia Annis

b. 17 May 1840 Hartland

d. 30 May 1878 Boston, Massachusetts (IC) at 38 yrs

m. 10 Sep 1855 Hartland

Darius B. Ham           **(See Starbird Family & Samuel Ham Family)**

*s/o Samuel Ham (SJC) & Lydia Fogg (SJC)*

b. 5 Jun 1831 Hartland

d. 16 Nov 1918 Hartland (IC)

They had no children

*She attended Hartland Academy in 1853. Lydia was the first of his four wives; 2<sup>nd</sup> Rosa Leadbetter d.*

*Jan 1889, 3<sup>rd</sup> Esther Johnson d. 30 Dec 1902, 4<sup>th</sup> Mary Dunlap b. 1848 Canaan, married 21 Aug 1907.*

*All 4 of them are buried with Darius at Ireland Cemetery.*