

## Withee Family

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Zachariah Withee, Sr

*s/o James Withee (aka Mackwithey) & Ruth Curtis*

b. 4 Jan 1726/27 Dedham, Massachusetts

d. 15 Oct 1768 Gouldsboro (drowned)

m. 21 Jul 1748 Pepperell, Massachusetts

Esther Kemp

*d/o Samuel Kemp & Sarah Lacy*

b. 9 Oct 1725 Groton, Massachusetts

d. 1802 Norridgewock (*probably while living with her son, Luke or Uzziel*)

*Sometime after 1765, Zachariah removed to Gouldsboro, Maine with Esther and at least 2 of his sons.*

*Zachariah drowned with his sons, Zachariah, Jr. and Samuel, "when a sudden storm swamped their boat while they were fishing in the bay off Gouldsboro" on 15 Oct 1768."*

### Ch. WITHEE:

1. Abigail Withee b. 15 Dec 1749, d. unknown

2. Zachariah Withee, Jr b. 1 Jul 1751, d. 15 Oct 1768 Gouldsboro, drowned

3. Samuel Withee b. 22 Apr 1754, d. 15 Oct 1768 Gouldsboro, drowned

4. Susannah Withee b. 4 Nov 1756, d. unknown

5. Luke Withee b. 15 Nov 1759 Groton, Massachusetts, d. 26 Apr 1844 Norridgewock

6. Zoriah Withee "Zoe" b. 27 Apr 1762 Groton, MA, d. 27 Dec, 1840 Industry. *He was an early settler of Industry, Maine about 1797* **Revolutionary War**

**7. Uzziel Withee** b. 1765 Groton, MA d. 1862 Hartland

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### **Revolutionary War 2<sup>nd</sup> Massachusetts Regiment**

b. 19 Apr 1765 Groton, Massachusetts

d. 5 Sep 1862 Hartland (Ireland Cemetery)

m. 5 Jan 1797 Townsend, Massachusetts

Elizabeth Stevens "Betsey"

b. 22 May 1767 Townsend, Massachusetts

d. 5 Mar 1840 Hartland (IC)

*He enlisted in the Revolutionary War in the Army on April 4, 1781 for a period of three years serving as a Private under Captain Williams in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Massachusetts Regiment under the command of Colonel Sprout. He was discharged in November of 1783 in Peekskill, New York at the end of the Revolutionary War. Following the end of the war, many opportunities for land ownership opened up to these veterans especially in the frontier portions in the Province of Maine, then a part of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

*Among the early settlers of Norridgewock were members of the Withee family. Uzziel came to Norridgewock with his brother Luke in 1783. They both owned land lots and certainly cleared portions of them for farming and built log cabins. Uzziel returned to Groton in 1797 to marry Betsey Stevens then they both returned to Norridgewock. In the 1800 Census he is shown as married and living in Norridgewock. Luke would remain there for the rest of his life. Their brother Zoe was at the same time an early settler of Industry, Maine.*

*By the 1810 Census, Uzziel and Betsey had moved their family to Hartland where Withee Brook and Withee Pond bear his name. He was one of the early Hartland settlers who petitioned to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts General Court in 1811 for establishment of a plantation, known as Plantation #3, and later in 1820 signed a petition to become an official town known as Hartland on February 7, 1820.*

*His pension request in 1818 was approved but the land bounty grant for 200 acres denied because he hadn't enlisted "for the duration of the war." In 1820, he stated that he was lame and couldn't work. In his household at the time was Elizabeth, his wife, and two daughters, Elizabeth 15 and Mary 13. Eventually he received two pensions.*

*Uzziel lived to be the oldest Revolutionary War Veteran in Somerset County (and the 2<sup>nd</sup> oldest in Maine) and one of the oldest in the country. (The oldest died in 1866) He was 97 years, 4 months and 18 days old when he died in 1862 according to his grave stone. He and Betsey are buried in the Ireland Cemetery with a couple of their children, several grandchildren and great grandchildren.*

Ch. WITHEE:

- 1. Asa Witheee
  - b. 1798 Norridgewock
  - d. 24 Sep 1848 Hartland (Ireland Cemetery)
  - m. c1819 Hartland
- Mercy Pettengill
  - b. 19 Jun 1795 Greene, Maine
  - d. 12 Nov 1869 Lawrence, Massachusetts

*Asa and Mercy lived in Hartland until his death in 1848. She removed to Lawrence, Massachusetts by 1850 with her daughters where she remained until her death.*

Ch. WITHEE:

- A) Dorcas L. Withee
  - b. 1821 Hartland
  - d. 1877
- B) Elizabeth Withee
  - b. 1822 Hartland
  - d. 1889
- C) Lydia L. Withee
  - b. 1826 Hartland
  - d. 1850
- D) Lucy B. Withee
  - b. 1831 Hartland
  - d. 1882
- E) Martha A. Withee
  - b. 1832 Hartland
  - d.
- F) Naomi C. Withee
  - b. 1837 Hartland
  - d. 1893

2. Imlah Withee  
b. 1800 Norridgewock  
d. 13 Jul 1869 Hartland  
m. 8 Jun 1818 Hartland  
Sally E. Gould  
b. 1798  
d. 1880 Skowhegan

*Imlah and Sally lived in Corinna for many years. She lived with her son Elbridge in Skowhegan after Imlah's death.*

Ch. WITHEE:

A) Lorinda Withee  
b. 1 Apr 1819 Hartland  
d. 27 Mar 1898 Alexandria, South Dakota

B) Imlah Judson Withee  
b. 1821 Hartland  
d. 1856 Hartland

C) Uzziel Withee II  
b. 1823 Hartland  
d. 24 Feb 1827 Hartland (IC) at 3 yrs 6 mos

D) Joseph Bradford Withee  
b. 3 May 1829 Hartland  
d.

E) Alonza S. Withee  
b. 1 May 1831 Corinna  
d. 18 Aug 1910 Hartland (IC)  
m. 20 Jul 1856  
Nancy Jane Worcester  
*d/o Daniel Worcester & Jane Tibbetts*  
b. 10 Aug 1837  
d. 26 Feb 1906 (IC)

**Civil War 16<sup>th</sup> Maine Company F**

Ch. WITHEE:

I. Arlettie Withee  
b. 19 Dec 1860  
d. 8 Jul 1896 (IC) at 35 yrs

II. Ida Bell Withee  
b. 1832  
d. 21 Feb 1844 (IC) at 12 yrs

F) Elbridge Allen Withee  
b. 1838  
d. 1900 North Dakota  
*He removed to North Dakota in 1881*

G) Emma Withee  
b. (unknown) Hartland

H) Etta Maria Withee  
b. (unknown) Hartland

3. Ezra Withee, Sr  
b. 22 Jan 1802 Norridgewock  
d. 19 Jun 1876 Hartland (IC)  
m. c1820 Hartland  
Rebecca Gould  
b. 8 Feb 1801 Hartland  
d. 16 Feb 1878 Hartland (IC)

*Ezra was raised and remained in Hartland his entire life as a farmer. He signed the petition for Hartland to become a town in 1820. He operated a sawmill in North Hartland on Withee Stream.*

Ch. WITHEE:

A) Samuel Withee  
b. 1821 Hartland  
d. 1902  
m.  
Abigail \_\_\_\_\_

Ch. WITHEE:

I. George W. Withee  
b. Mar 1849 Hartland  
d. 3 Sep 1850 Hartland (IC) at 1 yr 6 mos

II. Samma Withee  
b. May 1855 Hartland  
d. 27 Dec 1859 Hartland (IC) at 4 yrs 7 mos

B) Daniel Ezra Withee  
b. 1823 Hartland  
d. 1841 Hartland (IC) at 18 yrs 7 mos 3 dys

C) John O. Withee  
b. 1825 Hartland  
d. 18 Aug 1887 Hartland (IC) (broken stone)  
m. 25 Dec 1854 Hartland  
Deborah Tripp (See Tripp Family Bio)  
*d/o Thomas Tripp (IC) & Agnass Welch*  
b. Nov 1819  
d. 31 Dec 1905 Hartland (IC)

Ch. WITHEE:

I. Mary L. Withee  
b. Jan 1855 Hartland  
d. 16 Apr 1874 Hartland (IC) at 19 yrs 4 mos 8 dys

II. Emma Withee  
b. 17 Nov 1857 Hartland  
d. 14 Nov 1926 Hartland  
m. 8 Dec 1877 Hartland  
Freemont Woodbury (See Woodbury Family Bio)  
*s/o Isaiah Woodbury II (IC) & Mary Cook (IC)*  
b. May 1857 Hartland  
d. 11 Jul 1908 Hartland (IC)

Ch. WOODBURY:

a) Edmond John Woodbury  
b. 12 Oct 1878 Hartland  
d. 25 May 1950 Hartland (PG)

b) Leonora M. Woodbury  
b. Sep 1886 Hartland  
d. 6 Jul 1972 Hartland (PG)

c) Gracie Woodbury  
b. 1887 Hartland  
d. 1888 Hartland (IC)

D) William E. Withee  
b. 22 Dec 1827 Hartland  
d. 12 Mar 1875 Rockford, Iowa  
m. 21 Jul 1859 Hartland  
Clarissa R. Huff (See Huff Family Bio)  
*d/o Joseph Huff & Thankful Reynolds of Hartland*  
b. 27 Dec 1837 Hartland  
d. 19 Nov 1907 Rockford, Iowa  
*They removed to Rockford, Iowa soon after 1867 and were living there by C/1870.*

Ch. WITHEE:

I. Nettie Withee  
b. 1860 Hartland  
d. 3 Oct 1862 Hartland (IC) at 2 yrs 4 mos

II. Harris P. Withee  
b. 1 Oct 1862 Hartland  
d. 26 Jul 1943 Grand Rapids, Minnesota (Itasca Calvery Cemetery)

III. Charles W. Withee  
b. 1864 Hartland  
d. after C/1940 Floodwood, Minnesota

IV. Rose N. Withee  
b. 1867 Hartland  
d. aft C/1940 Cedar Rapids, Iowa  
married John M. Field

E) Ezra Withee, Jr. **Civil War 3<sup>rd</sup> California Company E**  
b. 1835 Hartland  
d. 23 Mar 1899 Pittsfield (Pittsfield Village Cemetery)  
m. 1870 Hartland

Martha Jane Woodbury "Jane" or "Jennie" **(See Woodbury Family Bio)**  
*d/o Isaiah Woodbury II & Martha Cook (IC)*

b. 1843 Hartland  
d. Sep 1879 Pittsfield (Pittsfield Village Cemetery)  
*He had removed to California soon after C/1860. He enlisted on 5 Oct 1861 in Columbia, California and was mustered out on 30 Oct 1864 at Camp Douglas, Utah.*

Ch. WITHEE:

I. Blanche M. Withee

b. 1871 Hartland

d.

m. 27 Apr 1911 Nashua, New Hampshire

Ammon R. Richardson

II. Mary R Withee

b. 1873 Hartland

III. Perley L. Withee

b. 1874 Hartland

d. 1877 Pittsfield (Pittsfield Village Cemetery)

IV. Arthur E. Withee

b. 1876 Hartland

d. 1946 (Pittsfield Village Cemetery)

V. Jenna L. Withee "Jennie"

b. 12 Oct 1877 Hartland

d. 25 May 1917 Pittsfield (Pittsfield Village Cemetery)

m. 9 May 1907 Pittsfield

Hadley B. Clark

F) Abigail Withee

b. 1841 Hartland

d. 1841 Hartland (IC) at 5 weeks 7 days

4. Elizabeth Withee "Betsey"

b. 1805 Hartland (?)

d. 1878 Brookfield, Massachusetts

m. 2 Oct 1828 St Albans

David Hayden

b. 1801 Skowhegan

d. 7 Nov 1847 Manchester, New Hampshire

*They removed to Nashua, New Hampshire about 1840. Following David's death in 1847, she remained in New Hampshire with her young children. Betsey then lived with her daughter Hannah in Brookfield, Massachusetts in 1860 and then back to Hartland with her daughter Mary (Peabody-Johnson) in 1870. She apparently moved back with Hannah as she died in Brookfield.*

Ch. HAYDEN

I. Mary Hayden

b. 1829

d.

Charles Hayden

b. 1831

d.

Lavina F. Hayden

b. 1835

d.

Hannah R. Hayden

b. 1838

d. 1930

Uzziel H. Hayden

b. 1841

d.

5. Mary B. Withee

b. 1807 Hartland (?)

d. 25 Dec 1894 Lincoln, Iowa

m. c1835

Franklin Sewell Fairbrother

*s/o William Fairbrother & Fanny Darling*

b. 29 Dec 1810 Fairfield

d. 8 Apr 1889 Lincoln, Iowa

*Soon after their son Jesse's death in 1861, Mary & Franklin moved from Palmyra to Iowa to join their son Martin who had removed there earlier and was a farmer there.*

Ch. FAIRBROTHER:

I. Mollie D. Fairbrother

b. 1836 Hartland

d.

II. Martin Van Buren Fairbrother

b. 1838 Hartland

d. 1872 Iowa

III. Julia A. Fairbrother

b. 1840 Hartland

d.

IV. Franklin Fairbrother

b. 1842 Hartland

d. 1863

V. Mary Fairbrother  
b. 1844 Hartland  
d.

VI. Elizabeth Fairbrother  
b. 1845 Hartland  
d.

VII. Jesse A. Fairbrother  
b. 1847 Hartland  
d. 18 Nov 1861 Palmyra (IC) at 14 yrs 8 mos