

HISTORY OF THE SAMUEL WEST AND SARAH DELANO FAMILY

Samuel West was born about 1699 probably at Preston, New London Co., Conn., the first son and second child of Deacon Francis West and Mercy Minor. In 1702 the young family moved about 15 miles south to Stonington, Conn. About 1720 the complete family of then one girl and six boys moved from Stonington about 50 miles north and west to Tolland, Tolland Co., Conn. Samuel was in Tolland on 14 Jan 1720 on which day the ear mark of his cattle was recorded, his mark being a half penny on the foreside of the right ear.

On 4 Nov 1724 Samuel and Sarah Delano were united in marriage. Sarah was the g'g'daughter of Phillip De La Noye a French Huguenot who to escape persecution in his own country fled to the Puritan brethren at Leyden and came to Plymouth in the second ship that came to that place, viz: the Fortune in Nov 1621. From this Phillip are descended all bearing the name of Delano in the United States. Samuel and Sarah became the parents of eight children. The following is their record:

Prudence b. 5 Sep 1726

Sarah b. 21 Mar 1729

Samuel b. 30 Mar 1732 m. Sarah Lathrop

Abigail b. 22 Jul 1734 d. 1750

*Abner b. 1 May 1737 m. Mary Hatch 3 Jul 1760

Joanna b. 2 Dec 1739

Elisha b. 14-19 Sep 1742 m. Olive Brewster 23 May 1771

Anne b. 10 Sep 1745

Samuel's wife, Sarah, died Nov 1752. In 1754 Samuel married Abigail, daughter of Ichabod Lathrop. Their children were Ann 1756 and Ruth 1759. Samuel West died in Tolland 3 Feb 1779 at about 80 years of age. He and his wives are buried in the Tolland cemetery south of town.