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Historical note:

The Winsors were one of the first families to settle in Rhode Island. Joshua Winsor arrived in Boston from England in 1637, following Roger Williams to Providence soon after. he had four children. The youngest, Samuel (1644-1705), married Mercy, the youngest daughter of Roger Williams. They had three children: Samuel 2nd, Hannah and Joshua. Samuel the 2nd (1677-1758) later became pastor of the First Baptist Church in Providence. He married Mercy Harding and had nine children: Joseph, Samuel the 3rd, Martha, Mary, Mercy, Hannah, Lydia, Deborah and Freelove.

Samuel the 3rd (1722-1803) was also a pastor at the First Baptist Church. However, in 1770 and 1771, a controversy within the church caused him to form a new Baptist church in Johnston, Rhode Island. He married Lydia Olney, and upon her death Anne Winsor, a distant cousin. He had several daughters and sons, including Olney Winsor (1753-1837), Lucy (b.1745), Hannah (m. Nehemiah Hawkins), and Benjamin (1766-1827). Olney married Hope Thurber and had several children, one being his daughter Susan (1789-1879). Lucy Winsor married Joseph Spears. Benjamin married first Zelota Angell, and second Lydia Hawkins (1767-1856) of Smithfield, and had several children, including Serril Winsor (1798-1871).

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