

General comment

My ancestor was Ezekiah Raughton who came over on the Bona Nova circa 1619. He married Margaret Rootes who came over on the Warwick. They married in 1620 in Virginia. They're children were William 1624, Anne 1630 and Mary 1633. Any other info would be appreciated.

Submitted by: Marquita Chambers on Tue 22 May 2007

Regarding: Christopher Newport

My name is Savannah, I need to know if i am a descendet. My aunts last name is Brand. my great grandmothers name was Lousie Brand. My sisters name is Leah Morton. My aunt Giala said I am related to James Aldon.

Submitted by: savannah caroline shuman on Sun 20 May 2007

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JAMESTOWN 400th Birthday Celebration !! As told by a descendant of many ancestor adventurers who resided at Jamestown Settlement. We arrived at Jamestown Island for the historical 400th Celebration of Jamestown in the early morning of May 13th by traveling along the beautiful and serene James River by shuttle bus. The 400th Celebration Commemoration Ceremonies of the Settling of Jamestown and the Birth of our Nation were well attended by those descendants of the Founders. Members and their families of The Jamestowne Society and First Families of Virginia were in attendance for this momentous and historic occasion. Both old and young alike, we enjoyed a lovely setting overlooking the scene where the first landing had occurred. Greetings were delivered by both Societies and an Historical portrayal of Colonial life at Jamestown Settlement was delivered by none other than John Rolfe, himself. He told of many of the trials, tribulations and known facts about Jamestown in the early years. Following his presentation in period costume, Official wreaths were laid at the hallowed Historic Church built by the settlers. Inside the Church the visitor can view the original footings and cornerstone of the monument building and the epitaphs of some of the Founders. Benches allow the visitor a place for quiet reflection and Prayer. A formal Council meeting of the Jamestowne Society was also held following the Historic Ceremony, in the Courtyard. Those in attendance at the ceremony were spellbound when the replicas of the three original ships the Discovery, Susan Constant and Godspeed came gliding to the very shores which would have brought the settlers to Jamestown colony on the exact day 400 years earlier. What an exciting moment that was for all of us to visualize for a moment what the landing would have been like, on such a glorious day for the event. As we toured the Settlement area, we were shown the archeological dig site presently being excavated for research of "the starving years" period of Jamestown. The replica of the size and dimensions of the housing was also clearly visible for tour demonstrations as was the dig site, church, and museum where artifacts were expertly presented on Jamestowne the First successful English Settlement in the New World. There are also large National monuments erected on the outlying grounds commemorating the 300th Anniversary and there are other monuments and statues of Capt. John Smith at waters edge, and the lovely Indian Princess and friend to Jamestown, wife of John Rolfe, Pocahontas, daughter of Chief Powhattan. The National Parks Visitors Center near the parking entrance held a surround theater explaining the importance and role in American History that Jamestown played. There were well attended gift shops at both the Museum and Natn Parks Service Center which carries many interesting Books, Maps, souvenirs, mementoes of Jamestown. Later that same day both Societies joined for Luncheon and a Formal Dinner Celebration with everyone in full attendance for the Historical occasion. Everyone enjoyed seeing old friends, family and making new acquaintances from across the Country. The following day on Jamestown Island, President Bush delivered Greetings and Official presentations on behalf of the People of the United States of America! Fireworks and Celebrations ensued, which included musical bands and many tourist. It was an honor to be present with my family and friends for this truly historical American event in our Nations history. It is an occasion that I will always treasure.

Submitted by: Brenda Kellam Schilling on Sat 19 May 2007

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Charles Barham aka Captain Charles Barham I e mail a story of Captain Charles Barham and reported he arrived in Jamestown on his (uncle Captain Samuel Argall's) ship the Treasurer. That was wrong. We believed he arrived with his uncle Charles Filmer in 1653 aboard the ship John and Ambrose. Please if you can, make the correction for me. Thank You

Submitted by: sally Jackson Plata/William Jackson on Sat 19 May 2007

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Charles Barham aka Captain Charles Barham(1625-1683) Captain Charles Barham settled in Surry County, on the south side of the James River opposite the Colony seat at Jamestown. He appears to have lived in Surry County most of his life, moving across the river to James city county and the area known as Merchant's Hundred shortly before his death about 1683. He served as a vestryman in Lawnes Creek Parish Church in May 1661 also known as Southwarke Parish Church located in the vicinity of Bacon's Castle. On Feb. 02, 1663 he bought 300 acres, the houses and orchards from the (heirs) sisters of John Medmore. When his brother Edward died in England (named for his grandfather Edward Filmer) he inherited land in his brothers will dated Oct. 31, 1657. Captain Charles Barham and

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* **Regarding: William White**

This William White should NOT be confused with the William White of Plymouth, whose wife was Susan Fuller and whose son was Peregrine (born on the Mayflower while it was in the port of Plymouth, England.) My descent from William White the labourer of Jamestown is through his son Henry White (b abt 1620 in Virginia and d 1670 in Carteret Precinct (Albemarle County) now North Carolina. His Will: Nov. 14, 1669/70 Proved Nov. 3, 1673. In 1649 - granted 200 acres in James City Co.VA. In 1660 - lived in Isle of Wight Co.VA. In 1663-patented 200 acres on southside of Carolina R. In 1663 - granted 1000 acres with Peter Gill in Charles City, Co. VA. In 1666 - granted 1800 acres in Accomac Co. VA. His name first appears July 4, 1649 when he received a grant of 200 acres "lying in Black Water, upon the easternmost branch, poynting up to Upper Chipoakes, in the County of James Cittie, bounded east upon the s'd swamp, north upon the land of ffrancis England, south towards the land of Peter Wall, and west into the woods." He became a Quaker. I am descended from his daughter Rebecca (b 1654 in Isle of Wight County, Virginia) who married Thomas Symons. Am always seeking new anecdotes, data or relatives! Laurie