# Genealogy of Thomas and Thomasin Dillingham of Over Dean

Generation No. 2

Continued from the Genealogy of John and Joan Dillingham:

2. THOMAS¹ DILLINGHAM or DYLLINGHAM (*JOHN*¹) yeoman of Over Dean or Deane, Bedfordshire, the eldest son of John and Joan Dillingham, was briefly touched on in the genealogy of his parents, where he is shown as the Generation 2 progenitor. However, the children of Thomas and Thomasin shown there are incomplete, as they are only a reflection of the family as shown in the will of Joan Dillingham in 1557. It seems clear that none of John Dillingham's children were married or had issue at the time of his death in 1541. This genealogy will expand more fully the situation shown in 1557 and subsequently. Probably born at Dean, Bedfordshire, certainly before 1540 and before the registers there commence, Thomas was co-executor with his mother of his father's 1540 will. He married Thomasin or Thomasine, and had issue. He was buried at Dean on 29 December 1580, apparently intestate. His wife was buried at Dean, Bedfordshire, as widow of Thomas, on 5 November 1598.

## More About THOMASIN or THOMASINE DILLINGHAM née PULTER:

Thomasin was the daughter of John Pulter of Shelton, Bedfordshire, and his wife, Agnes. Her birth is not recorded, but was probably before registers at Dean commence. Her father died first, and no will seems extant for him. However, her mother died about April or May 1547 testate. In her will, Bedfordshire Archives Service Ref: ABP/R11/284. Will of Agnes Pulter of Shelton, dated 2 September 1546 and proved 2 May 1547, she bequeaths her daughter, Tomysin, her best feather bed; to Margery Dellingham [sic], her daughter's daughter, a yearling calf; and to Thomas Delingame's [sic] wife her second best gown, and her best beads. She also leaves her russet gown to the wife of Thomas Rofle [sic]. This is actually the wife of Thomas Rofle or Rolt of Bolnhurst, Bedfordshire, whose daughter, Alice, was to marry Walter Dillingham, brother of Thomasin's husband, Thomas Dillingham.

Children of THOMAS DILLINGHAM or DYLLINGHAM and THOMASIN or THOMASINE DILLINGHAM née PULTER are, not necessarily in order of birth:

i. JOHN DILLINGHAM, the elder, yeoman of Over Dean, Bedfordshire. He was probably born at Dean, but the extant parish registers do not show his baptism. He is mentioned in Joan Dillingham's 1557 will as Thomas Dillingham's son. He married Katherine or Catherine Loftes, sister of John Loftes of Oundle, Northamptonshire. Their marriage record has not been found, which may be because they married at Oundle, where there are no parish registers extant before 1625. The marriage produced no issue and John Dillingham died testate in 1558. His will, TNA. PROB 11/73/141. Will of John Dillingham, Yeoman of Over Dean, Bedfordshire, dated 14 October 1588 and proved 2 December 1588. In this, he calls himself John Dillingham the elder, and identifies John Loftes as the brother of his wife, Katherine or Catherine.

#### More About KATHERINE DILLINGHAM née LOFTES:

Katherine or Catherine Loftes was the daughter of William Loftes of Oundle and his wife, Agnes. William Loftes was the brother of John Loftes of Lutton, Huntingdonshire. John Loftes died testate; his will, TNA. PROB 11/44/3. Will of John Loftes of Lutton, Huntingdonshire, dated 26 November 1560 and proved on 2 January 1561. This will is important not only for illustrating the genealogy of the Loftes, but also in its references to the Welles family from which Thomas Wells

or Welles, the rector of Carlton and Chellington, Bedfordshire, came. Katherine Dillingham, widow of John the elder, was buried at Dean, Bedfordshire, on 30 June 1602.

- 3. ii. HENRY DILLINGHAM, was probably born at Dean, but the extant parish registers do not show his baptism. He is mentioned as his brother in John Dillingham's 1588 will. He married Bridget and had issue.
  - iii. MARGARET DILLINGHAM, she is mentioned in Joan Dillingham, her grandmother's 1554 will. She in not mentioned in her brother John's 1588 will, or in her brother Henry's 1624 will. Her burial has not been found, but the likelihood is that she was deceased before 1588.
  - iv. MARGERY DILLINGHAM, was probably born at Dean, but the extant parish registers do not show her baptism. She is mentioned in John Dillingham's 1588 will, as his sister and mother of Alice Dillingham, who was a beneficiary of the will, but with the implication that Margery was deceased. She was buried at Dean as Margery, daughter of Thomas, on 10 June 1578. She and her daughter are mentioned in the will of Agnes Pulter of Shelton in 1546, where she bequeathed "To Margery Dellingham, testator's daughter's daughter, a yearling calf."
  - v. ELIZABETH DILLINGHAM, was probably born at Dean, but the extant parish registers do not show her baptism. She is mentioned as his sister in John Dillingham's 1588 will, but not her brother Henry Dillingham's 1624 will.
  - vi. RICHARD DILLINGHAM, was probably born at Dean, but the extant parish registers do not show his baptism. He is mentioned as his brother in John Dillingham's 1588 will.
  - vii. WILLIAM DILLINGHAM, was probably born at Dean, but the extant parish registers do not show his baptism. He is mentioned as his brother in John Dillingham's 1588 will. He was educated at Cambridge University. Venn, J. & J.A. *Alumni Cantabrigienses*, DILLINGHAM, WILLIAM. Matric. pens, from Christ's, May, 1576; B.A. 1579-80. Ord. deacon and priest (Lincoln) Apr., 1582. Will of one of these names (P.C.C.) 1621; 'of Cranford, Northants., clerk.' Instituted, 1583. He married Katherine Marston at Cotesbach, Leicestershire, on 7 October 1584, where his kinsman, Henry Dillingham, was rector. They had issue. William Dillingham was instituted rector of Cranford St. John, Northamptonshire, on 19 February 1593 (CCEd). He died testate in 1621, his will, TNA. PROB 11/138/86. Will of William Dillingham, Clerk of Cranford, Northamptonshire, dated 10 February 1618 and proved on 7 August 1621.

Children of WILLIAM DILLINGHAM and KATHERINE DILLINGHAM née MARSTON are, not necessarily in order of birth:

- i. JOHN DILLINGHAM, is mentioned in his father's 1618 will as his eldest son and bequeathed forty shillings. He evidently married as his son, William, and daughter, Elizabeth, are beneficiaries in his father's will, but little else seems to have survived regarding him. He had another daughter, Katherine, baptised at Cranford St. John, Northamptonshire, on 24 March 1629-30.
- ii. SUSANNA DILLINGHAM, is mentioned in her father's 1618 will and bequeathed £200 and half of her father's householdstuff. She married John

Wells of Carlton, Bedfordshire, at Thorpe Achurch, Northamptonshire, on 23 November 1624. They had a daughter, Elizabeth, who would marry Daniel Herbert, a son of John Wells' second wife, Susanna Herbert née Selby. Susanna Wells née Dillingham was probably the unnamed wife of John Wells buried at Barnwell St. Andrew in February 1646-47, the register reading, "John Wells his wife buried February".

iii. THOMAS DILLINGHAM, is mentioned in his father's 1618 will as his second son and bequeathed forty shillings. He was educated at Cambridge University, Venn, J. & J.A. Alumni Cantabrigienses. DILLINGHAM, THOMAS. Matric pens, from Christ's, Easter, 1609; B.A. 1612-3; M.A. 1616. Incorp. at Oxford, 1616. Ord. deacon (Peterb.) Mar. 16; priest. Mar. 17, 1616-7. R. of Barnwell All Saints', Northants., 1618; and of Barnwell St Andrew, 1639. Will (P.C.C.) 1647. Father of William (1636), Benjamin and Samuel (1642). He was presented to the rectory Barnwell All Saints, Northants., 18 February 1617-18; to Barnwell St. Andrew 16 January 1638-9. He married Dorothy and had issue. He died testate in 1647, his will, TNA. PROB 11/200/779. Will of Thomas Dillingham Clerk of Barnwell, Northamptonshire, dated 9 February 1645 and proved on 24 June 1647. His wife survived him, dying testate in 1676, her will, TNA. PROB 11/351/199. Will of Dorothy Dillingham, Widow of Oundle, Northamptonshire, dated 22 May 1672 and proved on 15 June 1676. She was buried at St. Peter's, Oundle, on 24 March 1675-6.

Children of THOMAS DILLINGHAM and DOROTHY DILLINGHAM are, not necessarily in order of birth:

WILLIAM DILLINGHAM, Latin poet and anthologist, was born at Barnwell All Saints, Northamptonshire, about 1617. He was the eldest of the five, three of whom survived to adulthood, sons of Thomas Dillingham, rector of Barnwell All Saints, Northamptonshire, and his wife, Dorothy. Dorothy, whose maiden name is uncertain, was the sister-in-law of John Wells or Welles. William was admitted to Oundle School on 2 November 1627, aged 9. He continued his education at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, Venn, J. & J.A. Alumni Cantabtigienses. DILLINGHAM. WILLIAM. Adm. sizar at Emmanuel, Apr. 22, 1636. S. of Thomas (1609), R. of Barnwell, Northants. School, Oundle. Matric. 1637; B.A. 1639-40; M.A. 1643; on 22 April 1636. Son of Thomas (1609), rector of Barnwell All Saints, Northamptonshire. Educated at Oundle School. Matriculated 1637. B.A. 1639-40; M.A. 1643; B.D. 1650; D.D. 1655. Fellow, 1642. Master, 1653-6 (deprived). Vice-Chancellor, 1659. Retired to Oundle, 1662-72. R. of Odell, Beds., 1672-89. Latin poet and controversialist. Buried at Odell, Nov. 28, 1689. Father of Thomas (1678). He married firstly, Elizabeth, and had issue. Elizabeth Dillingham, wife of William Dillingham D.D. was buried at Odell, Bedfordshire, on 3 August 1672. He married secondly, a widow, Mary Toller, on 30 October 1673 at Horbling, Lincolnshire. They had no issue.

### More About MARY TOLLER, second wife of WILLIAM DILLINGHAM:

She was the widow of John Toller of Billingborough Hall, who was buried 15 May 1669. She is mentioned in his William Dillingham's will. He was her fourth husband. She founded the school at Billingborough, Lincolnshire, by deed of gift dated 17 October 1671. Her first husband was

Mr. Henry Gorges of Chelsea, who was buried there on 13 May 1641. She had four children by her second husband, Matthias Brown, M.D., son of Matthias Brown Esq. of Horbling juxta Billingborough, on 2 May 1643, then "aged about 20". She died at Aslackby, Lincs. at the house of John Quiney Esq., the husband of her daughter, Anne Toller, and was buried at Horbling in Brown's Chapel, on 21 June 1690. Her will was proved at Lincoln, 20 May 1693, but the only relations she mentions besides her descendants are "my cousin Reinolds, my cousin Saunderson, my cousin John Richardson, and my brother Cateline." The last named was the Rev. Jonathan Cateline, vicar of Horbling 1662 -1708, and could only have been her "brother" through some connection by marriage, for he is never called a relative by the children of her second or third husband, and he mentions none of them in his will. She died at Aslackby, Lincs, at the house of John Quiney Esq., the husband of her daughter, Anne Toller, and was buried at Horbling in Brown's Chapel, 21 June 1690. Her will was proved at Lincoln, 20 May 1693, but the only relations she mentions besides her descendants are "my cousin Reinolds, my cousin Saunderson, my cousin John Richardson, and my brother Cateline." The last named was the Rev. Jonathan Cateline, vicar of Horbling 1662 -1708, and could only have been her "brother" through some connection by marriage, for he is never called a relative by the children of her second or third husband, and he mentions none of them in his will. Source: The Herald and genealogist by Nichols, John Gough, 1806-1873 Vol. 6, p.383-4. London, 1871. John Bowyer Nichols and Sons. Note: John Richardson in his will also mentions 'sister Reinols[sic]'.

Children of WILLIAM DILLINGHAM and ELIZABETH DILLINGHAM are, not necessarily in order of birth:

- i. THOMAS DILLINGHAM, was born about 1660; his Oundle School, Northamtonshire, admission age and his M.I. at Barnwell All Saints give different birth years, probably at Cambridge where his father was Vice-Chancellor at the time. His birthplace is given as Cambridge in his Oundle admission entry on 26 April 1675, on which day his stepbrother John Toller, was also admitted to the school. He is mentioned in his father's 1689 will, being bequeathed his manuscripts and books from his library to the value of £100. From Oundle School, he proceeded to Cambridge University. Venn, J. & J.A. Alumni Cantabrigienses. DILLINGHAM, THOMAS. Adm. Emmanuel, Apr. 16, 1678. S. of William (1636), D.D., of Odell, Beds. B. in Cambridge. Adm. at Oundle School, Apr. 26, 1675, age 15. Matric. 1678; B.A. 1681-2; M.A. 1685. R. of Harrington, Lines., 1699. R. of Barnwell All Saints', Northants., 1702. Buried at Barnwell, Aug. 20, 1704, aged 46. M.I. there. Thomas Dillingham married Elizabeth Pickering, daughter of Major Gilbert Pickering at St. James, Piccadilly, London, in 1693. They had a son, William, and two daughters. William married Sarah Noble of Leicester, and their daughter, Anne Dillingham, married William Ord, High Sheriff of Northumberland. Thomas Dillingham succeeded his father's cousin, Thomas Dillingham, on the latter's death at Barnwell in 1702, but only lived a short while himself, dying two years later, being buried at Barnwell, on 20 August 1704.
- ii. WILLIAM DILLINGHAM, was born about 1663 or 1664 at Oundle after his father retired there. He was admitted to Oundle School, Northamptonshire, on 10 January 1677-8, aged 14. He did not proceed to university. He is mentioned in his father's 1689 will, receiving £200, a silver cup with a cover, a bed and various household items. No will appears extant for him.

- iii. ELIZABETH DILLINGHAM, was buried at Odell, Bedfordshire, 11 January 1672-3.
- ii. THOMAS DILLINGHAM, was born about 1620 at Barnwell, Northamptonshire. He was admitted to Oundle School as the second son of Thomas Dillingham, on 10 January 1630-1, aged 10. He seems not to have survived as he is not mentioned in his father's 1647 will.
- iii. SAMUEL DILLINGHAM, was born at Barnwell, Northamptonshire, according to his admittance entry at Oundle School, about 1624. He was admitted to Oundle School on 10 February 1634-5, as Samuel third son of Thomas Dillingham, clerk, aged 9. He proceeded to Cambridge University. Venn, J. & J.A. *Alumni Cantabrigienses*. DILLINGHAM, SAMUEL. Adm. sizar at Emmanuel, Jan. 10, 1642-3. Of Northamptonshire. S. of Thomas (1609), who makes a bequest for his maintenance at Cambridge. Matric. 1643; B.A. 1646-7; M.A. 1650. Brother of Benjamin (1651) and William (1636). He is mentioned in his mother Dorothy Dillingham's will in 1672, where he is left a third share of a lease of land at Chesterton, Cambridgeshire. He appears in a Court of Chancery case with Jonathan Dove in 1689, TNA. Ref: C 10/278/94. A brother Dove is bequeathed £30 in recognition of a bond in his brother, William's 1689 will. No will seems extant for him.
- iv. JOSEPH DILLINGHAM, was born at Barnwell, Northamptonshire, according to his admittance entry at Oundle School, about 1632. He was admitted to Oundle School, as the fourth son of Thomas Dillingham, on 19 June 1641, aged 9. He seems not to have survived as he is not mentioned in his father's 1647 will.
- vi. BENJAMIN DILLINGHAM, the youngest son of Thomas and Dorothy Dillingham. He was born at Barnwell, Northamptonshire, about 1635. He was admitted to Oundle School, as the fifth son of Thomas Dillingham, on 22 March 1643-4, aged 9. He proceeded to Cambridge University. Venn, J. & J.A. *Alumni Cantabrigienses*. DILLINGHAM, BENJAMIN. Adm. pens, at Emmanuel, July 2 1651. S of Thomas (1609), R of Barnwell, Northants. School, Oundle; adm. there, 1644, age 9. Matric. 1653; B.A. 1654-5; M.A. 1658. Fellow, 1657. V. of Oundle, 1663-79. Buried there Nov 15, 1679. He married and had 4 issue mentioned in his mother's 1672 will. E was buried at St. Peter's, Oundle, on 15 November 1679. Dillingham's library was auctioned in London, 29 November1680, as part of a joint sale with the books of Henry Stubb, Thomas Cawton, John Dunton and Thomas Vincent; the sale catalogue runs to over 13,000 lots but does not distinguish which books came from which source.

Children of BENJAMIN DILLINGHAM and UNKNOWN DILLINGHAM are, not necessarily in order of birth:

 EDWARD DILLINGHAM, was born at Oundle and baptised there on 16 August 1663. He was educated at Oundle School and Cambridge University. Venn, J. & J.A. *Alumni Cantabrigienses*. DILLINGHAM, EDWARD. Adm. pens, at Emmanuel, June 26, 1679. Of

- Northamptonshire. S. of Benjamin V. of Oundle. Bapt. there, Aug. 16, 1663. Adm. at Oundle School, Dec. 9, 1670, age 7. Matric. 1680; B.A. 1683-4. Ord. priest (Peterb.) Sept. 23, 1694. R. of Stretton, Rutland, 1699-1719. Died 1719.
- ii. BENJAMIN DILLINGHAM, he was probably born at Oundle, Northamptonshire. He was buried at Oundle in 1674.
- iii. THOMAS DILLINGHAM, he was born at Oundle, Northamptonshire, about 1665. He was admitted to Oundle School as the second son of Benjamin Dillingham, on 20 January 1672-3, aged 8.
- iv. UNKNOWN DILLINGHAM. Probably a girl.
- vii. KATHERINE DILLINGHAM, was probably born at Barnwell Northamptonshire. She married Jonathan Cateline or Catlin in Lincolnshire, probably at Horbling, on 5 July 1664, likely as his second wife. He was the son of Jeremiah Catlin[sic], rector of Barham, Suffolk, 1627-50, and was possibly educated at Ipswich School, and the at Cambridge University, J. & J.A. Venn, Alumni Cantabrigienses. CATLIN, JONATHAN. Matric. sizar from Clare, Michs. 1650. S. of Jeremiah (1608). B.A. 1654; M.A. 1658. Ord. deacon (Lincoln) July 12; priest, July 14, 1662. V. of Horbling, Lines., 1661-1708. Perhaps V. of Baston, Lines., 1664. Buried Aug. 11, 1708. Brother of Jeremiah (1637); CCEd. Licensed to preach in the diocese of Lincoln., 21 November 1662. Instituted vicar of Baston, Lincs. 21 November 1662. Instituted vicar of Horbling, Lincs. 18 May 1663. Jonathan Cateline and Katherine had issue, as two children are mentioned in Dorothy Dillingham, her mother's 1672 will. This also mentions two other children of Jonathan Cateline, suggesting that he had been married previously.
- DILLINGHAM, viii. DOROTHY was probably born at Barnwell Northamptonshire..She married Edward Cawthorne, rector of Tansor, Northamptonshire. He was educated at Cambridge University, Venn, J. & J.A. Alumni Cantabrigienses. CAWTHORNE, EDWARD. Adm. pens, at Emmanuel, Oct. 12, 1629. Of Northamptonshire. Matric. 1629-30; B.A. 1633-4; M.A. 1637. R. of Tansor, Northants., 1646-62, ejected. Lecturer at Oundle. Retired and died there. Buried Dec. 4, 1664. Perhaps father of Edward (1666). They had a son, Edward, and a daughter, Dorothy, both mentioned in John Wells' 1664 will as children of his cousin, Edward Cawthorne, Clerke. Edward was educated at Oundle School, admitted May 1658, aged 9, and Cambridge University, J. & J.A. Venn, Alumni Cantabrigienses. CAWTHORNE, EDWARD. Adm. pens, at Emmanuel, May 5, 1669. Of Northamptonshire. Perhaps s. of Edward (1629). B. at Tansor, Northants. School, Oundle. Matric. 1669, Buried at St Andrew's, Cambridge, Dec. 31, 1669.
- ix. ELIZABETH DILLINGHAM, was probably born at Barnwell Northamptonshire..She is mentioned in her father's will in 1647, but nothing further on her seems extant.

- iv. JUDITH DILLINGHAM, is mentioned in her father's 1618 as Judith Goodfellow, will where she is bequeathed forty shillings. She married Ralph Goodfellow at Rothwell, Northamptonshire, on 5 August 1616. William Goodfellow, son of Ralph Goodfellow, was baptised at Cranford St. John on 26 July 1639, may be their son.
- v. WILLIAM DILLINGHAM, is mentioned in his father's 1618 will as his youngest son and bequeathed half his householdstuff, the residue of his estate, and is nominated his executor. He was educated at Cambridge University, Venn, J. & J.A. Alumni Cantabrigienses. DILLINGHAM, WILLIAM. Matric pens, from Christ's. July, 1617; B.A. 1620-1; M.A. 1624. Ord. deacon (Peterb.) Sept.19; priest. Sept. 20, 1624. Perhaps R. of Barton Seagrave, Northants. Buried Jan. 29, 1646-7. Will (P.C.C.) 1647. Uncle of William (1636). He married and had issue. His son Thomas' admission entry at Oundle in August 1641 says his father was at that time clerk of St. Dunstan, London. He may have officiated at the marriage of Anne Dillingham to John Watts there in 1635. He died testate in 1647, his will, TNA. PROB 11/200/293. Will of William Dillingham Minister of Barton Seagrave, Northamptonshire, dated 23 January 1646-7 and proved on 12 May 1647. He was buried at Barton Seagrave, Northamptonshire, on 29 January 1646-7.

Children of WILLIAM DILLINGHAM and UNKNOWN DILLINGHAM are, not necessarily in order of birth:

i. THOMAS DILLINGHAM, eldest son of William Dillingham, he was educated at Oundle School, Northamptonshire, and Cambridge University. J. & J.A. Venn, *Alumni Cantabrigienses*. DILLINGHAM, THOMAS. Adm. sizar at Emmanuel, Mar. 25, 1648. Of London. Matric. 1648; B.A. 1651-2; M.A. 1655. Doubtless s. of William (1617), R. of St Dunstan-in-the-West, London; adm. at Oundle School, Aug. 9, 1641, age 12. R. of Barnwell All Saints', Northants., 1658-1702. Buried there Sept. 26, 1702, aged 72. M.I. Father of William (1677). He married Frances and they had issue one son. Frances died in July 1716, aged 76.

#### Child of THOMAS DILLINGHAM and FRANCES DILLINGHAM is:

- i. WILLIAM DILLINGHAM, was born about 1659 and mentioned in his father's 1647 will. He was educated at Oundle School, Northamptonshire, and Cambridge University. Venn, J. & J.A. *Alumni Cantabrigienses*. DILLINGHAM, WILLIAM. Adm. sizar at Emmanuel, May 14, 1677. 1st s. of Thomas (1648), R. of Barnwell All Saints', Northants. Adm. at Oundle School, Feb. 28, 1671-2, age 12.
- ii. JOHN DILLINGHAM, was born about 1633 and mentioned in his father's 1647 will.. He was admitted to Oundle School with his brother, Thomas, on 9 August 1641, aged 8.
- iii. WILLIAM DILLINGHAM, was mentioned in his father's 1647 will.
- iv. ELIZABETH DILLINGHAM, was mentioned in her father's 1647 will.
- v. SUSANNA DILLINGHAM, was mentioned in her father's 1647 will.

- vi MARY DILLINGHSM, was mentioned in her father's 1647 will.
- vii. SARAH DILLINGHAM, was mentioned in her father's 1647 will.
- viii. JUDITH DILLINGHAM, was baptised at Dean on 25 December 1569. She is not mentioned in her grandmother, Joan Dillingham's 1554 will as she was born later. She also does not appear in either her brother John Dillingham's 1588 will, or her brother Henry's 1624 will. The likelihood is that she was deceased by 1588.

#### Generation No. 3

**3.** HENRY<sup>2</sup> DILLINGHAM (*JOHN*<sup>1</sup>, *THOMAS*<sup>2</sup>) was probably born at Dean, but the extant parish registers do not show his baptism. He is mentioned in Joan Dillingham's 1557 will as Thomas Dillingham's son. He is mentioned as his brother in John Dillingham's 1588 will. He married Bridget and had issue. Henry Dillingham died testate in 1624, his will, Bedfordshire Archives and Record Service Reference: ABP/W1624-25/37. Will of Henry Dillingham of Over Dean, Bedfordshire; yeoman dated 21 September 1624 and proved 28 December 1624. He was buried at Dean, on 17 November 1624.

Children of HENRY DILLINGHAM and BRIDGET DILLINGHAM are, not necessarily in order of birth:

- i. ELIZABETH DILLINGHAM, was probably born at Dean, Bedfordshire, but the extant parish registers do not show her baptism. She is mentioned in her father's 1624 will, where she is called Elizabeth Coleman. Elizabeth Dyllingham married William Coleman at Dean, on 29 July 1605.
- ii. THOMASIN or THOMAZINE DILLINGHAM, was probably born at Dean, Bedfordshire, but the extant parish registers do not show her baptism. She is mentioned in her father's 1624 will, where she is called Thomasin Coleman. She married William Coleman at Dean, on 2 February 1607-8. These are two separate William Colemans.
- 4. iii. JOHN DILLINGHAM, was baptised at Dean, Bedfordshire, on 1 July 1592.
  - iv. KATHERINE DILLINGHAM, was baptised at Dean, Bedfordshire, on 5 May 1594. She is mentioned in her father's 1624 will, where she is called Katherine Allen. Katherine Dyllingham married William Allen at Dean, on 1 January 1616-7.
  - v. ALICE DILLINGHAM, was probably born at Dean, Bedfordshire, but the extant parish registers do not show her baptism. She is mentioned in her father's 1624 will, as Alice Richards. She married Thomas Richards at Dean, on 21 May 1618.
  - vi. ELLEN DILLINGHAM, was baptised at Dean, Bedfordshire, on 21 March 1596-7. She is mentioned in her father's 1624 will, where she is called Ellen Bateman.
  - vii. THOMAS DILLINGHAM, was baptised at Dean, Bedfordshire, on 8 October 1598. He was buried at Dean, on 3 March 1615-6.

#### Generation No. 4

**4.** JOHN <sup>3</sup> DILLINGHAM (*JOHN* <sup>1</sup>, *THOMAS* <sup>2</sup>, *HENRY* <sup>3</sup>) was baptised at Dean, Bedfordshire, on 1 July 1592. He is mentioned in his father's 1624 will, where he is described by his father as "my only sonne & heire". He married and had a son, also John Dillingham, mentioned in Henry Dillingham's 1624 will. John Dillingham is mentioned in the 1647 will of William Dillingham, minister of Barton Seagrave, Northamptonshire, where he is called "my loueing Couzen master John Dillingham in ffleetstreet London", and is bequeath John Speed's, the English cartographer and historian, *Historie of Great Britaine*, published in 1611. Dillingham was a tailor in Fleet Street, London and during the civil war he became a writer, commentator, and newsbook editor. In 1645, his comments upset Parliament to the extent that he was called to the house to apologise. See his ODNB entry by Joad Raymond. He evidently married, as a son of his is mentioned in Henry Dillingham's 1624 will. His wife may have been Marie.

#### Child of JOHN DILLINGHAM and UNKNOWN DILLINGHAM is:

5. i. JOHN DILLINGHAM, is called his grandchild in Henry Dillingham's 1624 will. He may be the child baptised at St. Clement Danes, Middlesex, on 26 February 1622-3, father John Dillingham, and mother Marie.

This genealogy follows the generations of the principal male direct line from Thomas and Thomasin Dillingham, and terminates with John Dillingham, grandson of Henry Dillingham. It is not known whether he had descendants. The branch that descended from Henry Dillingham's brother, William Dillingham, rector of Cranford, Northamptonshire, is more relevant to the associations of the Dillinghams to the Wells or Welles family, and the latter's connection to the Hall family from which Shakespeare's son-in-law, John Hall, came.

There are doubtless issue of some of these and subsequent generations of those descending from Thomas and Thomasin Dillingham, but this genealogy goes as far as is relevant for the purpose of relating to this work.

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