

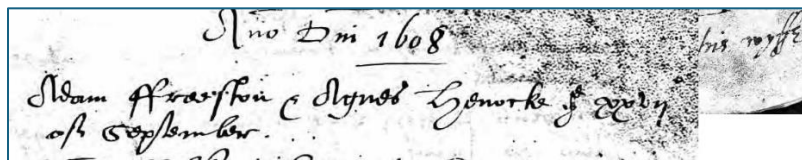
FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF ADAM FREESTON AND ANNE HENOCKE

No christening record has been found for Elizabeth Freestone. The name is unusual in the Banbury area, and is not a Cropredy name. There is a christening record for Mary Freeston in 1611 in Chipping Warden, Northamptonshire, the daughter of Adam and Anne Freeston. Chipping Warden is a parish about three miles northeast of Cropredy, across the Oxfordshire/Northamptonshire border. Adam and Anne are most likely the parents of Elizabeth. Elizabeth's only daughter was named Anne, and she had a son named Adam.



Ladbroke

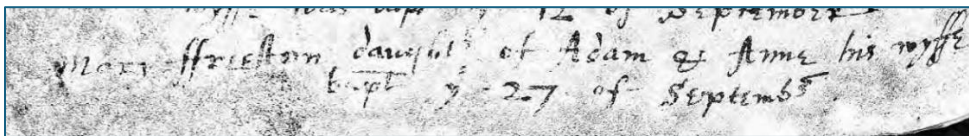
Adam Freeston was born in about 1585. He married Agnes (Anne) Henocke 25 September 1608 in Ladbroke, Warwickshire. Ladbroke was a parish about ten miles north of Chipping Warden. Anne was likely the daughter of Richard Hancocke of Ladbroke.



*Marriage record for Adam Freeston and Agnes Henocke in Ladbroke:
"Adam Freeston & Agnes Henocke ye xxvij of September"*

Adam and Anne had the following children:

1. **Mary**, christened 27 September 1611 in Chipping Warden, Northamptonshire.



Baptism record for Mary Freeston in Chipping Warden: "Mary Freeston daughter of Adam & Anne his wife bapt ye 27 of September"

*2. **Elizabeth**, born in about 1615; married 1) Thomas Hunt 26 October 1640 in Cropredy, 2) Mr. Ward; 27 March 1683 in Cropredy.

SOURCES: Chipping Warden parish register; Ladbroke parish register; Cropredy parish register; www.ancestry.com; www.findmypast.co.uk.

"The name Freestone appears in some of the oldest parish records in England in various forms, such as Fryston, Frieston, Friston, Freston and Freestone.

The Oxford Dictionary of English Place Names has the origin of the name as follows: "Freston, and the many variations all come from the same source, an old Frisian settlement on the east coast of England. Friesa (old English) a Frisian; a settlement or estate. Thus the parish Freston, or Fryston, was a place where the Frisians settled." From F. H. Sunderland, Genealogical Researcher in England. we have the following contribution: "Freestone, Freeston, relates to the old Frisian settlement, and it appears that the original settlers are from the Frisian Islands, a chain extending from the coast of North Schleswig to the Zuider Zee now a part of the farm land of Holland obtained by pumping the sea water from behind the dikes). Frisian, the original speech, resembles the older form of English. "East Anglia, including Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambridge, was founded by Uffa, 575 A.D. It was then the Frisians appeared, some of whom had the name Friston, Freeston, and Freston, clapt on them when surnames became fixed, probably because they had all the appearance of their distant ancestors of some six or seven centuries previously. Thus the family of Freestone, as they are known at the present day." (Extracted from The Freestone Family, By Clara Seeman, 1953)