

## THE FULWOODS OF SEDGLEY

Isabell Fulwood married Owen Aston 15 October 1615 in Sedgley, Staffordshire, England. Owen was a nailor or nailmaker. Isabell died and was buried 12 March 1662 in Sedgley: "*Buried Izabell, widow of Owen Astan, Ettings.*". Owen and Isabell had the following children: Ann (1616), James (1618), Robert (1620), Mary (1624), William (1625), and Elizabeth (1629) in Sedgley.

No christening record has been found for Isabell. Her husband was born in about 1578. Isabell was probably born between 1578 and 1595. There were several Fulwood families having children in Sedgley in the right time period:

- John Fulwood, occupation yeoman farmer; married Maud; had children Agnes (1580) and John, junior, later shown as "*of Coseley*". Maud Fulwood died and was buried 10 February 1615 in Sedgley. John, senior, died and was buried 19 November 1620 in Sedgley.
- Thomas Fulwood, occupation nailor; had children Elizabeth (1592), Richard (1594), Jane (1596), and Mary (1597). Thomas died and was buried 3 February 1629 in Sedgley.
- Richard Fulwood, occupation yeoman farmer and nailor; married Anne; had children Elizabeth (1592), Jane (1595), Anne (1598), Dorothy (1601), and William (1603) in Sedgley. Richard Fulwood is mentioned in the *Sedgley Manor Rolls* on 1 October 1615: "*Thomas Whitehouse v. Richard Fullwood of Coseley in a plea of debt*", on 4 April 1615: "*William Whitehouse junior of Coseley v. Richard Fullwood in a plea of debt*", and 21 November 1615: "*William Whitehouse vs. Richard Fullwood in a plea of debt*" and 12 November 1616: "*William Whitehouse of Coseley vs. Richard Fullwood in a plea of debt*". Anne, wife of Richard Fulwood was buried 5 June 1630 in Sedgley. Richard Fulwood of Coseley (a village in Sedgley) was buried 8 November 1640 in Sedgley.
- William Fulwood, occupation nailor; had children William (1598), and an unnamed daughter buried in 1601: "*the d. Willia Fulwood, naylor, never christened, Apr. 27th*" in Sedgley. William Fulwood was buried 28 February 1640 in Sedgley.

It is possible that Isabel Fulwood was the daughter of any of these Fulwoods, since she was born within the right time frame.

The following children were christened in Sedgley during a time when the parent's name was not recorded:

- Margery, christened 21 February 1561 in Sedgley.
- Richard, christened 12 November 1563 in Sedgley. This is likely the Richard listed above.
- Thomas, christened 21 February 1565 in Sedgley. This is likely the Thomas listed above.
- Elizabeth, christened 19 October 1567 in Sedgley.
- Joone, christened 19 March 1569 in Sedgley.
- William, christened 18 July 1571 in Sedgley. This is likely the William listed above.
- Jane, christened 31 May 1576 in Sedgley.

Since the pattern of births is so regular, every two years, they may all be the children of the same parents. John Fulwood could be the father, as he is listed as the father of Agnes in 1580. If so, then John is the father of at least eight children, including the brothers Thomas, Richard, and William. Isabell may have been the daughter of John and Maud Fulwood.

This is the proposed family group record for Isabel Fulwood:

### **FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF JOHN AND MAUD FULWOOD**

John Fulwood was born in about 1540 of Sedgley. He was a yeoman "*of Coseley*". He married Maud.

Maud died and was buried 10 February 1615 in Sedgley.

John died and was buried 19 November 1620 in Sedgley.

John and Maud had the following children:

1. **Margery**, christened 21 February 1561 in Sedgley; married John Michell 14 January 1584 in Sedgley.
2. **Richard**, christened 12 November 1563 in Sedgley; occupation: yeoman and nailor, "*of Coseley*"; married Anne; buried 8 November 1640 in Sedgley.
3. **Thomas**, christened 21 February 1565 in Sedgley; occupation: nailor, "*of Coseley*"; buried 3 February 1629 in Sedgley.
4. **Elizabeth**, christened 19 October 1567 in Sedgley.
5. **Joone**, christened 19 March 1569 in Sedgley.
6. **William**, christened 18 July 1571 in Sedgley; occupation: nailor; buried 28 February 1640 in Sedgley.
7. **Jane**, christened 31 May 1576 in Sedgley; married Henry Wall 30 January 1601 in Sedgley.
- \*8. **Isabel**, born in about 1578 of Sedgley; married Owen Aston 15 October 1615 in Sedgley; buried 12 March 1662 in Sedgley.
9. **Agnes**, christened 23 June 1580 of Sedgley.
10. **John**

Two other Fulwoods are shown in early parish records:

- **Henry**, buried 9 December 1558 in Sedgley.

- **John**, buried 1 December 1559 in Sedgley.

Many of the Fulwoods are from the village of Coseley. There is a location in Coseley named Fullwoods End. There was a colliery named Fullwoods End Colliery in Coseley. Perhaps Fullwoods End was the ancestral homeland of the Fulwoods.

Sedgley was included in *A List of Families in the Archdeaconry of Stafford 1532-3*, and only one Fulwood family was listed in the parish. The families were listed in the "*Paroche de Segeley the Sounday afore Wytsondy*" or in the parish of Sedgley the Sunday before Whit Sunday, 1532. The Fulwood family was listed in the townland of Woodsetton.

*Woodsetton*

*John Fullwod, Margery, uxor eius, Henry, Christian, Elizabeth, Agnes.*

This is the family of **John Fullwood**, his wife Margery, and children Henry, Christian, Elizabeth and Agnes. John died and was buried in 1559. Henry was likely the same Henry who was buried in 1558.

*SOURCE: Sedgley parish register; [www.dudley.gov.uk](http://www.dudley.gov.uk)*