

## FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF ABRAHAM MASON AND SARAH MEADOWS

Abraham Mason was christened 10 September 1721 in Colwall, Herefordshire, the son of Richard Mason and Elizabeth Webley. Colwall is a parish about ten miles southwest of Pirton, Worcestershire.



*Colwall*

Abraham married 1) Sarah Meadows 13 October 1746 in St. Clements, Worcester city, Worcestershire.

Sarah was christened 25 January 1721 in Pirton, Worcestershire, the daughter of Thomas Meadows and Elizabeth Adams. Sarah died and was buried 9 August 1768 in Pirton.

Abraham married next 2) Anne in about 1770.

Abraham died and was buried 23 April 1806 in Pirton, at the age of 83.



*Pirton*

Abraham and Sarah had the following children:

\*1. **Rebecca**, christened 4 June 1749 in Pirton; married Charles Wilshire 29 January 1770 in Severn Stoke.

2. **Sarah**, christened 22 December 1751 in Pirton; buried 9 August 1768 in Pirton.
3. **Isaac**, christened 3 April 1757 in Pirton.
4. **William**, christened 9 September 1758 in Pirton; buried 22 September 1768 in Pirton.
5. **Abraham**, christened 17 April 1764 in Pirton; buried 20 September 1764 in Pirton.

Abraham and Anne had the following child:

1. **Elizabeth**, christened 4 August 1771 in Pirton.

*SOURCE: Pirton parish register FHL #916189.*

### **FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF RICHARD MASON AND ELIZABETH WEBLEY**

Richard Mason was christened 27 January 1684/5 in Bromyard, Herefordshire, the son of Richard Mason and Jane Williams. Bromyard is a parish about ten miles north of Colwall in Herefordshire.



*Carving of Peter at the parish church of St. Peter in Bromyard*

Richard married Elizabeth Webley 19 April 1715 in Colwall. Elizabeth was christened 1 September 1695 in Eastnor, Herefordshire, the daughter of John and Joyce Webley.

Richard and Elizabeth had the following children:

- \*1. **Abraham**, christened 10 September 1721 in Colwall; married Sarah Meadows 13 October 1746 in St. Clements, Worcester city, Worcestershire; 2) Anne; buried 23 April 1806 in Pirton.
2. **John**, christened 2 April 1724 in Colwall.

3. **Mary**, christened 7 December 1729 in Colwall.

4. **Ann**, christened 23 July 1732 in Colwall.

5. **Susanna**, christened 21 March 1738 in Colwall.

*SOURCE: www.familysearch.org; extracted Bromyard parish register on www.findmypast.co.uk; www.ancestry.co.uk; Eastnor parish register on www.familysearch.co.uk; Ancestry family tree of Philip Perry <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/31057257/person/13172942954/facts> .*

### **FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF RICHARD MASON AND JANE WILLIAMS**

Richard Mason was christened 21 October 1664 in Bodenham, Herefordshire, the son of James and Mary Mason. Bodenham is a parish about nine miles west of Bromyard.



*Bodenham*

Richard married Jane Williams 17 October 1684 in Bromyard.

Richard and Jane had the following children:

\*1. **Richard**, christened 27 January 1684/5 in Bromyard; married Elizabeth Webley 19 April 1715 in Colwall.

2. **Elizabeth**, christened 2 June 1691 in Bromyard.

3. **John**, christened 13 April 1693 in Bromyard.

*SOURCE: www.familysearch.org; www.ancestry.co.uk; Ancestry family tree of Philip Perry <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/31057257/person/13172942954/facts> .*

## FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF JAMES AND MARY MASON

James Mason was christened 26 July 1640 in Felton, Herefordshire, the son of John and Joan Mason. Felton is a parish about four miles southeast of Bodenham. James married Mary in about 1660.



*Felton*

These Masons were listed in the 1663 Hereford Militia Assessment in Bodenham:

*Thomas Mason 1-0-0*  
*Henry Mason 1-10-0*  
*James Mason 20-0-0*

James died and was buried 8 December 1731 in Bodenham.

James and Mary had the following children:

1. **Edmund**, christened 15 March 1661 in Bodenham.
2. **Isabell**, christened 30 September 1662 in Bodenham.
3. **James**, christened 30 September 1662 in Bodenham.
- \*4. **Richard**, christened 21 October 1664 in Bodenham; married Jane Williams 17 October 1684 in Bromyard.
5. **Gilbert**, christened 18 October 1669 in Bodenham.
4. **Elisabeth**, christened 15 April 1671 in Bodenham.
6. **Herbert**, christened 8 January 1672 in Bodenham.
7. **Thomas**, christened 30 May 1675 in Bodenham.

*SOURCES: Extracts of Bodenham parish register, [www.findmypast.co.uk](http://www.findmypast.co.uk).*

## FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF JOHN MASON AND JOAN DEEME

John Mason was born in about 1610 of Felton, Herefordshire. He married Joan Deene 17 May 1636 in Withington, a parish about four miles south of Felton.

Joan or Johan was christened 21 June 1616 in Withington, the daughter of William and Margaret Deeme (or Deene).

John was mentioned in the will of Roger Evisham, husbandman of Felton in 1656: *"Item I give and bequeath to John Mason of the townes end, and John Hill all my weareinge apparrell of whatsortsoever to bee equally devided betweene them."* (Will of Roger Evisham of Felton, 1656; Prerogative Court of Canterbury) The same will also leaves a bequest: *"Item I give to James Mason and his wife five shillings with in a moneth after my decease."*

These Masons are shown in the 1663 Hereford Militia Assessment for Felton:

*John Mason, senr 15-0-0*  
*Henry Mason & his sonne 15-0-0*  
*Johan Mason for Westfields Mr Prices 5-0-0*  
*Mich: Mason 2-10-0*  
*John Mason, Will. Hill, John Evisham, Raters*  
*(Hereford Militia Assessments, M.A. Faraday)*

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William MADOX oler	2	HMA	MADDOX
Fabian PIVINCH	1	HMA	PYVINCH
William ANDREWS	1		
William HILL	1		
John EVISHAM	1	HMA	
John PYTT gent	3	HMA	
Joyce BADHAM	1	HMA	
John BADHAM	4-1 Stopt up	HMA	HT 1664-5
James EVISHAM	2	HMA	
Hugh PHILLPOTTS	1	HMA	PHILLPOTTS
James PYTT	3	HMA	PITT
Micaell MASON	1	HMA	
John MASON	1	HMA	
Henry MASON	1	HMA	
Thomas MASON	1		
Thomas TREHERNE	3		
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### 1665 Hearth Tax - Felton

The 1665 Hearth Tax for Herefordshire showed these Masons in Bodenham and Felton. James was married with four young children in 1665, but was not shown on the list, so may be living with John.

#### ***Bodenham***

*Eliz Mason 3*

Bowley – N. part of Bodenham)

*Edward Mason 4*

The Two Maunds (SE part of Bodenham)

*John Mason 3*  
*Thomas Mason 1*  
The Moore (S part of Bodenham)  
*Henry Mason 1*

***Felton***

*Michael Mason 1*  
*John Mason 1*  
*Henry Mason 1*  
*Thomas Mason 1*

John and Joanne had the following children:

1. **Thomas**, christened 1 October 1637 in Felton; married Margaret; had children Thomas (1661), and Henry (1664) in Felton.
2. **Margaret**, christened 1 December 1638 in Felton.
- \*3. **James**, christened 26 July 1640 in Felton; married Mary.
4. **Elizabeth**, christened 3 March 1641 in Felton.
5. **John**, christened 1643 in Felton; married Anne Nicholas 1664 in Felton.
6. **William**, christened 9 June 1645 in Felton.

*SOURCES: Extracts from Felton parish register, [www.findmypast.co.uk](http://www.findmypast.co.uk).*

**Other Masons in Felton:**

Michael Mason married Anna Joyner 21 February 1652, and had a daughter Anne christened in 1658. Perhaps Michael was John's younger brother.

A will for Johan Badham, widow of Felton in 1627 mentioned her grandchild Margaret Mason and her younger brothers Thomas, Michael and James Mason. (*Herefordshire Wills, herefordshire.gov.uk*)

Henry Mason was listed in the 1665 Hearth Tax in Felton. Perhaps this was another brother for John.

Thomas Mason of Felton left a will dated 1597, mentioning wife Anne, daughters Elizabeth and Anne, son Henrie, and brother-in-law Thomas Hill. Henrie and wife Anne were named executors. Thomas is shown in a book on the Mason family as the son of David and Margaret Mason, and brother of John, Walter and Richard Mason. His year of birth is given as 1512 in Bodenham. (*Coin of the Realm, by B.H. Mason*)

Earlier Masons are found in Felton in a muster roll created in 1542 to list the men of the parish age 16 and over who could provide defense of the parish. Of the sixteen men listed, three were Masons: James, Thomas and Thomas.

*John Grene*

***Thomas Mason***

*William Burghill*

*Rowland Pytt*

*Thomas Harte*

***James Mason***

*Rouland Marsler*

*John Taylor*

*Richard More*

***Thomas Mason***

*Robert Parsons*

*John Hewes*

*William Hyll*

*John Hyll*

*Roger A Bynam*

*Richard Hoskyns*

For weapons, the parish had two harness (sets of armor) and one horse.