

A genealogical profile of George Morton

Birth: George Morton was born about 1587 based on his date of marriage.

Death: He died in Plymouth in June 1624.

Ship: *Anne*, 1623

Life in England: George Morton was a merchant. He described himself as from York at his marriage, but may not have been born there.

Life in Holland: He was in Leiden by 1612.

Life in New England: George Morton came to Plymouth Colony in the summer of 1623. He received seven acres in the land division of 1623, but died less than a year later.

Family: George Morton married Julian Carpenter, daughter of Alexander Carpenter, in Leiden on July 23, 1612, and had five children. She married (2) Manasseh Kempton in Plymouth before May 22, 1627, and had no recorded children. She died in Plymouth on February 19, 1664.

Children of George and Julian Morton (all born in Leiden, with the possible exception of Ephraim):

- Nathaniel was born about 1613. He married (1) Lydia Cooper on December 25, 1635, in Plymouth and had eight children. He married (2) Anne (Prichard) Templar in Plymouth on April 29, 1674. He died in June 1685.
- Patience was born about 1615. She married (1) John Faunce in Plymouth by 1633 and had eight children. She married (2) Thomas Whitney after June 9, 1660. She died in Plymouth on August 16, 1691.
- John was born about 1617. He married Lettice _____ by 1649 and had nine children. He died in Middleboro in 1673.
- Sarah was born about 1620. She married Georg Bonham on December 20, 1644, in Plymouth and had four children. She died in Plymouth in 1694.
- Ephraim was born by 1623. He married Ann Cooper on November 18, 1644, in Plymouth and had nine children. He died in 1693.

For Further Information:

Robert C. Anderson. *The Great Migration Begins*. Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 1995.

Robert C. Anderson. *The Pilgrim Migration*. Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2004.



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Once you have learned all you can from family members, you will begin to discover other sources. A wide variety of records can help you learn more about the lives of your ancestors. These include birth, marriage, and death records; immigration and naturalization records; land records; census records; probate records and wills; church and cemetery records; newspapers; passenger lists; military records; and much more.

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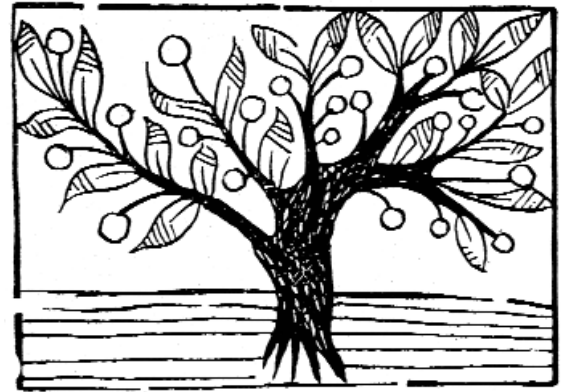
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- www.FamilySearch.org
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132 South St., Plymouth; 508-830-4250;
www.plymouthpubliclibrary.org

RECOMMENDED BOOKS

The Complete Idiot's Guide to Genealogy by Christine Rose and Kay Germain Ingalls, Alpha Books, 1997.

Genealogist's Handbook for New England Research by Marcia Melnyk, NEHGS, 1999.

Shaking Your Family Tree: A Basic Guide to Tracing Your Family History by Ralph J. Crandall, NEHGS, 2001.

Unpuzzling Your Past by Emily Croom, Betterway Books, 2003.

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