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Association of Descendants

of

# Ralph Smith

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This family association has been, and will continue to be, a very special part of my life. To have spent five years as the president has been a privilege indeed.

I have seen many positive changes take place during this term, in the continuing effort to keep this association vital and active.

However, I am anxious to see us grow in number as well as in enthusiasm. I ask that each one become involved in contributing whatever they can, to see that this effort does not fade.

I thank everyone who was so supportive of me, as our best work always comes from team effort.

God bless you all.

Janice E. Otto Outgoing President

As I think about my new position in our Association, the thing that stands out the most is change. Many of the changes have been natural and many have been planned. Although we are not always happy with the changes take place, normally the basic concept is to improve the present situation. These changes are many times defined as progress. In regard to our Association, the majority of changes I have seen over the last 20 years are definitely in the line of progress.

As we change with the times it is important that we preserve our family heritage by supporting our Association in whatever manner we can. I only hope that every one of you has the same pride that I do in my heritage and this Association.

Sincerely,

Charles A. Brown President

## THOUGHTS FROM THE CHAPLAIN

I do not know by what methods, but I do know— God answers prayer.

He has given his word that my prayer is always heard, and will be answered.

I continually pray and calmly wait.

I don't know if the blessing I ask will come in just the way I want.

But I leave my prayers with Him, assured He will grant my quest or send an answer even more blest.

> June V. Colby Chaplain

#### REPORTS FROM THE SECRETARY

## REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors was held July 12th, 1987 at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Otto in Northwood, NH. Present were Janice Otto, president; Charles Brown, 1st vice-president; Charles Abraham, secretary; Romaine Abraham, treasurer; Carol Ann Ferris, historian-genealogist; June Colby, chaplain; Bonnie Cummings, Editor of the Report and also a director; Lois Smith, director; and two past presidents, Melanie Mattocks and Eugene Smith. Perley Mears, 2nd vice-president was unable to be present due to a previous commitment; Corrine Witham was at a wedding; George Smith, Sr. had not recovered from the death of his wife; and Charles P. Smith could not attend both meetings, and chose to be at the Annual meeting in September. Charlotte Line, 3rd vice-president, was not heard from.

The meeting opened with a prayer by our chaplain, after which the secretary's report was accepted with three corrections. The treasurer reported \$829.11 in the General Fund; \$221.30 in the Judith Smith Fund; and \$230.09 in the Beatrice Hunt Fund.

It was voted to have the Annual Meeting at the Nahant Country Club on the 3rd Sunday, September 20th with the usual meal and usual time. Members will be notified by the secretary, and Janice Otto will take care of reservations. Show and Tell will again be a part of the meeting. Yankee Magazine will be notified by Bonnie Cummings and Carol Ann will take care of notifying Cape Cod papers.

#### Under new business:

A motion was made by Bonnie Cummings and seconded to have a permanent Post Office box in the name of the Association, but after much discussion it was voted down. A motion was made by Romaine Abraham, and seconded to raise the dues. The following recommendation is to be made at the Annual Meeting: that dues for full members be \$5.00; associate members \$2.50; and junior members \$1.00.

A motion was made and passed to print 200 copies of the Annual Report instead of 175. Reports will be sent to the present list of libraries to which the Board added four and we will add any others that members may wish.

A motion was made and seconded to charge for Annual Reports sent out after the initial mailing but after much discussion it was decided not to charge for any reports up to and including the 1985 copy unless they had to be photocopied, but to charge \$2.00 plus postage for any extra reports after that of 1985. It was clarified as to the mailings to new members with the current booklet, by-laws, and membership card being sent by the secretary and treasurer and the certificate of membership by the historian-genealogist.

The following nominations were made for action at the Annual Meeting:

President:	Charles Brown
1st Vice President:	Perley B. C. Mears, Jr.
2nd Vice President:	
3rd Vice President:	Corrine Witham
Secretary:	Charles Abraham
Treasurer:	
Chaplain:	June Colby
Auditor:	
Historian-Genealogist:	•
Assistant Historian-Genealogist:	
Directors:	
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	Bonnie Cummings
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The meeting closed at 4:55, after which we all enjoyed a very nice collation before traveling to our respective homes.

## SECRETARY'S REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 20, 1987

This year, for the first time in quite a few years, our Annual Meeting was not held at the Nahant Country Club, due to a large increase in the price of meals by the new owners. This year we met at the Howard Johnson Hotel at the corner of Routes 114 and 1. We had a social period from 1:30 to 2:15 p.m. Seventy-six members were present when we sat down to the dinner of boneless baked stuffed chicken breast.

Our business meeting opened at 3:30 p.m. with our chaplain, June Colby, reading from Romans, Chapter 8, Verse 28 to the end. Because we had so many new people present the first order of business was introductions with everyone standing and giving their name and address. The president then explained why we had a different meeting place. The report of the Annual Board Meeting was read and accepted. The Treasurer reported an increase in the general fund from \$611.50 to \$781.52, in the Beatrice Hunt Fund from \$211.49 to \$230.09, and a decrease in the Judith Smith Fund of \$34.50 to \$221.30.

The following deaths were reported: Mabel M. Cunningham, of Sandy Point, Nova Scotia, February 4, 1987; Lillian T. Smith, of Andover Massachusetts, May 12, 1987, wife of George K. Smith, Sr.; Albert Joseph Smith, of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, May 10, 1987; and Clayton Smith, Jr., of Oxford, Maine, July, 1987. It was voted and accepted to place the wreath on the grave of Lillian Smith.

Bonnie Cummings reported that her sister, Virginia Smith Wright, gave birth to a girl, Sarah Teresa, this spring. Rebecca Rupright announced that her grandson Jonathan (Charlotte Line's son), had been honored as a distinguished student from thirty-four greater Lynn high schools.

Ralph McGray, aged 97, and Geneva Tetlow, at 88 years, were honored for their ages. After having received a corsage and a boutonniere, they had their pictures taken. Geneva has attended fifty meetings, having missed only one. The two youngest members present were Rachael Otto and Paul Cummings, Jr. The people traveling the greatest distance to attend were again

Rebecca Rupright and Charles P. Smith from Anchorage, Alaska. It was also a pleasure to greet the Richard Stones from Georgia and also those who traveled from Washington, DC; San Francisco, CA; and Cape Sable Island, Nova Scotia to be with us. At this point the president asked all new members to stand.

Ralph then invited everyone to attend the Smith Association Meeting in Barrington, Nova Scotia and commented they have been meeting for around thirty-four years.

Much discussion was held about having our next Annual Meeting on the South Shore but on a show of hands as to preference, it was voted down. A motion was made by Charles Abraham to hold our 1988 Annual Meeting at the Howard Johnson Hotel in Danvers and it was seconded and passed.

The recommendation of the Board of Directors raising the dues to \$5.00 for a full member, \$2.50 for an associate member, and \$1.00 for a junior member was passed with one negative vote.

The following slate of officers for the period September 20, 1987 to September 17, 1989 was presented by the Board of Directors, moved, seconded, and passed and the secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for the slate whose names appear below:

President: Charles Brown; 1st Vice President: Perley B. C. Mears, Jr.; 2nd Vice President: Charlotte Line; 3rd Vice President: Corrine Witham; Secretary: Charles Abraham; Treasurer: Romaine Abraham; Chaplain: June Colby; Auditor: Phillip Ferris; Historian-Genealogist: Carol Ann Ferris; Assistant Historian-Genealogist: Charlotte Line; Directors: George K. Smith, Sr., Lois Smith, Bonnie Cummings. Charles P. Smith. and Karl Witham

Our new president took office and spoke about how nice it is to see the Association growing. Charles Smith answered questions about the five generation project and Carol Ann spoke about books on various Smith lines that can be used to help trace genealogy.

The meeting closed at 4:52 p.m.

## TREASURER'S REPORT September 1, 1986—August 31, 1987

#### GENERAL FUND

Balance on hand: August 31, 1986		\$ 611.50	
Credits			
Interest	\$ 42.16		
Dues and Membership Fees	351.51		
Collection at Annual Meeting	104.06		
Collected for Dinners-			
Annual Meeting 9/86	644.00		
From the Judith A. Smith Fund-			
8 Children's dinners	78.00	1219.73	
		\$1831.23	
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Debits			
Mailing Annual Notices-9/86	\$ 24.86		
Nahant Country Club-76 Dinners	741.00		
Flowers—Annual Meeting 9/86	28.88		
50th Anniversary Cake	54.90		
Mailing By-Laws and Dues Notices	53.07		
Carol Ann Ferris—			
Donation to David Smith Assn. Book-			
Smiths of Cape Breton	45.00		
Deposit to Elizabeth Pellet-Andelman			
Howard Johnson Motel			
Annual Meeting 9/87	100.00		
Check Fees		1049.71	
BALANCE ON HAND: AUGUST 31, 1987		\$ 781.52	

#### JUDITH SMITH FUND

Balance on hand: September 1, 1986	\$ 255.08
Credits	
Collection Annual Meeting	\$ 39.00
Interest	5.22 44.22
	\$ 299.30
Debits	
8 Children's Dinners at \$9.75 each	78.00
BALANCE ON HAND AUGUST 31, 1987	\$ 221 30

BEATRICE S. HUNT MEMORIAL FUND		
Balance on hand: September 1, 1986	\$ 211.49	
Credits		
Collection—Annual Meeting	\$ 39.00	
Interest	5.60 44.60	
	\$ 256.09	
Debits		Ralph <sup>1</sup>
Mertie Cunningham Memorial	26.00	•
BALANCE ON HAND: AUGUST 31, 1987	\$ 230.09	

#### Romaine K. Abraham, Treasurer

#### HELP!

Planning a vacation? There are many portions of the Smith family history that need investigating. If you have a little time to spare, your assistance would be most appreciated. We would be glad to give you instructions as to who, what, when, where, how, and why.

We especially need help from those visiting —or living near— Plymouth, Cape Cod or Sandisfield, Massachusetts; Long Island or North East New York State; Hebron, Lisbon or E. Hampton, Connecticut or Nova Scotia.

Contact Carol Ann Ferris, Historian/Genealogist.

## GENEALOGY OF ELLIOT PLATT SMITH

I. Ralph Smith (Documented in earlier reports)
II. Thomas Smith (Documented in earlier reports)

III. Jesse Smith, born 31 Jan 1703; died 14 Jun 1782; married in Eastham MA in Oct 1724 to Sarah Higgins, born 13 Jul 1706; died 17 Jun 1782, buried in Gilead Burying Ground, Carmel NY. Eastham records report 7 children by 1736; arrived in Duchess County NY in 1756 with 12 children.

u	uildren:	

- Lydia Smith; married \_\_\_\_\_ Nickerson; living 1759.
- 2. Elizabeth Smith; married Thomas Munson; 2 sons
- Ruth Smith, born 18 Jul 1725; died 13 Oct 1809; married 30 Mar 1743 Andrew Tracy.
- 4. David Smith, born 28 Jan 1726-7
- Priscilla Smith, born 20 Jul 1729 married \_\_\_\_\_\_
   Phillips, son of James Phillips.
  - Sarah Smith, born 19 Jul 1731.
  - Eunice Smith, born 23 Feb, 1732-3; married \_\_\_\_\_\_
     Hughson.
  - Jerusha Smith, born 1 Mar 1734-5 in Eastham MA.
- 9. Jesse Smith, Jr.
  - Elijah Smith, born 1744; died 19 Mar 1826, at age 82; buried at Spenser's Corner; married Abigail Hotchkiss and Lydia Munson, born 30 Jan 1745; died 11 Nov 1826, daughter of Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> [Thomas<sup>3</sup>, Samuel <sup>2</sup>, Thomas<sup>1</sup>] Munson.

IV. Jesse Smith, Jr., born 1 Feb 1736; died 12 Dec 1777; buried at Spencer's Corner. He served in both the Colonial and Revolutionary wars. He married 1760 Lydia Gregory, who was born 1739; died 7 Oct 1791.

#### Children:

 Ephriam Smith, born 8 Apr 1761; died 11 Jun 1815; buried in Spencer's Corner burying ground; captain in the Duchess County Militia during the Revolutionary War. He married 10 Apr 1783 in Sharon CT Miriam Thurston, who was born 27 Sep 1765; died 11 Nov 1840; buried at Spencer's Corner. She is the daughter of Joel <sup>6</sup> [John<sup>3</sup>, David<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, John<sup>1</sup>] and Miriam (Blakely) Thurston of PA. Joel Thurston was landholder of Nine Partners; removed to Easton NY after the war.

- Elijah Smith, born 1762; married Mary Rundel; both living Oct 1797; of Freehold, Albany County (now Greene County).
- 3. James Phillips Smith

V. James Phillips Smith, born 22 Jul 1764; died 11 Jun 1818; married 26 Jan 1786, Ursula Adams, who was born 29 Sep 1764; died 14 Jan 1844.

#### Children:

- Mercy Smith, born 7 Jun 1787; died 24 Jan 1850; married 12 Sep 1811 Asa Aldrich, born 22 Jul 1779; died 11 Nov 1838. He was son of Simeon and Hannah (Arnold) Aldrich. Hannah may be a sister of Benedict Arnold.
   Jasse Smith, born 20 Jul. 1789; died 12 Jun 1864.
- Jesse Smith, born 30 Jul. 1789; died 12 Jun 1864; buried in Manlius; married 13 Nov 1814 Arminda Munson, born 12 May 1796; died 14 May 1872, daughter of Ebebezer and Alice (Mead) Munson.
- Phebe Smith, born 4 Nov 1791; died 17 Jul 1872; married (as his second wife) 4 Nov 1812 or 1813 to Zebulon Ostram, born 10 Jun 1786 in Clinton, Dutchess County NY; died 23 Nov 1873; son of Jacob Ostram. Phebe and Zebulon had one child who died unmarried.
- 4. Ambrose Smith
  - Ursula Smith, born 30 Apr 1796; died 26 May 1866; married 6 Apr 1845 Elnathan Cobb in Dewitt NY; no children.
  - James P. Smith, born 18 Feb 1799; died 30 Jul 1824; married 14 Dec 1823 Mary Lathrop, who died 25 May 1841. One child, James P., born 1824;

married Susan Wilkinson; lived in Edwardsburg Michigan; no children

- Hiram A. Smith, born 5 Jul 1803; died 16 Jul 1827
  without issue; buried with brother James P.,
  near Jamestown or Mayville NY. Hiram married Electa Mead, daughter of Nathan and
  Sarah (Hibbard) Mead. She married second
  Joel Knapp.
- Lydia Smith, born 21 Feb 1806; died 18 May 1849; married 1st on 1 Sep 1829 Lee Collins, who died in May 1832. 1 child, James Lee Collin, born Jul 1830; died 11 Dec 1834. She married 2nd on 8 Oct 1839 Eli Perry, Mayor of Albany NY, no issue.

VI. Ambrose Smith, born 20 Jan 1794; died 18 Mar 1879; spent his early years in Northeast Duchess County NY; enlisted for War of 1812 in Capt. Henry Perlee's company of Col. Belknap's 1st regiment of NY militia. Director of Fayetteville National Bank for many years. He married 11 Sep 1817 Mary Mead, who was born 4 Oct 1795; died 10 Apr 1844; he married 2nd 20 Nov 1844 Sarah Mead, born 3 Jan 1794; died 16 Feb 1871.

#### Children:

- James Henry Smith, born 15 Feb 1820; died 10 Dec 1906. He spent most of his life on the old Smith homestead, about 2 miles west of Fayetteville. James Henry represented the town of Dewitt in the Board of Supervisors of Onondaga County, and was very interested in the family record. He married 23 Oct 1845 in Dover NY to Anna Smith, who was born 25 Sep 1824; died 14 Sep 1899; the daughter of Rev. Alexander and Eliza (Woodard) Smith.
- Ambrose Edward Smith, born 15 Nov 1821; died 10
   Jul 1900. He was an extensive landholder and
   member of the Baptist church at Camillus NY.
   Ambrose Edward married 28 Nov 1843 in
   Edwardsburg Michigan to Hannah Philena
   Knapp, born 8 Aug 1825; died 30 Dec 1898;
   daughter of Joel and Esther (Bedell) Knapp.

- Mary Smith, born 21 Sep 1823; died 14 May 1900; married 19 Aug 1841, in Dewitt NY to Joel Edwin Knapp, who was born in 1820 at Onondaga Hill NY; died 16 May 1900 in Camillus NY, the son of Joel and Esther (Bedell) Knapp.
- Electa Reynolds Smith, born 17 Oct 1825; died 6 Feb
  1894; married (as his 2nd wife) on 20 May 1874
  in Fayetteville NY to David Allen Monroe,
  who was born 19 Aug 1818 in Camillus NY;
  died 30 Aug 1897 in Camillus NY, the son of
  David and Abigail (Carpenter) Munroe. No
  children.
- Ursula Smith, born on the Clark Farm, east of Fayetteville NY on 19 Jul 1831; died 12 Nov 1862; unmarried.
- Charles Hiram Smith, born on the Clark Farm 19 Jul 1833; died 7 Jul 1834.
- 7. Platt Hiram Smith
  - Howard Malcom Smith, born in the old Smith homestead about two miles west of Fayetteville on 7 Jan 1841; died 8 Jul 1924. Active Republican, 23rd ward of Brooklyn; organizer of the Union league club; presidential elector in 1892. Howard married 2 Feb 1870 at Port Richmond NY to Almira Beebe, who died 5 Mar 1913. She had married 1st Dwight W. Rector.

VII. Platt Hiram Smith; born 10 Mar 1836; died 12 Jan 1911. A classmate of former president Grover Cleveland at Fayetteville Academy, Platt Hiram was also a student at the Yates Polytechnic Institute in Chittanango NY. His photo exists in Smith photo album. Married 18 Jun 1862 Katharine Snell, born 11 Dec 1837; died 9 Oct 1921. Photo exists in Smith photo album.

#### Children:

 L. Bertrand Smith, born 12 Dec 1863; died 26 Mar 1926. He was author of "Jesse Smith, his ancestors and Descendants", published by Frank Allaben Genealogical Company in 1909. He was president of the Brevoort Savings Bank in Brooklyn NY; vice-president of the Smith Visible Typewriter Co.; president of the Flobert Reality Co.; and a director of the Peoples Trust Co. and the Ziegler Pub. Co. for the Blind. L. Bertrand Smith married 1st 19 Feb 1885 to Ladye Love Hall, born 9 Jul 1864; died 20 Sep 1886. He married 2nd at 35 McDonough Street Brooklyn NY on 10 Dec 1896 to Florence Eugene Rector, stepdaughter of Howard Malcolm Smith. Photos of L. Bertrand and Ladye Love (Hall) Smith exist in the Smith photo album.

#### \* 2. Harry Howard Smith

VIII. Harry Howard Smith, born 25 Aug 1868; died 8 Aug 1934. He was educated at the Fayetteville Academy and the Cayuga Lake Military Academy, Aurora NY. Worked for Western Union Telegraph Co.; in 1891 became associated with the Hildreth Manufacturing Co., and later became treasurer of the John A. Mead Manufacturing Co. His photo exists in the Smith photo album. He was married on 27 Jan 1892 to Millie Rosaline Todd, born 22 Jul 1867; died 27 Nov 1952. She graduated from Wellesley College in 1891 with a BS. Many photos exist, including some in the Todd photo album.

#### Children:

- Julia Rosaline Smith, born 26 May 1893; died 28
   Feb 1986. Attended Wellesley College and The
   Juilliard School in NY City; taught piano; was
   organist and music director at the Bedford Central Presbyterian Church in Brooklyn.
- Mildred Todd Smith, born 25 May 1894; died 2 Jan 1981. Married 5 May 1932 to Paul Hurd Green, who died 27 Nov 1971, buried at Army Cemetery in Houston. He was in US Marine Corps in WWI. His mother died 20 Oct 1979, near 100 years old, and is buried in the Masonic cemetery in Cleveland, with her husband and daughters.
- \* 3. William Elliott Todd Smith
  - Platt Howard Smith, born 10 Aug 1896; died 2 Feb

1980. Graduate of Penn State, member of the 101st Mounted Cavalry Band, played trombone with American Legion Band. Naval architect at Brooklyn Navy Yard. Professional engineer. Married 22 Jan 1938 Jesse Frea (1895-1978); and Florence Belding (1900-1974).

IX. William Elliott Todd Smith, born 10 Aug 1896; died 25 Jun 1971. Attended Manual Training HS and Penn State College, Kappa Sigma fraternity. Ensign, US Navy, 1917. Played clarinet in 101st Mounted Cavalry Band and American Legion Band. Professional engineer, Comptroller's office, City of NY. He married 25 Oct 1925 Catherine Helene Andresen, who was born 30 Mar 1898. She was a graduate of Manual Training HS; Yeomenette in WW2; played piano; speaks German. Worked as decorator and artist.

#### Children:

- Todd Andresen Smith, electronics engineer; holds several patents. He married
   Jun 1955 Joan Gootman,
- 2. Elliot Platt Smith
  - 3. Helene Catherine Smith, born married Peter Reginald Marchant, born He came to US 13 Jun 1966; has doctorate in metalurgy; real estate entrepreneur.

X. Elliot Platt Smith,
HS; BSME from Penn State 1953. 1st
War veteran; professional engineer; h
29 Jun 1957 Barbara Bredin, who was
Association member number 531.

#### Children:

- Walter Elliot Smith, Baldwin NY.
   Association member number 536.
- 2. Wesley Howard Smith, Baldwin NY.
- 3. Pamela Joy Smith, Baldwin NY.

#### BIRTHS

#### SARAH TERESA WRIGHT

Born in Concord NH on to Russell and Virginia Wright. [Ginny is the sister of Bonnie (Smith) Cummings.]

### MARRIAGES

None were reported this year.

### **DEATHS**

MABEL M. CUNNINGHAM Sandy Point, Nova Scotia — February 4, 1987

LILLIAN T. SMITH Andover Massachusetts — May 12, 1987 (Wife of George K. Smith, Sr.)

ALBERT JOSEPH SMITH
Pittsfield, Massachusetts — May 10, 1987

CLAYTON SMITH, JR. Oxford, Maine — July, 1987

It is important that we have these vital records for our files. Please keep the Historian/Genealogist informed of all special occasions such as births, marriages and deaths, including full names, dates, and places.

Many of these important names, dates and places are still missing from our files, so if you haven't yet sent them to Carol Ann, please do so. She would like to have your full name, spouse's full name, full names of your parents, siblings, and grandparents; the full names of all your children, grandchildren, etc.; and places and dates of each event. You may have provided this when you joined, but it is needed again. Thank you.

It is interesting to note that we now have 126 full members, 23 associate and 16 junior members for a total of 165. While this is 10 less than 1983, we still have the same number of full members, and 2 more junior members; the loss has been in associate members.

## **NEW MEMBERS**

(SINCE OCT, 1983)

Mrs. Barbara T. Jodrie Mr. Harvey R. Nickerson Mr. Ellsworth H. Smith Mr. & Mrs. James Goodwin Natalie McCarthy Alma L. Spawninger Calantha D. Sears Ruth T. Stone Norma H. Smith Dorothy Whitford Mr. James Mahoney Gladys E. Buja Mr. Stanley D. Hamlett Ada Smith Bell Mr. & Mrs. Alden S. Woods Mr. Elliott P. Smith Mr. Joseph P. Barss Mr. H. Vance Smith Mrs. Kay Cashman

Mr. Walter E. Smith

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Mrs. Romaine K. Abraham, Treasurer Franklin, MA 02038

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Mrs. Carol Ann Ferris, Historian & Genealogist Danvers, MA 01923

Mrs. Charlotte Line, Assistant Historian & Genealogist Saugus, MA 01906

Mr. Phillip Ferris, Auditor Danvers, MA 01923

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## PAST PRESIDENTS

Captain Arthur McGray	1937-1946
Thomas Edison Smith	1947-1948
Angela B. Bemis	1949-1950
Milford Smith	1951-1954
Captain Delbert Wickens	1955-1957
Ruth G. Smith	1958-1960
Luther R. Smith	1961-1963
Ella T. Ferris	1963-1965
Russell L. Smith, Sr.	1965-1967
Madelyn C. Libertin	1967-1969
Romaine E. Kolesnikoff (Abraham)	1969-1971
June V. Colby	1971-1973
Alice K. Mears	1973-1975
Eugene E. Smith	1975-1977
Carol Ann Ferris	1977-1981
Melanie J. Mattocks	1981-1983
Janice E. Otto	1983-1987

## PRESIDENT

## PRESIDENT EMERITUS

Ralph Nehemiah McGray

Charles Brown

1970-

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# Association of Descendants of

## RALPH SMITH

of Hingham and Eastham, Massachusetts

Ralph Smith may have been born in 1610 in Hingham, Norfolk County, England. He left Yarmouth, Norfolk County, England, the first week in May 1633 on the Elizabeth Bonaventure, and arrived in Massachusetts Bay on June 15, 1633. His first wife, the mother of his children, may have been a daughter of Edmond Hobart. He later married Grace Hatch, widow of Thomas Hatch.

The Association of Descendants of Ralph Smith, of Hingham and Eastham, Massachusetts was founded November 26, 1936 to "honor the memory of our ancestors and to promote the knowledge amongst the descendants of their various lines of descent and to form closer ties of kinship and friendship between the various members of the organization."

At the First Annual Meeting, our first president, Capt. Arthur N. McGray, said the purpose of this organization is "...to perpetuate the memory of the early pioneers of the family. That we might have spiritual as well as family strength and love."

Every descendant of Ralph Smith shall be eligible for membership in the Association, upon proof of lineage. In addition, husbands or wives of the descendants of Ralph Smith may become Associate Members of the Association.

Meetings are held on the third Sunday of September.

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