

Descendants of John Bent

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Generation One

1. **JOHN¹ BENT** was born circa 1603,^[1] and he died at Sudbury, Massachusetts, on 27 September 1672.^[2] He married **MARTHA** (___), who died at Sudbury, on 15 May 1679.^[3]

He and Martha emigrated with their children Robert, Agnes, William, Peter, and John, from Southampton, England, to New England, aboard the *Confidence* in 1638.^[4] He was an early settler of Sudbury, having had a grant of land there in 1638–39.^[5] He was also a proprietor of Marlborough lands in 1655–1656, receiving lot number 43 in that territory.^[6]

¹ Charles Edward Banks, *The Planters of the Commonwealth ... 1620–1640* (1930; reprint Baltimore, Md.: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 2006), 195.

² Town of Sudbury and Henry Ernest Woods, editor, *Vital Records of Sudbury, Massachusetts, to the Year 1850* (Boston, Mass.: NEHGS, 1903), 296. Citing “Middlesex County record (East Cambridge).”

³ *Sudbury VRs* (published), 296. Citing “Middlesex County record (East Cambridge).”

⁴ Banks, *Planters*, 195.

⁵ Alfred Sereno Hudson, *The History of Sudbury, Massachusetts, 1635–1889* (Sudbury, Mass.: The Town, 1889), 26.

⁶ Hudson, *History of Sudbury*, 182.

Children of John¹ Bent and Martha (___) were as follows:

- i. ROBERT² BENT, b. circa 1628.^[7]
- ii. AGNES BENT, b. circa 1630.^[8]
- iii. WILLIAM BENT, b. circa 1632.^[9]
- iv. PETER BENT, b. circa 1634.^[10]
2. v. JOHN BENT, b. circa 1636.
- vi. JOSEPH BENT, b. Sudbury, 16 May 1641,^[11] d. Sudbury, 1675.^[12]
- vii. MARTHA BENT, b. say 1643.^[13]

Generation Two

2. JOHN² BENT (*John*¹) was born circa 1636,^[14] and he was buried at Framingham, Massachusetts, on 15 September 1717.^[15] He married at Sudbury, on 1 July 1658 **HANNAH STONE**.^[16]

⁷ Banks, *Planters*, 195.

⁸ Banks, *Planters*, 195.

⁹ Banks, *Planters*, 195.

¹⁰ Banks, *Planters*, 195.

¹¹ *Sudbury VRs* (published), 17.

¹² William Barry, *A History of Framingham, Massachusetts, Including the Plantation, From 1640 to the Present Time ... also, a Register of the Inhabitants of Framingham Before 1800, with Genealogical Sketches* (Boston, Mass.: James Munroe & Company, 1847), 182. Death not recorded in Sudbury VRs at 296.

¹³ Barry, *Framingham*, 182. Not recorded in Sudbury VRs at 17.

¹⁴ Banks, *Planters*, 195; Barry, *Framingham*, 182. States he was born in 1635.

¹⁵ Barry, *Framingham*, 182. Not recorded in Framingham VRs at 412.

¹⁶ *Sudbury VRs* (published), 169. Citing "Middlesex County record (East Cambridge)."

He emigrated with his family to New England, aboard the *Confidence* at Southampton, England, in 1638.^[17] He settled in Framingham early, having bought land there from Henry Rice in 1662. He, perhaps, with second wife Martha Rice, daughter of Matthew Rice, had John, b. Sudbury, 29 November 1689, and David, b. (?).^[18]

Children of John² Bent and Hannah Stone were:

3. i. HANNAH³ BENT, b. Sudbury, 6 May 1661.

Generation Three

3. HANNAH³ BENT (*John², John¹*) was born at Sudbury, on 6 May 1661.^[19] She married at Sudbury, on 26 February 1680 **JOHN ADAMS**.^[20]

Children of John and Hannah³ (Bent) Adams, all born at Sudbury, were as follows:

- i. JOHN⁴ ADAMS, b. 12 March 1683/84;^[21]
 m. Framingham, Mass., 27 June
 1706 ELIZABETH GODDARD, b.
 Watertown, Mass., 8 Jan. 1680/81,^[22]

¹⁷ Banks, *Planters*, 195.

¹⁸ Barry, *Framingham*, 182.

¹⁹ *Sudbury VRs* (published), 17.

²⁰ *Sudbury VRs* (published), 161, 169. Citing "Middlesex County record (East Cambridge)."

²¹ *Sudbury VRs* (published), 10. Surname Addams.

²² Town of Watertown, *Watertown Records: Comprising the First and Second Books of Town Proceedings with the Land Grants and Possessions, also the Proprietors' Book and the First Book and Supplement of Births Deaths and Marriages* (Watertown, Mass.: The Town, 1894), 48.

daughter of Joseph and Deborah
(Treadway) Goddard.^[23]

- ii. DANIEL ADAMS, b. 21 November 1685.^[24]
- iii. HANNAH ADAMS, b. 14 February 1687/88.
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²³ Town of Framingham and Thomas W. Baldwin, compilers, *Vital Records of Framingham, Massachusetts, to the Year 1850* (Boston, Mass.: Wright & Potter Printing Company, 1911), 228.

²⁴ *Sudbury VRs* (published), 10.

²⁵ *Sudbury VRs* (published), 10.