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Hi Chris,

When we married, my wife was a Wedlock. I've traced her family line back to the marriage of Henry Wedlock, in Chrishall, Essex, in 1781. The line is completely consistent back to there, but there's no history of Wedlocks in the area before that, and no clue where he came from. After his marriage, Henry moved to the adjacent parish of Arkesden, where his children were born and christened.

By following the antecedants of a Thomas "Wedlock", who died in 1855, and who many people's trees show as a son of Henry Wedlock, born in 1781, the year of his marriage, I believe that that this Thomas "Wedlock" was originally christened Thomas Whitlock, in Elmdon, Essex, in 1774, and wasn't a son of Henry Wedlock at all, but was his brother. I've been through the Elmdon parish records to look into this.

Thomas "Wedlock" was a twin, and he and his twin brother Samuel, were two of nine children, born in Elmdon, Essex, to Samuel and Mary Whitlock (nee Law) who were married in Elmdon in 1755.

Of their nine children, I've found matching death records for 6 of them, including Thomas' twin brother, also called Samuel, in infancy or at a young age. The remaining three Whitlocks who don't have matching burial records as children are:

a) Thomas, the one above who survived to 1855 and died in Elmdon, aged 80

b) John Whitlock, b 1774 who married in Elmdon, and whose Whitlock children I know dispersed to Barley, Hertfordshire, and later to Birmingham and elsewhere. John Whitlock married Elizabeth Chapman, of Elmdon, and their eldest son Samuel married someone called Sarah, and is the one I believe you're showing as the Whitlock at the top of your tree, married to Sarah Baker. Their son John married Eliza Nottage, but I haven't followed their line further than that. Please let me know if you would like me to, and I'll be happy to see what I can find ✓

c) Henry Whitlock, b 1760, who disappears from the radar immediately after his christening in Elmdon. It is he who I believe appears in 1781 marrying in Chrishall as Henry Wedlock.

Thomas Whitlock has his christening, his death and his burial recorded in three different names. In the Elmdon parish records in 1774, his name is recorded as Whitlock. When he died in 1855, and in the census records of 1841 and 1851, his name is given as Wedlock. In the Elmdon parish records in 1855, his burial record is given as Widlock. Its beyond coincidence that these are all the same person.

So if Thomas, who lived in Elmdon all his life, can have his baptism, death and burial recorded in three different names (Whitlock, Wedlock and Widlock) how much easier must it be for Henry, who, if it is him, was born in Elmdon, married in Chrishall, and raised his own children in Arkesden, to have his name recorded in different forms?

Also, when Henry Wedlock's eldest daughter, Mary Ann, married, her

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I put most of my tree on here, but not all.
After all this info he didn't know John had been married twice till I told him! at least I was some use!
I don't need this, have copy.

marriage entry gave her name as Whitlock, which was struck through and changed to Widlock

So, if I'm right, as far as the tree fits, Samuel Whitlock, if he is indeed the father of Henry Wedlock as I believe him to be, would be my wife's gggg gfather, and his son John would be your.....um...I don't know what!

I've opened my tree to you so you can see the above in (hopefully!) more clarity, but if you need more information, or indeed if I've got something hopelessly wrong, please don't hesitate to let me know!!

Regards
Brian HARRISON

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Sorry I am such a messy person, just

write things down as I remember, bad habit.

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Peter. I'm worry for all the lines, but when I read this a few times my head was still spinning! I underlined them so I could pick their names out easier, I had six of the children but didn't know any of the deaths. Where^{*} he has put twins I have as being bapt; same day, but no birth date, so not too sure about that.
If he does get in touch with you & you can get things sorted, please could you let me know.?

Chris Geoghegan

From: "Brian Harrison" <bh_8611@yahoo.co.uk>
 To: "Chris Geoghegan" <cgeogheg@bigpond.net.au>
 Sent: Tuesday, 20 November 2007 5:51 PM
 Subject: Re: Whitlocks

Hi Chris,

Yes, that Thomas b 1767 is one of Samuel and Mary's 6 children that died young. Their baptism (bp) and burial (bu) dates, all at Elmdon, were:

James bp 29 Feb 1756, bu 11 Nov 1783 (apparently unmarried, I couldn't find a marriage) ✓

Mary, bp 19 Feb 1758, bu 7 Feb 1781 (apparently unmarried, she was still called Whitlock when she died) ✓

Samuel, bp 22 Nov 1761, bu 10 Jun 1772 (he died from smallpox) ✓

John, bp 29 Apr 1764, bu 27 Jul 1769 ✓

Thomas, bp 21 Jun 1767, bu 26 Jan 1771 ✓

Samuel, bp 28 Jun 1774, bu 6 Sep 1777 ✓

If you put these six with the three I mentioned in my earlier mail (Henry bp 9 Mar 1760, John, bp 25 Jun 1770, and Thomas, bp 28 Jun 1774) you have all nine of Samuel and Mary's children.

If you follow the dates, you can see that after the first John (b 1774) died in 1769, they named their next son John to b 1770. Then after the first Samuel (b 1761) died from smallpox in 1772, and the first Thomas (b 1767) died in 1771, they named their next sons (twins b 1774), as Samuel and Thomas, although it turned out the second Samuel died ^{each} younger than the first one. These twins were the ones who were both bp 28 Jun 1774. ^(may not have been twins as this was a bapt.)

I'll look into John's son Samuel (b 1803) and get back to you. Its certainly possible he married more than once, and may indeed have had more than one wife called Sarah, which would explain a couple of things.

He didn't get back to me! says I'm his wife's 5th Cousin
 once removed!

Peter. I hope I haven't sent every-thing that you had before?

you probably had this years ago, but I taped

CSI-NY - it said - Key Hair Stylist. =

Deborah Mills Whitlock.

Gaffer - David Kagen.

Also week before same prog: but untaped there were

2 Whitlocks, think they were children, but went too fast, so that's why I taped the next! it wasn't on.