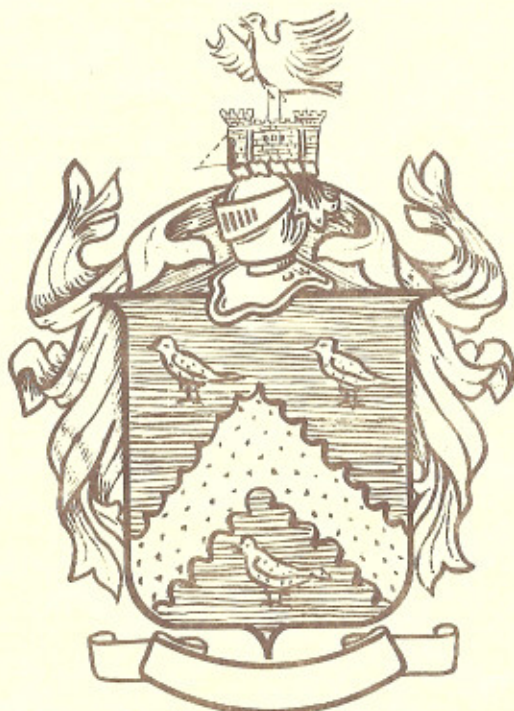


Coat of Arms

Historiography



Whitlock

The Whitlock Coat of Arms illustrated left was drawn by an heraldic artist from information officially recorded in ancient heraldic archives. Documentation for the Whitlock Coat of Arms design can be found in *Burke's General Armory*. Heraldic artists of old developed their own unique language to describe an individual Coat of Arms. In their language, the Arms (shield) is as follows:

"Az. a chev. engr. betw. three birds or."

Above the shield and helmet is the Crest which is described as:

"On a castle ar. a bird, wings displ.or."

When translated the blazon also describes the original colors of the Whitlock Arms and Crest as it appeared centuries ago. Family mottoes are believed to have originated as battle cries in medieval times. A Motto was not recorded with this Whitlock Coat of Arms. Individual surnames originated for the purpose of more specific identification. The four primary sources for second names were: occupation, location, father's name, or personal characteristics. The surname Whitlock appears to be both locational and characteristic in origin, and is believed to be associated with the English, meaning, "one who had white hair", and "dweller at, or near, the white enclosure." The supplementary sheet included with this report is designed to give you more information to further your understanding of the origin of names. Different spellings of the same original surname are a common occurrence. Dictionaries of surnames indicate probable spelling variations of Whitlock to be Whitelock, Whitelocke, and Witlok. Although bearer's of the old and distinguished Whitlock name comprise a small fraction of the population there are a number who have established for it a significant place in history. They include: BULSTRODE WHITLOCK (Whitelock) (1608-1676) The son of a Judge, he studied law and sat in the Long Parliament for Great Marlow. Was sent as Ambassador to Sweden in 1653. BRAND WHITLOCK (1869-1934) Journalist, barrister, and Mayor of Toledo, Ohio. Between 1913 and 1922, he was Minister to Belgium. ELIZABETH WHITLOCK (1761-1836) English actress who married the manager of the Newcastle Theatre in 1785. HERBERT PERCY WHITLOCK (1868-1948) American mineralogist. Was the Curator of mineralogy for the American Museum of Natural History from 1918 to 1941. He wrote several books on the subject of mineralogy, among them, "The Story of Gems", written in 1936. JOHN WHITLOCK (Whitelocke) (1757-1833) Soldier. In 1780, he was promoted to a Lieutenant, and went to Jamaica with his regiment in 1782. Was made a Lieutenant-Governor of Portsmouth in 1799, and around 1805, Inspector-General of Recruiting.

