

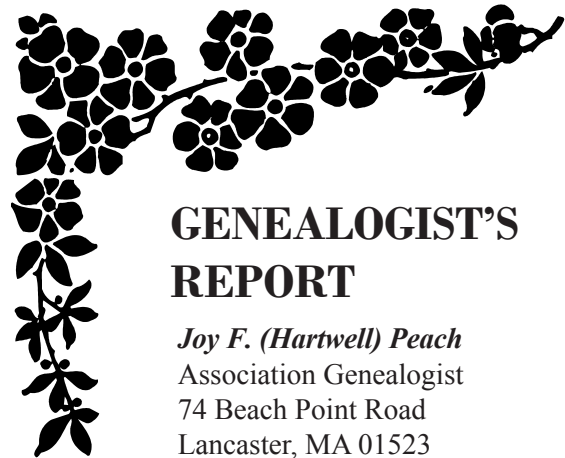
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Notice of Annual Meeting & Seventy-Third Anniversary Reunion

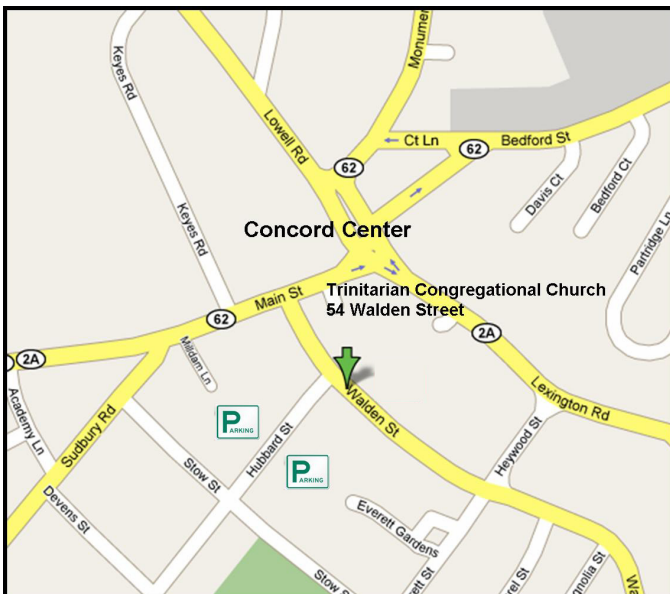
Date: Saturday, June 26, 2009
Place: Trinitarian Congregational Church
54 Walden Street
Concord, Massachusetts
Time: Greetings & Salutations
Coffee & Pastries 10:00-12:00
Bring Your Own Picnic Luncheon: 12:00-1:00
Business Meeting: 1:00



GENEALOGIST'S REPORT

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Reunion Site



WHERE HAVE ALL THE HARTWELLS GONE?

The subject of numbers of Hartwells in each generation came up at the last annual meeting, so I thought it might be interesting to expand on the topic. My innovative numbering system allows calculation of how many Hartwells are born into each generation. Thus there were four Hartwells in the second generation; i.e., William¹'s sons John and Samuel and daughters Sarah and Mary. (I have not included possible daughter Martha, since I have found no indication that she actually existed.) The generations just expand from there, growing to 388 Hartwell children born in the sixth generation, 987 in the 7th, 1,462 in the 8th and 1,782 in the 9th, which is the peak. The numbers decline from there with 1,225 in the 10th, 876 in the 11th, 535 in the 12th, 199 in the 13th, 41 in the 14th and 3 so far in the 15th generation.

Reasons for this decline are probably numerous. One is that families are having fewer children than in the "olden days" when it was not unusual for a man and wife to have 10 or more children. Not all Hartwells in America are descended from William¹ of Concord and not all William's descendants communicate with the genealogist, but judging from the number of Hartwells on the Social Security Death Index every year that I am unable to identify, there probably are lots of Hartwells across the country who (1) are descended from William and (2) don't care about their lineage enough to correspond with the Hartwells of America.

Among those who do get in touch, special thanks go to AMIE DIETRICH of Pennsylvania, a descendant of Calvin and Minerva (Higbee) Hartwell, who has helped solve the mystery of what happened to most of that family. Thanks also to LESLIE GALLAUGHER

for sending me a stack of Hartwell obituaries he found on www.legacy.com, several of which are mentioned in the death records listed below, (as well as several who have yet to be placed on the Hartwell family tree). And last, but not least, to **KAREN MEGERLE** for telling me about a very helpful website for Michigan called www.seekingmichigan.org.

UNRAVELLING MICHIGAN HARTWELLS

When I put "Hartwell" into the search slot this site came up with 155 hits, all but two of which were death certificates encompassing the years 1897-1920. This doesn't mean that 153 Hartwells died in Michigan during that time, as any death certificate containing the name Hartwell anywhere on it was included. Thus several people whose first name was Hartwell, as well as women whose maiden name was Hartwell, or even whose father's given name was Hartwell were included. Of course the records of those women whose maiden name, or even whose mother's maiden name was Hartwell were very useful. I ended up having to renumber several generations as previously unknown Hartwell daughters turned up in these records. For example, Amos and Persis (Porter) Hartwell had two previously unrecorded daughters, both of whom married and had families.

In all there were 87 actual Hartwell deaths, most of which I've been able to identify, and some of which helped solve some rather knotty problems. There were a couple of tragic stories amid the dry statistics, such as the deaths of 53-year old Uriel Hartwell and his 24-year old son Alva, who both drowned when their sailboat "upset" at Bois Blanc, Michigan, or the deaths of George Hartwell's young wife Pearl and their baby daughter Doris, who died from "burns due to an explosion from pouring kerosene on the stove." It would be interesting to know how the families coped with these disasters and how their lives were impacted, but, unfortunately, that's not something to be found in these records, helpful as they are. Perhaps there are some old newspaper accounts of these events that further research might uncover.

2009 DEATHS

Of the 54 Hartwell deaths listed on the Social Security Death Index for 2009, only 21 have been identified. (Those identified and/or obtained from other sources are in bold)

Marjory Lois¹¹ (Hartwell) Atkins, only child of Joseph Sanford¹⁰ & Irene (Levy) Hartwell, died at Monroe, Connecticut, 5 February 2009 [SSDI]. Predeceased by her son Thomas Rezendes, Marjory is survived by her son, Stephen Rezendes, her dau. Jeanne Cocchiarella and five grandchildren. Marjory was proud of her Hartwell heritage and was good at keeping your genealogist informed of changes in her family.

Albert Franklin¹⁰ Hartwell, son of William E.⁹ & Johanna (Vollema) Hartwell, b. 20 February 1918; d. Ada, MI 24 April 2009 [SSDI].

Anne M[arie] (Lucas) Hartwell, former wife of Wesley Hubert¹² Hartwell, b. 20 Dec. 1934; d. Sarasota, FL 14 Dec. 2009 [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

Beverly J. (Charbonneau) Hartwell, second wife and widow of David Arthur¹⁰ Hartwell, b. 2 November 1945; d.

MA 10 June 2009 [SSDI; obit. from Worcester T&G].

Catherine Louise (Colbeth) Hartwell, widow of Henry Lloyd¹⁰ Hartwell, b. 23 May 1925; d. at Stetson, Maine, 5 July 2009 [SSDI].

Charles Everett¹⁰ Hartwell, son of Harry Herbert⁹ & Della J. (Payne) Hartwell, b. Rockingham, VT 4 May 1921; d. Greenville, SC 2 February 2009 [SSDI]. No children.

Clarence C.¹⁰ Hartwell, son of Melvin⁹ & Grace (Cornell) Hartwell, b. Stamford, NY, 15 September 1911; d. there 10 January 2009 [SSDI]. No children, he was the uncle of Donald A. (below).

Dennis Lynn¹² Hartwell, son of Harold Neal¹¹ & Ruth (Hatch) Hartwell, b. 13 January 1952; d. Austin, TX 12 January 2009 [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

Donald Allen¹¹ Hartwell, Jr., son of Donald Allen¹⁰ & Isabel (Mattice) Hartwell, b. prob. Stamford, NY, 26 April 1942; d. Hinesville, GA 18 June 2009 [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

E. Eugene¹⁰ "Buck" Hartwell, son of Claude S.⁹ & Katie (Green) Hartwell, b. Labette, KS, 13 August 1922; d. Parsons, KS, 24 December 2009 [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

Elizabeth Marie¹² Hartwell, daughter of Steven Charles¹¹ & Debra Hartwell, b. Littleton ca. 1982; died there 25 September 2009 [obit. from Charlotte Hartwell].

Eleanor Johnston¹⁰ "Nonie" Hartwell, daughter of Samuel Adams⁹ & Caroline (Johnston) Hartwell, b. Pittsburg, PA, 8 December 1923; d. Denver, CO, 23 October 2009, age 85y [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

Elsie (Kokx) Hartwell, widow of Brace Frederick¹⁰ Hartwell, b. 17 July 1915; d. Creston, CA 3 November 2009 [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

Helen Yvonne (King) Hartwell, widow of Robert Gordon¹² Hartwell, b. Concord, ME, 16 August 1933; d. Bingham, ME, 5 November 2009 [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

Larry Lee¹² Hartwell, son of Larry L.¹¹ & Margaret (Snook) Hartwell, b. 3 February 1954; d. Alexandria, MN, 5 September 2009 [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

Linda Jean¹³ Hartwell, daughter of Thurston¹² & Barbara (Sonsini) Hartwell, b. Needham, MA, 6 November 1959; d. Greensboro, NC, 28 April 2009 [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

Mary Ann (Cannon) Hartwell, widow of Donald Offutt¹¹ Hartwell (who d. 2008), b. Lake City, FL, 3 July 1923; d. Tallahassee, 4 December 2009, age 86y [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

Michael Richard¹⁰ Hartwell, son of James Cornelius⁹ & Eva (Brown) Hartwell, b. Fitchburg, MA 14 September 1948; d. 12 May 2009 [SSDI].

Millie Elizabeth (Hodson) Hartwell, wife of Joe¹¹ Hartwell, b. 6 November 1920; d. Montevue, ID 19 March 2009 [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

Richard Ely Hartwell – see 2009 newsletter

Shattuck Wellman¹⁰ Hartwell, son of Shattuck W.⁹ & Kathleen (Gemmell) Hartwell, b. 26 December 1928; d. Chagrin Falls, OH, 8 October 2009 [SSDI; obit. from Leslie Gallagher].

Stephen R. Hartwell – see 2009 newsletter

William Wesley¹¹ Hartwell, son of William Wesley¹⁰ & Grace (Doolittle) Hartwell, b. prob. New Wilmington, PA, 18 May 1930; d. 10 September 2009 [SSDI; correspondence with Bruce Ipe].

Kathleen Mary Parslow, daughter of Teresa¹⁰ Hartwell and Thomas Parslow, b. 31 December 1954; d. North Grafton, MA, 14 December 2009 [obit. from Clinton Item]

Unidentified

Alice, b. 14 Jan. 1952; d. Ocala, FL 28 Aug. 2009

Arthur E. Hartwell, b. 27 Aug. 1919; d. Kansas City, MO 16 Dec. 2009 [obit. from L.G. identifies him as son of Harvey and Maude (Johnson) Hartwell, husband of Germaine, father of Fred].

Arthur, b. 10 Jan. 1950; d. Pomona, NJ 25 Dec. 2009

Barbara J. Hartwell, b. 2 Sept. 1932; d. Walla Walla, WA 19 Jan. 2009; SSN issued WA

Barry S. Hartwell, b. 18 April 1941; d. Port Richey, FL 18 June 2009; SSN issued NY

Benjamin T. Hartwell, b. 25 Sept. 1927; d. Roanoke, VA 19 Jan. 2009; SSN issued VA

Charles R., b. 3 March 1932; d. WV 12 Oct. 2009

Florence, b. 12 Aug. 1916; d. Jamaica, NY 29 Oct. 2009

George H. Hartwell, b. 14 July 1915; d. Lansing, MI 2 March 2009; SSN issued MI

Hayward Hartwell, b. 9 Feb. 1921; d. Hyattsville, MD 2 May 2009; SSN issued PA

Jennifer R[uth] (Price) Hartwell., b. 1 Jan. 1973; d. Sebastian, FL 3 Dec. 2009 [obit. from Leslie Gallagher says she was former wife of Gerald Hartwell of Natick].

Joan L. (Merriwether), b. 29 Nov. 1930; d. Houston, TX 30 Sept. 2009 [obit. from L. G. calls her widow of Charles Kent Hartwell].

Joseph J. Hartwell, b. 25 Feb. 1927; d. Florence, SC 7 Dec. 2009

Judith H. Hartwell, b. 4 April 1909; d. Mount Vernon, IL 5 Feb. 2009; SSN issued CO

Julian M. Hartwell, b. 10 April 1962; d. 9 Jan. 2009; SSN issued MA

Lois Hartwell, b. 1 Feb. 1933; d. Hudson, NH 7 Oct. 2009

Lucael Hartwell, b. 2 Jan. 1919; d. Norway, SC 18 March 2009; SSN issued SC

Lucella R. Hartwell, b. 12 Sept. 1915; d. St. Paul, MN 4 Nov. 2009 [obit. from Leslie Gallagher calls her daughter of George and Martha Hartwell].

Margaret Hartwell, b. 17 Aug. 1921; d. Marion, IL 9 Aug. 2009

Margaret M. Hartwell, b. 13 May 1926; d. Richmond, VA 10 Sept. 2009

Margaret N. Hartwell, b. 6 July 1907; d. Berea, OH 9 April 2009; SSN issued OH

Mary H. Hartwell, b. 16 June 1908; d. Fremont, CA 14 March 2009; SSN issued CA

Michael L. Hartwell, b. 9 Nov. 1939; d. West Jordan, UT 15 April 2009; SSN issued MT

Nancy S. Hartwell, b. 18 Sept. 1937; d. North Fort Myers, FL 20 May 2009; SSN issued CA.

Oscar Hartwell, b. 9 Feb. 1921; d. Pittsburgh, PA 7 July 2009

Patricia A. Hartwell, b. 31 Jan. 1948; d. Ocala, FL 6 Jan. 2009; SSN issued FL

Robert T[odd], b. 24 Sept. 1962; d. Medford, OR 19 Aug. 2009 [obit from Leslie Gallagher calls him son of Clarence and Edna (Noble) Hartwell].

Ronald M. Hartwell, b. 11 Feb. 1921; d. Hyattsville, MD 14 March 2009; SSN issued VA

Sandra L. Hartwell, b. 3 Dec. 1945; d. Magalia, CA 15 Jan. 2009; SSN issued CA

Tommy E. Hartwell, b. 8 Oct. 1954; d. Dixon, CA 5 March 2009; SSN issued CA

William E., b. 28 March 1922; d. Carmel, IN 11 Nov. 2009

William L., b. 14 April 1923; d. East Hampton, NY 14 Nov. 2009

Willie L. Hartwell, b. 24 Sept. 1934; d. Vallejo, CA 12 April 2009; SSN issued CA

Lastly, if anyone wishes to correspond with me, I've finally gone wireless, so my new email address is

joypeach@verizon.net.

Joy Hartwell Peach, Hartwell family genealogist

William¹, Concord Settler, Reviewed in *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register*

This update of earlier Hartwell genealogies corrects some serious errors, e.g., John-2 Hartwell did not marry sisters. It adds much new information, and documents it all carefully. Females are often continued through the grandchildren of Hartwell women. The thoughtful introduction is well worth reading. There are three appendices, one of them discussing the probable ancestry of the immigrant William. In its coverage it is a classic genealogy, but some innovations need comment. The numbering system is unique but not difficult. While each descendant has a number, the numbers in each generation begin with 1. Thus we have 1.1, 1.2, etc., in the first generation and 4.1 through 4.155, etc., in the fourth generation. Once understood it is easy to follow. When a new individual was discovered and renumbering was required, it was only necessary to renumber a single generation. While documentation is extensive, the author used three different methods: in-text abbreviations in parentheses, in-text full citations in a smaller font, and notes at the end of many sketches that provide reasoning and/or tangential detail. The method uses less space than footnotes. This book will be valuable for anyone with Hartwell connections.

Review by Helen Shatvet Ullman, Associate Editor and Book Review Coordinator, *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, April 2009

Minutes of the 2009 Annual Meeting of the Hartwells of America

Perhaps it was the dismal economy that kept attendees away (although we know recent foot surgery and an important town meeting accounted for two absent officers), but the relatively small group of twenty-two Hartwell cousins and friends gathered on Saturday, June 27, 2009, at the Trinitarian Congregational Church, Concord, MA, for the Hartwells of America Association's 72nd Anniversary Reunion made up in enthusiasm for what it lacked in numbers.

President Wayne E. Hartwell (Foxborough, MA) called the business meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

Roger Whitcher Hartwell (Quincy, MA) offered an opening prayer, followed by a moment of silence to remember Hartwell cousins departed since the last Reunion.

First-time Reunion attendees Roy Hartwell Davis and Pauline Davis, from Buckeye, Arizona, were welcomed by the group.

In the absence of Recording Secretary Judith Bacon Hartwell (Foxborough, MA) (the foot surgery), daughter Katy Hartwell was conscripted to take the minutes of the proceedings. The minutes of the 2008 business meeting, as published in the 2007 Newsletter, were accepted.

David Hartwell Webber (Dunstable, MA) delivered the Treasurer's report. As of the close of the Association's 2009 Fiscal Year, the balance on hand in the Scholarship Fund was a respectable \$12,084.42, inclusive of donations received during the Fiscal Year in the amount of \$1,045.00. The Operating Fund, which underwrites the Reunion, Newsletter, and other Association operating expenses, stood at \$2,046.47. Operating Fund revenue for the year, from bank interest, dues, and the sale of Hartwell literature, totaled \$1,023.90, and operating expenses for the year for Newsletter and postage and the Reunion were \$855.48.

David noted that the Association's accounts had been moved from TD Banknorth to the Digital Federal Credit Union (DCU) due to an increase in the minimum required TD Banknorth account balance from \$100 to \$250. The Genealogy Account had repaid the loan from the Operating Account in the amount of \$951 (that sum is included in the Operating Fund balance shown above). The matured Scholarship Fund Certificate of Deposit was not rolled-over because of the low rate of return available; David is awaiting a "Special Offer" or "Promotional Rate" from DCU. As of the end of Fiscal Year 2009, the Genealogy Fund owed the Scholarship Fund \$2,914 (Costs for the Genealogy through Fiscal Year 2009 totaled \$9,278 for printing, shipping, editor, mailing envelopes, postage, and

sales tax, while income from sales and sales tax totaled \$6,217).

Scholarship Committee Chairperson Victoria H.C. Rogers (Otisfield, ME) was also not in attendance (the town meeting). David Webber reported on her behalf that the Committee had received no applications for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Genealogist Joy F. Peach (Lancaster, MA) read a review of *The Descendants of William Hartwell, Concord Settler, 1636, Through Five Generations*, which the reviewer concluded "will be valuable for anyone with Hartwell connections." (see p. 3). Joy updated the meeting on her latest finds (including some interesting causes of death) and her continuing work on the generations yet to be published. Considerable discussion centered on the expense of producing another volume, given the Association's experience with publishing generations 1 through 5.

Contributions were voted to Trinitarian for the use of its facilities (\$200) and attendance of its Sexton (\$75), and to the Social Law Library for the efforts of the Library's graphic designer in preparing the Association's Newsletter (\$50).

For traveling the greatest distance to attend, Roy Davis received a Hartwell Tavern, 72nd Anniversary Reunion Memorial T-Shirt. Our hostess, Marian Wheeler (92), also received a T-shirt to recognize her status as the eldest lady in attendance (Marian appears to be getting younger, not older—last year's Newsletter reported her age as 93). A T-shirt for the eldest gentleman in attendance was awarded to Warren Hartwell (85) (Swampscott, MA). The T-shirt honoring the youngest attendee was awarded to Tina Seeger (15) (Pepperell, MA). (David Webber recently heard from Donald P. Davison of Grafton, MA, eldest gentleman at the 1999 Reunion, who reported that he was still "going strong" at 101.)

Moving on to the issue of where to hold the 2010 Reunion, the pros and cons of remaining at Trinitarian or returning to First Parish were discussed (not the least of which was that the former is air-conditioned). It was determined that Marian Wheeler would investigate the relative costs for the two venues and a decision would be reached in concert with the President and Treasurer. (Obviously Trinitarian came out on top).

Following the conclusion of the formal business meeting, attendees gathered for a group photo by Association Photographer, Alison Hartwell (Quincy, MA).

Respectfully submitted,
Katy Hartwell
Recording Secretary *pro tem*



Roy and Pauline Davis
Buckeye, AZ

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Please note that scholarship grants are **only** available to those whose dues to the Hartwells of America Association are **paid currently** as of the date of the Reunion at which the grants are awarded.

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