



WILLIAMS DIT BRISTOL

I have decided to add some of my genealogy to my website, so to begin I shall do my Williams dit Bristol line, I have two branches that lead to Mathurin. I have a line on my paternal side, and a line on my maternal side. I have added another line Simon Williams dit Bristol since one of his sons married into a cousin on my maternal line. I am still working on these lines so bear with me since some dates are missing at the moment.

The photo is of my great grandfather Jacob Williams dit Bristol married to Osite Leger and his sister Susanne Williams dit Bristol married to Auguste Leger.

The following story was found at the Centre D'étude Acadienne at the University of Moncton and it was also told to me by the late Father Clement Cormier.

The story is about the first Williams dit Bristol who came to New Brunswick.

It was said that he was a young boy perhaps a cabin boy who jumped ship when it anchored at Cocagne New Brunswick.

The story continues saying that this young lad hid in a hayloft owned by Joseph Goguen one of the founders of Cocagne. Joseph Goguen found him and asked him what his name

was , and this little boy could not speak French and all he could say was William from Bristol. So Joseph Goguen took him home and raised him as his own, taught him to speak French and learn catechism .When the missionary came to his home, Joseph had him baptized and gave him the names Mathurin for the Missionary Mathurin Bourg, Guillaume ,French for William and Bristol because it was where the young boy came from.

Mathurin was known as Mathurin Bristol and Mathurin Williams.

Joseph Goguen having difficulties with his second wife left her and bought some land behind the college in Memramcook, taking Mathurin along with him.

I found Mathurin's obituary in the Saint Thomas parish records in Memramcook. He died June 20 1827, at the age of 76, if his age is exact, it would mean that he was born in 1751 and he would have been around 40 years of age when he married Angelique Gauthier daughter of Joseph Gauthier and Catherine Vienneau .She was born in Riviere St Jean March 14 1771, so she would have been 20 years younger than Mathurin. They married around 1791 and had five children.

According to La Societe Historique Acadienne, Mathurin was living in Cocagne from 1770 to 1778, then in 1778 he was living in Village des Cormier today known as Taylor Village on land that was given to him by Francois Hebert.

Article 923 G7 3PI 1984 Regis Brun, and translated to English by me here is what the article says, Joseph Goguen was one of the teachers who would teach French education among the homes, not only did he teach his children , he would also teach his workers. Hence Mathurin Bristol settled in Memramcook where he spent his free time learning elementary education. It is quite possible that he was the one nicknamed Carbonal who was mentioned as being one of the first school teachers In that area.

Another article that was mentioned to me and translated for me by Mister Stephen White was from the Desbarres Papers series 5, Land Correspondence 1795-1812 dated Franklin Manor September 19 1810:

Dear Sir, yours of the 18th forst. I recef this morning and agreeable to your request have forwarded your horse by the servant. As to the ejection causes which you make mention of, I am dubious with respect to your success. If you had brought actions against those of Belliveau Village and brought OLD MATHURANG WILLIAM as a witness against them for to prove that they may have been paid By Mister Cannon for their improvement they would not have had such grounds in support of their plea against you. Etc.< BR>I remain dear sir yours truly sincere J Glenie. (I just wanted to show you that Mathurin's name was on documents.

Mathurin Williams dit Bristol and Angelique Gauthier had five children, they were:
ELIE born around 1796 married first to Adelaide Lirette daughter of Joseph Lirette and Marguerite Goguen Jan 22 1816 in Cocagne and second to Henriette Fournier widow of Paul Doiron on Oct 27 1845 in Barachois.

JEAN- BAPTISTE born 1794 in Memramcook married Madeleine Helene Bellefontaine daughter of Regis Bellefontaine and Scholastique Bourgeois September 27 1819 in Memramcook.

AGNES born 1796 married Hubert Lirette son of Joseph Lirette and Marguerite Goguen Fe 11 1817 in Memramcook.

THOMAS born in 1798 married Marie Surette daughter of Joseph Surette and Scholastique Dupuis October 4 1819 in Memramcook.

JOSEPH born 1800 married Madeleine Boucher July 20 1830 in Grand Digue.

SECOND GENERATION

AGNES Williams dit Bristol was born around 1796, she was the daughter of Mathurin and Angelique Gauthier. She married Hubert Lirette son of Joseph Lirette and Marguerite Goguen Feb.11 1817 in Memramcook. She died Jan.25 1878 in Cocagne. In the registers she is listed as Agnes Gauthier wife of Hubert Lirette. They lived in MacDougall and had the following children:

Thaddee Lirette born 1818 Cocagne
Andre Lirette born 1819 in Memramcook
Genevieve Lirette born 1822 Cocagne
Thaddee Lirette born 1824 Cocagne
Marie Lirette born 1827
Joseph Lirette born 1829 Cocagne
Rose Lirette born 1831 Barachois
Madeleine Lirette born 1836 Barachois

ELIE Williams dit Bristol was born around 1796, son of Mathurin and Angelique Gauthier, he married first to Adeline Lirette daughter of Joseph Lirette and Marguerite Goguen Jan 22 1816 in Cocagne. Adeline died March 14 1845 in Cocagne, and on the 27th of October 1845 eight months later he married Henriette Fournier the widow of Paul Doiron in Barachois. Elie died November 4 1849 in Cap Pele at the age of 53..He had no children with Henriette but had a large family with Adeline.

DAVID born Jan 8 1817 in Memramcook married Marie Anne Pellerin Feb 11 1840.

DOMINIQUE born Sept.22 1818 in Memramcook married Modeste Doiron Nov 10 1845 in Barachois.

ANDRE born Oct 14 1820 in Memramcook married Marguerite Doiron Jan 8 1846 in Cap Pele , Euphrosine Leblanc 1853 in Cap Pele and Amelia Gallant 1832 in Memramcook.

LUCIEN born Dec.8 1822 in Barachois married Anne Landry Jan.9 1843 in Barachois, Lucien is on my maternal line.

SIMON born Jan 25 1825 in Barachois married Gertrude Pellerin Nov 9 1846 in Cap Pele. Simon is on my mother's cousin's side.

MARIE born April 23 1827 in Cocagne died 1828

DAMIEN born Dec 12 1828 married Gertrude Babineau Nov 22 1852 in Grand Digue

MARIE born July 18 1831 died 1831 in Barachois

DOMITHILDE born Sept 20 1832 Barachois married Eustache Doiron Oct 29 1851 in Cap Pele, she died in 1860.

MARGUERITE born May 2 1835 in Cap Pele married Francois P Brun May 1 1855 in Barachois

MADELEINE born March 12 1838 in Barachois married Anselme Leger Jan 13 1863

In 1819 and 1820 according to the Memramcook parish Register, Heli Bristoll paid \$36.00 for his church seat in the fourth long row.

THOMAS Williams dit Bristol was born in 1798 son of Mathurin and Angelique Gauthier, he married Marie Surette daughter of Joseph Surette and Scholastique Dupuis Oct 4 1819 in Memramcook. Marie Surette was born in Memramcook in 1791 and died around 1865. In 1819 Thomas Williams dit Bristol also known as Thomas Bill, paid \$16.00 for his church seat in the fourth row according to the Memramcook parish registers.

Thomas and Marie lived in Saint Anselme for a while where two of their sons were born, and they lived in Cap Pele where Thomas was a farmer. I could not find any death records for Thomas. They had seven children

FRANCOIS XAVIER born May 30 1838 married Henriette Robichaud, Feb 13 1865 in Cocagne, he died 1919.

JUDE born May 1835 married Marguerite Poirier. Oct 24 1854.

AIME born 1832 in Barachois

SUZANNE born 1827 died 1830

ROSALIE born 1824 in Barachois married Jean Hebert she died Dec 31 1884 in Grand Digue

ANNE born 1823 died infant

AUGUSTIN born Aug 28 1820 in Memramcook married Anne Landry Aug 16 1852 in Cocagne. He is on my paternal line.

JEAN BAPTISTE MATHURIN Williams dit Bristol was born 1794 son of Mathurin and Angelique Gauthier, he married Madeleine Helene Bellefontaine daughter of Regis Bellefontaine and Scholastique Bourgeois Sept 27 1819 in Memramcook.

Jean BAPTISTE was a very good storyteller. He died June 9 1881 in Memramcook, and his wife Helene died April 3 1864 age 63. Their children were

OCTAVE born 1837

DOMINIQUE born 1834

HYPOLITE born 1826

MARGUERITE born June 16 1829

MARIE born 1821

THADDEE born ?

DOMITHILDE born Sept 14 1835?

JEAN BAPTISTE born 1834 Memramcook

JOSEPH (BILL) born May 31 1822 married Marguerite Lirette

JOSEPH Williams was born 1800 in Memramcook son of Mathurin and Angelique Gauthier, he married Marie Madeleine Boucher daughter of Jean Boucher and Marie Rose Cormier July 20 1830 in Grand Digue. Madeleine died Nov 26 1890 in Cocagne and Joseph died May 3 1864 in Cocagne. In the 1881 census Madeleine Boucher Williams age 78 was living with Joseph Williams and Omadie Bourque in Dundas NB. Their Children were :

SIMEON born March 1 1831 in Cocagne married Osite Goguen

MARIE born April 5 1832

JOSEPH born July 16 1844 married Amanda Bourque June 20 1892 in Notre Dame.

THIRD GENERATION

AUGUSTIN Williams dit Bristol was born August 28 1820 in Memramcook. He was the son of Thomas Bristol and Marie Surette. He married Anne Landry nicknamed Titanne August 16 1852 in Cocagne. In the 1861 census for Kent County Augustin Bristol is listed as Justin Williams, perhaps this is the reason his son Jacob (Jake) married using the name Williams.

In 1861 Augustin and his family lived on a farm along with his mother Marie Surette who was 70 years of age, and his brothers Jude and his family and Frank (Francois Xavier). According to the 1861 census, Augustin had a farm worth \$800.00, 206 acres of land, farm machinery worth \$20.00. He had 5 hired hands. He had 2 horses, 1 milking cow, 2 working oxen, 2 other cattle, 4 sheeps, 2 pigs, and 300 pounds of slaughtered pork.

He had 20 pounds of butter, 8 pounds of wool 2 tons of hay, 30 bushels of oats, 5 bushels of buckwheat, 20 bushels of potatoes. As you can see Augustin was doing quite well.

After the death of Augustin, March 24 1867 age of 47 in Cocagne, his widow Anne Landry married two more times, first to a Sebastien Gautreau, of this union they had a son John. And she married to Maxime Collette. Anne Landry, Sebastien Gautreau and Maxime Collette are all buried in the old Shediac Road Cemetery in Moncton. Augustin and Anne Landry had six children;

MARCELLINE born July 15 1853

MADELEINE born July 19 1864

SUZANNE born 1855 married August Leger son of Louis Leger and Marie Blanche Breau. May 6 1878 in Saint Bernard Church in Moncton.

ELLEN born August 1856 baptized 1860

JACOB (JAKE) born May 3 1858 in Cocagne married Osithe Leger daughter of Louis Leger and Marie Blanche Breau January 7 1880 in Saint Bernard Church in Moncton. He is on my paternal line.

VICTOIRE born 1866

According to the 1861 census they also had a daughter Virginie born 1860

SIMON Bristol was born January 25 1825 . he was the son of Elie Bristol and Adeline Lirette. He married Genevieve Pellerin daughter of Jean Pellerin and Marie Roy Nov 9 1846 in Cap Pele. Simon died Dec 23 1871 in Sainte Marie de Kent, Genevieve Pellerin died Oct. 9 1907 in Saint Paul. Their son John married his second cousin which is related on my maternal line. Simon and Genevieve had at least 8 children:

ADELAIDE born Nov 1847 in Cap Pele married Sifroid Gauvin Sept 1870 in Cap Pele

. **ELIE** born Sept. 26 1850 in Grand Digue and died Aug 5 1939 in Riley Maine USA.

CAROLINE born Dec 16 1851 in Grand Digue married Placide Leblanc Jan 30 1872 in Sainte Marie.

CELINA born June 17 1857 married Zacharie Bastarache

ALBENIE born Sept 1860 married Adeline Leblanc, he died 1951 in Saint Paul NB.

FARON born Oct 23 1862 in Cap Pele

GENEVIEVE born Nov 5 1866 in Barachois

JEAN WILLIAM born Sept 1 1869 in Cap Pele married Minnie Bergeron dit D'Amboise in Maine USA. He died Oct. 18 1927 in Mattawonkey Maine.

LUCIEN Williams dit Bristol was born Dec 8 1822 in Barachois . He was the son of Elie

Bristol and Adeline Lirette. He married Anne Landry daughter of Constant Landry and Therese Cormier Jan 9 1843 in Barachois.

According to the 1861 census for Saint Andrew Parish in Westmorland County, Lucien age 38 farmer , his wife Anne age 37 and their children lived on a farm on 200 acres of land. They had 1 horse, 2 pigs,1 milking cow and 5 sheep.

They had 50 pounds of butter,490 pounds of slaughtered pork,30 bushels of barley,50 bushels of oats,20 bushels of Buckwheat,300 bushels of potatoes.

Between 1869 and 1870 many people immigrated to Bishop's Land (Saint Paul), and Lucien and his family were among them.He settled on the northern side of the river.

Lucien is related to me on my maternal line

He died June 11 1881 in Sainte Marie de Kent, his wife Anne Landry died June 12 1899 in Adamsville NB.

They had a large family and many of them lived in Bonsecour, they now have a road called Chemin Des Bristol in Saint Paul.Their children:

MARY born Dec 26 1843 in Barachois, she never married but had many children.

BETZABEE born ? married Ephrem Gautreau

APPOLINE born Jan 19 1862

ARTHEMISE born 1854 in Grand Digue

LOUIS NAPOLEON (Paul) born? Married Marie Collette 1887

He worked in the Coal Mines and would always work bare feet. Told to me by a Mr.Gallant in 1993

DANIEL born Feb 17 1865

MADELEINE born 1846 died 1902 in Cap Pele

SALOMEE born 1851 in Grand Digue married Antoine Bergeron D'Amboise Jan 9 1871 in Cap Pele

DOMITHILDE born 1849 (said to be born in MacDougall Settlement) married Ferdinand Bergeron dit D'Amboise Feb 14 1871 in Cap Pele. SARAH born 1853

FOURTH GENERATION

LOUIS NAPOLEON (Paul) Williams dit Bristol born around 1858 ,he was the son of Lucien Bristol and Anne Landry. He married Marie Collet daughter of Marcel Collet and Anastasie Cormier . They raised a family of 14 children. Louis Napoleon (Paul as he was called) died in Minto at the age of 83 and after being sick for 8 months. He died in 1941 and is buried in the Adamsville Cemetery.

Some of their children were;

ANNE ISABELLA born June 18 1894 in Adamsville married Antoine McGrath

ARTHEMISE VALERIE born April 20 1891 Adamsville married Henri Gauvin.

HENRIETTA born April 15 1896 Adamsville

MAXIMIEN born April 15 1896 Adamsville married Eugenie Richard Sept 22 1919 Adamsville.He died in Moncton June 1980. He used to be a good stepdancer.

LUCIEN PATRICE born Oct 11 1899 Adamsville married Anne Collet

JOSEPH ALYRE born April 24 1888 Adamsville

JOSEPH MARCEL born Oct 11 1889 Adamsville twin to Patrice married Jeanne Gauvin.

MARIE ALODIA born April 6 1898 Adamville married Patrice Gautreau

MARIE EULALIE born March 10 1902 Adamsville married Arthur Gauvin Jan 10 1916 in Barachois.

ARTHEMISE HERMINE born 1892 married Francois Arsenault Sept.1911 in Adamsville.

ALEXANDRE born?

JACOB Williams dit Bristol was born May 3 1958 in Cocagne. He was the son of **Augustin Williams dit Bristol** and **Anne Landry**. He married **Osithe Leger** daughter of **Louis Leger** and **Marie Blanche Breau** January 7 1880 in Saint Bernard Church in Moncton .He was baptized under the name **Jacob Bristol** and married under the name **Jake Williams**. After they were married **Jake** and his family lived in Moncton for a while. In the 1909 Moncton City Directory, **Jake** is listed as living on **Robinson Street** in Moncton and his occupation was a truckman.His trucking business was also known as **Sluving** meaning transporting things with a couple of horses and carriage or a sleigh.When his sons were old enough they worked with their father.

Jake and his family also lived in **Notre Dame de Kent** where he had land. He later gave his land to his son **Frank (Francois)**.

Jake died in **Notre Dame** January 2 1941 age of 84, his wife **Osithe** died in 1951 in **Notre Dame**.Their children were:

MARY born 1880 married **Joseph Conway**

ANGUS born 1882 married **Mary Chase** in **New Beford Mass** in 1911

. **DELPHINE** born 1884 married **Alphee LeBlanc** Aug 23 1909 **Notre Dame**.

LOUIS born 1886 married **Delima Landry** 1908

HENRY born 1887 married **Isabelle Babineau** 1908

SUSANNE born 1890 married **Midas Comeau** and **Joseph Toussain** settled in **Mass**.

IDA born 1895 married **Thomas Myers (Maillet)** 1914 in **Notre Dame**.

AGNES born 1897 married **Honore Cormier** 1909 settled in **Mass**.

DAVID born 1889 married **Elise Chase** daughter of **Meleme Chase** and **Celina Meunier** 1911 in **New Bedford Mass**.

FRANCOIS (Frank) born 1901 married **RoseMai Gagnon** Sept 1 1924 in **Moncton** and **Hilda Arsenault** in 1960.

VIRGINIE born 1893 died 1909 age 16 in **Notre Dame**.

FIFTH GENERATION

DAVID Williams was born April 18 1889 in **Moncton**. He was the son of **Jacob (Jake)Williams dit Bristol**. He married **Elise Chase** daughter of **Meleme Chase** and **Celina Meunier** in **New Bedford Mass.USA** March 1 1911.

David was a carpenter and a bench molder and worked at the **Moncton Foundry**.He also ran a used furniture store on **Foundry Street**. **David** and **Elise** lived various places, they got married in the **USA** then returned home. They lived on **Mountain Road**, on **Killam Drive** known then as **Park Road**,they lived in **St.Paul** and finally settled on **Cedar Street** where **David** died on **Nov.10 1953**. My father told me that **David** once owned an **Essex Car** and a **Model A Ford**. **David** used to do things to make extra money, he made many cemetery crosses that are in the **Notre Dame de Kent** cemetery out of wrought iron, he also made some crosses for the homes and statues which he sold. As you know in most **Acadian** homes there was usually always a cross hanging on a wall.

My father once told me that **David** used to live in **Moncton** and he bought two racing horses from out west and he would take them to a nearby race track and race them against his friends horse and his two racers usually won.

Here are the names of the children of **David** and **Elise**:

JOSEPH EDMOND

VIOLA**ALBERT born 1912 died infant****ALBERT CLOVIS (Clarence) born 1915 died young****JOSEPH ALYRE****JOSEPH EMILIEN****FLORIDA born 1919 died infant****FLORENCE born 1920 died age 4mts****Living****MARIE FLORINE born 1922 died 1922****FRANCIS****GEORGE born 1924 died young****JOSEPH EDGAR****Living****EDGAR #2 died infant**

The following Genealogy may be accessed by clicking on a link in the drop down menu. I hope to add more genealogy articles at a later time.

Bergeron dit D'Amboise Cormier Leger Williams Dit Bristol
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