BLAKE PRIVATE BURYING GROUND

Walpole, Massachusetts

LOCATION

This is a small burying ground that is located off South Street, beyond the site of the Blake-Blackburn House, in the Town Forest.

ANCESTRY

Aaron Blake, b. 24 April 1730 in Wrentham, d. 3 June 1789 in Walpole was a great grandson of John Blake (1640 – 25 May 1700) and his wife Bridget (______ - 30 May 1706). In 1686, John found his way from the Island of Monserrat to Sandwich, Plymouth Bay Colony and the same year, this family removed to Wrentham. John and Bridget settled on the shores of Blake's Pond (Lake Archer). Their youngest son Robert settled on the home farm at Lake Archer.

Others sons Andrew and John, Jr, each lived at Stop River/Stony Brook. This land was in Wrentham until 1870 when the town of Norfolk was established from Franklin and Medway. Today, we know this area of land as the Audubon Society's Stony Brook Nature Center.

John, Jr.'s son James, b. 7 October 1689, d. 12 January 1765 married Ann Bullard, daughter of Samuel Bullard and Hannah Thorpe on 15 December 1714 in Dorchester, Massachusetts. Ann was born 15 January 1692 in Dedham, d. 16 December 1767 in Wrentham. There were 11 children of this union; six sons and five daughters. Of these a son Solomon, who married Abial Pond, remained at Stony Brook and in 1762, owned the saw mill at that location and Aaron who removed to Walpole and married Mehitable Ellis.

FACTS

Interesting facts, as well as, photos of the cemetery and dwelling house gathered by the Walpole Historical Society, Inc. follow the cemetery listing. This is just a listing of those interned.

Over the years, the original were damaged, removed, stored in the Walpole Historical Society's location and replaced with the existing ones.

LISTING

Graves from left to right ...

- Sene Blake, daughter of Mr. Aaron and Mrs. Elizabeth Blake, died Aug. 20, 1794 in her 3rd year.
- Mrs. Elizabeth, widow of Mr. Aaron Blake, Jr., died March 1, 1839 in her 75th year.
- Mr. Aaron Blake, son of Mr. Aaron Blake, died April 10, 1796 in his 34th year.

- Mr. Aaron Blake, died 3 June 1789 in his 60th year.
- Mrs. Mehetable Blake, Relict of Mr. Aaron Blake, died 29 October 1798.

COMMENTS

Aaron Blake, Sr., married Mehitable Ellis 15 April, 1756 in Walpole. Mehitable was born 12 July 1731 in Walpole the daughter of Jacob Ellis (17 March 1702/3 -) and Mehitable Guild (18 February 1707/8 – 21 June 1798). Also, Mehitable was a 2^{nd} great grand daughter of immigrant John Guild (ca. 1616-4 October 1682.

Aaron Blake, Jr., married Elizabeth Clap on 28 April 1785 in Walpole. Elizabeth was born 13 November 1764 in Walpole the daughter of Seth and Mary.

Both Aaron Blake and his son Aaron were in service during the American Revolutionary War.

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