

## Ancestors of Orson Martin, Jr.

Orson Martin, Jr. was born to Orson Martin, Sr. and Anne Forsee in 1775/1776. Orson, Sr. was born ca.1735 in Goochland County to Valentine Martin and Jane Bridgewater. He inherited a plantation with 200 acres of land in Cumberland County from his father in 1760 and lived there his entire life. About 1764, he married Anne Forsee, daughter of Estiene Farcy (Stephen Forsee) and Marie Perault (Mary Ann Perow), born 7 March 1736 in Manikintown. Her grandfather, Jean Farcy, a Huguenot minister, immigrated to Virginia and settled in Manikintown in 1700. Orson is named on a processioner's list in Cumberland County dated 29 May 1764. His name is in the Public Claim Papers of that county as a supplier of goods during the Revolutionary War. Orson's will written 24 January 1786 was probated 24 July 1786. Anne died between 1786 and 1800. Children: Stephen (1765-1857) married Esther Boatwright; Sarah possibly married Satinwhite Davenport; John (ca.1768-August 1843) married Elizabeth Boatwright; Jane; Mary; Orson, Jr.

Valentine Martin was probably the son of Martin Martin and Sarah Hicks. If so, he was baptized in New Kent County on 18 June 1710. He married Jane Bridgewater ca.1730. On 15 May 1739 in Goochland County (now Cumberland), Valentine purchased 200 acres of land from Merry Webb. He patented 400 acres on 15 March 1744. His land was near the confluence of the Willis and James Rivers. He lived out his life on the lower end of Cat Tail Branch. Valentine was appointed to procession land in 1747 and 1755 with returns in 1748 and 1756. In 1758-1760, he was paid "600 Neet tobacco" each year "for keeping Joannah Parrish". His will written 21 May 1758 was probated 20 July 1760. On 22 August 1760, Orson and Gideon Martin, were present for Valentine when the processioners made their returns. Jane signed deeds on 23 November 1778, so she died after that date. Children: Esther married Philip Bond; Sarah married James Cunningham; Orson; Jane married Daniel Boatwright; Valentine, Jr. married Ann Scott; John (1740-26 January 1821, Kentucky) married Rachel Pace; Isom/Isham never married; Mildred married Thomas Baskett; Ann married Henry Copeland; Jobe married Mary Clarkson; Samuel married Ann Pleasants.

Martin Martin was born ca.1670 in New Kent County. He married Sarah Hicks on 10 February 1698/99. On 14 June 1698, he was ordered with others to "cleer the roades" and was listed on the 1704 Quit Rent Roll with 150 acres. Martin purchased land in 1724 and was granted 358 acres by George I on 24 March 1725 in Henrico County (now Powhatan). He abandoned this land in 1730. It was patented by Stephen Woodson on 28 September 1730. Woodson left Martin "late of New Kent" 50 shillings in his 1736 will. Histories of Henrico County give Martin's death date as 20 March 1745. Possible children: Ames, daughter baptized 6 April 1706; Anne, baptized 9 August 1706, possibly married Merry Webb; Valentine; Thomas, baptized 4 June 1720; and Lucy, baptized 20 August 1726, perhaps married William Amos.

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