

Ancestors of President of the United States Benjamin Harrison

Generation No. 1

1. President of the United States Benjamin Harrison¹, born August 20, 1833 in North Bend, Hamilton, Ohio; died March 13, 1901 in Indianapolis, Marion, Indiana. He was the son of **2. John Scott Harrison** and **3. Elizabeth Ramsey Irwin**. He married **(1) Caroline Scott¹** 1853. She was born October 01, 1832 in Oxford, Ohio, and died October 25, 1892 in The White House, Washington, D.C..

Notes for President of the United States Benjamin Harrison:

Harrison, Benjamin (1833-1901), 23rd president of the United States (1889-1893). Harrison was a quiet, industrious political leader and a veteran of the Civil War (1861-1865). A grandson of President William Henry Harrison (1841), he won the presidency through his family name and party loyalty, aided by the support of Civil War veterans. Harrison signed important economic legislation while in office, including the Sherman Antitrust Act, the Sherman Silver Purchase Act, and the McKinley Tariff Act. Under his administration part of the Oklahoma Territory was opened to white settlers in 1889, and in 1890, Idaho and Wyoming became states.

Harrison was born in his grandfather's home in North Bend, in southwestern Ohio, in 1833 and was raised on his father's farm a few miles away. His parents were Elizabeth Irwin Harrison and John Scott Harrison, who had served two terms in the Congress of the United States. His father struggled to support a large family, but he managed to send Benjamin and his older brother to Farmers' College, near Cincinnati. After two years, Benjamin transferred to Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. He graduated in 1852. A year later he married a college friend, Caroline Lavinia Scott, daughter of the president of the Oxford Female Institute (later absorbed by Miami University). The couple had a son, Russell, and a daughter, Mary.

III EARLY CAREER Harrison was deeply religious. He considered becoming a Presbyterian clergyman (see Presbyterianism) but finally decided to study law, and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1854. In quest of a promising location, Harrison decided on Indianapolis, Indiana as a good place to open a law office. Harrison's grandfather had served as the first governor of Indiana Territory and had fought in the Battle of Tippecanoe there.

Harrison formed a law partnership with William Wallace, son of a former Indiana governor, and the firm prospered. Harrison's family name, his mastery of Indiana laws, and his membership in the new Republican Party led to his appointment as assistant city attorney.

Harrison worked hard for the Republican Party. In 1856 he campaigned for the Republican presidential candidate, John Charles Frémont, the explorer and former U.S. senator from California. In 1857 Harrison was elected city attorney of Indianapolis. The following year he was chosen secretary of the Republican state central committee. In 1860 he was elected state supreme court reporter, and in the same year he campaigned for Abraham Lincoln for president.

AArmy Career Harrison sat out the first part of the Civil War, but then was commissioned colonel and commanded the 70th Indiana Volunteer Infantry, which he created in 1862 at the request of Governor Oliver P. Morton. In Kentucky Harrison's raw recruits helped fight an invasion by Confederate General Braxton Bragg. Harrison's unit was later transferred to the army of General William Tecumseh Sherman, and in 1864, Harrison and his men fought in the bloody Atlanta campaign. At the Peach Tree Creek engagement he won praise for gallant conduct.

Harrison went home on furlough in 1864 to campaign against pro-Southern Democrats in Indiana. He was reelected supreme court reporter, and later rejoined his regiment in the Carolinas. He left the army with the rank of brigadier general.

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More About President of the United States Benjamin Harrison:
Burial: 1901, indianapolis, Marion, Indiana

Generation No. 2

2. John Scott Harrison¹, born October 04, 1804 in Vincennes, Knox, Indiana; died May 25, 1878 in Near North Bend, Ohio. He was the son of **4. President of the US William Henry Harrison** and **5. Anna Tuthill Symmes**. He married **3. Elizabeth Ramsey Irwin** August 12, 1831 in Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio.

3. Elizabeth Ramsey Irwin¹, born July 18, 1810 in Mercersburg, Franklin, Pennsylvania; died August 15, 1850 in Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio. She was the daughter of **6. Archibald Irwin** and **7. Mary Ramsey**.

Child of John Harrison and Elizabeth Irwin is:

- 1 i. President of the United States Benjamin Harrison, born August 20, 1833 in North Bend, Hamilton, Ohio; died March 13, 1901 in indianapolis, Marion, Indiana; married Caroline Scott 1853.

Generation No. 3

4. President of the US William Henry Harrison¹, born February 09, 1773 in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia; died April 04, 1841 in Washington District of Columbia. He was the son of **8. Benjamin Harrison** and **9. Elizabeth Bassett**. He married **5. Anna Tuthill Symmes** November 22, 1795 in Berkely, Charles City, Virginia.

5. Anna Tuthill Symmes¹, born July 25, 1775 in Flatbrook, New Jersey; died February 25, 1864 in North Bend, Hamilton, Ohio. She was the daughter of **10. Judge John Cleve Symmes** and **11. Anna Tuthill**.

Notes for President of the US William Henry Harrison:

Harrison, William Henry (1773-1841), ninth president of the United States (1841). He was one of the most important figures in the early westward expansion of the United States. Harrison took millions of acres of land from Native Americans by treaty or conquest. His exploits on the frontier, especially his defeat of the Shawnee at the Battle of Tippecanoe in 1811, obscured his Virginia plantation background. It was not the wealthy planter and slave owner whom the people elected to the presidency. Instead, they elected the legendary Old Tippecanoe, pictured as a log cabin dweller and a drinker of hard cider. The popular appeal of this misleading characterization won Harrison the political eminence he had vigorously sought. Unfortunately, he did not live to enjoy it. He was the first president to die during his term of office, and his administration, which lasted exactly one month, was the shortest in U.S. history.

President-elect Harrison journeyed to Washington in triumphal procession. The 68-year-old hero of Tippecanoe, "Old Tip," as the campaign songs called him, was inaugurated on March 4, 1841. He had written his own inaugural address, which included many classical allusions. In the speech, Harrison spoke out for a single presidential term and moderate use of the executive power. He deplored office seeking and greed for power. He opposed antislavery agitation as an interference with the domestic affairs of states.

In forming his Cabinet, President Harrison chose outstanding anti-Jacksonites from different sections of the nation, with Daniel Webster of Massachusetts as secretary of state and other Cabinet members from Ohio, Tennessee, Kentucky, North Carolina, and New York. Clay had assumed that he would dominate Harrison's administration. He was vexed at the extent of Webster's influence and the power wielded by Thurlow Weed, New York Whig leader. However, Clay went ahead with plans to direct Harrison's legislation, until a note from the president declared that Clay was too impetuous and that others must be consulted.

In mid-March, Harrison developed pneumonia. He died on April 4 and was buried at North Bend.

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More About President of the US William Henry Harrison:
Burial: North Bend, Hamilton, Ohio

Children of President Harrison and Anna Symmes are:

- i. Mary Symmes Harrison^l, born 1809.
- ii. Benjamin Harrison^l, born 1806.
- iii. Carter Bassett Harrison^l, born 1811.
- iv. Anna Tuthill Harrison^l, born 1813.
- v. James Findley Harrison^l, born 1814.
- vi. Elizabeth Harrison^l, born 1796.
- vii. Lucy Harrison^l, born 1800.
- viii. William Henry Harrison^l, born 1802.
- 2 ix. John Scott Harrison, born October 04, 1804 in Vincennes, Knox, Indiana; died May 25, 1878 in Near North Bend, Ohio; married Elizabeth Ramsey Irwin August 12, 1831 in Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio.
- x. John Cleves Symmes Harrison^l, born October 28, 1798.

6. Archibald Irwin He married **7. Mary Ramsey**.

7. Mary Ramsey

Child of Archibald Irwin and Mary Ramsey is:

- 3 i. Elizabeth Ramsey Irwin, born July 18, 1810 in Mercersburg, Franklin, Pennsylvania; died August 15, 1850 in Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio; married John Scott Harrison August 12, 1831 in Cincinnati, Hamilton, Ohio.

Generation No. 4

8. Benjamin Harrison^l, born April 05, 1726 in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia; died April 24, 1791 in City Point, Charles City, Virginia. He was the son of **16. Benjamin Harrison** and **17. Anne Carter**. He married **9. Elizabeth Bassett**.

9. Elizabeth Bassett^l, born December 13, 1730 in Eltham, Charles City, Virginia; died in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia.

More About Benjamin Harrison:

Burial: Harrison Cemetery, Surry, Virginia

Event 1: Original Signer of the Declaration of Independence

Occupation: Governor of Virginia

More About Elizabeth Bassett:

Burial: Harrison Cemetery, Surry, Virginia

Children of Benjamin Harrison and Elizabeth Bassett are:

- i. Eleanor Harrison^l, born Abt. 1788.
- ii. Tabitha Harrison^l, born Abt. 1749.
- iii. Lucy Harrison^l, born Abt. 1755.
- iv. Carter Bassett Harrison^l, born Abt. 1757.
- v. Benjamin Harrison^l, born Abt. 1771.
- vi. Sarah Harrison^l, born Abt. 1765.
- vii. Judith Harrison^l, born 1742.
- 4 viii. President of the US William Henry Harrison, born February 09, 1773 in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia; died April 04, 1841 in Washington District of Columbia; married Anna Tuthill Symmes November 22, 1795 in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia.
- ix. Nathaniel Harrison^l, born March 20, 1759.
- x. Anna Harrison^l, born May 21, 1759.

10. Judge John Cleve Symmes He married **11. Anna Tuthill**.

11. Anna Tuthill

Child of Judge Symmes and Anna Tuthill is:

- 5 i. Anna Tuthill Symmes, born July 25, 1775 in Flatbrook, New Jersey; died February 25, 1864 in North Bend, Hamilton, Ohio; married President of the US William Henry Harrison November 22, 1795 in

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Berkely, Charles City, Virginia.

Generation No. 5

16. Benjamin Harrison^l, born 1695 in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia; died July 12, 1745 in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia. He was the son of **32. Benjamin III Harrison** and **33. Elizabeth Burwell**. He married **17. Anne Carter** in Corotoman, Lancaster, Virginia.

17. Anne Carter^l, born Abt. 1705 in Corotoman, Lancaster, Virginia.

More About Benjamin Harrison:

Burial: Harrison Cemetery, Surry, Virginia

Children of Benjamin Harrison and Anne Carter are:

- i. Lucy Harrison^l, born Abt. 1726.
- ii. Hannah Harrison^l, born Abt. 1727.
- iii. Henry Harrison^l, born Abt. 1728.
- iv. Robert Harrison^l, born Abt. 1732.
- v. Charles Harrison^l, born Abt. 1738.
- vi. Betty Harrison^l, born Abt. 1742.
- vii. Ann Harrison^l, born Abt. 1744.
- 8 viii. Benjamin Harrison, born April 05, 1726 in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia; died April 24, 1791 in City Point, Charles City, Virginia; married Elizabeth Bassett.
- ix. Carter Henry Harrison^l, born August 22, 1732.
- x. Nathaniel Harrison^l, born September 30, 1742.

Generation No. 6

32. Benjamin III Harrison^l, born 1673 in Wakefield, Surry, Virginia; died April 10, 1710 in Charles City, Virginia. He was the son of **64. Benjamin Harrison** and **65. Hannah Churchill**. He married **33. Elizabeth Burwell**.

33. Elizabeth Burwell^l, born 1675 in Fairfield, Gloucester, Virginia; died December 30, 1734 in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia. She was the daughter of **66. Lewis Jr. Burwell** and **67. Abigail Smith**.

Children of Benjamin Harrison and Elizabeth Burwell are:

- i. Elizabeth Harrison^l, born Abt. 1693.
- 16 ii. Benjamin Harrison, born 1695 in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia; died July 12, 1745 in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia; married Anne Carter in Corotoman, Lancaster, Virginia.

Generation No. 7

64. Benjamin Harrison^l, born September 20, 1645 in Wakefield, Surry, Virginia; died January 30, 1711/12 in Cabin Point, Surry, Virginia. He was the son of **128. Benjamin Harrison** and **129. Mary**. He married **65. Hannah Churchill** 1672 in Cabin Point, Surry, Virginia.

65. Hannah Churchill^l, born February 13, 1650/51 in Indian Hills, Norfolk, Virginia; died February 16, 1697/98 in Cabin Point, Surry, Virginia.

Children of Benjamin Harrison and Hannah Churchill are:

- i. Elizabeth Harrison, born 1685.
- 32 ii. Benjamin III Harrison, born 1673 in Wakefield, Surry, Virginia; died April 10, 1710 in Charles City, Virginia; married Elizabeth Burwell.
- iii. Anne Harrison, born 1680.
- iv. Henry Harrison, born 1679.
- v. Nathaniel Harrison, born April 08, 1677.
- vi. Sarah Harrison, born August 14, 1679.
- vii. Hannah Harrison, born December 15, 1678.

66. Lewis Jr. Burwell, born 1653 in Fairfield, Gloucester, Virginia; died February 19, 1710/11 in Carters City, Gloucester, Virginia. He married **67. Abigail Smith** 1674.

67. Abigail Smith, born March 11, 1655/56 in Colchester, Essex, England; died November 12, 1693 in York, Virginia. She was the daughter of **134. Anthony Smith** and **135. Martha Bacon**.

Child of Lewis Burwell and Abigail Smith is:

- 33 i. Elizabeth Burwell, born 1675 in Fairfield, Gloucester, Virginia; died December 30, 1734 in Berkeley, Charles City, Virginia; married Benjamin III Harrison.

Generation No. 8

128. Benjamin Harrison¹, born Abt. 1613 in St. Giles, Northants, England; died March 21, 1651/52 in Jamestown, Virginia. He was the son of **256. Richard Harrison** and **257. Mrs. Harrison**. He married **129. Mary** Abt. 1644.

129. Mary¹, born Bef. 1624 in Wakefield, Surry, Virginia; died Abt. 1687.

More About Benjamin Harrison:

Burial: Old Church, Jamestown, Virginia

Children of Benjamin Harrison and Mary are:

- 64 i. Peter Harrison¹, born Abt. 1647.
ii. Benjamin Harrison, born September 20, 1645 in Wakefield, Surry, Virginia; died January 30, 1711/12 in Cabin Point, Surry, Virginia; married Hannah Churchill 1672 in Cabin Point, Surry, Virginia.

134. Anthony Smith, born Abt. 1630 in Colchester, Essex, England; died Abt. 1662 in Virginia. He married **135. Martha Bacon** Bef. 1656 in Carters Creek, Gloucester, Virginia.

135. Martha Bacon, born Abt. 1634 in Burgate, Suffolk, England.

More About Anthony Smith:

Burial: Carters Creek, Gloucester, Virginia

Child of Anthony Smith and Martha Bacon is:

- 67 i. Abigail Smith, born March 11, 1655/56 in Colchester, Essex, England; died November 12, 1693 in York, Virginia; married Lewis Jr. Burwell 1674.

Generation No. 9

256. Richard Harrison¹, born 1595 in London, Middlesex, England; died November 16, 1669. He married **257. Mrs. Harrison** Abt. 1620.

257. Mrs. Harrison¹, born Abt. 1595.

Children of Richard Harrison and Mrs. Harrison are:

- i. Thomas Harrison², born 1619 in St. Peters, Chester, Cheshire, England; died 1682 in Dublin, Ireland; married Catherine Bradshaw February 28, 1659/60 in St. Peters Chester, Cheshire, England; born September 10, 1637 in St. Peters, Chester, Cheshire, England.

More About Thomas Harrison:

Burial: Dublin, Ireland

- 128 ii. Richard Harrison³, born Abt. 1621.
iii. Benjamin Harrison, born Abt. 1613 in St. Giles, Northants, England; died March 21, 1651/52 in Jamestown, Virginia; married Mary Abt. 1644.
iv. Nathaniel Harrison³, born Abt. 1625.
v. Edward Harrison³, born Abt. 1627.
vi. Edward Harrison³, born Abt. 1635.

Endnotes

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