

Ancestors of US President Franklin Pierce

Generation No. 1

1. US President Franklin Pierce¹, born November 23, 1804 in Hillsborough, New Hampshire; died October 08, 1869 in Concord, Merrimack County, New Hampshire. He was the son of **2. General Benjamin Pierce** and **3. Anna Kendrick**. He married **(1) Jane Means Appleton** November 19, 1834 in Amherst, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire. She was born March 12, 1806 in Hampton, Rockingham County, New Hampshire, and died December 02, 1863 in Andover, Essex County, Massachusetts. She was the daughter of Jesse A. Appleton.

Notes for US President Franklin Pierce:

Franklin Pierce

H O M E S T A T E New Hampshire

P A R T Y Democrat

T E R M I N O F F I C E 1853-1857

V I C E P R E S I D E N T William R. King

Pierce successfully overcame a drinking problem that brought about his resignation from the Senate in 1842.

S I G N I F I C A N T F A C T S Approved the Gadsden Purchase in 1854, acquiring parts of Arizona and New Mexico from Mexico. Signed the Kansas-Nebraska Act in 1854, which allowed voters in newly created U.S. territories to decide whether to permit slavery. Tried unsuccessfully to purchase Cuba from Spain in 1854.

C A R E E R 1833-1837 Represented New Hampshire in the U.S. House of Representatives. 1837-1842 Represented New Hampshire in the U.S. Senate. 1847-1848 Fought in the Mexican War, attaining the rank of brigadier general. 1853-1857 President of the United States.

Pierce was the only elected president who was refused the nomination for a second term in office by his political party.

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More About US President Franklin Pierce:

Burial: October 1869, Concord, Merrimack County, New Hampshire Old North Cemetery

Generation No. 2

2. General Benjamin Pierce, born December 25, 1757 in Chelmsford, Middlesex, Massachusetts; died April 01, 1839 in Hillsborough, New Hampshire. He was the son of **4. Benjamin Pierce** and **5. Elizabeth Merrill**. He married **3. Anna Kendrick** February 01, 1790 in Amherst, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire.

3. Anna Kendrick, born October 30, 1768 in Amherst, Hillsborough, New Hampshire; died December 07, 1838 in Hillsborough, New Hampshire. She was the daughter of **6. Benjamin Kendrick** and **7. Sarah Harris**.

More About General Benjamin Pierce:

Occupation: Governor of New Hampshire

Children of General Pierce and Anna Kendrick are:

- i. Charlotte Pierce, born Abt. 1806.
- ii. Benjamin Kendrick Pierce, born 1790.
- iii. Nancy M. Pierce, born 1792.
- iv. John Sullivan Pierce, born 1796.
- v. Harriet B. Pierce, born 1800.
- vi. Charles Grandison Pierce, born 1803.
- vii. Henry Dearborn Pierce, born 1812.

- 1 viii. US President Franklin Pierce, born November 23, 1804 in Hillsborough, New Hampshire; died October 08, 1869 in Concord, Merrimack County, New Hampshire; married Jane Means Appleton November 19, 1834 in Amherst, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire.

Generation No. 3

4. Benjamin Pierce², born November 25, 1726 in Chelmsford, Middlesex, Massachusetts; died June 16, 1764 in Hillsborough, New Hampshire. He was the son of **8. Stephen Pierce** and **9. Esther Fletcher**. He married **5. Elizabeth Merrill** August 02, 1746 in Methuen, Essex, Massachusetts.

5. Elizabeth Merrill, born February 22, 1727/28 in Methuen, Essex, Massachusetts. She was the daughter of **10. Abel Merrill** and **11. Sarah Bodwell**.

Children of Benjamin Pierce and Elizabeth Merrill are:

- i. Merrill Pierce, born January 29, 1764.
 - ii. Rebecca Pierce, born February 24, 1745/46.
 - iii. Leafy Pierce, born May 01, 1759.
 - iv. Esther Pierce, born June 12, 1761.
 - v. Lydia Pierce, born September 11, 1756.
 - vi. Susanna Pierce, born November 11, 1754.
 - vii. Phebe Pierce, born December 21, 1748.
 - viii. Jesse Pierce, born December 21, 1748.
- 2 ix. General Benjamin Pierce, born December 25, 1757 in Chelmsford, Middlesex, Massachusetts; died April 01, 1839 in Hillsborough, New Hampshire; married Anna Kendrick February 01, 1790 in Amherst, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire.

6. Benjamin Kendrick He married **7. Sarah Harris**.

7. Sarah Harris

Child of Benjamin Kendrick and Sarah Harris is:

- 3 i. Anna Kendrick, born October 30, 1768 in Amherst, Hillsborough, New Hampshire; died December 07, 1838 in Hillsborough, New Hampshire; married General Benjamin Pierce February 01, 1790 in Amherst, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire.

Generation No. 4

8. Stephen Pierce He married **9. Esther Fletcher**.

9. Esther Fletcher

Child of Stephen Pierce and Esther Fletcher is:

- 4 i. Benjamin Pierce, born November 25, 1726 in Chelmsford, Middlesex, Massachusetts; died June 16, 1764 in Hillsborough, New Hampshire; married Elizabeth Merrill August 02, 1746 in Methuen, Essex, Massachusetts.

10. Abel Merrill, born 1690 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; died March 29, 1753 in Methuen, Essex, Massachusetts. He was the son of **20. John Merrill** and **21. Lucy Webster**. He married **11. Sarah Bodwell**.

11. Sarah Bodwell, born December 01, 1694 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; died February 04, 1736/37 in Methuen, Essex, Massachusetts. She was the daughter of **22. Henry Bodwell** and **23. Bethia Emery**.

Child of Abel Merrill and Sarah Bodwell is:

- 5 i. Elizabeth Merrill, born February 22, 1727/28 in Methuen, Essex, Massachusetts; married Benjamin Pierce August 02, 1746 in Methuen, Essex, Massachusetts.

Generation No. 5

20. John Merrill, born February 16, 1662/63 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; died May 15, 1705 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts. He was the son of **40. Nathaniel Merrill** and **41. Joanna Kinney**. He married **21. Lucy Webster** Abt. 1685.

21. Lucy Webster, born December 15, 1654 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; died 1718 in Haverhill, Essex, Massachusetts.

Child of John Merrill and Lucy Webster is:

- 10 i. **Abel Merrill**, born 1690 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; died March 29, 1753 in Methuen, Essex, Massachusetts; married Sarah Bodwell.

22. Henry Bodwell He married **23. Bethia Emery**.

23. Bethia Emery

Child of Henry Bodwell and Bethia Emery is:

- 11 i. **Sarah Bodwell**, born December 01, 1694 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; died February 04, 1736/37 in Methuen, Essex, Massachusetts; married Abel Merrill.

Generation No. 6

40. Nathaniel Merrill, born Abt. 1633 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; died January 01, 1681/82 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts. He was the son of **80. Nathaniel Merrill** and **81. Susannah Peabody**. He married **41. Joanna Kinney** October 15, 1661.

41. Joanna Kinney, born Abt. 1636 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; died February 08, 1716/17 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts.

More About Nathaniel Merrill:

Burial: Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts

Child of Nathaniel Merrill and Joanna Kinney is:

- 20 i. **John Merrill**, born February 16, 1662/63 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; died May 15, 1705 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; married Lucy Webster Abt. 1685.

Generation No. 7

80. Nathaniel Merrill³, born May 04, 1601. He was the son of **160. Nathaniel Merrill** and **161. Mary Blacksoll**. He married **81. Susannah Peabody** March 16, 1634/35.

81. Susannah Peabody, born 1585; died January 25, 1672/73.

Child of Nathaniel Merrill and Susannah Peabody is:

- 40 i. **Nathaniel Merrill**, born Abt. 1633 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; died January 01, 1681/82 in Newbury, Essex, Massachusetts; married Joanna Kinney October 15, 1661.

Generation No. 8

160. Nathaniel Merrill, born 1571; died March 17, 1625/26. He was the son of **320. John Merrill** and **321. Prudence Bird**. He married **161. Mary Blacksoll**.

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Child of Nathaniel Merrill and Mary Blacksoll is:

- 80 i. **Nathaniel Merrill**, born May 04, 1601; married Susannah Peabody March 16, 1634/35.

Generation No. 9

320. John Merrill He married **321. Prudence Bird**.

321. Prudence Bird

Children of John Merrill and Prudence Bird are:

- i. **Thomas ? Merrill**, born April 03, 1603.
- 160 ii. **Nathaniel Merrill**, born 1571; died March 17, 1625/26; married Mary Blacksoll.

Endnotes

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