

# **A Brief History of James Parry**

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Died March 1726, in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania



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James Parry was born in 1647, in Hanmer, Flintshire, Wales.<sup>1</sup>

James Parry was the son of John and Mary Ann Parry.

James Parry married Ann [ ] in 1674 in Flintshire, Wales.

James and Ann Parry had the following children:

Elizabeth Parry b. 1678 in Overton, Flintshire, Wales [James Davies]

Lettice Parry b. 1685 in Overton, Flintshire, Wales [Lewis William]

John Parry 1695 in Overton, Flintshire, Wales [Martha Jones, m. 1729]

Capt. David Parry 1692 in Overton, Flintshire, Wales [Elizabeth Jones, m. 1727]<sup>2</sup>

Margaret Parry b. 1697 in Overton, Flintshire, Wales

Mary Parry b. 1705 in Whiteland, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA [Malachi Jones, m. 1729]

Hester Parry b. 1707 in Whiteland, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA

[Note that three of the Parry siblings married three Jones siblings.]

James Parry and his family emigrated from Wales to Pennsylvania sometime between 1697 and 1705.

James Parry was appointed a constable of Whiteland Township, Chester County on October 3, 1709. He is first recorded as a purchaser of 100 acres of land in Tredyffrin Township (which is adjacent to Whiteland Township) from Thomas Hubbard on March 20, 1713. James was a member of the great Valley Presbyterian Church in Tredyffrin.<sup>3</sup>

James' will was made on February 20, 1726, and it was probated on December 1, 1726.

James Parry died in March of 1726, in Tredyffrin, Chester, Pennsylvania, USA, at the age of 79 years.

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<sup>1</sup> Hanmer lies in Maelor Saesneg, the detached part of Flintshire, about 25 miles south of Chester, England. Hanmer is both a village and an ecclesiastical parish. The population of the village in 2011 was about 665. Flintshire is one of the thirteen historic counties of Wales. Refer to [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flintshire\\_\(historic\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Flintshire_(historic)).

<sup>2</sup> Another source shows the wife of David Parry as Elizabeth Davis.

<sup>3</sup> *The Collateral Ancestry of Stephen Harris, born September 4, 1798 and of Marianne Smith, born April 2, 1805*, Joseph Smith Harris, Philadelphia 1908, pp. 127 - 129