

# Sanborn Signatures



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## **George F. and Melinde Lutz Sanborn Elected Fellows of the American Society of Genealogists**

---Boston, MA from the NEHGS Nexus,  
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"We are pleased to announce that George Freeman Sanborn Jr., NEHGS Acquisitions Librarian and Director of Technical Services, and his wife Melinde Lutz Sanborn editor of two Society publications...were elected Fellows of the American Society of Genealogists at its 44th annual meeting in Portsmouth, N.H. on 16 October. The Fellows are a group of distinguished genealogists, limited to 50 in number, whose elections for life are based on previous published work. Founded in 1940, this honorary society has previously elected five past or present employees of NEHGS.

George Freeman Sanborn Jr., a native of Moultonborough, N. H. graduated from Boston University, the University of Illinois

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at Urbana-Champaign, and the University of New Hampshire, and pursued doctoral studies in Historical Romance Linguistics at U.C.L.A. Before coming to NEHGS in 1982 he taught French and Spanish at several public or preparatory schools and was a senior translator for the provincial governments of New Brunswick and Ontario. George specializes in genealogical research in New Hampshire, Prince Edward Island, and Scotland's Outer Hebrides. He and his wife Melinde compiled *Vital Records of Hampton, New Hampshire, to the End of the Year 1900.....* George is president of the New Hampshire Society of Genealogists and editor of its quarterly, *The New Hampshire Genealogical Record*, to which he frequently contributes; chairman of the publications committee of the Genealogical Society of Vermont; and a contributing editor of the *Maine Genealogist*.

Melinde Lutz Sanborn, a native of Cleveland, graduated from Miami University at Oxford, Ohio and the University of Oregon at Eugene; she is currently working

on a M.L.S. at Simmons College....She has compiled numerous genealogies, indexes; she has edited the *Oregon Genealogical Quarterly*, *Sanborn Signatures* and the *Massachusetts Genealogical Council Newsletter*. Her articles have also appeared in the *Register*, *NEXUS*, *TAG*, and *The New Hampshire Genealogical Record*, plus *The D.A.R. Magazine* and *Everton's Genealogical Helper*."

We extend to both our heartfelt congratulations. —ECS

### **CORRECTIONS & ADDITONS to last issue's 1993 membership list**

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**CHASE & SANBORN COFFEE CANS-** FINALLY, - THE CORRECT NAMES UNDER THE PORTRAITS OF ITS FOUNDING FATHERS, Caleb Chase and James Solomon Sanborn have appeared. For about 10 years the names on their portraits have been reversed and unnoted until January last year when the Boston Sunday Globe printed a discovery of the error by Patty Ellis Buck at the Brooks Academy Museum in Harwich, Massachusetts. For the full story, please see *Sanborn Signatures*, spring issue on p. 27. The new labeling appeared on the grocery shelves in Kalamazoo, Michigan a year later. So if you're a strong brewed-in-the-pot collector of "collectibles" and don't want to be left out of a pot-of-gold opportunity, rush to your nearest country store, --they might still have some of the oldies but goodies left on their shelves. Cousin James Solomon Sanborn can now be seen by all in his true reflection. Give pause in the rush of present day shopping and contemplate not just a

great business man but an era of calmer days when he lent a helping hand to his neighbors, bred carriage horses and otherwise helped the farmers in Poland, Maine as he published a news weekly, the "Maine Farmer".

### **BOB SANBORN REFLECTS ON 52 YEARS OF DEERFIELD POLITICS**

-from the Country Town Ledger, Deerfield, NH, January 27 1994 p 5.

This March will mark the 52nd year since Robert (Bob) Sanborn entered the Deerfield political arena. He signed up for re-election last week and will be seeking his 17th term on the Board of Selectmen, making him one of the longest-serving Selectmen in the state. Bob celebrated his 80th birthday February 14th.

Reminiscing on this occasion, he recounts when his wife Ruth was elected to the office of Town Clerk. It was a benefit to the town in many ways and all it took was for Ruth to transform the children's playroom into her office and it soon became a mecca of political information. People would come to register their cars or meet with the Selectman and stay for hours... the Town Clerk hours being twenty-four hours a day and 7 days a week. The Deerfield telephone system in the early years was a central office at Leon Harvey's house. Instead of picking up the phone and dialing, a person would ask Leon to connect them to so-an-so. It soon became apparent the Sanborns needed a private line. They were on an eight-party line and it was difficult to conduct confidential town business when others on the line would offer their unsolicited opinion."

Town meetings may be a thing of the past in some New England Towns, but they continue in memory at least as solid bulwarks of democracy (though rarely dominated by Democrats here in New

Hampshire -- ed.). In all his years of public service, Sanborn knows of only one Town Meeting (that) had to be canceled. With the snow falling and blowing a gale, he and moderator Preston Wares set out for the Town Hall on skis to open the meeting. In short order the meeting was opened. A motion was made, seconded and voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting to another day.

### OBITUARIES

**PLEASE NOTIFY EDITOR OF SS** if you have any genealogy to contribute to the following:

**WESLEY EUGENE SANBURN** was born in Jackson Memorial Hospital, Miami, Florida, on 9 October 1928. He died, at age 65, in an automobile accident on the island of St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands, 14 June 1993. His parents were E. Stanley Sanburn and Fern Gertrude Warner. Wesley married Janice Ruth Brown on 24 May 1953. They had two sons Wayne Eliot, born on 25 July 1954, and Brian Langdon Sanburn, born 27 September 1959.

Wesley spent most of his career life as a mathematician and computer specialist at the Fort Belvoir Army facility located in northern Virginia. He retired, at age 57, from the US Civil Service in 1985. Wes was a talented musician, loved sports in general, but excelled in golf and tennis. Other hobbies he enjoyed were bridge and growing orchids in St. Croix. He was a LIFE MEMBER of the Sanborn Family Association.

He is survived by: his wife Janice; sons Wayne Eliot and Brian Langdon; 4 grandchildren, Nathanael Shawn, Josiah Wade, Rebeca Layne and Caleb Wesley Sanburn.

**Lt. Col. BERT SUMNER SANBORN, 77**, formerly of Uxbridge, MA died 3 Nov 1993. He was born in Uxbridge, son of Carl Sanborn and Annjanette (Christopher) Sanborn Hockett. He was a graduate of the University of Maine at Orono and was a career officer in the Army Air Force; served in WW II in Europe and Korea. He received the Air Medal with 12 Oak Leaf Clusters, a Bronze Star, a Distinguished Flying Cross and two Presidential Unit Citations. He was a teacher in Maine. He leaves his wife, Mary H. (Fernald) Sanborn; two sons, Carl H. Sanborn of Bangor and Don W. Sanborn of Seabrook, MD; a

daughter Janet C. Nelson of Festus, MO; a sister, Mrs. Raymond Emmett of Uxbridge, MA; and 3 grandchildren.

**NATHAN O. SANBORN, 82** died 28 October 1993 in Fitchburg, MA. 25 Aug 1911 in Leominster, MA the son of Waldon and Ella (Davis) Sanborn and lived there all of his life. He was a machinist at Sanborn Machine & Die Inc. for many years, retiring in 1981. He leaves his wife of 55 years, Eleanor Y. (Langlois) Sanborn; a son Nathan W. Sanborn of Leominster; a brother Herbert Sanborn of Flint, MI; 2 grandchildren and nieces.

**MARION LAURA (ERNST) SANBORN, 84**, of Rancho Bernardo died 16 Aug 1993 in San Diego, CA after an accident at home. She was the widow of Arthur Sanborn. She was born in Methuen, MA a daughter of the late George and Eva (Ashton) Ernst; she lived in Providence and in Penn Valley, PA for 14 years before moving to Rancho Bernardo 22 years ago. She leaves two sons Robert A. Sanborn of Rancho Bernardo, and Richard E. Sanborn of Cairo, Egypt; a brother George E. Ernst of Cranston; 3 sisters, Mildred Crowther of Wrentham, MA, Dorothy Morin of Chepachet, and Edna Fox of Cumberland. She was mother of the late Rae McMullen.

**ETHEL G. SANBORN, 94**, died 9 Jan 1994 in Franklin, NH. She was born in Tilton, the daughter of Frank A. and Ella (Gilman) Sanborn; she lived in Tilton most of her life. She was a 1917 graduate of Tilton School and graduated from Plymouth Normal School in 1921. She taught school in West Thornton, Holderness, Tilton, Claremont and Belmont. She was organist at the Northfield-Tilton Congregational Church, Laconia Unitarian Church and for 35 years at the Baptist Church of Franklin. She is survived by a cousin in Texas.

**LILLIAN E. (HOSMER) SANBORN, 66** died 31 Dec 1992 in Tavares, FL. She was formerly of Gorham, NH; born in South Portland, ME the daughter of Henry and Sybil (Knowlton) Hosmer. She was educated in South Portland schools and graduated from South Portland High in 1944. She worked at the Columbia Market for two years and at the Pine Tree Drugs for many years, both of Portland, ME, retiring in 1985. Gardening and hand crafts were her avocations. She is survived by her husband of 21 years, Preston H. Sanborn of Wildwood, FL; two daughters, Shirley Johnson and Ellen Sanborn, both of Gorham; one brother, Kenneth Hosmer of Anniston, AL; 2 grandsons.

**CLARENCE E. SANBORN** 55, died 22 Oct 1993 at a Bangor (ME) Hospital. He was born 29 March 1938 in Ellsworth the son of **Walter Sanborn Sr.** and **Roxanna Jones**. "Picky" was a member of Legonia No. 40 AF & AM Masonic Lodge of Ellsworth; Bayside Grange; Ellsworth Snowmobile Club and was a truck driver for D. W. Small for many years. Surviving are his wife, **Judith Ashmore Sanborn** of Ellsworth; 3 daughters and sons-in-law, **Kelly** and **Daniel Guthrie** of Surry, **Penny** and **Timothy Fox** of Trenton, **Tammie** and **Timothy Philpott** of Waltham; three brothers, **Charles R.** and **John H. Sanborn**, both of Ellsworth, and **Paul W. Sanborn** of Dover AR; one sister, **Sarah F. Gifford** of Willsworth; two grandchildren, **Tyson** and **Nicole**; he was predeceased by a brother **Walter Sanborn Jr.**

**FRANCES L. (LEEMAN) SANBORN**, 74, died 13 Nov 1993 at a Bangor (ME) Hospital. She was born 28 June 1919, at Millinocket, the daughter of **Vernon** and **Eva (Pray) Leeman**. She graduated from Eastern Maine Conference Seminary, Class of 1937 and LaSalle Extension University. She was employed by the Bucksport school department and then by **Champion International Corp.** in the traffic department, retiring in 1983 after 17 years of service. She was a past worthy matron of **Felicity Chapter No. 195**, and past district deputy grand matron of the **OES**. She was also active in church and 4-H in Hancock County. She is survived by her husband of 54 years, **Levi D. Sanborn** of Bucksport; 3 sons **Eugene V. Sanborn** and his wife **Joanne**, **Ernest R. Sanborn** and his wife **Joyce**, **Jonathan M. Sanborn** and his wife **Lori**, all of Bucksport; one sister, **Verna (Leeman) Hardison** and her husband, **Robert** of Waltham; three brothers, **Maynard** and his wife, **Lena Leeman** of Bucksport, **Ernest** and his wife **Jacquiline Leeman** of Virginia Beach, VA; **Earl** and his wife, **Rose Leeman** of Caribou. She was predeceased by one sister, **Inez (Leeman) Spencer** earlier this year.

**WINIFRED A. (ROBINSON) SANBORN** of Framingham, MA, formerly of Wakefield, MA died 21 Dec 1993. She was the wife of **Roger I. Sanborn** and the mother of **Paul M. Sanborn** of Canterbury, NH and the late **Lawrence J. Thomas** of Wakefield.

**Dr. MAJIC S. POTSAID**, age 77 years, of Hanover, MA, died in Boston, 13 January 1994. He was born in January 1917 in Pittsfield, graduated from Pittsfield High School in 1934, and worked for a year in his family's meat and grocery business. He then worked for a year in the General Electric Co. Pittsfield plant. Through a U.S. Civil Service examination in

chemistry, he worked for a year as a laboratory assistant at the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, MD and attended night classes at George Washington University.

During World War II, he served in the Army Medical Administrative Corps for five years. After the war he obtained a bachelors degree and a doctorate of medicine from Yale University. After serving internships in Central Maine Hospital and Mass. General, he maintained a general practice in Pittsfield for two years. He then became a radiologist, director of radiological research and director of nuclear medicine at Mass. General. He was assistant professor of radiology at Harvard Medical School and a research fellow for the American Cancer Society. His career uniquely spanned a small town medical practice and an academic environment with all of the positive attributes of both. He retired in 1988.

He leaves his wife, **Jeanette V. Sanborn**, a Life Member of the SFA and has filed a genealogy back to **Lt. John Samborne**. Also living are two sons **Majic S. Jr. of Hanson** and **Michael J. of Chelmsford**; two daughters, **Janina Lee Foster** of North Easton and **Barbara Jean Ramey** of Plymouth; a brother, **Alexander** of Pittsfield; a sister **Monica Iwanowicz** of Pittsfield; and eight grandchildren.

**BERTHA (SANBORN) KENNEDY**, age 78 died 6 August 1993 in Wakefield, MA. She was born 30 Apr 1915, in Exeter, NH, the daughter of the late **Walter** and **Sylvia (Favor) Sanborn**. She had lived in Wakefield since 1954.

Bertha was a member of the Wakefield-Lynnfield United Methodist Church. She is survived by her husband, **Joseph D. Kennedy** of Wakefield; 2 sons: **John D. Kennedy** of Brentwood and **Timothy A. Kennedy** of Pelham; four grandchildren; three brothers, **Richard F. Sanborn**, **Donald R. Sanborn** both of Epping, and **Willard Sanborn** of Pensacola, FL; one sister, **Edith Ingalls** of Madison, ME; and several nieces and nephews.

**DAVID B. SANBORN**, age 48 of Pasadena, died 30 Jan 1994. Survivors include his parents **Ira & Margaret Sanborn** of Pasadena; daughters, **Patricia Jones** and husband **Michael** of Baytown, **Angela Sanborn** of Buffalo Grove, IL; granddaughter, **Emily Ruth Jones**; sister **Carol Morgan** and husband **Sam** of Houston; brother **Ira Wynn Sanborn** of Houston; niece, **Sabrina Morgan**; nephew, **Christopher B. Sanborn**.

**INEZ ERMA (SANBORN) MOSELEY** died 22 Jan 1994 in Mesa, Arizona. Inez was born 2 Feb 1909 in

San Bernadino, CA the daughter of **Clarence Burton Sanborn** and **Inez Estelle Emery**.

**DOROTHY H. CAPPERS** of Weston, MA died in Naples, FL, 3 March 1994. She was the wife of **Elmer Osgood Cappers**. She leaves her husband, two daughters **Elizabeth Wilson** of Medway, MA and **Jean Vivian** of Sutton, NH. A third daughter, **Martha Steere** of Simsbury, CT predeceased her.

**CLYDE M. SANBORN**, 87, died at his son's home on Great Cranberry Island, Bangor, ME, on 3 Jan 1994. He was born in Waterville, 26 Aug 1907, the son of **Orice E.** and **Nellie M. (Howard) Sanborn**. He was a well known pastry chef throughout the state of Maine. He lobstered around the Cranberry Islands for several years. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, **Doris E. (Vashon) Sanborn** of Bangor; one daughter and son-in-law, **Barbara Joy** and her husband **Irving** and their two sons, **Irving** and **Jason** of Orrington; one son and daughter-in-law, **Norman C. Sanborn** and his wife **Beverly**, and their three children, **Cherie**, **Rebecca** and **Norman Sanborn II**, all of Great Cranberry; one sister, **Maretta S. Lathe** of Addison. He was predeceased by two sisters, **Lillian Hawes** and **Leatta M. Sanborn**; three brothers, **Ralph**, **Maurice** and **Clarence Sanborn**.

**THEO H. LUNT**, 97, formerly of Auburn, died 3 Jan 1994, at Dover-Foxcroft. She was born 27 Sep 1896 in Newport, the daughter of **Edwin Franklin** and **Fannie (Sanborn) Lunt**. Educated in Newport Schools, she was an operator for Nw England Telephone for more than 40 years, retiring 1 Oct 1961. She was a life member of the Telephone Pioneers of America. She is survived by a niece **Madeline A.** and **Edward G. Floyd** of Dover-Foxcroft  
-(from the Bangor (ME) Daily News).

**SCOTT W. SANBORN**, 54, died 26 Feb 1994 in a Portland, Maine hospital. He was born in Winchester, attended Phillips Academy and Dartmouth College. He was a computer programmer and data processing officer for the Casco Bank. He leaves his parents, **George K.** and **Frances (Flagg) Sanborn** of Kennebunkport; two sisters, **Anne Lombard** of Northampton and **Patricia Sanborn** of North Forks, ND; and his fiance, **Cathy A. Philbrick** of South Portland. (from the Boston Globe 1 Mar 1994).

**CHARLOTTE (DEARBORN) SANBORN**, 73, formerly of Center Harbor, died 7 Dec 1993 in Meredith, NH. She was born in Moultonborough, the daughter of **Wilbur Clarence** and **Mary Susan**

**(Avery) Dearborn**. She lived in the Meredith and Moultonborough area for most of her life, and in Bedford for 10 years. She graduated from Meredith High School in 1938 and also from Laconia Business School. She was an executive secretary for Raytheon Manufacturing Co. in Sudbury, MA, and had also been bookkeeper for Meredith Village Savings Bank in Meredith for several years. She was an active member of the Community Action Program in Meredith and in the Sanborn Family Association helping with registration and attending their reunions from 1984 through 1992.

She is survived by her son, **George F. Sanborn, Jr** of Derry, NH; 2 grandchildren; two sisters, **Dorothy D. Vittum** of Wells, ME and **Mabel H. Potter** of Moultonborough and several nephews and nieces.

#### MARRIAGES

**BABCOCK/SANBORN** (Bangor Daily News)

Altamont, NY – **Kimberly Sue Babcock**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Edward Deady** of Schenectady, NY and Dr. **Robert Babcock** of Clifton Park, NY and **Joshua Alexander Sanborn**, son of **John and Jean Sanborn** of Unity, were married 7 August 1993 at the Altamont Manor in Altamont, NY. The best man was **Geoffrey Sanborn** of Hamden, CT. The Usher was **Benjamin Sanborn** of Houlton. The bride is a graduate of Saint Lawrence University, Canton, NY and Indiana University, Bloomington IN. She is employed as a teacher at Forest Ridge Academy, Schereville, IN. The bridegroom graduated from Strawberry Fields, Oak Grove-Coburn School and Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA. He is a doctoral student of Russian history at the University of Chicago. The couple will reside in Merrillville, IN.

#### **SPECIAL BIRTHDAY -**

Manchester, NH January 27 1994 - **Adelaide E. Brigham** is 95 years young, today. A niece, **Barbara Wood** and her husband, their daughter **Laurie &** husband and their family made sure it was celebrated in style. Adelaide has contributed a notebook written, in a fine calligraphic hand, and filled with quotes from the famous, and with words to live by and Topped with a generous helping of food-for-thought. She married **Lloyd C. Brigham** in 1920 and spent 57 happy years with him. Insurance was his business, hers is a kind of insurance, beneficence. --to LCB

## FOR YOU

Things you loved, I have not put away  
To molder in the darkness, year by year.  
The songs you sang, the books you read  
each day  
Are all about me, intimate and dear.  
I cannot keep your chair a thing apart  
Lonely and empty - desolate to view;  
But if one comes a'weary, sick at heart  
I seat him there and comfort him for you.  
I do not go apart in grief and weep  
For I have known your tenderness and care  
Such memories are joys that we may keep  
And so I pray for those whose lives are  
bare. I may not go daily and scatter flowers  
Where you are sleeping 'neath the sun and  
dew.  
But if one lies in pain through weary hours  
I send flowers there, dear, for you.  
Life claims its best, you would not have  
me waste  
A single day in selfish idle woe,-  
I fancy that I heard you bid me haste  
Lest I should sadly falter as I go.  
perchance so much that seems incomplete  
Was left for me in my poor way to do  
And I shall have to tell you - when we  
meet  
That I have done your errands, dear, for  
you.

- author unknown

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## FEATURE ARTICLE

### A JUNCTION OF TWO FAMILIES

Richard D. Carleton

In the latter part of the 19th century who would have ever thought that a person from Henniker, NH would ever have the opportunity to meet someone who lived in the "Wild West." But it happened, east met west in the 1890's in Salt Lake City, Utah. when Joseph Abbott Sanborn\*, born in Henniker, NH met Rhoda Mabel Young, born in Salt Lake City.

Joseph Abbott's grandparents were Dr. Nathan Sanborn (VCS #521) and Seus Lancaster Sanborn of Henniker, NH. Dr. Sanborn was one of the founders of the Sanborn Family Association in 1853. More information can be found on pages 272-274 "Genealogy of the Family of Samborne or Sanborn in England and America. 1194-1896" by V.C. Sanborn published in 1899. His parents were George Granville Sanborn (VCS #1213) and Jane Hale Sanborn. George spent 39 years "working on the railroad" in New England. Joseph was born July 16, 1861.

Rhoda Mabel Young was a daughter of Brigham Young and Lucy Bigelow. Brigham Young was for many years the titular head of the Mormon Church and well known for his astute leadership abilities. Lucy Bigelow, herself from an important Mormon family, was Brigham's 21st wife (he had 27). Rhoda was born February 22, 1863 and her sister, Susa was born 18 March 1856. Both were writers, Susa was at times caustic and had a reputation for being headstrong but caring.

Joseph Sanborn<sup>1</sup>, following in his father's tracks, became a railroad agent for the Pacific Express Company in Salt Lake City sometime before February 16, 1875 when he married Elizabeth Mason of Boston, MA. There was one child of this marriage who died while still very young. The records available to the writer do not indicate whether this marriage ended with the death of Elizabeth or if there was a divorce.

Rhoda was married first to Daniel H. McAllister on September 7, 1879 and they had four children. Her second marriage was to Daniel Brigham Witt, a cousin, on July 25, 1887. Joseph Abbott Sanborn, a non-mormon, was Rhoda's third husband. They were married in Salt Lake City, UT on August 2, 1897. There were three children by this marriage<sup>2</sup>:

- i. Abbott Young Sanborn, born 6 May 1902
- ii. Lucy Young Sanborn, born 27 May 1904
- iii.. Joseph Gilpin Sanborn, born 22 December 1908.

No record has been found as to the date and place of Joseph's death, although we may assume that he died in Salt Lake City. Rhoda Mabel Young Sanborn died in Salt Lake City,

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<sup>1</sup>Joseph Abbott<sup>8</sup> Sanborn (VCS# 1213-i), George<sup>7</sup> (VCS# 1213), Nathan<sup>6</sup> (VCS# 521), Ebenezer<sup>5</sup> VCS# 199), Ebenezer<sup>4</sup> (VCS# 71), John<sup>3</sup> (VCS# 20), Richard<sup>2</sup> (VCS# 6), John<sup>1</sup> (VCS# 2)

<sup>2</sup>"Brigham Genealogy" by Sara Young Gates and Mabel Young Sanborn, Utah Genealogy and History Magazine, 1920, 9:133, 421.

Utah on September 20, 1950. She was the last surviving child of Brigham's 57 children.

Joseph's daughter, Lucy Young Sanborn died on 7 April 1943 while living in Salt Lake City, leaving a living spouse and "1 other." According to LDS records, Lucy first married a Joseph Raymond Spencer and they had a child, Victor Abbott Spencer. LDS records obtained in January 1993 show that Victor married and had a daughter, Barbara Lynne Spencer. LDS records show that Victor and his unnamed wife may have been living in 1993 .

Barbara Lynn Spencer married Kevin Ricks Stott and they have a child, Cynthia Lynne Stott, all probably living.

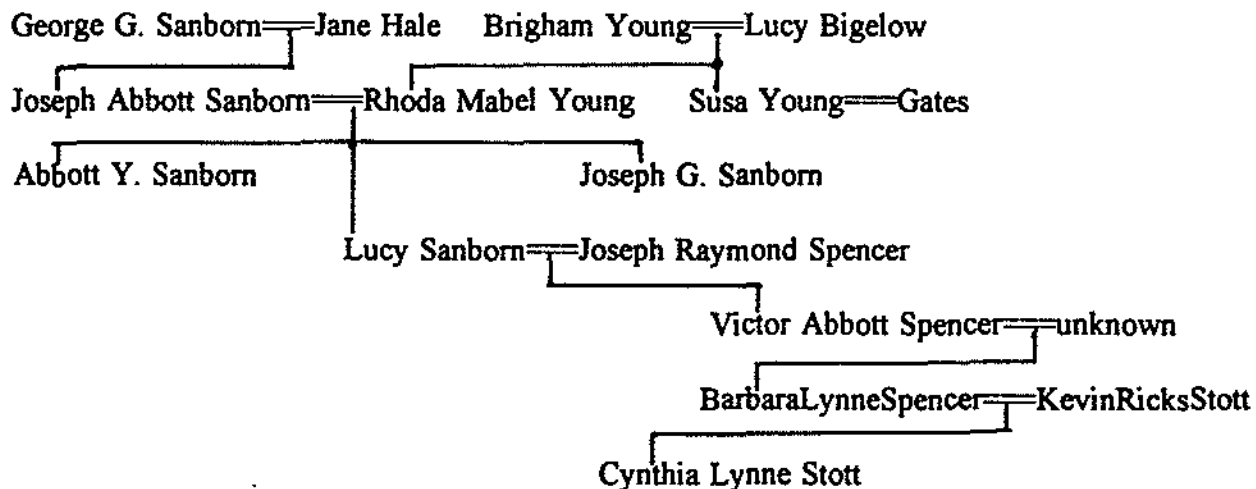
There remain unsolved questions: when did Joseph die and where; what are the updated records of their children and grandchildren and great grandchildren, etc. We know of Victor Abbott Spencer, Barbara Lynne Spencer, Kevin Stott and Cynthia Stott but their records are sketchy.

Any reader who has further information about this line, is asked to send it to Elmer C. Sanborn, 7031 Leawood Street, Kalamazoo, MI 49002. This would make a good research project for you to look up the names and addresses in a phone book, a city directory, voting registers or other record. Research on the living can be good fun, also.

Acknowledgements are extended to Allen LeBaron of Logan, Utah, Vernon Cheney & Elmer Sanborn in Kalamazoo, MI for sharing their research records.

The use of "VCS#" refers to the identification numbers to be found in "Genealogy of the Family of Samborne or Sanborn in England and America. 1194-1896" by V.C. Sanborn published in 1899.

#### LINEAGES





## THE BOOKSHELF



Two books that are not exactly new, but will prove timeless are: *The Mountain of Names - A History of the Human Family* by Alex Shoumatoff [Vintage Books, a division of Random House Inc., New York 1990]. Its 318 pages look at the Kinship of Mankind and includes such topics as Traditional Kinship, Stratification of Pedigrees, Types of Inheritance, new patterns of American Kinship and more. It is easy reading and provides a big picture for any reader and should be useful,

particularly to genealogists.

The second book on the shelf is *The Yankee Exodus* an account of migration from New England by Stewart Holbrook (The Macmillan Company, New York, 1950) and is available from "Ancestry" (PO Box 476, Salt Lake City, UT 84110, hard bound, the cost is about \$30.

It makes good reading to put, for example, the later movement of people out of New England in perspective with earlier movements of colonists from England to New England in the 1600's.

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### THERE ARE BOOKS . . .AND THERE ARE BOOKS:

#### THE WORLD BOOK OF SANBORN- a review

- Physical size: about 8 x 10 x 1 inches; soft cover; the number of pages are not given; nor is there any indication of indexing.

- The contents are described with emphasis on listings of names; genealogical relationships are not prominently mentioned.

- The use of an artist's drawing of a "Sanborn" coat of arms as a highly embellished art form purported to be one "translated into everyday language" is of questionable taste and adds nothing to valid heraldry. The SFA has rigorously avoided printing or accepting any such facsimile.

- The phrase "virtually handmade to order" means the computer program used to produce the book has the feature common in advertising to insert an individual's name wherever they like (no research here!).

- "The first Sanborn we found came to Boston....his name was William." why aren't the other two equally important brothers, John and Stephen referred to?

- The claim "There are now over 3,280 households bearing the Sanborn name Worldwide" seems like they didn't find many Worldwide, there are more families than that in the records collected in the SFA computer database just in the U.S. and Canada.

- Price about \$30 plus postage.

From the "Kalamazoo Valley Heritage", Kalamazoo, MI, April 2994, p 103:

"Book notices have been received by two families connected with KVGS members from the same address: 3687 Ira Road, Bath, Ohio 44210, same as for the above. Except for the surname and a few sentences about first immigrants of the surname, the pitch is the same. The recipient is promised "THE WORLD BOOK OF [SURNAME] " a publication that lists persons of that surname who immigrated to America between the 16th and 20th centuries, an 'international directory of virtually every [SURNAME] household (with address) and you [full name of person receiving letter] are listed in this section of the book'....Information about how to trace your family name, a coat of arms, and information about the family name are also to be included."

"Tell your friends not to expect a genealogy but rather, a listing of persons with no relationships stated."

Elsewhere, there are available CD Rom disks (for about \$60) and "Phone Fiche" that list living persons with addresses by surname.

Lists of immigrants can be obtained in P. William Filby and Mary K. Meyer's *Passenger and Immigration lists Index*, 6 volumes available in some large Public Libraries and on film from LDS Family History Centers..

## ADVERTISEMENTS

Wanted--- a home for a valuable family photo album of the 1890's. Most pictures have names of those photographed: Frank Sanborn photographed in Bangor, ME; Lizzie Sanborn photographed in Old Town, ME; John Sanborn, in Old Town, ME; Clarence Sanborn, in Old Town, ME.

Others shown are:

Mrs. E.S. Southworth- Fall River, MA;  
GRAY, HARRISON, WILSON, PERRY,  
MONKS, HUNTOON, CARR, DOW,  
BLAKENEY, LANCASTER, BRONSON,  
JAMAN, TORREY, HAYHURST. Most  
have photographic studios and cities given  
in Manchester, NH, Massachusetts, Boston  
and Philadelphia. This is probably ONE  
FAMILY. If any combinations of these  
names seem like members of your family,  
please contact Elmer Sanborn- editor.

## AWARD FOR OLDEST PICTURE OF A "SANBORN"

In early issues of *Sanborn Signatures*, awards were offered for the oldest picture of a Sanborn. The photographs in the spring issue of SS in 1990 pp 1, and 3 didn't show the dates taken so we can't be sure the photos are the oldest; the one of Moses Worthing born in 1787 qualifies for the oldest " Sanborn" who ever had his picture taken..

But Ardith & Jim James have the winner

to date for the oldest photograph. It is a Daguerreotype portrait of Benaiah James (born 1824) by a photographer in Manchester, NH. about 1846.



BENAIH MARSTON JAMES

1846

**TO GET THE MOST INFORMATION FROM OLD PHOTOGRAPHS** --In spite of your ancestors' seemingly deliberate attempts to keep from you their names, dates and places depicted, there are ways to identify the unidentifiable. -- (Are you doing any better labeling your present snapshots using a felt, "Sharpie" pen on the back to give date, place, names?)

The following information is offered to help you extract information from your obscure oldies but goodies.

TIME TABLE OF PHOTOGRAPHS

1840	1850	1860	1870
1880	1890	1900	

Daguerreotype

(negatives) [1851 colodion wet plate.....[1880 dry plate.....1907]

[1854 Ambrotype.....1881]

[1856 Tintypes.....into 1920s.

1854-1860 \*Panotype

[1840 Calotype paper negatives.....1888]

[1860 Albumen prints.....1890  
burnished 1879-1892

1880 Platinum prints into 1930s

1842 cyanotypes (brite blue prints on white  
popular in 1870s used as art to the present

[1856- 90s Woodbury type, chocolate brown ]

[1858 Gum Bichromate mono colors .....1920s

Hand oil tints on b/w prints, pencil sketch. 1900s to the present.  
Color prints, slides about 1940 and after.

\*Panotypes, (not common) were cloth or leather coated with light-sensitive liquids and processed from a negative to imprint an image.

(Time Table of Photographs, continued)

ALBUMEN PRINT SIZES			year introduced to the U.S.:
Carte-de-visite	4.2"x 2.5"		1859
Cabinet(a style of cardboard mounted photo)	5"x 6.5"		1896
Victoria	3.25 x 5 in		1870
Promenade	4.0 x 7 in		1875
Boudoir	5.25 x 8.5		?
Imperial	16 7/8x 9/78		?
Panel	8.25 x 4 in		?
Stereoptican, round corners	3 x 7 in		1859
Artiste, cabinet, and deluxe stereoptican:	4.5 x 7 or 5 x 7 in		1873

PORTRAIT PROPS 1900-1920s: women holding a bouquet of roses and wearing a flimsy shoulder mantle.

CLOTHING STYLES: Before 1900 women's tall, plumed hats, bustles, elegantly designed dresses and men's high Victorian shirt collars were seen. Women's and men's hair styles were parted in the middle and severely "pasted" down over the top of the head. White skirts and blouses on women were seen about 1900-1920.

Black & white snapshots with deckle (wavy) edges were popular in the 1940s, 1950s.

Borderless prints (usually color) with rounded corners, were popular in the 1970s and later.

Using a little deduction, and estimating the age of the people in the photographs and subtract this from an estimate of the year the photo was taken, the birth date, to within a year or two, of the subjects can often be achieved.

The photographer's name or studio and address can often be found on back of prints or embossed on the front (with careful handling, photos can be slid out of the large album pages). With this information, go to the City Directory for the area, look in the issues before and after a suspected date for the studio's advertisements. The date the picture can be narrowed down as to when it might have been taken. If the studio is still in existence (or its successor) a visit to the studio with picture(s) in hand will sometimes provide interesting conversation and unexpected history.

Further information of this kind can be found in: "Unlocking the Secrets in Old Photographs" by Karen Frisch-Ripley. It is available from Ancestry, Inc., PO Box 476 Salt Lake City, UT 84110 (phone: 1-800-531-1790). The publisher has given their permission for our use of information from the book that we used in the above article.



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