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The purpose of this document is to show to the best of my knowledge a brief history and background to the life of *WILLIAM ARMISTEAD*, "Yeoman" of Kirk Deighton Yorkshire, his immediate family and ancestors prior to his immigration to Virginia, USA. (1635)

I sincerely hope the following information will help and assist those researching the *ARMISTEAD* family. Circa dates shown in this file were concluded by simple math combined with data and information that has been substantiated, however these circa dates should not be used as fact.

I am constantly seeking and finding new information and therefore this file is subject to change without notification. April 2001.

One of the earliest references known for the surname

ARMISTEAD, ERMYSTED, ARMSTEED

And other derivatives of this name originate from

LAWRENCE DEL ARMSTED c. 1379

"Dweller by or at the Hermitage"

n.fr (old French) **ERMITE** and of
o.e (old English) **STED** "Place"

"YEOMAN" = Independent farmer

"HUSBANDMAN" = farmer