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I am seeking all genealogical and biographical details for the family documented below including their ancestors, children, and grandchildren and the spouses thereof, including the full names of those spouses' parents. All additions and corrections within this scope, however speculative, will be greatly appreciated.

Walter Holliday of Suffield, Connecticut

The information on the Holliday family comes primarily from the *Documentary History of Suffield in the Colony and Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England, 1660-1749*, by Hezekiah Spencer Sheldon and *The Halladay Family 1650-1933* by Vernon André Kraft Nicholson. Variant spellings of the name include Halladay, Halliday, etc. According to the *Directory of Ancestral Heads of New England Families*, the name comes from "Holy Day" which was the slogan and war cry of a Gaelic clan in Annandale, Scotland that frequently raided the English border. Any day devoted to ravaging the enemy was a "holy day."

1. WALTER¹ HOLLIDAY died at Suffield, Hartford County, Connecticut 21 September 1709. He was married in Springfield, Hampden County, Massachusetts 20 April 1673 to KATHERINE HUNTER (*William*¹), who was born there about 1657 and died there, daughter of William¹ and Priscilla [Corish?] Hunter. Katherine married second at Springfield, Massachusetts 20 June 1710 SAMUEL MILLER, a widower of Springfield (*Early Massachusetts Marriages*, 3:126), born there 20 April 1655 and died there 11 February 1726/7 (Donald L. Jacobus, *Hale, House and Related Families*).

Walter was probably the first of the name in New England and at Suffield. "The name is not common, and there is none to be found previous to his (Walter's). He is probably the ancestor of all of this name in New England, as well as those who remained in Suffield" (Sheldon, 34). In 1674, Walter was granted 40 acres and a house on Feather Street (Sheldon, 26). On 4 February 1689/90, he was chosen Surveyor at a general town meeting and again in 1690 and 1696 (Sheldon, 111, 113, 126).

Children, first two born at Springfield, Hampden, Massachusetts, remainder at Suffield, Hartford, Connecticut (*Birth, Marriages and Deaths, Suffield, Connecticut*, 1:9; *NEHGR*, 19:64):

- i. EBENEZER², b. 30 Aug 1675; d. 19 Oct 1679.
- ii. WILLIAM, b. 1677/8; d. 11 April 1764; m. ANNA ELLIS, b. about 1675, of Suffield.

- iii. SAMUEL, b. 14 Sept 1680; d. in the 1740s; m. MERCY LEWIS, b. about 1681, of Suffield.
- * iv. SARAH, b. 8 Feb 1682; m. 16 Nov 1698 JOHN² BURLESON (*Edward*¹), b. at Suffield 9 Oct 1677, son of Edward¹ and Sarah (___) Burleson of Suffield. See *Edward Burleson of Suffield, Connecticut* for more information.
- v. MARY, b. 24 Jan 1684; m. 4 Nov 1702 BENJAMIN ELLIS.
- vi. ISAAC, b. 8 Nov 1690; d. 16 Nov 1690.
- vii. ABIGAIL, b. 14 Jan 1692; m. 1710 SAMUEL MILLER JR.
- viii. [AARON?], b. about 1694; m. NAOMI SMITH; this last child is from the Ancestral File of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.

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