A genealogical profile of Kenelm Winslow

Birth: Kenelm Winslow was baptized on May 3, 1599, in Droitwich, Worcestershire.

Death: He was buried in Salem on September 13, 1672.

Ship: Unknown, 1631

Life in England: Kenelm was the son of Edward and Magdalen (Oliver/Ollyver) Winslow of Droitwich, Worcestershire. He was a joiner in New England, and would have received his training in England.

Life in New England: Kenelm Winslow first appeared in Plymouth records on the tax list of March 25, 1633, and in the list of freemen from the same year. He contracted with an apprentice, Samuel Jenny, on January 6, 1633/4. He moved to Marshfield by 1643. From 1634 to 1657 he served the colony in various offices, including deputy for Marshfield to the Plymouth court for many years. Kenelm was one of five brothers (Edward, John, Gilbert, Kenelm, and Josiah) who came to New England.

Family: Kenelm Winslow married Ellen (Newton) Adams, as her second husband in June 1634 in Plymouth and had four children. She was buried on December 5, 1681, in Marshfield.

Children of Kenelm and Ellen Winslow:

- Kenelm was born by about 1635. He married (1) Mercy Worden by 1668 and had eleven children. He married (2) Damaris Eames by 1693.

- Ellen was born about 1636. She married Samuel Baker on December 20, 1656, and had eight children. She was buried on August 27, 1676.

- Nathaniel was born about 1639. He married Faith Miller on August 3, 1664, in Marshfield and had nine children. He died on December 1, 1719.

- Job was born by about 1641. He married Ruth ____ by 1674 and had thirteen children. He died on July 14, 1720.

For Further Information:


Where do I go from here?

**Researching your family’s history** can be a fun, rewarding, and occasionally frustrating project. Start with what you know by collecting information on your immediate family. Then, trace back through parents, grandparents, and beyond. This is a great opportunity to speak to relatives, gather family stories, arrange and identify old family photographs, and document family possessions that have been passed down from earlier generations.

Once you have learned all you can from family members, you will begin to discover other sources. A wide variety of records can help you learn more about the lives of your ancestors. These include birth, marriage, and death records; immigration and naturalization records; land records; census records; probate records and wills; church and cemetery records; newspapers; passenger lists; military records; and much more.

When you use information from any source — an original record, a printed book, or a website — always be careful to document it. If you use a book, you should cite the author or compiler, the full title, publication information and pages used. Also be sure to record the author’s sources for the information. If the author’s sources aren’t provided, you will have to try to find the original source. Many genealogical works contain faulty information, and the Internet also contains many inaccuracies. In order for your work to be accepted — by lineage societies and other genealogists — it must be properly documented.

**IMPORTANT GENEALOGICAL RESOURCES**

**New England Historic Genealogical Society**

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- [www.PlymouthAncestors.org](http://www.PlymouthAncestors.org)
- [www.CyndisList.com](http://www.CyndisList.com)
- [www.USGenWeb.org](http://www.USGenWeb.org)

**GENEALOGICAL LIBRARIES IN PLYMOUTH**

**General Society of Mayflower Descendants Library**

A collection focused principally on the genealogies of the descendants of the Mayflower passengers.

4 Winslow St., Plymouth; 508-746-3188; [www.mayflower.org](http://www.mayflower.org)

**Plymouth Collection, Plymouth Public Library**

Over 1200 items relating to the descendants of the Pilgrims, as well as the many other immigrants who settled in the area.

132 South St., Plymouth; 508-830-4250; [www.plymouthpubliclibrary.org](http://www.plymouthpubliclibrary.org)

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