

Family Group Record

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Husband Francis Fortescue		
Born		Place
Christened		Place
Died	1769	Place Baulking, Berkshire, England
Buried		Place
Married		Place
Husband's father		
Husband's mother		
Wife unknown		
Born		Place
Christened		Place
Died	Bef 1743	Place
Buried		Place
Wife's father		
Wife's mother		
Children List each child in order of birth.		
1	M Francis Fortescue	
	Born	Place
	Christened	10 Apr 1709 Place Baulking, Berkshire, England
	Died	5 Feb 1793 Place Baulking, Berkshire, England
	Buried	10 Feb 1793 Place Uffington, Berkshire, England
	Spouse	Mary
	Married	Place
2	F Frances Fortescue	
	Born	Place
	Christened	Place
	Died	Place
	Buried	Place
	Spouse	William Abdy
	Married	8 Oct 1733 Place Uffington, Berkshire, England
3	F Sarah Fortescue	
	Born	Place
	Christened	25 Oct 1713 Place Baulking, Berkshire, England
	Died	1 Sep 1743 Place
	Buried	Place Uffington, Berkshire, England
	Spouse	Joseph Cook
	Married	6 Oct 1735 Place Uffington, Berkshire, England

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Husband **Francis Fortescue**

Wife **unknown**

Notes

HUSBAND - Francis Fortescue
SOURCE:

Mentioned in sons baptism record (but mothers name not mentioned).

Based on the fact that his son was born in 1709, it is assumed that Francis may have been born around 1680 - 1690.

Left a will, dated 24 September 1743, proved 28 July 1779 which states that he is of Baulking.

It states that he died in the year 1769.

The will does not mention a wife (probably deceased) but does mention his son Francis and other relations.

I believe that he was the first Fortescue to move to Baulking as he was not born or married or buried there. He probably moved there after he was married, and was buried back in the place where he was born (although he probably died in Baulking?)

He could have been part of the Fortescues in Buckland? From the IGI, we have a William Fortescue Christened on 14 Jan 1693, son of John Fortescue and Mary. This William could be the one that we have the will of. The IGI extraction only starts at 1691, so there may not be records of the earlier children (Francis and John?) - This was checked at the BRO and there is a Francis Fortescue (brother of William) that was born 1703 in Buckland - so it couldnt have been ours.

There are certain bishops transcripts for Buckland that do exist in Trowbridge, Wiltshire RO.

Checked for him in the following other towns in Berkshire via the transcripts / indexes that exist in the BRO:

Longworth
Reading
Bradfield
Stanford Dingley
East Garston
Lambourne
Stanford in the Vale
West Hanney
Faringdon
Watage
Letcombe Regis
Abingdon

Found some Fortescues, but cant find our Francis that died in 1769.

Checked London Marriage Index (1521-1869) but no matches.

Looked through all branches of the Fortescue family in the comprehensive book by Sir Thomas Fortescue - but they dont seem to match as well.

Tried to look for a clue through the names of the witnesses on his will -

George Cook
Richard Gosling
Joseph Cook Snr

Found a Richard Gosling (a rare name) born in London in 9 June 1672 - could be the one? (No way of knowing) If this was his friend - perhaps there is a chance he was also born on London?

Also checked the "National Burial Index" - No Francis died the year mentioned in his will (1769) - the closes is a Francis who died 1755 in Longowth Berkshire. This is interesting as Longworth is not far from Baulking (kind of near Buckland).

There is a slight chance that this could be our man - except the death dates are quite out of sync.

Looking through the transcripts for Longworth, we found that there was another Francis that died in 1704, who was the son of another Francis! There is obviously a long lie of Francis's in this area!

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HUSBAND - Francis Fortescue (Continued)

It also mentioned that his father was from Chimney in Bampton. These towns are next to Longworth.

I have ordered the Fische of the transcript of these towns - lets see if it shows anything.

WIFE - unknown

Source:

She is not mentioned in her husbands will - so must have died before the will was written.

CHILD 1 - Francis Fortescue

SOURCE:

Names from son's marriage record in Stanford in the Vale parish register

Uffington parish records:

Baptisms - Fortescue Francis - son of Francis - April 10 1709

Cant find marriage in Uffington / Baulking, and nothing on IGI for 1740 +/- 20 years.

Burials - Fortescue Francis, 83, old age, Baulking, 10 Feb 1793

Buried in St Marys church, Uffington in the Fortescue section:

"To the memory of Francis Fortescue who departed this life 5 Febuary 1793 aged 84"

CHILD 2 - Frances Fortescue

Source:

Mentioned in her fathers will - also her husband William Abdoy

CHILD 3 - Sarah Fortescue

Source:

Uffington parish transcripts and mentioned in her fathers will.

The will also mentions her husband - Joseph Cook Jnr and their children - Henry, Edmund and Mary

Burial: Uffington Church Memorials

"Here lyeth the body of Joseph Cook who departed this life 17 July 1780 aged 71 years. Also here lyeth the body of Sarah the wife of Joseph Cook of this parish who departed this life 1st September 1743 aged 30 years. Their children Sarah, Mary, Henry, Edmond."