

Ruth wife of Abraham Chase was dau. of: p. 10
BENJAMIN MORSE JR.

b. Aug. 24, 1668 Newbury, Mass.

m. Jan. 28, 1691/2 Newbury, Mass.

d. Oct. 25, 1743

SUSANNA MERRILL b. Nov. 14, 1673 9 chil.

Occupation weaver.

REF; Old Salisbury p. 258-260.

Benjamin Jr. was son of:

DEACON BENJAMIN MORSE

b. 1641 Newbury, Mass.

m. Aug. 27, 1667

RUTH SAWYER 12 chil.

b. Sept. 16, 1648 Newbury, Mass.

Ref: Old Salisbury p. 258-590.

Benjamin was son of:

ANTHONY MORSE

b. May 9, 1606 Marlborough England

m. Wiltshire

d. Oct. 12, 1686 Newbury, Mass.

1. MARY 2. Ann 13 chil.

He came from Marlborough England in the 'James' to Boston and Newbury about 1635. Freeman 1636 Boston. A shoemaker.

Morse- a contraction of Morris. Mors the name of a large island in Denmark. a marsh.

Ref: Old Salisbury p. 256; New England Heads; Mass. Pioneers p. 320.
Gen. Dictionary of Me. and N. H. pp. 494.

Susanna wife of Benjamin Morse Jr. was dau. of:

ABEL MERRILL

b. 1644 Newbury, Mass.

m. Feb. 10, 1670

d. 1690

PRISCILLA CHASE dau. of Aquila and Ann Wheeler Chase

b. Mar. 14, 1648/9 8 chil.

Ref: Old Salisbury p. 245.

Abel was son of:

NATHANIEL MERRILL

b. 1610 Wiltshire England

d. Mar. 16, 1654/5 Newbury, Mass.

SUSANNA WILERTON 2. Stephen Jordan

Newbury 1635, proprietor 1638. The family originally was from the Province of Aisne, France where the name is perpetuated by the village of Merls. The family was knighted both in France and England. The French meaning of the name is a blackbird.

Ref: Old Salesbury p. 243; Mass. Pioneers p. 312; N. E. Heads CLXII.

Ruth wife of Benjamin Morse was dau. of:

WILLIAM SAWYER

b. 1613 England

RUTH 12 chil.

Oath of Allegiance 1678. Lived in Salem, Wenham and Newbury, Mass.