

Sir Edward Filmer

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Sir Edward Filmer (first owner of Charlton Court) at the age of 57 in 1623. This scan was reproduced for RHS website by James Arthur Filmer-Wilson who owns the original portrait.

Born: 17 Jan 1566 East Sutton, England

Married: Elizabeth Argall

Died: 2 Nov 1629 East Sutton, England

Parents: Robert Filmer & Frances Chester

Sir Edward FILMER (3.Robert3 , 2.Margery2 , 1.Robert1) born abt 17 Jan 1566, of East Sutton, Kent, England, occupation Lord of Charleton Manor and purchased the manor of East Sutton from his brother-in-law John ARGALL, esq. Sir Edward married 1585 (and was married for 44 years), to Elizabeth ARGALL, born abt 1570/75, Kent, England, (daughter of Richard ARGALL and Mary (Marie) SCOTT). Elizabeth died 9 Aug 1638, East Sutton, Kent, England, buried: East Sutton Church, Kent, England. Sir Edward died 2 Nov 1629, East Sutton, Kent, England, buried: East Sutton Church, E. Sutton, Kent, England. 18 children (9 sons, 9 daughters) are named on his brass monument.

Information from online research at Ancestry.com

He resided at Colledgehouse in Maidstone, Kent, England.^{4, 5} He resided at Manor of Herst in Parish Otterdan, England.^{6, 7} The Filmers were anciently seated at Manor of Herst, Parish of Otterdan, during the time of Edward II until the time of Queen Elizabeth when Robert Filmer (Edward's father) son of James Filmer, moved to Little Charleton, East Sutton.

He was married to Elizabeth Argall (daughter of Richard Argall and Mary "Marie" Scott) in 1585 in East Sutton, Kent, England.⁸ Edward and Elizabeth had 18 children; 9 boys, 9 girls. Note: In several data bases, another child named "Job" appears but there is no such child depicted on the brass plate covering the tomb of Sir Edward and Lady Elizabeth in East Sutton Church. Elizabeth Argall⁹ was born about 1570 in Kent, England.¹ She resided at Maidstone, Kent, England in 1580. She resided at East Sutton, Kent, England in 1586. She died on 9 Aug 1638 in East Sutton, Kent, England.^{10, 11, 8} She had an estate probated on 16 Aug 1638 in East Sutton, Kent, England.

Married: 1585 in Kent, England

Children

Augustinus Filmer birth

Mary Filmer birth b: 1586 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Margaret Filmer birth b: 1587 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Robert Filmer birth b: 1588 in Neck Of Land-Vir, London, Kent, England

Edward Filmer, Jr. birth b: 1589 in East Sutton, Kent, England

John Filmer birth b: 1590 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Elizabeth Filmer birth b: 1592 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Judith Filmer birth b: 1594 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Reginald Filmer birth b: 1596 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Katherine Filmer birth b: 1597 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Thomas Filmer birth b: 1598 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Anne Filmer birth b: 1600 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Jane Filmer birth b: 1600 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Thomas Filmer birth b: 1601 in Canterbury, Kent, England

Henry Filmer, Major birth b: abt 1598 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Susanna Filmer birth b: 1603 in Canterbury, Kent, England

Richard Filmer birth b: 1620 in East Sutton, Kent, England

Sarah Filmer birth b: 1604 in Manor, E-Sutton, Kent, England

WILL OF SIR EDWARD FILMER, KNIGHT

(aged 63, 17th. January, last)

Will Dated 20 October, Vth. Charles I; Proved 5 December 1629

To my daughter, ELIZABETH, wife of William Faulkner, citizen and draper of London, if she survives her husband 500. If the said husband survives said ELIZABETH, then to her children 300, equally divided. If she dies without issue, then to her husband 20. Executors to find meat, drink and apparel to the said ELIZABETH to the value of 4- yearly.

To my three sons, EDWARD, JOHN, and HENRY FILMER, 10 each. And because my son REYNALD's (REGINALD) estate consists in trading beyond the seas, I forgive him all his debts (500), 50. To my said son HENRY, if he commence M.A. in University of Cambridge, 40 and further 100.

To my daughters, MARY KNATCHBULL and CATHERINE BARHAM, 20 each.

To EDWARD KNATCHBULL, my Godson, 5. To his sister MARY KNATCHBULL, 20. To his brother JOHN, 2. To EDWARD BARHAM, my Godson... To ELIZABETH BARHAM, my wife's God-daughter, 5. To other grandchildren, ROBERT, THOMAS, CHARLES and RICHARD BARHAM, 40 s, each. To Dame ANN, wife of my son, Sir ROBERT FILMER, 20 for a ring. To my daughter SARA, 1000 further 500. Annuity of 10 to my brother, HENRY. DOROTHY, daughter of my brother, ANTHONY FILMER, 10.

DAME ELIZABETH, my wife, 120. All her chains and jewels and all my household stuff in College House in Maidstone, a third part of linen and silver. My lease of Rectory in East Sutton toward payment of my debts. The other two parts of linen, silver, etc. to my son, Sir ROBERT FILMER. My wife shall have the leases of certain houses in Knightrider Street, lately given me by my brother, ROBERT FILMER, ESQ. DAME ELIZABETH and SIR ROBERT, my son, Executors. Witnesses: WILLIAM DAVY, WILLIAM GREGORY, and RICHARD CLOUGH.

For disposing my land in co. Kent and elsewhere.... Lands called NICHOLS in

CHARTHAM, my lands in OTTERDEEN and land in ROMNEY MARSH shall stand according to indentures made. To my son JOHN, 50 yearly out of house in DARRANT. To said son, JOHN, also my houses and lands in YALDING and to his heirs. For default to my eldest son, SIR ROBERT and heirs; for default to EDWARD FILMER, my second son and heirs; for default to REYNALD, my fourth son and heirs. For default to HENRY, my fifth son and heirs. To HENRY, my fifth son and heirs, after my wifes decease, tenement and land in Warren Street LENHAM and one in Parish of CHARING. For default to SIR ROBERT; for default to EDWARD; for default to JOHN; for default to REYNALD. To my wife, DAME ELIZABETH for life all my houses and lands in DARRANT, LENHAM, CHARING and SUTTON VALENCE, one tenement in Parish of BORDEN. AFTER her decease, the lands in SUTTON VALENCE shall be sold if need be. I no deeded lands to Sir ROBERT and heirs. Witnesses: WILLIAM DAVY, WILLIAM GREGORY, RICHARD CLOUGH.



The famous almost life size floor brass of Sir Edward and Elizabeth Argall with their 18 children.

The pictorial depiction of Sir Edward Filmer and wife, Elizabeth Argall Filmer, is found at their burial place. It was prepared in Elizabeth's lifetime, as the date of her death is scratched on the metal subsequently to its being placed in the church. The inscription reads:

"Under this rest in certain hope of the resurrection, the bodies of Sir Edward Filmer, Knight, and dame Elizabeth, his wife, daughter of Richard Argall, Esquire. They lived together fourt-four years and had issue eighteen children, Viz: nine sons and nine daughters. He departed this life on the second of November 1629 A.D. She the [9th of August] 16[38]. A.D."

East Sutton Church, Kent, England Sir Edward and Dame Elizabeth Argall are buried within the church.



http://www.webpanda.com/URU_UKtripOct2007/East_Sutton_Park/PaulLauff_photos_%20EastSuttonParkManor_Church.htm