

John Rivers

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Born: 1604 Kent, England

Married: 1636 Ann Newman

Died: 29 Sep 1683 Bermuda

Parents: John Rivers & Dorothy Potter

Occupation

Unknown

Family

Wife: Ann Newman

Children:

William

Daniel

John

Nehemiah

Robert

A GENEALOGICAL CHART OF A PORTION OF THE RIVERS FAMILY
PRINCIPALLY THE DESCENDANTS OF CAPT. ROBERT and his only brother GEORGE, Sr. EARLY BORN 1680 - DIED 1750

A MAP OF THE BERMUDA ISLANDS

A MAP OF JAMES'S ISLAND & VICINITY

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SEA WINDS TAILOR SHIP OF THE 1700S

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THE CHART IS DEDICATED TO AN HONORABLE LADY LADY ELIZABETH

Above information from the book, "Thomas W Rivers Collection", found in the East Carolina University Joyner Library.

<http://digital.lib.ecu.edu/special/ead/view.aspx?id=MC0005&show=objects>

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JOHN RIVERS (Bermuda)

Born: _____? Buried: Sept. 29, 1683

Married: Sept. 30, 1656.

ANN NEWMAN (Bermuda)

Living in 1696.

This branch of the Rivers Family came from England settled first on Bermuda, Parish of South Hampton (Port Royal) they owned two islands called Rivers Islands, in Great Sound. Recently these islands have been connected with the mainland to form a peninsula are now a part of the U.S. Naval Base.

The information here was obtained from Parish Church Registers on Bermuda. It cannot be proved that our ancestors Capt Robert Rivers, Master Mariner and his half-brother George Sr. descended from John and Ann Newman. However all of the family on Bermuda came to America and most of them to James Island, DC. The dates fit perfectly also many of the names.

From the Parish records on Bermuda John Rivers in 1656 married Ann Newman who was alive in 1696. All as shown above. He was probably the Lieutenant John Rivers who with Lieutenant Miles Rivers were among the earliest settlers on Bermuda.

Unusual names which appeared in the family on Bermuda appear also on James Island. The name Malloy in Capt. Roberts family must have sprung from his aunt Elizabeth wife of his uncle William. Nehemiah with his wife and five children, also Richard Rivers with his wife and two children were given as passengers aboard the sloop Elizabeth & Rebecca according to the records of Sept. 3, 1708 to South Carolina. The master was Capt. Greenway Malloy. This is an authentic record and he probably a brother of Elizabeth.

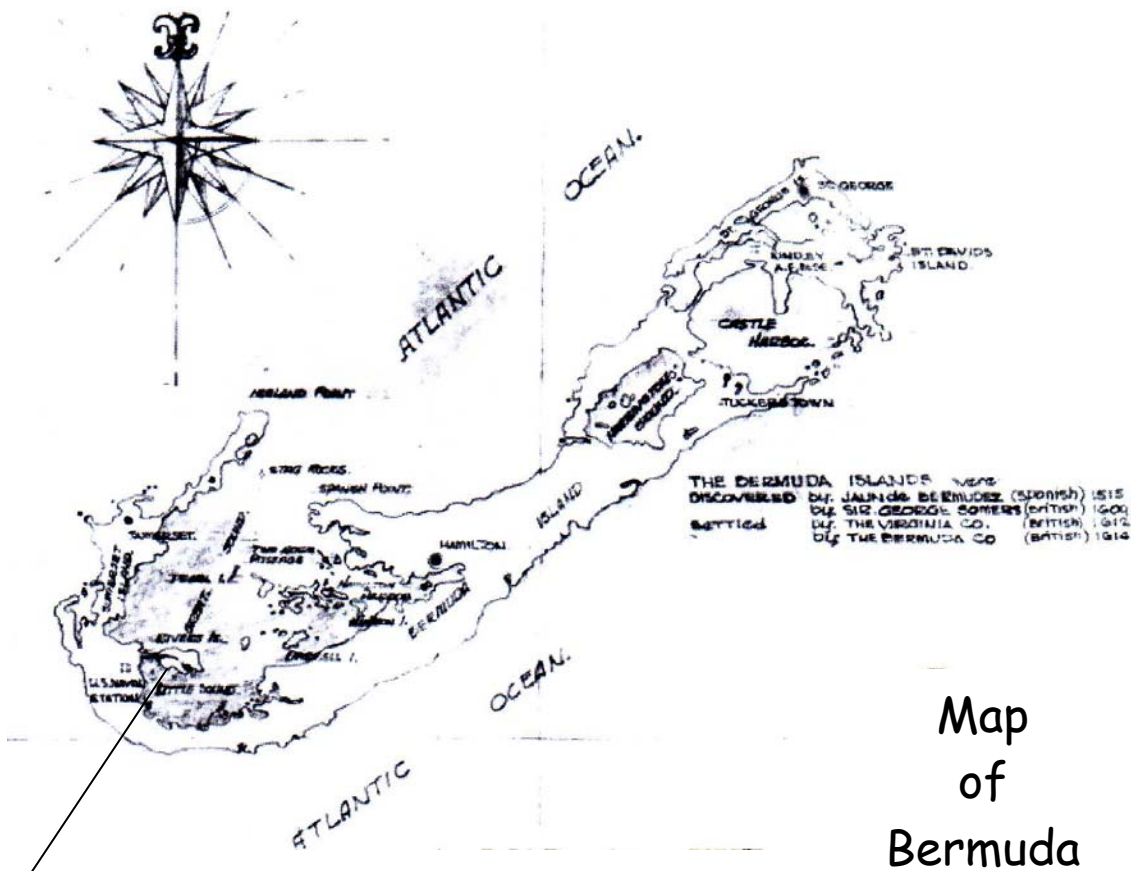
In recent correspondence with Commander Middleton on Bermuda, we are advised of the following: which was taken from a book of Deeds, Bonds and Protest in 1805. Where a tax was shown against the estate of a Joseph Rivers.

Currently there are no white people on Bermuda named Rivers. Apparently Joseph in 1805 was the last.

Every community has key families that have a profound influence in its development and history. The South Carolina Sea Islands (James, Johns, Wadmalaw, Kiawah, Seabrook and Edisto Islands) share many of the same first families as generations spread from Charles Towne to Beaufort. One such family for James Island is the Rivers family, which has extended out to twelve generations of South Carolinians. Through the marriages of their sons and daughters, the Rivers family also traces through most of the other historic families for James Island including Ellis, Croskeys, Royall, McLeod, Hinson, Seabrook, Peronneau, Hext, Freer, Dill, Greatbach, Stanyarne and Bee just to name a few. Prior to 1636, **John Rivers** (P-522) moved to Bermuda from England. **He settled in the Parish of South Hampton on two islands named Rivers Islands***. Later these islands connected with the mainland to form a peninsula now part of a US Naval Base. John's son William was the first Rivers to settle on James Island with a grant in 1681. His first home was at the mouth of Wappoo Creek in the footprint of today's Country Club of Charleston clubhouse. He also owned 300 acres near Mill Point (Fort Johnson), 145 acres on the James Island side of Charles Towne harbor and 700 acres on Folly Island. Having no surviving sons, all this property was left to his grandsons; Rivers and Joseph Stanyarne in his will dated October 3, 1717. William was followed to James Island by his brother **Robert Rivers** (P-514) who arrived with his second wife and two sons, Robert, born to his first wife, and **George** (P-510), born to his second. The entire line of the Rivers family on James Island and in the Charleston area descends from these two half-brothers later referred to as Captain Robert Rivers, master mariner, and **George Rivers, Sr.**

<http://www.sciway.net/city/history/james-island/jean.html>

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★ Rivers Islands