**Documentation that proves John & Hester Robins of Theddingworth, Leicester, England were NOT the grandparents of the Daniel Robins born 1627 in Scotland & died 1714 in Crosswicks, New Jersey.**

**Source:** **Parish records of Theddingworth, Leicester, England** records John Robins b. 1607, d. 1680 to be “Buryed in the Church Yard, August 12, 1680, aged 73.” Hester Robins “Buryed in the Church Yard, August 7, 1677”, “Thomas Jenkins buryed them.” Their gravestones/monuments are said to be among the oldest found at Theddingworth.

The following is a transcript of the Will of John Robins of Theddingworth, Leicester, England who died there in 1680. **Source:** **Leicestershire Record Office, Leicestershire, England.**

In the name of God, Amen; I John Robins of Theddingworth in the County of Leis, being weake in body but of good and perfect rememberance doo make & ordaine this to be my Last Will & Testament in manner & forme following, I bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life and my body bee buryed in the Church Yard of the said Parish by my Deare Wife, at the discretion of my Executor. And as touching those worldly goods and lands which I have got to bestow, and give, or bequeath, I doo it as followeth. And first, touching my land att Foxton which I bought of Honory Sprig, I give equally to my six children, that is five and twenty pounds a piece to **Elizabeth, Daniel, Joseph, Hester, Obedience and Joshuah** and my will is that in case of them dye, that then their parts be equally divided amongst all the rest, and and if my son Daniel doo payeth of them their parts proportionably at twenty five pounds a year, my will in that he shall have the land. And secondly touching that three scorce pounds that is in my Brother Watkins alnd at North Kibworth due to me about Martinmas next; fourty pounds thereof I give unto the three youngest children of my daughter Woodhard (Elizabeth Robins Woodhard) that are now alive, Joseph, Hester and Joshuah and in case any of those dye, my will is that his part be hers who dyeth shall be equally divided amoungest the rest and my will is further if my daughter Woodhard shall have the interest of that fourty pounds during her life. Thirdly touching the other fourty pounds in the land also of my Brother Watkin accrueing due to me about 2 years after the time, I bequeath and give it as followeth. First five pounds to the poor of this towne of Theddingworth forever the interest of it yearly to be distributed upon St. Thomas by the Min. Overseers for the time being and forever. I give and bequeath also five pounds of it unto my Daughter-in Law, my son Daniel’s wife and five pounds of it unto all my other children before named that is to pay five pounds a piece. Lastly, revoking all other former wills, I make this my last will and testament. I do hereby confirm, take and ordaine, my son Daniel Robins to be executor of this my last will and testament. And my will is that my executor shall pay to the four servants of my son Daniel five shillings a piece for testimony hereunto I have set to my hand and seale this third day of August 1680. (signed) John Robins signed sealed & published (signed) Tho. Jenkins in the presence of us (signed) John Carro.

Comments:

1. The Will of John Robins of Theddingworth, England proves his name was Robins not Robinson & the place of his death was England not Scotland.
2. The Will of John Robins along with the parish records shows John & Hester Robins had no son named Richard Robins or Robinson.
3. Daniel son of John & Hester Robins is not the same Daniel Robins (1627-1714) of Scotland, CT & NJ. Parish records names Daniel’s wife as Elizabeth & the names & birthdates of their 10 children who were born between the years 1680-1696 at Theddingworth. These same records have a Daniel Robins who died in Theddingworth in 1711. It is unclear if this was Daniel son of John & Hester or their grandson Daniel b. 1686. Daniel Robins of Theddingworth was the executor of his father’s Will in 1680.
4. Daniel Robinson/Robins 1627-1714 born in Scotland moved from New Haven about 1667/68 to Woodbridge, NJ. Nine of his eleven children were born at Woodbridge between the years 1668-1686. In 1695, Daniel Robins was making a transition from Woodbridge to Monmouth County, NJ.

In the light of the information presented it isn’t difficult to calculate that these two Daniel’s were not the same man & that Daniel Robins/Robinson b. 1627, d. 1714 was **NOT** the son or grandson of John & Hester Robins of Theddingworth, England. Sara Robbins Hoffman