

Taken from: A RECORD OF THE DESCENDANTS OF GEORGE AND JANE CHANDLER (WHO EMIGRATED TO PENNSYLVANIA FROM WILTSHIRE, ENGLAND, IN 1687) ... Published ... by Chandler Family Reunion Committee.

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5. JANE CHANDLER, eldest daughter of George and Jane Chandler, was born in England, July 9, 1676, and baptized there. She came to America with her parents in 1687, therefore was a young girl of about eleven years of age when she arrived here. Being the eldest daughter, though young, she no doubt was of great comfort and assistance to her mother in the care of the younger children. She married about 1692, ROBERT JEFFERIS, of Chichester and afterwards of East Bradford, Chester County, the Pioneer Ancestor of this branch of the Jefferis Family.

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ROBERT JEFFERIS, the Pioneer of this branch of the family, was born in Wiltshire, England, perhaps as early as 1668, baptized July 9, 1676, in Pewsey Parish. He died April 4, 1739. The date of his arrival in America is given as December 15, 1681, at Upland (or Chester). He appears as a witness at Chester Court in the 7th mo. (September), 1685, and purchased sixty acres of land in Chichester Township in 1691.

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In 1701, he bought 180 acres of land in what is now Bradford, Chester County, Pa., and settled there. Later he purchased 256 acres in one tract and 189 acres in another, extending from his first purchase northward to Jefferis Ford on the Brandywine. His name appears on numerous deeds. He owned considerable land and at the time of his death he was considered a man of means, and in his Will signed 4th day of August, 1738, and proved 19th day of April 1739, on file in West Chester (Will Book B, p. 35), he disposes of same. Robert Jefferis served as Constable for Westtown in 1703-4.

Jane Chandler died in 1726, and about 1728 or 1729, he married Ann (maiden name not known), who survived him. To this marriage there was one child, Richard Jefferis, born in 1730, and married (1) Jane Logan, and (2) Nancy Davis.

The following record of the births of the twelve children of Robert and Jane (Chandler) Jefferis was copied from an old Bible printed in 1712. This old Bible was owned at one time by Robert and Jane Jefferis, and in it were recorded the names of their children and date of their births. In 1896, this old Bible was owned by Mr. William M. Jefferis, of Fayette County, Pa.