

## GEORGE SOULE OF THE *MAYFLOWER*

Among those on board the ship *Mayflower* when it finally arrived in New England in November, 1620 was Pilgrim George Soule. George was born about 1602.

Nothing certain is known of his life in England. George was an indentured servant to Pilgrim Edward Winslow on board the *Mayflower*. He married Mary Buckett by 1627. Historic records indicate Soule became a freeman prior to 1632/33. In 1633/34. Per Plymouth records, Soule's life with his family appears to have been lived quietly in a Puritan home – obtaining some land holdings through the years which he would later provide for his large family.

He served his community as a Deputy for Duxbury to Plymouth Colony General Court, a Grand Jury member for several years, and a Petit Jury member. He was on the Committee to Grant Land, Committee on Magistrates and Deputies, and Committee on Boundaries. Over his years in service, he obtained a considerable amount of land.

Mary died about December 1672. He died between 20 September 1677 and 22 January 1679 and was buried in Myles Standish Burial Ground in Duxbury, Massachusetts.

### Children of George and Mary (Buckett) Soule:

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| 1. Zachariah | 6. Mary      |
| 2. John      | 7. Elizabeth |
| 3. Nathaniel | 8. Patience  |
| 4. George    | 9. Benjamin  |
| 5. Susannah  |              |

Which child of Pilgrim George Soule is your Mayflower ancestor?

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