

wife Elizabeth (?–1702); stepdaughter of *Henry Coursey* (ca. 1629–1695). UNCLE: *James Earle, Sr.* (?–1734). STEPUNCLE: *Henry Coursey* (1662–1707). BROTHERS: (first name unknown), died the day after birth; Carpenter (1697–1728), who married *Mary Thomas*. SISTER: Elizabeth (ca. 1694–?), his twin, who married *William Turbutt* (1683/84–1739). FIRST COUSIN: *Jane Lillingston* (?–by 1746), who married first, *John Wells* (?–1714), and second, *Thomas Hammond* (1693–?). NIECES: *Anna Maria Turbutt*, who married *Edward Tilghman* (1713–1786); *Elizabeth Turbutt* (?–ca. 1760), who married *Thomas Harris* (?–1760). MARRIED first, on October 12, 1721, *Mary* (1702–ca. 1736), daughter of *Richard Tilghman* (1672/73–1738/39); granddaughter of *Philemon Lloyd* (1646–1685); niece of *Edward Lloyd* (1670–1718/19), *Philemon Lloyd* (ca. 1674–1732/33), *James Lloyd* (1679/80–1723), *Rebecca Tilghman* (?–1725), who married *Simon Wilmer* (ca. 1656–1699), and *Margaret Lloyd* (1683–1747), who married *Matthew Tilghman Ward* (ca. 1676–1741); half niece of *Susanna Bennett* (1664–1714), who married first, *John Darnall* (?–1684), and second, *Henry Lowe* (?–1717). Her brothers were *Philemon* (1704–ca. 1724); *Richard* (1705–1768); *William Tilghman* (1711–1782); *Edward Tilghman* (1713–1786); *James Tilghman* (1716–1793); and *Matthew Tilghman* (1717/18–1790). Her sisters were *Henrietta Maria* (1707–1771), who married first, *George Robins* (1697–1742) and second, *William Goldsborough* (1709–1760); *Anna Maria* (1709–1763), who married first, *William Hemsley* (1703–1736) and second, *Robert Lloyd* (ca. 1712–1770). Her first cousins were *Matthew Tilghman Ward* (ca. 1676–1741); *Lambert Wilmer* (1682–1732); *Simon Wilmer* (1686–1737); *Edward Lloyd* (1711–1770); *Richard Lloyd* (1717–1786); *Robert Lloyd* (ca. 1712–1770); *Henrietta Maria Lloyd Chew* (?–1765), who married second, *Daniel Dulany* (1685–1753); *Henrietta Maria Lloyd* (ca. 1711–1748), who married *Samuel Chamberlaine* (1698–1773); *Margaret Lloyd* (1714–ca. 1785), who married *William Tilghman* (1711–1782); and *Ann Lloyd* (ca. 1723–1794), who married *Matthew Tilghman* (1717/18–1790). Her nephews were *William Hemsley* (1736/37–1812); *Richard Tilghman* (1740–1809); *Matthew Tilghman* (1760–ca. 1801); *James Tilghman* (1743–1809); *Peregrine Tilghman* (ca. 1741–1807); *James Tilghman, Jr.* (ca. 1748–1796); *William Tilghman* (1756–1827). Her nieces were *Deborah Lloyd*, who married *Peregrine Tilghman* (ca. 1741–1807); *Margaret Tilghman* (1742–1817), who married *Charles Carroll, Barrister* (1723–1783); *Anna Maria Tilghman*, who mar-

ried *William Hemsley* (1736/37–1812); *Elizabeth Tilghman*, who married *James Lloyd* (1745–1820); *Anna Maria Robins* (1732–1806), who married *Henry Hollyday* (ca. 1725–1789); *Margaret Robins* (1734–1808), who married *William Hayward* (?–1791); and *Henrietta Maria Robins* (1736–1791), who married *James Lloyd Chamberlaine* (1732–1783). MARRIED second, on November 6, 1738, *Sarah*, widow of *Edward Chetham* (?–1736), of *Queen Anne's County*; daughter of *John Crapp*, of *Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*, and wife *Susanna Berd*. CHILDREN. SONS: *Michael Earle* (1722–1787); *Richard* (1727–1728), who died of pleurisy; *Richard Tilghman Earle* (1728/29–1788); *Joseph* (1732–1732); *James* (1734–1810), who married *Eleanor* (?–1779), daughter of *Dominick Carroll* (?–ca. 1737), of *Cecil County*, and wife *Mary*; and *Joseph Earle* (1739–1777). STEPSONS: *James Chetham*; *Edward Chetham*. DAUGHTERS: *Anna Maria* (1725–1795), who married *Thomas Ringgold* (1715–1772); *Henrietta Maria* (1730–1767), who married *William Hemsley* (1736/37–1812). STEP-DAUGHTERS: *Hannah Chetham*, who married in 1752 *Edward Clayton*; *Suzannah Chetham* (1736–?). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Anglican, Old Chester Church, St. Paul's Parish, *Queen Anne's County*. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Esq., 1731. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: lawyer; apprenticed to *Wornell Hunt* (?–by 1728/29), an *Anne Arundel County* lawyer, by his guardian *Richard Tilghman* (1672/73–1738/39); authorized to practice law in *Talbot, Kent, Cecil, and Queen Anne's counties* on November 5, 1714; appeared in the following courts: *Queen Anne's County* in June 1715; *Cecil County* in June 1715, but in March 1716/17 he was fined 100 pounds of tobacco for nonattendance; *Talbot County* in August 1715; *Provincial Court* in April 1717. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, *Queen Anne's County*, 1721–1721/22 (elected to the 4th session to fill vacancy; Laws 4, 5). LOCAL OFFICES: clerk of *Indictments, Talbot County*, appointed 1718, *Queen Anne's County*, appointed 1718; *St. Luke's Parish Vestry, Queen Anne's County*, in office 1734; sheriff, *Queen Anne's County*, 1730–1733; deputy commissary, *Queen Anne's County*, 1733–1739; visitor, *Queen Anne's County Free School*, 1734–1739. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, troop of horse, *Queen Anne's County*, elected 1732. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 500 acres in *Queen Anne's and Cecil counties* (500 acres from his father; 285 acres inherited from his mother, which had been sold before his first election). SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN