

ber 12, 1759; buried in Elzey family burying ground at "Almodington" on the Manokin River in Somerset County. His remains were later moved to All Saints' Church at Monie, Somerset County. LAND: ca. 1,226 acres in Somerset County, 150 acres in Worcester County (now Sussex County, Delaware), plus a lot in Princess Anne Town.

STRAWBRIDGE, WILLIAM (?-by 1796). BORN: in Manokin Hundred, Somerset County; of age by 1759. NATIVE: at least second generation. RESIDED: in Manokin Hundred, Somerset County. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: James Strawbridge (?-1743), a planter of Somerset County. MOTHER: Jane, daughter of William Polk (?-1739/40). FIRST COUSINS: *Josiah Polk* (?-1784); *William Polk* (1752-1812); *Gillis Polk* (?-1793); and *John Williams* (1739-1797). CHILDREN. DAUGHTER: Jane (?-by 1796). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Presbyterian, Manokin Presbyterian Church, Somerset County. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: Mr., by 1759. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: physician; planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Somerset County, 1777-1778, 1778-1779. LOCAL OFFICES: trustee, Washington Academy, Somerset County, 1779. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: assessed value £1,489.0.0, including 32 slaves and 36 oz. plate, 1783. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: probably 1,241 acres and one third of lot 2 in Princess Anne, Somerset County, all inherited from his mother. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: in 1789 Strawbridge took out warrants of survey on 3 additional tracts of land totaling 69 acres, but died before the patents were issued. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: between 1789 and 1796, probably in Somerset County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: size of estate unknown. LAND: 1,241 acres and one-third of lot 2 in Princess Anne, Somerset County.

STRICKER, GEORGE (1732-1810). BORN: in 1732 in Winchester, Virginia. IMMIGRATED: to Frederick County by 1774. RESIDED: in Catoclin Hundred, Frederick County, by 1774; Frederick Town, Frederick County, from 1775 to at least 1781; "McMechen's Bottom," near Wheeling, Ohio County, Virginia (now West Virginia), 1793 until death. FAMILY BACKGROUND. Parents were Swiss immigrants who settled originally in North Carolina. MARRIED first, Catherine Springer, of Frederick County (?-alive in 1771). MARRIED second, (first name unknown) McMechen (Mc-

Mahon), a widow. CHILDREN. SON: John (1759-1825), who married Martha (1763-1816), daughter of Gunning Bedford of Philadelphia. A resident of Baltimore, John was an anti-Federalist, a brigadier-general of the Baltimore City Militia, and served as naval agent of Baltimore City for several years. He was elected to the state Senate in 1821, but declined to serve. STEPSON: George McMechen. DAUGHTERS: Mary, who married Ninian Beall; Elizabeth, who married (first name unknown) Bell. Both daughters resided in Brooke County, Virginia (now West Virginia). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: innholder, 1770; possibly planter. PUBLIC CAREER. LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Lower House, Frederick County, 1779-1780. LOCAL OFFICES: Committee of Observation, Frederick County, elected September 12, 1776; committee to promote subscriptions for arms and ammunition, Catoclin Hundred, Frederick County, ca. 1776; commissary for horses, May 1781. MILITARY SERVICE: captain, 9th Company, Light Infantry, Smallwood's Regiment, commissioned January 3, 1776; lieutenant colonel of the German Battalion, commissioned July 17, 1776, resigned commission April 29, 1777, three weeks after Gen. George Washington wrote a letter to Governor Johnson saying that Stricker's character did not justify his promotion to command a battalion. OUT OF STATE SERVICE: collector of revenue for Wheeling District, Virginia, 1796. WEALTH DURING LIFETIME. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 305 acres in Frederick County. SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH: sold 121 acres in Frederick County, 1791; purchased ca. 400 acres around the Ohio River in the western part of Virginia, after 1793. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: November 29, 1810, at "McMechens Bottom," Wheeling, Virginia. LAND: probably 184 acres in Frederick County and ca. 400 acres in Virginia (now West Virginia).

STRONG, LEONARD (?-by 1659). IMMIGRATED: by 1651, as a free adult. RESIDED: in Broad Neck Hundred, Anne Arundel County; returned to England ca. 1655. CHILDREN. DAUGHTER: Elizabeth (ca. 1653-?), who married *Charles James* (?-1698). PRIVATE CAREER. EDUCATION: literate. RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Protestant, perhaps Quaker. SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES: author of pamphlet "Babylon's Fall in Maryland," 1655; died in England while serving as "Agent for the people of Providence in Maryland." OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE: merchant, planter. PUBLIC