

Kent County, 1693; St. Paul's Parish Vestry, 1693, 1696–1697; juror, Provincial Court, 1698. **STEP-FATHER:** *Elias King* (?–1706/7). **MOTHER:** Mary (?–1702). **ADDITIONAL COMMENT:** In 1694, the Kent County Court found Mary not guilty of a charge of incontinent living with King. *Edward Bathurst* (?–1709) had brought the charge against Mary. In 1699, the Prerogative Court cleared *Elias King* (?–1706/7) and Mary Tilden of a charge of persuading Edward Sweatman, on his deathbed, to alter his will. **BROTHER:** John (?–1746), who married Catherine, daughter of *William Blay* (ca. 1681–1716). **SISTERS:** Wealthy Ann, who married in 1710 Thomas Hynson, son of *Charles Hynson* (1663–1711); Martha (?–1723), who married in 1702 *Edward Scott* (?–1725). **NEPHEW:** *John Tilden* (1725–1764). **MARRIED** first, by 1712, Tabitha, daughter of *William Harris* (ca. 1644–1712). Her brother was *James Harris* (1682–1743). Her sisters were (first name unknown); Mary; and Margaret, who married *Charles Hynson* (1663–1711). **MARRIED** second, by 1726, Rebecca (1703–?), daughter of *Lambert Wilmer* (1682–1732). Rebecca was the granddaughter of *Simon Wilmer* (ca. 1656–1699). Her uncle was *Simon Wilmer* (1686–1737). Her brothers were *Simon Wilmer* (1713–ca. 1768); Lambert (?–1751). Her sisters were Ann (1705–?); Mary (1708–?); Frances (ca. 1710–?); and Martha (1715–?). Her first cousins were *Thomas Ringgold* (1715–1772); Sarah Ringgold, who married *Alexander Williamson* (ca. 1712–1760). Her nephew was *John Lambert Wilmer* (1747–1799). **CHILDREN.** **SONS:** Marmaduke (ca. 1714–1767), who married Susanna Lanham (?–by 1765); Charles. **DAUGHTERS:** Jane; Mary; and Martha (?–1766), who married *Stephen Hyland* (1744–1806). **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Anglican, St. Paul's Parish, Kent County. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Gent., by 1719. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** probably planter. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Kent County, 1725–1725/26 (died before the 3rd session of the 1725–1727 Assembly). **LOCAL OFFICES:** churchwarden, St. Paul's Parish, Kent County, 1715; justice, Kent County, by 1716—at least 1723; St. Paul's Parish Vestry, Kent County, 1718. **MILITARY SERVICE:** called captain at death. **STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES:** In his will Tilden asked “that there be not one Drop of Spiritous Liquor at my Funerall Except in Absolute Necessity.” **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** probably 500 acres in Kent County (200 acres inherited from father ca. 1699; probably inherited 300 acres

from the father of his first wife, 1712). **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** on June 20, 1726, in Kent County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, £654.15.0 current money (including 7 slaves); FB, £583.10.6. **LAND:** probably 500 acres in Kent County.

**TILDEN, MARMADUKE** (?–1816). **BORN:** in Kent County; probably elder son. **NATIVE:** fourth generation. **RESIDED:** at “Great Oak Manor,” Worton Creek, District 3, Kent County. **FAMILY BACKGROUND.** **FATHER:** Marmaduke Tilden (ca. 1714–1767), of “Great Oak Manor,” Kent County, son of *Marmaduke Tilden* (?–1726). **MOTHER:** Susanna Lanham (?–by 1765). **STEPMOTHER:** Sarah (last name unknown) (?–1774). **BROTHER OR HALF BROTHER:** Charles. **SISTERS OR HALF SISTERS:** Tabitha; Martha; Ann; Mary, who married Edward Worril; and Sarah, who married Charles Hynson. **MARRIED** by 1765 Mary. **CHILDREN.** **SON:** Marmaduke (?–ca. 1802), who married first, Sarah Bowers, probably married second, Catharine. **DAUGHTER:** Mary H. (?–1851), who married in 1804 George D. S. Handy. **PRIVATE CAREER.** **EDUCATION:** literate. **RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION:** Anglican, Chester Parish, Kent County. **SOCIAL STATUS AND ACTIVITIES:** Gent., by 1765. **OCCUPATIONAL PROFILE:** farmer. **PUBLIC CAREER.** **LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Lower House, Kent County, 1781–1782. **LOCAL OFFICES:** tobacco inspector, Worton Creek Warehouse, Kent County, in office 1773; justice, Kent County, commissioned 1777, 1778, 1792, 1793, 1794, 1795, 1796, 1797, and 1800; justice, Orphans' Court, Kent County, commissioned 1778; subscription officer (Continental Loan Office), Kent County, appointed 1779; Chester Parish Vestry, Kent County, 1780–1781. **STANDS ON PUBLIC/PRIVATE ISSUES:** manumitted 15 slaves in his will. **WEALTH DURING LIFETIME.** **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** 9 slaves, 1783. **LAND AT FIRST ELECTION:** 454 acres in Kent County (300 acres inherited from father, 154 acres by personal acquisition). **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELECTION AND DEATH:** purchased 119 acres in Kent County, 1810. **WEALTH AT DEATH.** **DIED:** will probated on March 18, 1816, in Kent County. **PERSONAL PROPERTY:** TEV, \$3,387.99 (including 9 slaves); FB, \$2,750.39 as calculated. **LAND:** 573 acres in Kent County. **IDENTIFICATION PROBLEMS.** Marmaduke Tilden (?–1816) has been identified as the legislator who represented Kent County in the 1781–1782 Assembly. There were, however, two other men named Marmaduke Tilden living in the county at this time who could have been the Kent delegate. Of