



Cory Family Society

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Proving the Mayflower Line



By: Luke C. Davidson

It has long been a rumor that a particular branch of the Cory line is descended from the Mayflower passenger and Compact signer, George Soule. As is sometimes the case, rumors can be based in truth. This rumor is no longer a rumor but a bona fide fact thanks to the hard work and research efforts of three people in particular; Louise Throop (a descendant and researcher of George Soule), Lynn Patterson (a Cory cousin and Soule descendant), and Daniel McMIndes (also a Cory cousin and Soule descendant).

With the help of Louise Walsh Throop, who has been one of the compilers of more recent versions for the George Soule copies of GSMD (Mayflower Society) books, Lynn Patterson and Daniel McMIndes (both descendants of Naomi Cantwell Boyd, daughter of Sarah Cory Cantwell) have been able to gather information and resources in order to prove their line to the Mayflower. (Continued on Page 5)

Relative Introduction

Cory Cousins of Interest

By: Luke C. Davidson



Dr. Les Cory (UMass Dartmouth 2014)

Dr. Lester Cory

Professor Lester W. Cory is involved in the Engineering field at the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth. In 1981, Dr. Cory helped found the Society for Human Advancement through Rehabilitation Engineering, or SHARE. SHARE is a non-profit foundation through which engineers at the university develop computer equipment that help people with disabilities. This equipment helps people (such as those who have cerebral palsy) to “communicate independently, some for the first time in their lives,” said Dr. Cory. SHARE

has been very successful, helping over 3500 individuals with disabilities by improving their quality of life through the use of modern technology. Dr. Cory went on to say that “Our first client talks today with an electronic voice through a system that she controls by just looking at it.” SHARE has been given national attention, receiving the President’s Volunteer Action Award and the American Institute for Public Service’s National Jefferson Award. (2014 Commencement Honoree, 2014) Dr. Cory is Professor Emeritus in Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University and is still involved with SHARE. (SHARE, 2014)

(Dr. Lester Cory has been in previous Cory Family Newsletters, including one from 1987. Some of the above information was taken from an email conversation.)



Eleanor Cory (from her home page 2014)

Dr. Eleanor Cory

Professor Eleanor Cory has a very impressive history involving music. She is currently a member of the composition faculty in the Preparatory Division at Mannes College of Music in New York City and she has taught at and attended many highly influential schools. She has composed over sixty pieces of music from the early 1960s to the present, and her music has been performed in concert halls all over the United States, as well as Canada and Europe. She has attended several prestigious universities and colleges including two Ivy League schools (Harvard and Columbia). She has also taught music in several institutions, also including an Ivy League (Yale). She has won over twenty awards in her field since the 1970s, and she is simply an impressive person. (Eleanor Cory, 2014)



Cindy Hauserman (Ohio Basketball Hall of Fame 2006 Inductee)

Cindy Noble Hauserman

Cindy Hauserman (nee Noble) is currently a teacher and coach at Westfall High School in Williamsport, Ohio and has been a teacher and coach at several schools including Centre College in Danville, Kentucky and the University of Kentucky in Lexington. (Cindy Hauserman, 2014) Her athletic history is quite impressive. She played on the women's basketball team at the University of Tennessee in the 1980s, and earned the Kodak All-American Honors in 1981. She also represented the United States in several international competitions and played in Italy and Japan. The apex of her career would have to be that she represented the United States in the Olympic Games twice, and won gold in the Los Angeles Olympic Games of 1984. Recognized for her great athleticism and sportsmanship, she was inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame in 2000. (Cindy Noble Hauserman, 2014)

(Cindy was in a Cory Family Newsletter from 1986.)



Judith and Philip Cory (photo provided by Earl Cory)

Judith A. Cory

Judith Alexander Cory may not be a household name, but the movies she has worked on certainly are. She is a makeup artist and hair stylist, and she has over 50 motion picture credits in the makeup department. She has worked on movies including *Patch Adams*, *Forrest Gump*, and *Schindler's List* (she was nominated for an academy award in the latter two films). She has also worked with A-list movie stars like Barbara Streisand in the movie *Meet the Fockers* and Tom Cruise in the film *Collateral*. (Judith A. Cory, 2014) In a 2003 interview about her work on the 2nd and 3rd movies in the Matrix series, Judith said she "went to beauty school knowing what [she] wanted to do." She mentioned that she grew up in the motion picture business and that "as a child [she] worked as an extra; it was always something that [she] wanted to do." (Martin, 2012) Judith is not the only talented

person in the family. Her husband, Philip Cory, received “an Academy Technical Achievement award in 1998 and the Best Special Effects award for *Bug* at the Sitges-Catalonian International Film Festival. He was in charge of special effects on many motion pictures, including *Glory*, *The Aviator*, *Die Hard: With a Vengeance*, *Mission: Impossible*, *Misery*, and over 60 more” (from an email with Philip’s brother and Vice President of the Cory Family Society, Earl Cory, 2015).

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Cory Society Origins

The following article is from Vol. 19, No. 4 (October 2004) of the Cory Family Newsletter, with corrections from the Vol. 20, No. 1 (January 2005) newsletter.

Helen (Marge) Chilson of East Palestine, OH, First Historian for the Cory Family Society, provided the early history of the Cory Family Society presented here.

The present Cory Family Society was preceded by several earlier Cory Societies. The first, known as the Inter-State Cory Reunion Association, was founded in 1898. One of the founders was James Enos Cory of Crawford County, Ohio, a descendant of John I of Long Island. James was a carpenter, schoolteacher, and member of the Ohio State Legislature. He also was an early recorder of Cory history.



(Picture of James Enos Cory from the Cory Family Society)

The last meeting of the Inter-State Cory Association, for which we have a record, was held at Morado Park in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, in 1908. The Inter-State Cory Association was evidently intended to become a national association, but for some reason, it didn’t develop as intended, possibly because interstate travel was not easy in those days. The meeting in Morado Park in 1908 evidently was the last for the association.

On June 22, 1909, descendants of Jeremiah William Cory met in Elkhart, Iowa, to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the arrival of Cory’s in Iowa. Elkhart was named after Elkhart, Indiana, where they had lived before moving to Iowa. The Elkhart society continues to meet annually in June on Father’s Day.

In mid-July, also in 1909, James Enos Cory organized another Cory Society. Their first meeting was in Morado Park, PA. Most early members were descendants of the three children (who remained in the area) of Elnathan Cory (1759- 1838), and Sarah (Walker) Cory (1758-1843). The three children were John Cory (1788-1845), Elnathan, Jr. (1788-1848), and Matilda Cory McGowin (1805- 1867) who married Josiah McGowin. All of these folks were descendants of John I of Long Island. Jeremiah Cory (mentioned above) was also

a son of Elnathan and Sarah Walker Cory, though he moved first to Indiana and later settled in Iowa.

The latter group became known as the Western Pennsylvania Area Cory Reunion Association. That association was organized at the suggestion of James Enos Cory in 1909 (James was not a descendant of Elnathan Cory, Sr. though he was a descendant of John I of Southold). The Western Pennsylvania Area Cory Reunion Association has met every year since 1909. Most of its current members are residents of Western PA or Eastern OH. Their meetings are often held in Beaver Falls, PA or East Palestine, OH.

The Western PA Association was destined to become the father society of the current Cory Family Society. Mark Hester, a descendant of Elnathan Cory, and the Rev. Jack Cory, a descendant of Samuel Cory (1863-1945) of Pyworthy, England were among those who attended the 1986 meeting of the Western PA Association. They persuaded members attending the meeting that a national Cory organization should be created. Their idea was not to replace local organizations, but to bring them together to share information.

The Society would be separate from the local societies and would provide news about family gatherings, and information from all over the United States, and possibly England. There would be no obligation for members of local organizations to join the national organization, and the local organizations would continue as before.

Mark Hester became the first president; the Rev. Jack Cory became first Vice President, and Editor of a quarterly newsletter. Sylvia Vickroy was elected Secretary, and Linda Coursin became Treasurer. Marge Chilson was the first Cory Family Society Historian, and continued to serve as Historian until the fall of 1994 when Charlotte Muller was appointed to that position. Marge continues to serve as Historian for the Western PA Association.

During the years 1987 and 1988 Mark Hester and the Rev. Jack Cory worked to enroll members from around the USA for the new National Cory association. When they had interested enough folks to constitute a viable organization, they initiated plans for a general meeting.

The first annual meeting of the new Cory society was held in

Westfield, New Jersey, a state where many descendants of John I, had lived before some of them, including Elnathan, moved to Western PA. A second annual meeting was held in Chicago, a third was held in Beaver Falls jointly with the Western Pennsylvania Reunion Association in 1989.

Mark Hester continued to lead the Cory Family Society as president until after the 1996 meeting held in Southold, Long Island, where John I had settled circa 1643. Mark was succeeded by Charlotte Muller who also continued to serve as historian-genealogist.

Since the meeting in Beaver Falls, eleven more general meetings have been held. Our meeting in Harpole, England, this year was the 14th general meeting. No official meetings were held during the years 1999 and 2003.

(An updated version of this article will be written for the next Cory Family Newsletter.)

Proving the Mayflower Line (Cont. from pg. 1)

Both Lynn and Daniel have worked hard gathering vital records (which include birth certificates, marriage records, and death certificates) from different states in the U.S. They have also gathered any secondary information such as family Bible records, U.S. Census records, and genealogy books.

Lynn mentioned that she started off tracing her Boyd ancestry, which was already well traced by other researchers. As she went back farther, she got to Naomi Cantwell Boyd and decided to study the Cantwell and Cory families. From there, she traced back to John Cory, I of Southold, Long Island, and also discovered the Mayflower lineage in the process. She started talking to Daniel at that point, who had been doing family research for over 30 years. He hadn't been interested in pre 1800 information much at the time due to lack of proof, but they began working on gathering proof together and by September 2012, Daniel had sent off his application and was accepted into the society. Lynn had a missing death certificate that she had to find, but Daniel encouraged her to keep looking and she was able to apply and



Naomi Cantwell Boyd
(Provided by Lynn Patterson)



Henry and Elizabeth Cantwell Daniels
(Provided by Laura Sue Daniels)

be accepted in early 2014. (This information is based on an email conversation with Lynn.)

Ultimately, Louise, Lynn, and Daniel's hard work has paid off. Daniel was the first person to be accepted into the Mayflower Society descending through George Soule's daughter, Elizabeth Soule Walker. Lynn was the second person to be accepted, less than two years after Daniel. The author of this article hopes to join them eventually (the author is descended from Naomi Cantwell Boyd's sister, Elizabeth Cantwell Daniels).

If you are interested in this research and feel that you may be a Mayflower descendant, you can contact your state Mayflower Society. If you go to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants' website, they have a list of state societies which you can look through to find your own state. You can contact the state historian and they will let you know what kind of proof you need to be able to join the society.

If you are not sure if you are descended from this branch in particular, a lineage for the branch is on page 9 of this newsletter.

A List of Cory Families

The following list consists of the Cory/Corey families that are now based in America. If you descend from any of these families, then you are either a perfect candidate to join the Cory Family Society, or you may already be a member. On the following pages, a family tree chart and a Cory lineage chart are ready to be filled out by you. If you could fill out the charts for us (the Society administration) then we would be able to further help you and others in future research of the Cory families. Thank you!

Cory (Bristol)

- WILLIAM CORY (Portsmouth, RI)

Cory/Corey (Essex and Yorkshire)

- ISAAC COREY (Plainfield, CT)
- JOHN CORY, I (Southold, Long Island, NY)
- JOHN COREY (Roxbury, MA)

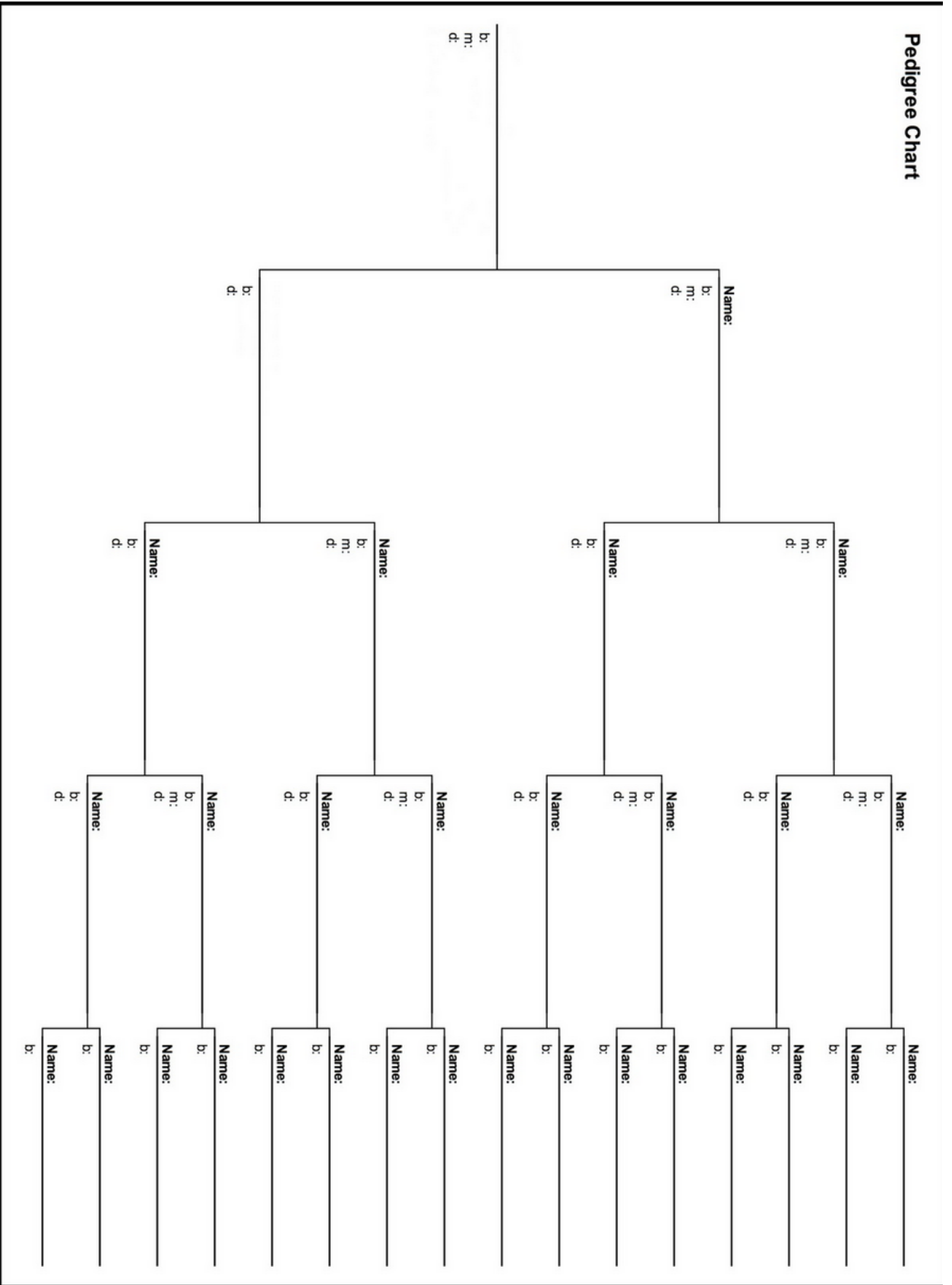
Cory/Corey (Harpole, Northampton, Norfolk)

- NICHOLAS CORY (Harpole, Northampton)
- GILES CORY (Salem, MA)
- THOMAS CORY (Chelmsford, MA)
- JOSEPH COREY (New London Co., CT)
- DAVID COREY (Vermont, New Hampshire, and/or Massachusetts)

Corrie (Scottish)

Cory/Corey (Unknown)

Pedigree Chart



Date:		Phone:	
Full Name:	Occupation:		
Address:			
Email:			

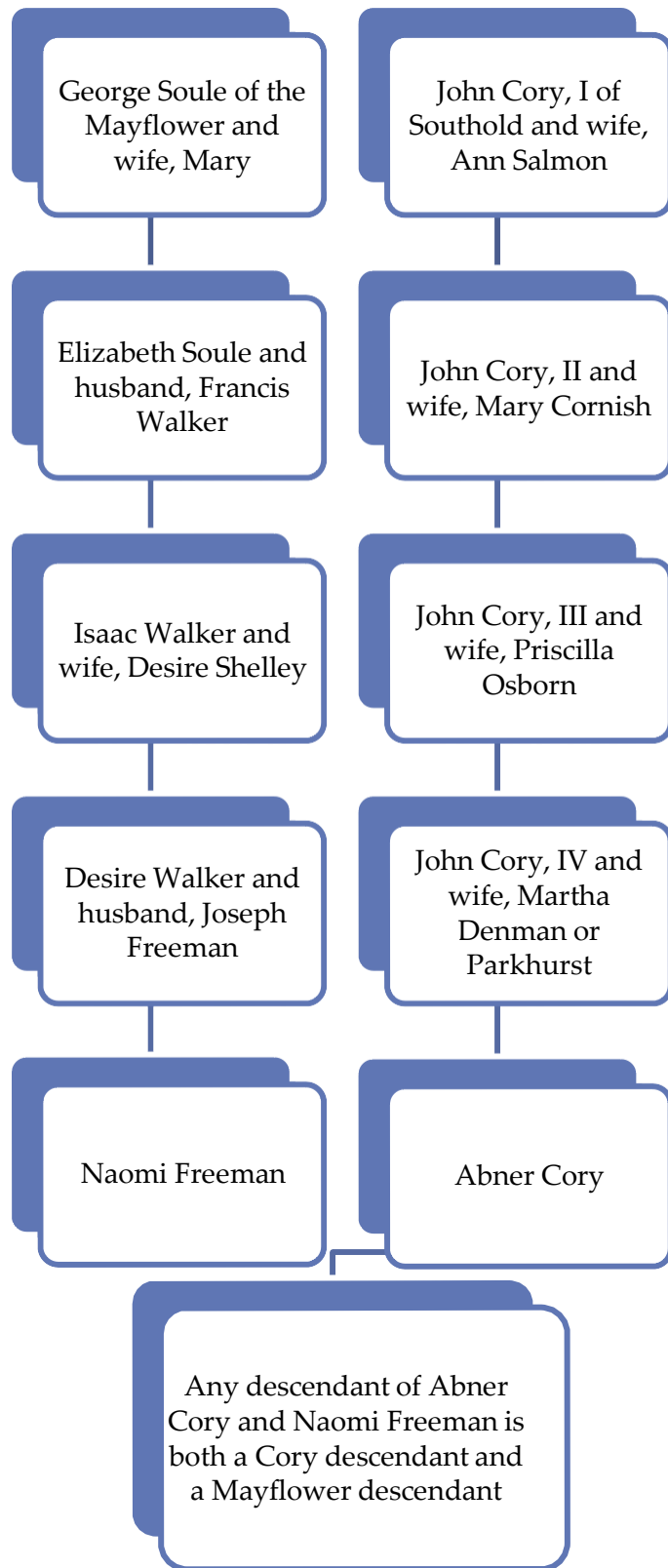
Please write the name of your Cory ancestor on the line below, and then add each generation that follows. Only fill in what you know (you don't have to know which Cory family you belong to in the list to fill out this chart).

1. Cory Ancestor Name:

2. Son/Daughter:		Married:	
3. Son/Daughter:		Married:	
4. Son/Daughter:		Married:	
5. Son/Daughter:		Married:	
6. Son/Daughter:		Married:	
7. Son/Daughter:		Married:	
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10. Son/Daughter:		Married:	
11. Son/Daughter:		Married:	
12. Son/Daughter:		Married:	
13. Son/Daughter:		Married:	
14. Son/Daughter:		Married:	
15. Son/Daughter:		Married:	



Abner Cory's grave in Rahway Cemetery, Rahway, New Jersey
 (Photo courtesy of Robert Lenehan)



Cory Family Society Reunion

Southold, Long Island, New York
SEPTEMBER 17- 20, 2015



NEW LONDON , CT

Motel information available
soon

Tentative Itinerary

Thursday 9/17 evening meet in bar
& dinner on own

Friday 9/18 Site Seeing on Tour Bus
Evening Charter Cruise of Hamptons

Saturday 9/19 Take ferry to Southold
& tour the area including Cory owned
Bedell Winery, local historical society,
Presbyterian church, old Cory lot, Cory
Creek Inlet, old Cory? Farm, etc.

Sunday 9/20 Brunch & Cory Family
Society Annual meeting

**Please let us know as soon as
possible if you plan to attend.**

Carolyn Corey, secretary
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This year, 2015, marks the 375th anniversary of the founding of Southold, Long Island. It was the first English settlement in New York State. John Cory, one of the earliest settlers in Southold, came to America in about 1637. "We believe that he was one of the men who assisted John Youngs on October 21, 1640 in the organization of the First (Presbyterian) Church at Southold, Long Island, New York. *(see photo below)*. John Cory is mentioned as being from Southold and as the Whale Commissioner 7 March 1644." *According to the Cory Family Society of America website, hosted by our webmaster, Earl Cory.*

**Join us in Southold as we visit
"Cory" sites and celebrate this
historic anniversary.**

Websites about Southold:

<http://www.southoldtownny.gov>

<http://www.southoldhistoricalsociety.org>

<http://www.tripadvisor.com/Southold>



Old Burying Ground of the First Presbyterian Church
(Provided by Shannon Criswell Peck, 2011)



The Horton Point Lighthouse
(Provided by Kraig Anderson and
lighthousefriends.com)



Seashells on Shelter Island Sound
(Taken by Annette Giovine-Oliveira, 2011)

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Announcements:

Marge McRoberts Chilson, 90, of East Palestine, died Wednesday, October 16, 2013 at Covington Nursing Home, East Palestine, Ohio.

Charlotte Muller died on February 13, 2002.

The Cory Family Society Newsletter is in need of writers and opinions. If you enjoy writing and have a relevant idea (something pertaining to the Cory family) for an article, then don't be shy! Send your writing to one of the above administrators. Also, we want to know what you want to know. Send us your opinion of the newsletter and let us know what you would like to see and read.

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