

Savage of Northampton County, Virginia

This name is found in the records of Virginia, South Carolina and Georgia and is used as first names to denote relationships. The first known emigrant was Thomas de Savage, a nobleman from Normandy who'd come to England with the Army of William the Conqueror in 1066. His name appears in the list of Normans who survived the famous Battle of Hastings which ultimately determined the future of England, mixing the Normans with the Angles-Saxons. For several generations the Savages and Littleton families intermarried, using these names for their children. The lack of sufficient records, however, has proven inadequate to establish concrete relationships.

14th day of October 1626

A COURT at James-Citty the 14th day of October 1626'
present

Sr George Yardley Knt Governor &c, Capt Rogr Smyth, Mr Claybourne,
& Capt. Tucker.

1. Steven Dixon sworn and examined sayeth that upon the 9th day of July last past, being at Mr English's house, Anthonye Afson and Mrs Gainye came running up from the waterside into the house, and the said Anthonye prayed this deponent to go downe suddenly to the waterside, for that Mr Gainyes boy named **Thomas Savadge** was stucke in the mudd and was like to be drowned, soe when this deponent came downe hee could not see any part of the bou above the water: then presently Mrs Gainey said to this deponent that the said Anthonye did not borrow the boy of her, neither did shee lend him unto him, what answer can he make unto my husband, and this deponent sayed, I know not. Then the next day about ten of clock in the morning this deponent it being lowe water went thither and found the boy upon the mudd, where the water had ebbed away from the body about four strides, then this deponent went and told Mrs Gainey, who entreated this deponent to goe to Mr English his house and take one of his men to helpe to make a grave and to bury him, which this deponent did perform. And further this deponent sayth that when hee tooke upp the bodye it laye upon the mudd lying on one side and his leggs a little crooked; Moreover this deponent saith that where he found the body hee thinketh that the water is about as deepe as his middle, but hee thinketh by Mrs Gaineyes her words unto him, that the body was removed about ten foote from the place where the boy was drowned. And further this deponent sayth that he could not perceive that the said Anthony Afson had waded or gone into the water to save the boy

10th day of January 1626

A COURT at James Citty 10th day of January 1626, being
present

Sr George Yardley Knt Governor &c, Capt Smyth, Capt Mathewes Mr
Persey Mr Claybourne Capt. Tucker Mr Sserrar

It is the opinion of the maior Part of the Table [court] that Anthony Afson
shall pay for his offence committed in sending a boy named **Tho.
Savadge** over a Creeke at Kecoughtan upon Mr Gainey's land to fetch
his Canoe on the other side, whereby the said boy was drowned, viz, one
hundred waight of Tobacco to Mr Wm Gainey who had the boy for the
yeare, and two hundred waight more to Mr Humphry Rastall whose
servent he was, for that it appeareth by oath that he the said Anthony
might without doubt have saved the boy by wading a little into the water,
and for that he did not ask leave of any one to have the said boy to fetch
his Canoe.

Captain John Savage, son of Thomas, was born 1624 and died 1678. He resided on Savage's
Neck and served as a Justice and Member of the Virginia House of Burgesses . He was married 1st to Ann
Elkington, and 2d to Mary Robins, daughter of Colonel Obedience Robins. Issue:

Captain Thomas Savage of Savage's Neck died 6/1728; served in the Indian Wars. In 1702 he
was married to Alicia Harmanson. Issue:

Captain Thomas Savage of Savage's Neck, Virginia died 4/1737. He served as an officer in the
Indian Wars. On 11/9/1722 he was married to Esther Littleton, daughter of Colonel Nathaniel and
Susanna (Waters) Littleton of Norfolk, Virginia. Issue:

Thomas Savage died after 12/19/1795 in Northampton County. He was married to Elizabeth
Bell, daughter of Ezekiel Bell, the son of George Bell. He enlisted in the Continental Army on 3/19/1778
in Captain Adam Wallace's Co., 5th Virginia Regiment. They had a daughter, Elizabeth Savage, who
married her cousin, William Bell, the son of Capt. Robert Bell.

Ref. Last Will and Testament of Thomas Savage dated 1728; Last Will and Testament of John Savage dated 1678;
Last Will and Testament of Thomas Savage dated 1737, Last Will and Testament of Esther Savage dated 1765,
Northampton County, Virginia; Colonial Families of the United States, Vol. VII by George Norbury Mackenzie, pp. 70-
71; Minutes of Court of Northampton County.