

# **The Crane Family of Ellington, CT**

(from whom Crane Road got its name)

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## *Descendants of William Crane*

### *Generation No. 1*

**1.** WILLIAM<sup>1</sup> CRANE (*ELISHA<sup>A</sup>*) was born March 14, 1767 in Bolton, Tolland, CT, and died 1838 in Ellington, Tolland, CT. He married HANNAH HAMILTON March 14, 1801 in Ellington, Tolland, CT, daughter of DANIEL HAMILTON and HANNAH SPARROW. She was born 1777, and died 1861.

More About WILLIAM CRANE:

Residence: 1800, Came to Ellington, CT

More About WILLIAM CRANE and HANNAH HAMILTON:

Marriage: March 14, 1801, Ellington, Tolland, CT

Children of WILLIAM CRANE and HANNAH HAMILTON are:

- i. REBECCA<sup>2</sup> CRANE, b. August 28, 1802; d. 1854.

Notes for REBECCA CRANE:

Rebecca Crane was unmarried in 1850 (census).

- 2. ii. HANNAH CRANE, b. November 02, 1803; d. 1864.
- iii. BETSEY CRANE, b. 1808; d. 1857.

Notes for BETSEY CRANE:

Betsey was unmarried in 1850 (census).

- iv. WILLIAM CRANE, JR., b. 1810; d. 1829.
- v. CONSTANT CRANE, b. 1812.

Notes for CONSTANT CRANE:

Constant died very young (Darius Crane).

- vi. JESSE CRANE, b. 1814.

Notes for JESSE CRANE:

Jesse died very young (Darius Crane).

- 3. vii. DARIUS CRANE, b. August 19, 1816, Ellington, Tolland, CT.

### *Generation No. 2*

**2.** HANNAH<sup>2</sup> CRANE (*WILLIAM<sup>1</sup>, ELISHA<sup>A</sup>*) was born November 02, 1803, and died 1864. She married REUBEN PEASE October 12, 1829 in Ellington, Tolland, CT. He was born 1802.

More About REUBEN PEASE and HANNAH CRANE:

Marriage: October 12, 1829, Ellington, Tolland, CT

Children of HANNAH CRANE and REUBEN PEASE are:

- i. GEORGE<sup>3</sup> PEASE, b. 1834.
- ii. LERONA PEASE, b. 1841.

**3.** DARIUS<sup>2</sup> CRANE (*WILLIAM<sup>1</sup>, ELISHA<sup>A</sup>*) was born August 19, 1816 in Ellington, Tolland, CT. He married PERMELIA PHILLIPS November 23, 1845 in Ellington, Tolland, CT. She was born 1823.

## Notes for DARIUS CRANE:

Darius Crane wrote "Biographical Sketches of Ellington Families" in 1880. It describes the Ellington families as he knew them. The book was reproduced in 2007 by Higginson Book Company.

Darius was the only successful woad grower in the town of Ellington. Woad is a plant that was used to produce a dye for cloth.

Crane Road got its name from the Crane family.

## More About DARIUS CRANE:

Service: Served in the General Assembly, the state senate, as a town selectman, and as a Justice of the Peace

## More About DARIUS CRANE and PERMELIA PHILLIPS:

Marriage: November 23, 1845, Ellington, Tolland, CT

## Children of DARIUS CRANE and PERMELIA PHILLIPS are:

4. i. WILLIAM<sup>3</sup> CRANE, b. 1848.
5. ii. ELLEN B. CRANE, b. 1850; d. Aft. 1920.
- iii. JOSEPHINE CRANE, b. 1853; m. MONROE BEDORTHA; b. 1853.

## Notes for JOSEPHINE CRANE:

Did not have children

## More About MONROE BEDORTHA:

Occupation: Worked on the railroad

Residence: Bef. 1890, Moved to Springfield, MA

- iv. CHARLES CRANE, b. 1861; d. 1879.

*Generation No. 3*

**4.** WILLIAM<sup>3</sup> CRANE (*DARIUS*<sup>2</sup>, *WILLIAM*<sup>1</sup>, *ELISHA*<sup>A</sup>) was born 1848. He married ETTA L. LEE. She was born 1860.

## Children of WILLIAM CRANE and ETTA LEE are:

- i. HARRY W.<sup>4</sup> CRANE, b. 1880.
- ii. HATTIE CRANE, b. June 1881.
- iii. BETSY E. CRANE, b. September 1884.
- iv. CHARLES CRANE, b. May 1890.
- v. BERTHA CRANE, b. 1900.

**5.** ELLEN B.<sup>3</sup> CRANE (*DARIUS*<sup>2</sup>, *WILLIAM*<sup>1</sup>, *ELISHA*<sup>A</sup>) was born 1850, and died Aft. 1920. She married SUMNER HANNIBAL SADD, son of ROSWELL SADD and LAURA ALLEN. He was born June 16, 1844 in East Windsor, Hartford, CT, and died May 23, 1892.

## More About SUMNER HANNIBAL SADD:

Occupation: Miller at grist mill

## Children of ELLEN CRANE and SUMNER SADD are:

- i. GEORGE D.<sup>4</sup> SADD, b. 1870.
6. ii. HELENA MAY SADD, b. September 01, 1871, Ellington, Tolland, CT; d. October 21, 1958.
- iii. LESLIE SADD, b. 1882.
- iv. CHARLES S. SADD, b. March 30, 1886.

## Notes for CHARLES S. SADD:

Charles registered for the WWI draft. He was a 32 year old farmer of medium height with a slender build. He had black hair and blue eyes. His mother Ellen was his closest relative.

*Generation No. 4*

**6.** HELENA MAY<sup>4</sup> SADD (*ELLEN B.*<sup>3</sup> *CRANE*, *DARIUS*<sup>2</sup>, *WILLIAM*<sup>1</sup>, *ELISHA*<sup>A</sup>) was born September 01, 1871 in Ellington, Tolland, CT, and died October 21, 1958. She married HARRY DELMONT ABELLS. He was born 1872, and died 1958.

More About HELENA MAY SADD:

Burial: Ellington Cemetery, Ellington, CT

More About HARRY DELMONT ABELLS:

Burial: Ellington Cemetery, Ellington, CT

Census: 1900, Lived in Chicago, IL with wife Helena, son Sumner, and mother-in-law Ellen B. Sadd

Child of HELENA SADD and HARRY ABELLS is:

- i. SUMNER DELMONT<sup>5</sup> ABELLS, b. 1900; d. 1910.

More About SUMNER DELMONT ABELLS:

Burial: Ellington Cemetery, Ellington, CT