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Introduction

I just joined. I do not see anything on my little splinter branch of the Preuit line, yet. However, I am interested in checking out all the files.

My line - as far as I can figure it out:

Henry Preuit (1654) - Catherine A. Fields

Henry James Preuit (1684) - Mary Fields

William Preuit (1720) - Mary Martin

Jacob Preuit (1761) - Nancy A. Ritchey

Rebecca Preuit (1805) - Spencer W. Roden

Jacob P. Roden (1833) - Missouri Doss

Martha Ann Roden (1855) - Isaac Johnson

Ruth Clara Johnson Pool Carpenter (my maternal grandmother)

I have my mtDNA from 23andme. Don't know if it can be uploaded here. my Haplogroup H4a1a. No living male relatives :(

Hilda

Comments



Mary Zashin May 1, 11

Hilda, I too am descended from William Pruitt and Mary Martin. My cousin Jim Pruitt has his DNA on this website as Group E. Unconnected to the earlier Pruitts. His hapgroup is I1, obviously different from yours because the maternal lines are different (No, that doesn't sound right. Somebody explain this to me please!) Anyway, email me at zashin@ameritech.net if you would like to be "invited" to see my family tree on [ancestry.com](#). It's a public tree, but an "invitation" is needed to "view note," which is where most of the interesting stuff is hidden. Polly (Mary) Zashin, AFAIK from the Holston River Pruitts/Pruets/whatever.



Marcia McClure May 2, 11

Hilda - as Mary said, you are not descended from the Henry line from Henrico Co, VA. William is as far back as this line goes at the moment.

One thing that I have found is that William and Martin his son belonged to the Sinking Spring Presbyterian congregation in VA. They signed the petition asking Rev Cummings to come and serve at their church in 1773. This strongly suggests that they were Scots-Irish and that they likely lived in PA before migrating south to VA. This common migration route started c1735.

Places to look in PA would be Chester, Lancaster, Bucks, and Cumberland Counties. At the least it is a starting point and likely place for further research. Families almost always moved in tandem with close friends and family. The I1 haplogroup would support Scottish origins.

Scroll down on this page for a brief history of the Sinking Spring church.

<http://www.sinkingspring.org/>

Mary - you've got it right. The Y DNA that we are comparing in our DNA section compares markers passed exclusively from father to son to son etc... or the top line of a man's family chart. The mtDNA compares the markers passed from mother to daughter to daughter etc... or the bottom line of a woman's family chart. This is a harder path to follow as traditionally we have given up our maiden names and in many cases it is impossible to follow this line very far.

Both Y and mt DNA results use letters to identify the various branches of the human tree, BUT the letters do not apply to the same groups and their ancient migratory paths. You have to be careful when you are researching a haplogroup that you are looking at results for Y (male groups) or mt (female groups).



Mary Zashin May 2, 11

Marcia, thanks for the clarification re DNA/mtDNA. One thing: I believe that the mtDNA is also passed from mother to son as well as to daughter, but only the daughters pass it to their children? So men can use their mtDNA to trace their female line too? As for Hilda's (and my) line, her ancestor Jacob went to Alabama with his father William, whereas my ancestor, Jacob's brother Martin, went to Illinois. I really wish I could track some of these Alabama Pruitts down and get more DNA data points to add to my cousin Jim's... so far the lone DNA source. If any one can help, I would love to hear from them!



Hilda Wagner

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