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## Ancestors

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- **ID:** I3693
- **Name:** William VASSAL
- **Sex:** M
- **Birth:** ABT. 1593 in England
- **Death:** BEF. 1655 in Barbados
- **Note:**

William VASSAL, one of the Assistants of the Governor and Comp. of the Massachusetts Bay, named in the First Charter by King CHARLES, March 1629, of whom CRADOCK was the first Governor, came the next year in the fleet with the next Governor WINTHROP. He went home in the "Lion" the first month after reaching New England, and came again in 1635 in the "Blessing", then aged 42, with his wife Anne (daughter of John KING) - 42 and children Judith - 16, Francis - 12, John - 10, Ann - 6, Margaret - 2, and Mary - 1. He stayed only a short time at Roxbury and soon settled at Scituate and joined the church of John LOTHROP. He seems to have differed from Massachusetts policy, especially after the triumph of the latitudinarians at home who desired freedom of worship. But as he could not bring many to his opinion, he went home again in the ship with CHILD, FOWLE, and perhaps others as discontented as himself. He removed to Barbados and there died before 1655.

William VASSAL was the son of John VASSAL, who built and commanded the "Samuel" and gained a high reputation in the fight with the Spanish Armada in 1588. John VASSAL was later a founder of the Jamestown Colony, 1607.

*Father:* [John VASSAL](#)

*Marriage 1* [Anne KING](#) b: ABT. 1593 in England

Children

1.  [Judith VASSAL](#) b: 1619 in England