

Descendants of Hugh Unton

Generation No. 1

1. HUGH¹ UNTON died 1450. He married SYBELLA FETTIPLACE. She was born 1435 in Stokenchurch, and died 1505.

Child of HUGH UNTON and SYBELLA FETTIPLACE is:

2. i. THOMAS² UNTON, d. 1553.

Generation No. 2

2. THOMAS² UNTON (*HUGH¹*) died 1553. He married ELIZABETH HYDE. She was born 1470 in West Berks, and died 1536.

Children of THOMAS UNTON and ELIZABETH HYDE are:

3. i. ALEXANDER³ UNTON, b. 1510, Faringdon; d. 1547, Faringdon.
ii. THOMAS UNTON.
iii. ANNE UNTON.

Generation No. 3

3. ALEXANDER³ UNTON (*THOMAS², HUGH¹*) was born 1510 in Faringdon, and died 1547 in Faringdon. He married CECILLY BULSTRODE 1533. She was born 1515 in Horton, Buckingham.

Notes for ALEXANDER UNTON:

He married firstly, in 1514, Mary Bouchier, elder daughter and co-heir of John, 2nd Lord Berners (d. 1532) by his wife, Lady Catherine Howard. Mary died s.p. and he married, secondly, in 1533, Cecily, daughter of Edward Bulstrode, Esquire to the Bod

Children of ALEXANDER UNTON and CECILLY BULSTRODE are:

4. i. EDWARD⁴ UNTON, b. 1535, Wadley, Faringdon; d. 1582, Faringdon.
ii. HENRY UNTON, b. 1535, Wadley, Faringdon; d. 1556.
iii. THOMAS UNTON, b. 1540; d. 1564.
iv. ELIZABETH UNTON, d. Abt. 1607.

Generation No. 4

4. EDWARD⁴ UNTON (*ALEXANDER³, THOMAS², HUGH¹*) was born 1535 in Wadley, Faringdon, and died 1582 in Faringdon. He married ANNE SEYMOUR 1555 in Hatford, daughter of EDWARD SEYMOUR and ANNE STANHOPE. She was born 1536, and died Abt. 1586 in Faringdon.

Children of EDWARD UNTON and ANNE SEYMOUR are:

i. EDWARD⁵ UNTON, b. 1558, Wadley; d. 1589; m. CATHERINE HASTINGS.
ii. HENRY UNTON, b. 1557, Wadley; d. 1596, Paris France; m. DOROTHY WROUGHTON; b. 1552, Broad Hinton; d. 1635, Astwell, Northampton.

Notes for HENRY UNTON:

Sir Henry Unton was an Elizabethan English diplomat. Wikipedia

Born: 1557, Wychwood Forest

Died: 23 March 1596, La Fère, France

Place of burial: All Saints' Church

Education: Oriel College

Parents: Anne Seymour, Countess of Warwick, Edward Unton

Cousins: Edward Seymour, Lord Beauchamp, unknown Seymour, unknown daughter Seymour

Educated at Oriel College, Oxford, Unton became the member of parliament for New Woodstock in 1584. He served with the English forces in the Netherlands in 1585 and 1586, being present at the skirmish of Zutphen.[3][4] In 1586 he was knighted by Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester.[5]

In 1591, through the good offices of the earl of Essex, Unton was sent as ambassador to Henry IV of France; he became very friendly with this king and accompanied him on a campaign in Normandy before he was recalled to England in June 1592.[3]

Again securing a seat in 1593 in parliament as a knight of the shire for Berkshire, he lost for a short time the favour of Queen Elizabeth, but was sent that same year as ambassador to France. He died in the French camp at La Fère on 23 March 1596, a collection of Latin verses being published in his memory at Oxford later in the year. This was edited by his chaplain, Robert Wright (1560–1643), afterwards bishop of Lichfield and Coventry.[3]

After his death, his body was returned to England and buried at All Saints' Church in Faringdon.[6]

Shortly afterwards his widow, Dame Dorothy Unton (née Wroughton), commissioned an unknown artist to paint a very unusual portrait of Unton. In addition to showing the sitter as he appeared shortly before his death, the painting also uses a narrative style to show ten other important events in his life. The series begins with his birth and ends with his impressive funeral procession. The painting now resides at the National Portrait Gallery in London.[7] She was later remarried to Sir George Shirley, 1st Baronet, and was known as Dame Dorothy Shirley.[8]

Queen Elizabeth I visited Wadley in 1574

- iii. FRANCIS UNTON, b. 1565, Wadley.
- iv. ANNE UNTON, b. 1554, Wadley, Faringdon; d. Abt. 1596, London; m. VALENTINE KNIGHTLEY, 1575, Wadley, Faringdon; b. 1556, Fawsley, Northampton; d. 1618.
- v. CECILY UNTON, b. 1561, Wadley; d. 1618; m. JOHN WENTWORTH.