

An overview of our ancestor's lineage

Our newsletter continues to inform the readers about the ancestral couple and their descendants.

When Jacques Archambault, his wife Françoise Tourault, and their family, set foot in Québec City circa 1645, the eldest child, Denys, was 15 years old. Anne was 14, Jacquette 13, Marie 9, Laurent was 3, and Marie-Anne was one year old. It seems that their fifth child, Louise, had passed away before the embarkment. All the children were born in L'Ardillière and baptised at the Saint-Pierre-aux-Liens church of Dompierre-en-Aunis, today Dompierre-sur-Mer, in Charente-Maritime.

Denys was baptised on September 12, 1630. He died, without issue, in Montréal, on July 26, 1651, killed in the explosion of a cast-iron cannon that he was trying to ignite for the third time. He had just turned 20 years old.

Anne was born circa 1632. She married Michel Chauvin, called Sainte-Suzanne, on July 29, 1647, in Notre-Dame-de-Québec. They had two children : Paul (who died as an infant) and Charlotte (who eventually married Jean Beaudoin). As her marriage was annulled because of Chauvin's bigamy, Anne remarried in Montréal, on February 3, 1654, to Jehan GERVAISE (Gervais). He was from Souvigné (Indre-et-Loire region). He came with the Great Recruitment of 1653. Anne gave birth to nine children who later married into GADOIS, LEFEBVRE, DUPUIS, PIGEON, PAYET, BOYER, PRUD'HOMME and CARON families. Anne died on July 29, 1699, in Montréal.

Jacquette was born circa 1634. She married at Notre-Dame de Québec, on September 28, 1648, Paul CHALIFOU (FOUR, FOUX) who was a Calvinist from Périgny, in Aunis. Eleven of their fourteen children eventually married brides or grooms bearing names MARTIN, BADEAU, BIBEAU, BROSSEAU, NOLIN, LANGLOIS, VANDANDAIGUE, HUPPÉ, BOURBEAU, MAGNAN and NORMAND. Jacquette died in Québec City, December 17, 1700.

Marie was baptised on February 24, 1636, and married at Notre-Dame-de-Québec, on September 28, 1648 (the very same day Jacquette got married) Urbain Tessier, called Lavigne, who was born in Château, in Anjou. Marie bore 16 children. They started a family with CLOUTIER, LEMIRE, PAYET, RICHARD, LEBER, JANNOT, called LACHAPPELLE, RENAUD, ADHÉMAR, LUSSIER and AUGER. Marie died on August 16, 1719, in Pointe-aux-Trembles, near Montréal.

Marie-Anne, born circa 1638, married, in Montréal, on November 27, 1656, a coppersmith called Gilles Lauzon, who was from Caen, in Normandy. Lauzon arrived with his brother-in-law Gervaise, with the Great Recruitment on 1653. The couple Archambault-Lauzon had 13 children who later set up homes with the CORON, FORESTIER, BOULARD, DESMARES, SICARD, DESROCHES, QUENNEVILLE, COITOU, CHOQUET and GROU families. Marie-Anne Marie-Anne was buried in Montréal, on August 8, 1685.

Laurent, baptised on January 10, 1642, is the only one to have passed on his last name. He married, in Montréal, on January 7, 1660, Catherine Marchand who is from the faubourg Saint-Germain of Paris. Laurent was 18 years old. Their children married into the COURTEMANCHE, AUBUCHON, DESROCHES, ADHÉMAR, LACOMBE, BEAUDRY and LEFEBVRE families. Laurent was put to rest on April 19, 1730 in Pointe-aux-Trembles. He was 88 years old¹.

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