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[Section 1 - Welcome](#)

I continue this month with another article from the Josiah Colby Bassett collection.

I want to wish all fathers a Happy Father's Day!

Totals number of individuals loaded into the Bassett website: 208.592



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Section 2 - Featured Bassett: Bassett & Eaton General Store & Post Office, Winslow, Maine

Josiah Colby Bassett descends from William Bassett of Plymouth, Massachusetts as follows:

William Bassett and wife Elizabeth
Joseph Bassett (b. 1635) and wife Mary Lapham
William Bassett (b. 1667) and wife Sarah Sweetland
Nathan Bassett (b. 1702) and wife Hannah Washburn
Joseph Bassett (b. 1740) and wife Hannah Lathrop
William Bassett (b. 1777) and wife Abiah Williams
William Bassett (b. 1806) and wife Sibyl Pattie Howard
Josiah William Bassett (b. 1843) and wife Ella Corniah

From the Josiah Colby Bassett collection



Josiah Williams Bassett is thought to be the man standing in the doorway.



Josiah Williams Bassett is thought to be the main behind the counter.

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[Section 3 – Featured Bassett: Photograph of Ahaz Bassett of New Hampshire](#)

Ahaz Bassett descends from #4B William Bassett of Lynn, Massachusetts as follows:

Roger Bassett and wife Ann Holland
William Bassett (b. 1624) and wife Sarah Burt
William Bassett (b. 1647) and wife Sarah Hood
Joseph Bassett (b. 1692)
Joseph Bassett (b. 1714) and wife Alice Sprague
William Bassett (b. 1747) and wife Margery White
Daniel Bassett (b. 1784) and wife Susanna Harkness
Ahaz Bassett (b. 1812) and wife Rhoda Randall



Picture of Ahaz Bassett recently for sale on eBay.

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[Section 4 - Featured Bassett: South Dakota Lawyer Alice Floy Bassett](#)

Alice Floy Bassett descends from #116B John Bassett of Rothwell, Northampton, England as follows:

John Bassett (b. 1796) and wife Jane
William Bassett (b. 1827) and wife Elizabeth
George Francis Bassett (b. 1858) and wife Elsie Jane Rulifson
Alice Floy Bassett 9b. 1882) and husband David Richards

Fellow Rapid City resident Alice Floy Bassett (unrelated to lawyer Alice Bassett Muller), was born in Illinois on 16 October 1882 in English immigrant George Bassett and Elise Rulifson Bassett, who died when Alice was young. After graduation from Austin High School on the west side of Chicago, she arrived in Rapid City and worked as a stenographer in the law office of Frank D. Banks. There, she began studying law in June 1909 and passed the South Dakota bar in April 1913. Two years later, Bassett married lawyer David Richards of Newell, South Dakota. The couple had three children. Alice Bassett Richards apparently did not continue her legal career after marriage. She died at the age of fourth-four on 12 September 1927, her occupation listed as housewife. Her obituary misidentified her as the first woman to be admitted to the bar in South Dakota.

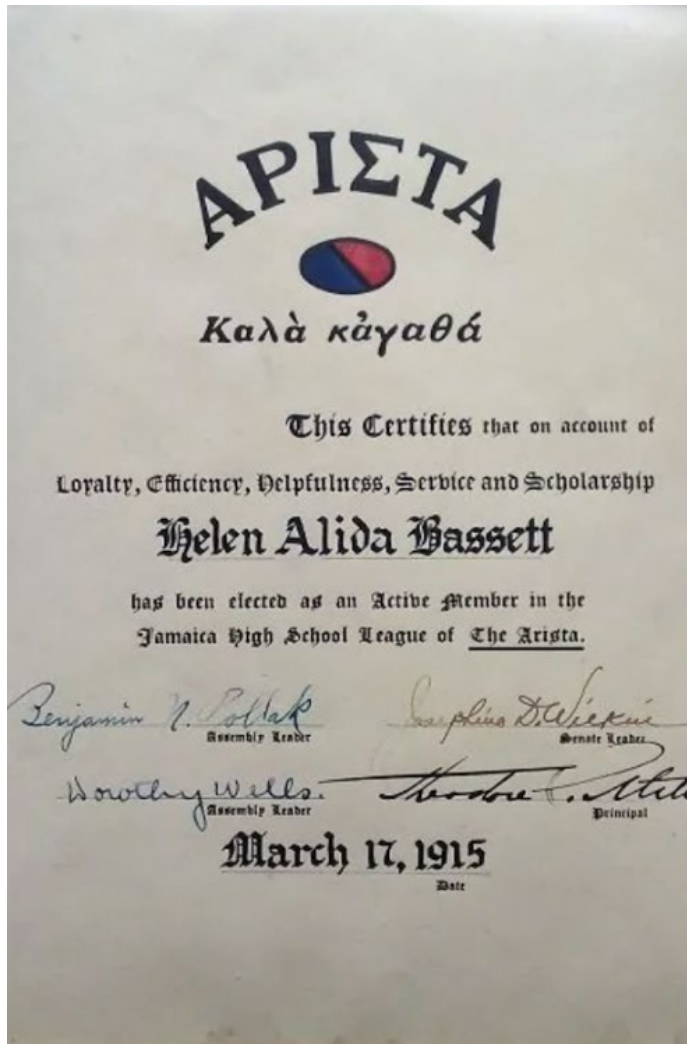


David and Alice Floy (Bassett) Richard and Family

Section 5 - Featured Bassett: Helen Alida Bassett Graduation Certificate

Helen Alida Bassett descends from 1B John Bassett of Connecticut as follows:

John Bassett and wife Margery
Robert Bassett and wife Mary
Robert Bassett (b. 1640) and wife Elizabeth Riggs
Samuel Bassett (b. 1692) and wife Deborah Bennett
Ebenezer Bassett (b. 1731) and wife Hannah Smith
James Bassett (b. 1757) and wife Betsey Canfield
Josiah Bassett (b. 1793) and wife Betsey Bassett
Elliott R. Bassett (b. 1818) and wife Julia Ann Miner
Edward Daily Bassett (b. 1855) and wife Kate Adams
Helen Alida Bassett (b. 1899)

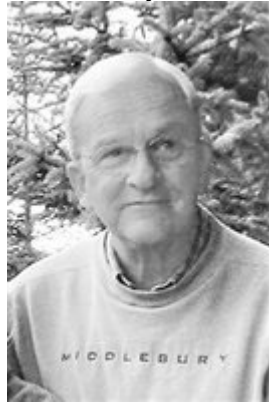


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Section 6 - Featured Bassett: Death of Alton Herman Bassett

Alton Herman Bassett descends from #34B Bassetts of County Down, Ireland as follows:

John Bassett (b. 1740) and wife Agnes Welshman
Arthur Bassett (b. 1764) and wife Jane Stafford
George Bassett (b. 1798) and wife Ann M.
Henry D. Bassett (b. 1831)
Harry Bassett (b. 1861) and wife Rosina Furth
Arthur Harry Bassett (b. 1901) and wife Martha Elfreda Storsberg
Alton Herman Bassett and wife Joan Elizabeth Tolley



Mather Hodge Funeral Home Funeral Home, Princeton, New Jersey
Alton H. Bassett
November 27, 1930 - November 16, 2020

Alton H. Bassett passed away peacefully, with family by his side, on November 16, 2020, just shy of his 90th birthday. He will be remembered as a devoted family man. Alt was born November 27, 1930 in Hartford, Connecticut, son of Martha and Arthur Bassett. He graduated from Middlebury College in 1953, with a BS Degree in chemistry. In his junior year he met and dated his future wife, Joan Tolley. After graduation, he served two years in the Marine Corps ending at the Marine Corps Institute in Washington DC, teaching math. In 1956, he married Joan, stopping at the Princeton Inn on the first night of the honeymoon, never realizing this would become their hometown. Alt worked briefly at American Viscose Corporation in Front Royal, VA, where his first daughter was born. He then began a job with Chicopee Manufacturing Company (Johnson & Johnson) and moved the family to New Brunswick, NJ, where his second daughter was born. They bought a "starter" house in Princeton in 1962, which became the "home" he lived in for the rest of his life.

Alt was a Research Director at Chicopee for 30 years, developing non-woven fabrics for surgical and medical supplies, and recorded three patents. He retired in 1988 and consulted for five more years. After retiring, he and Joan purchased an old 32' Bristol sailboat, enjoying 25 years cruising the Toms River and Barnegat Bay waters. Every February, the two would travel to Venice, Florida, to enjoy the beach in a relaxing location. Alt developed lasting friendships that he cherished for a lifetime: in college, business ("The Old Farts"), Princeton, boating and Florida.

Alt inspired his family with a sense of adventure and exploration. He proposed marriage to Joan, who was afraid of heights, on a waterfall cliff near Middlebury. On family vacations they went tent camping along the East Coast, and skiing in New England. Weekends were spent canoeing, hiking or exploring New Jersey and Pennsylvania, or testing his homemade model

airplanes, rockets and sailboats. Alt amused everyone with creative activities, like mock baseball in the kitchen, (the sport he played in high school) or sand games at the beach. He pursued his love for the desert southwest by climbing Angel's Landing in Zion National Park and taking his entire family on an RV trip to Death Valley. Because of his talent with a camera, he captured all of his adventures on film.

Alt is survived by his wife Joan Bassett, his two daughters, Linda Bassett and Bobbie Erdman, sons-in-law Billy Erdman and George Morris, and two grandchildren, Jamie and Drew Erdman.

Alton's family gives thanks to the Princeton First Aid and Rescue Squad, Penn Medical Center and Park Place Center for their exceptional care during his final months. There will be a small family service in the Princeton Cemetery at a future date, due to Covid-19 concerns. Arrangements are under the direction of the Mather-Hodge Funeral Home, Princeton.

Section 7 – Featured Bassett: Thomas Lee Bassett and Bassett's Grocery of Afton, Oklahoma

Thomas Lee Bassett descends from #2B Thomas Bassett of Virginia as follows:

Thomas Bassett (b. 1617) and wife Mary
William Bassett (b. 1643)
Thomas Bassett (b. 1668) and wife Elinor
Thomas Bassett (b. 1696) and wife Lydia Howle
Nathaniel Bassett (b. 1721) and wife Mary
Nathaniel Bassett (b. 1758) and wife Margaret Armstrong Spencer
Spencer Bassett and wife Phoebe Lebow
James Harrison Bassett (b. 1833) and wife Margaret Ellen Wylie
Joseph Hugh Bassett (b. 1867) and wife Frances Isabel Weeden
Thomas Grover Bassett (b. 1891) and wife Franka Irby
Thomas Grover Bassett (b. 1919) and wife Helen Christine Boatman
Thomas Lee Bassett (b. 1942)



Bassett's Grocery Store, Afton, Oklahoma

Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service
Thomas "Tommy" L. Bassett
June 27, 1942 - May 22, 2023

Thomas Lee Bassett, 80, a resident of Afton, Oklahoma, passed away at Integris Miami Hospital on Monday, May 22, 2023. Thomas was born on June 27,

1942, in Afton, Oklahoma, to Thomas Grover Bassett, Jr. and Helen Christine (Adkison) Bassett. 'Tommy Lee' as he was known to family and friends, was a lifelong resident of Afton. He graduated from Afton High School in 1960 and attended Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College. Early in his career Tommy worked for the Oklahoma Highway Department in Sapulpa, then returned to Afton to work for Farmland Industries. After a brief move to Lincoln Illinois with Farmland, Tommy returned to Afton in 1975 when he purchased Bassett's Grocery, becoming the third-generation owner. Tommy married Judy Heppner on October 4, 1980, and spent more than 40 wonderful years together building a beautiful family. Tommy continued to operate Bassett's Grocery until 2009, a staple of the Afton community and employer of choice for countless Afton High School students. After Bassett's Grocery closed, Tommy focused his time on investments in real-estate properties.

Tommy was a 32nd degree Mason in the Masonic Lodge and a 20-year firefighter and EMT in the Afton Volunteer Fire Department. He was also a long-time active member and supporter of Trinity Southern Baptist Church. After retirement Tommy enjoyed golfing, camping and spending time with Judy, his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Tommy is preceded in passing by his parents, Thomas Jr. and Helen Bassett, his brothers, Larry Bassett and Garry Bassett, and a grandchild Devin Cook.

Those left to share the memory of Mr. Bassett are his wife Judy Bassett, his former wife Nancy Parker - mother of children Sheri Bassett Preston, and her husband Matthew, of Marietta, Georgia, and Steven Ray Bassett, and Melissa Cook, of Monkey Island, Oklahoma - Lisa Humble, of Owasso, Oklahoma, April Shinn and her husband Bobby, of Afton, Oklahoma, and his brother Richard "Dick" Bassett of Grove, Oklahoma. Grandchildren include Matthew "Ryan" Preston Jr., Mars Preston, Wacy Humble and his wife Jordan, Ky Humble, Dalton Shinn and his wife Jessica, Carlee Shinn, and Corey Turner. Great-Grandchildren include Renix Humble, Nixon Humble, Harlan Shinn, Rowan Shinn, Brixon Turner, Blakely Turner, and Bishop Turner.

Visitation will be from 6:00-8:00 P.M. Thursday, May 25, 2023, at Trinity Southern Baptist Church in Afton, Oklahoma.

Funeral Services will be 2:00 P.M. Friday, May 26, 2023, at Trinity Southern Baptist Church in Afton, Oklahoma with Reverend Brian Gibson officiating.

Interment will follow at the Mount Hope Cemetery in Afton under the care of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Afton.

Friends and family may send the family notes of encouragement by viewing Mr. Bassett's Tribute Page at www.brown-winters.com.



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[Section 8 - New family lines combined or added since the last newsletter](#)

No lines have been added, combined or eliminated since the last newsletter.

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[Section 9 - DNA project update.](#)

No new results to report on the Bassett DNA project.

Donations of any amount can be made to the Bassett DNA project by clicking on the link below. Any funds donated will be used to fund select Bassett DNA tests that will further our project as a whole and benefit all Bassetts worldwide.

<http://www.familytreedna.com/group-general-fund-contribution.aspx?g=Bassett>

This is just a reminder that the DNA portion of the Bassett Family Association can be found at:

A current spreadsheet of results can be found at:

<http://www.bassettbranches.org/dna/BassettDNA.xls>

If you don't have Excel and can't open the spreadsheet above, you can now see the DNA test results at the following website.

<http://www.familytreedna.com/public/Bassett/>

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