

Bassett Family Newsletter, Volume XXIV, Issue 2, 15 Feb 2026

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Section 1 - Welcome

I have been using the Full Text Search at [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org) and have come across several interesting documents and articles. I will feature them during the next several months.

Totals number of individuals loaded into the Bassett website: 218,117



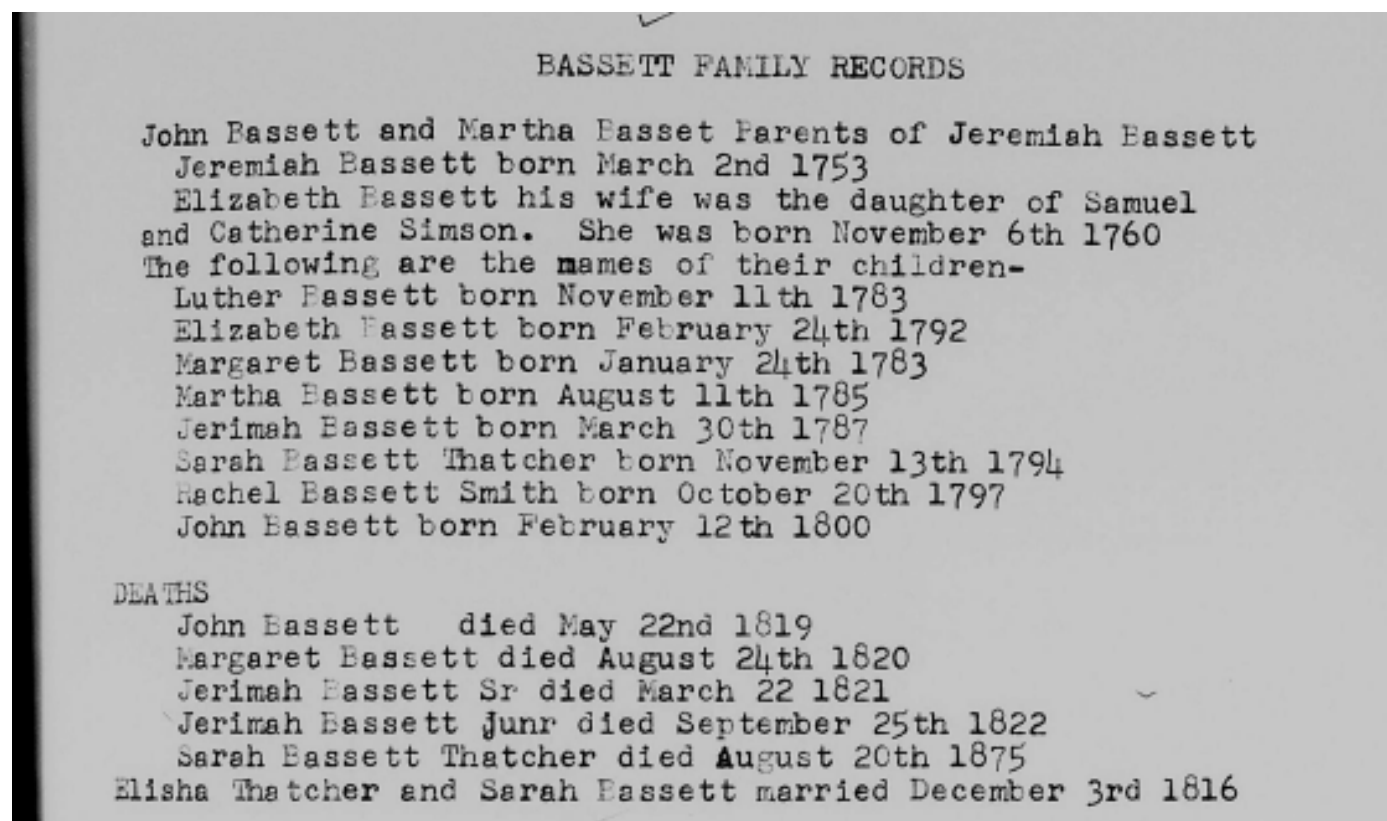
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[Section 2 - Featured Bassett: Bassett Family Bible Records for Jeremiah Bassett of New Jersey](#)

Jeremiah Bassett descends from the #8B John Bassett of New Jersey family as follows:

John Bassett and wife Martha  
Jeremiah Bassett (b. 1753) and wife Elizabeth Simson

This is the first record I have seen where it lists the wife of John Bassett of New Jersey.



Bassett Family Bible Record Transcription

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[Section 3 - Featured Bassett: Family photographs of Edward Hicks and Emma \(Hall\) Bassett](#)

Edward Hicks Bassett descends from the #4B William Bassett of Connecticut family as follows:

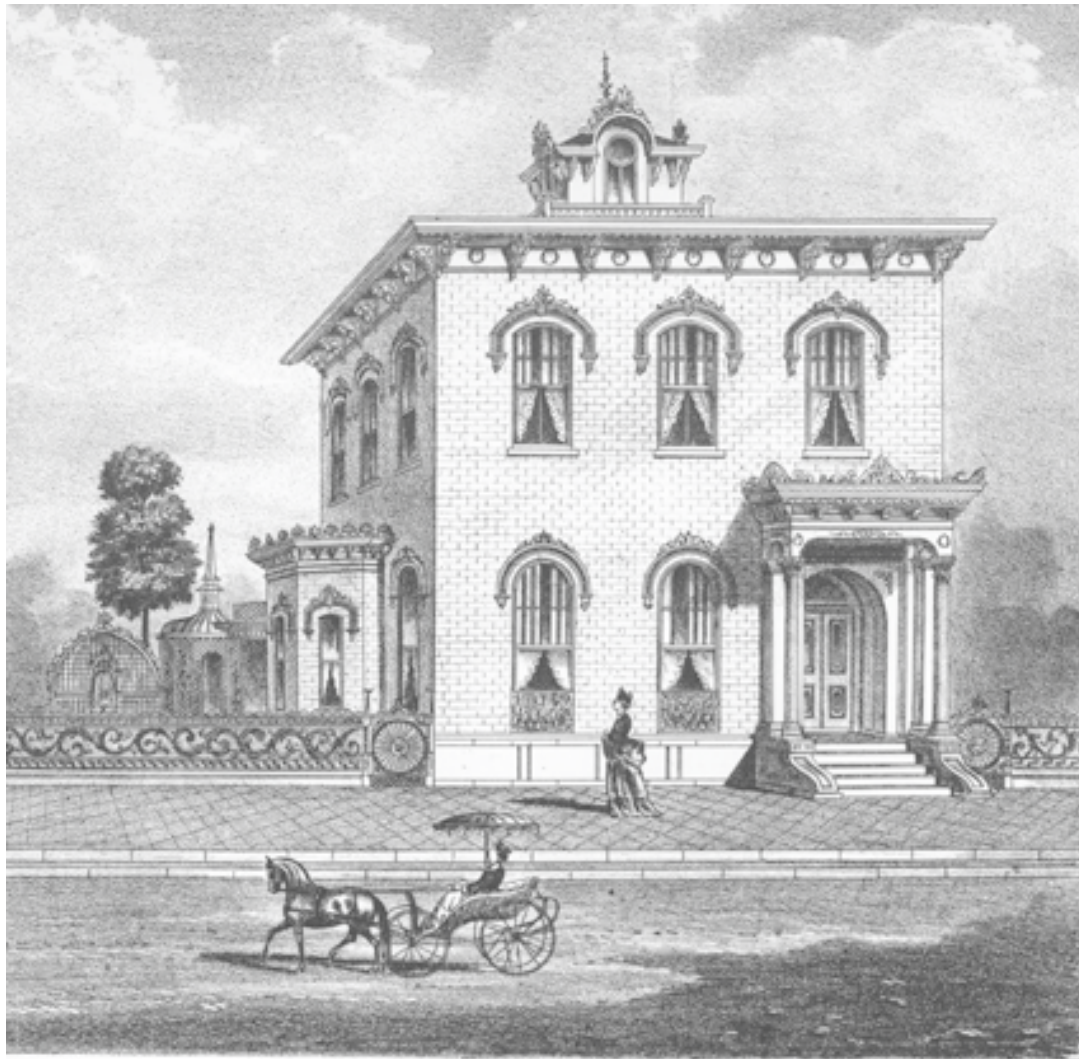
Roger Bassett and wife Ann Holland  
William Bassett (b. 1623) and wife Sarah Burt  
Elisha Bassett (b. 1649) and wife Elizabeth Collins  
Elisha Bassett (b. 1692) and wife Abigail Davis  
Elisha Bassett (b. 1722) and wife Mary Woodnutt  
Joseph Bassett (b. 1765) and wife Mary Allen  
Elisha Bassett (b. 1788) and wife Mary Nicholson  
Edward Hicks Bassett (b. 1821) and wife Emma Hall



Edward Hicks Bassett and 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Emma Hall Bassett

The Penn's Grove Record, New Jersey, Saturday, 23 February 1889  
Edward H. Bassett

Edward H. Bassett a prominent citizen of Salem, died on Thursday of last week, aged 68 years. Mr. Bassett had been in poor health for some time past. He was a large land-holder in the county, and had been a Director of the Salem National Banking Co. for a number of years. His funeral took place on Monday and was largely attended.



RES. of **EDWARD H. BASSETT,**  
*SALEM, N. J.*

Page 32: Combination Atlas Map of Salem & Gloucester Counties New Jersey

Compiled, Drawn and Published from Personal Examinations and Surveys

By Everts & Stewart, 714&716 Filbert St. Philadelphia 1876

Book Number 498 of 1,000 copies Printed in USA November 1970 by the Gloucester County Historical Society

Given to Dr. John S. (Jack) Madara from Donald & Dorothy Fox

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**PRIVATE SALE**  
—OF—  
**BANKRUPT STOCK**

The subscriber, trustee of bankrupt estate of Edward H. Bassett, offers at private sale the stock, machinery, tools and fixtures of an old established hardware, plumbing and heating business at Woodstown, N. J. The stock consists of stoves, hardware, tinware, and house-furnishing goods in large variety. The workshop is fully equipped.

The store and shop is in the centre of the town, a fine business location, and the purchaser will have preference as tenant, at a moderate rent.

This affords a fine opportunity to take over an old stand and business  
Call on or address

E. S. FOGG, Trustee.  
Woodstown, N. J.

Dated May 15, 1908-21-2t.

Gloucester County Democrat, Woodbury, New Jersey, Thursday, 28 May 1908

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Section 4 - Featured Bassett: William Elias Bassett placed into Thomas Bassett Family

William Elias Bassett descends from the #3B Thomas Bassett of Connecticut as follows:

Thomas Bassett (b. 1598) and wife Joanna Beardsley  
 Thomas Bassett (b. 1650) and wife Sarah Baldwin  
 Josiah Bassett (b. 1690) and wife Alice Canfield  
 Edward Bassett (b. 1727) and wife Sarah Sanford  
 Elias Bassett (b. 1780) and wife Lucy Gillette  
 Alfred M. Bassett (b. 1810) and wife Phoebe Pettis  
 William Elias Bassett (b. 1834)

I have had this information for more than 10 years, but never found time to correctly place William Elias Bassett. His death certificate lists his parents as Alfred Bassett and Phoebe Petters. That should be Phoebe Pettis. Alfred had a brother names Richard Bassett who married Electa Pettis, however we have still not found out whether or not Phoebe and Electa are sisters..

Wm. Bassett received a telegram informing him that his mother was dead at Gaylord, Mich. She was better known as aunt Phoebe Slade, wife of O. L. Slade, late of this township. The funeral was held at Gaylord at 1 o'clock p. m. Tuesday.

Flushing Observer, Michigan, Thursday, 13 April 1893

WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
Department of State—Division of Vital Statistics

25 67 /  
**CERTIFICATE OF DEATH**  
Registered No. 14

1 PLACE OF DEATH  
County Genesee  
Township \_\_\_\_\_  
Village Montrose  
City \_\_\_\_\_ (No. \_\_\_\_\_ MAR 3 1921 St. \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_)  
(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.)

2 FULL NAME William Elias Bassett

(a) Residence No. \_\_\_\_\_ St., Ward \_\_\_\_\_  
(Usual place of abode.)  
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds. How long in U. S. if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds. (if non-resident give city or town and State.)

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS					MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
3 SEX <u>Male</u>	4 Color or Race <u>White</u>	5 Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced (write the word.) <u>Married</u>			16 DATE OF DEATH (Month, day and year) <u>Feb. 10 1921</u>	
5a If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of <u>Sarah Bassett</u> (or) WIFE of _____					17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>Feb 8, 1921</u> , to <u>Feb 10, 1921</u> that I last saw him alive on <u>Feb 10, 1921</u> and that death occurred on the date stated above at <u>6 a. m.</u> The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: <u>As near Old age as possible</u>	
6 DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day and year.) <u>May 29 1834</u>		7 AGE Years <u>86</u> Months <u>2</u> Days <u>11</u> If LESS than 1 day... hrs. OR... min.	18 Where was disease contracted (duration) yrs. mos. ds. <u>Prostate trouble and general debility</u> (Secondary) (duration) yrs. mos. ds.			
8 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work. <u>Farmer</u> (b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) (c) Name of employer					18 Where was disease contracted (duration) yrs. mos. ds. If not at place of death?	
9 BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) <u>Pennsylvania</u>					18 Where was disease contracted (duration) yrs. mos. ds. If not at place of death?	
10 NAME OF FATHER <u>Alfred Bassett</u>					Did an operation precede death? <u>no</u> Date of _____	
11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (city or town) (State or country) <u>Unknown</u>					Was there an autopsy? <u>no</u>	
12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Phoebe Slade</u>					What test confirmed diagnosis? (Signed) <u>J. M. Galbraith, M. D.</u> <u>Feb 14, 1921</u> , Address <u>Montrose</u>	
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (city or town) (state or country) <u>New York</u>					*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS AND NATURE OF INJURY, and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, or HOMICIDAL. (See reverse side for further instructions.)	
14 Informant <u>Sarah Bassett</u> (Address) <u>Montrose Church</u>					19 PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL <u>Montrose Cemetery</u> Date of Burial <u>Feb 12 1921</u>	
15 Filed <u>March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1921</u> <u>W. H. Goff</u> Registrar.					20 UNDERTAKER <u>J. W. Credenburg</u> Address <u>Montrose</u> <u>Mo, 2058.</u>	

Michigan Death Certificate of William Elias Bassett.

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Section 5 - Featured Bassett: Death of William Akers Bassett of New York (2026)

William Akers Bassett descends from William Bassett of Plymouth, Massachusetts as follows:

William Bassett and wife Elizabeth  
William Bassett (b. 1624) and wife Mary Raynesford  
William Bassett (b. 1656) and wife Rachel Williston  
William Bassett (b. 1680) and wife Abigail Bourne  
Elisha Bassett (b. 1714) and wife Ruhamah Jennings  
Lot Bassett (b. 1755 and wife Deborah Howes  
Francis Edward Bassett (b. 1796) and wife Mehitable Ford  
Charles Ralph Bassett (b. 1836) and wife Elvira Rogers  
Edward Murray Bassett (b. 1863) and wife Annie Rebecca Preston  
Preston Rogers Bassett (b. 1892) and wife Jeanne Reed Mordorf  
William Akers Bassett

Bangs Funeral Home  
William A. Bassett  
August 3, 1931 - January 25, 2026

William A. Bassett (Bill), age 94, passed away peacefully on January 25 with his family at his side. He was born on August 3, 1931, to Preston and Jeanne Bassett and grew up in Rockville Center, NY, while spending his summers on a farm in Rochester, Vermont. Bill received his Bachelor's degree from Amherst College and Ph.D. from Columbia University. Bill met the love of his life, Jane Kermes while working in Rochester, and they were married on September 8, 1962. They were married for 56 years until her passing on October 21, 2018. Bill grew up in a family of scientists and educators which sparked in him a lifelong love of teaching and learning and led him to a career in academia. In 1962, Bill joined the Department of Geological Sciences at the University of Rochester. There, he started his journey into studying high pressure mineral physics.

In 1978 he became a member of the geological sciences faculty at Cornell University. In 1985 he received a Guggenheim fellowship for study at the University of Paris. Other awards included the prestigious Roebling Medal (Mineralogical Society of America) for his work in mineralogy and the Bridgman Award, given by the International Association for High Pressure Research. Bill's principal research interest involved studying the properties of minerals under high pressure and temperature to better understand the nature of the materials that make up the earth's interior. This included his pioneering work in developing the diamond-anvil high pressure cell as a leading technology for mineralogical research.

Bill was many things in life - professor, mentor, colleague, friend, but there was no role that he embraced more than that of teacher. In that role he made a positive impact on the lives of hundreds of young women and men. And that impact was not limited to university classrooms, laboratories or field camps. Bill was a lifelong champion of the Ithaca Sciencenter. He devoted many hours over the years to the Sciencenter's development as a volunteer and board member. His enthusiasm for helping to improve programs there, just like his enthusiasm for learning, never waned over the years. We will miss his smile, his kindness, his energy, and his wit, but most of all we will miss the love he had for life and for those he cared about.

Bill was preceded in death by his parent, his wife, two brothers (Roger and

Allen), and his sister Peggy. He is survived by his children Kari (David) of Christchurch, NZ, Jeff (Hideko) of Rockville, MD and Penny (Michael) of Ithaca, NY, as well as a grandchild, Charlie. The family will conduct a Celebration of Life service on Thursday, February 12 at 1 pm at Bangs Funeral Home, 209 W. Green Street, Ithaca NY. Friends may call on Thursday from noon to 1 pm. Should friends desire, contributions in Bill's name may be made to the Ithaca Sciencenter. And remember that we are never too old to learn new and exciting things!

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### Section 6 - Featured Bassett: More on Edwin Curtis Bassett of Connecticut

Edwin Curtis Bassett descends from #6B William Bassett of Connecticut as follows:

William Bassett and wife Hannah (Dickerman) Ives  
John Bassett (b. 1652) and wife Mercy Todd  
John Bassett (b. 1691) and wife Elizabeth Thompson  
Enos Bassett (b. 1724) and wife Mary Heaton  
Amos Bassett (b. 1757) and wife Hannah Goodyear  
Jesse Bassett (b. 1789) and wife Amelia Tuttle  
Edwin Curtis Bassett (b. 1822) and wife Caroline M. Hubbard

As follow up to last month's article on Edwin Curtis Bassett, I have found some additional information seen here.

Hartford Evening Press, Connecticut, Monday, 25 May 1863  
Fourth of July - Balloons and Fireworks

Prof. E.C. Bassett is again moving for a grand balloon ascension and display of fireworks on the Fourth of July. He goes into the matter for his own benefit, obtaining subscriptions, and guaranteeing a good display of fireworks and at least two balloons - possibly three. He will take the whole management of the display, pay all expenses, depending upon the subscriptions for his remuneration. Many of our citizens will be benefited by the gathering of a large number of people here on that day, and these and the railroads will subscribe liberally. Mr. Bassett's many personal friends will also encourage him, and all interested in making a gala-day of the Fourth will pass over the dollars.

Prof. S.B. Brooks will go up in his mammoth balloon "Constitution", taking with him two gentlemen connected with the newspaper press of this city. Prof. Bassett will make an ascension in his own balloon, "The Stars and Stripes." Pilot balloons will be sent up during the afternoon, and parachutes will be sent out from the balloons at the height of a mile, making the finest display of the kind ever seen in Hartford. Mr. Bassett has obtained permission to sue the Park for both balloons and fireworks. A few more victories like these late ones of Gen. Grant, and our citizens will open their purse strings for a general jollification on the Fourth. Meantime let them give Prof. Bassett a lift on the strength of the good news of today.

# H E A D Q U A R T E R S .

E. C. BASSETT,

Well known for *Barber-ous* acts, would keep the people alive to the fact that in his Professional Pursuits of Hair Dressing, Hair Cutting, Shaving and Manufacturing of all kinds of Hair work, either for Ladies or Gentlemen, he may be found daily, (Sundays excepted) at his famous establishment, Trumbull House Dressing Rooms.

BASSETT manufactures a chemical Hair Dye which for durability of color, and ease of application makes it the cheapest and best Dye extant. Bassett would say to Ladies and Gentlemen that he applies it at his Rooms, and although he "dyes daily" he still lives. Price of Dye reduced from \$1 to 75 cts., and every box warranted.

Hartford, April 10, 1858.

**BARBER'S AND HAIRDRESSERS** — We, the undersigned, Barbers and Hairdressers of Hartford, do hereby agree, and announce to the public, that on and after July 1st. 1863, the prices for Shaving and Hairdressing will be as follows:

For Shaving.....	10 cents.
" Haircutting.....	15 "
" Shampooing.....	25 "
Shaving tickets, 13 for.....	\$1 00
" " 6 ".....	50 "
" " 3 ".....	25 "

EDWIN C. BASSETT,  
 GEORGE M RYAN,  
 WM. T BASSETT,  
 MARTIN STIEH,  
 T. FETTING,

JABEZ H. WHITMORE,  
 WILLIAM HILLS,  
 THOMAS S. LATHROP,  
 C. E. MAUGR,  
 SAMUEL B. LATHROP,

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[Section 7 - Featured Bassett: Death of William T. Bassett of Howe & Bassett, Rochester, NY \(1917\)](#)

William T. Bassett descends from #306B William Bassett of Canada as follows:

William Bassett and wife Ellen  
 William T. Bassett

The Times-Union, Rochester, New York, Friday, 26 January 1917  
William T. Bassett Dies Suddenly  
Member of Firm of Howe & Bassett Was Prominent Business Man

William T. Bassett, of the firm of Howe & Bassett, long prominent in the business life of the city, died suddenly at his home, 55 Prince street, last evening. Although ill for some time, Mr. Bassett had shown marked improvement of late, expecting to be at his desk in a few days, and his death will come as a shock to his friends in Rochester.

Mr. Bassett was born in Rochester, July 27, 1857. In 1897, Mr. Bassett was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Hanna, daughter of Edward and Ann Hanna, early settlers in Rochester. Six children, the fruit of this union, are surviving. They are Edward H., William T., Ann C., Eleanor M., Margaret and Harriet. He leaves also a sister, Mrs. Harriet I. Beals.

Mr. Bassett was one of the best known men in Rochester, his gift of making friends being exceptional. He was genial, whole-hearted and generous to a fault, while his read with always make him the center of any gathering of men. His friends were not confined to any one walk of life, for he literally spread sunshine wherever he went. Many will mourn the smiling, happy hearted man whose presence always cheered.

Mr. Bassett was a member of many organizations, prominent among them being the Knights of Columbus, the Alhambra, the Elks, and the Chamber of Commerce.



William T. Bassett

This family was first seen in the January 2009 newsletter. [Bassett Family Association Home Page](#)

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

567B. James & Mildred Bassett of Maryland.

183B. William Elias Bassett combined into the #3B Thomas Bassett of Connecticut family.

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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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