

Pilgrim Village Families Sketch: Francis Weston

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Birth: Francis Weston was born by 1611, based on his inclusion in the Plymouth 1633 list of freemen.

Death: He died on June 5, 1645.

Ship: Unknown, 1632

Life in England: Nothing is known of his life in England.

Life in New England: Francis Weston was in Plymouth only a short time before he moved to Salem. He became a freeman of Salem on November 5, 1633. He was a proprietor of Providence, Rhode Island, in 1638, and removed to Warwick, Rhode Island, in 1642. Weston was a follower of religious radical Samuel Gorton, and in 1643 was held in Dorchester, "to be set on work, & wear such bolts or irons as may hinder his escape."

Family: Francis Weston married Margaret _____ on an unknown date. There were no recorded children. Her fate after Weston's death is unclear.