Pilgrim Village Families Sketch: Thomas Morton

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Birth: He was born in England by about 1592 based on his estimated date of marriage.
Death: He died in Plymouth Colony probably in 1627.
Ship: Fortune, 1621
Life in England: Nothing is known of his life in England.
Life in Holland: He may be identical with the Thomas Morton who witnessed the betrothal of George Morton and Julian Carpenter in Leiden in 1612.
Life in New England: Thomas Morton came to Plymouth Colony in November 1621. He received one acre in the land division of 1623, indicating that he came to Plymouth alone. He may be related to the other Mortons in Plymouth Colony, George Morton and Thomas Morton, who both immigrated in 1623. The two Thomas's might have been father and son and he may have been a brother of George Morton. Thomas Morton's name appeared in the division of cattle held in Plymouth in May 1627 but was crossed out.
Family: Thomas Morton married by about 1617. She does not appear in any New England record.
Children of Thomas and Morton:
• (probably) Thomas was born about 1617. He married Rose about 1645 but had no known children. He died after March 28, 1688.