Pilgrim Village Families Sketch: John CannonCarman

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Birth: John Cannon's date of birth is unknown.

Death: His date and place of death is unknown

Ship: Fortune, 1621

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

Life in New England: John Cannon arrived in Plymouth Colony in the fall of 1621. In the land division of 1623 he received one acre, indicating he had no family with him. His name does not appear in the division of cattle held in Plymouth Colony in May 1627, so he had either died or left the colony by that time.

In a 1638 Plymouth Colony court record, John Cannon's name was given as "Carman." This notation has led to speculation that he was identical with the John Carman who arrived in Massachusetts Bay in 1631.

Family: John Cannon was joined with William Tench in the land division, so it is possible that he had some connection with the Tench family.