

Timeline for William Joseph b. 1705

THE FIRST 30 YEARS - 1705 to 1735:

Baptism: 11 June 1705, to Frank and Margaret JOSEPH, East Horsley, St Martin, Surrey, England.

Parents: His father is Francis (Frank) JOSEPHS, born in 1686 and christened on 21 May 1686 at St Saviour's, Denmark Park, Southwark, Surrey, England.

Grandparents: Francis's parents are recorded as John and Mary JOSEPHS. John was born circa 1660.

Marriage: 1734 to Hannah CHITTY of Guilford in Surrey, in London, England. He is living in St James at Westminster, aged 29 years. His occupation is given as "Chairman" at St James. There are two possible explanations for this: the occupation of Chairman is explained in two sources ([Historic UK](#) and [Jane Austen's World](#)): *Chairmen wore a uniform, were licensed to carry passengers, and had to display a number, like today's taxi drivers. Three hundred chair permits were issued in London and Westminster in the early 1700's. A similar system was later used in Scotland, where a fare system was established in 1738. A trip within a city cost six pence and a day's rental was four shillings. It cost £1 1 shilling to hire a sedan chair for a week. The chairs were available around the clock, but after midnight the chairmen would be paid double the fare.*

The other explanation is from [Wikipedia](#), viz: *Each manor had its own laws promulgated in a document called the custumal, and anyone in breach of those laws could be tried in a manorial court. The earlier Anglo-Saxon method of trial by ordeal or of compurgation was modified by the Normans into trial by a jury made up of 12 local freemen. The lord or his steward would be the chairman, whilst the parish clerk would write the record on the manorial rolls.*

There are two possibilities for his wife Hannah who is 19 years old when the marriage takes place: One, born in 1715 to Henry CHITTY, and christened on 24 July 1715. The other, born in March 1716 to Jo CHITTY. Both Hannah's are living in Surrey at the time.

THE SECOND 30 YEARS - 1735 to 1765:

Birth of Daughter: Hannah JOSEPH, born 16 December 1735 and baptised 21 December 1735 at St. James, Westminster, Sussex, England. William is 30 years, and Hannah 20 years old.

Birth of Son: William JOSEPH, born 20 March 1737 and baptised 27 March 1737 at St. James', Westminster, Middlesex, England. William is 32 years, and Hannah 22 years old.

Birth of Daughter: Sarah JOSEPH, born 1739 and baptised 5 April 1739 at St James, Piccadilly (St James, Westminster), London, Westminster, England. William is 34 years, and Hannah 24 years old.

Birth of Daughter: Ann JOUSIF, born 1741 and baptised 30 August 1741 at St James, Piccadilly (St James, Westminster), London, Westminster, England. William is 36 years, and Hannah 26 years old.

Birth of Daughter: Elizabeth JOUSIF, born 1742 and baptised 1 January 1743 at St James', Westminster, Middlesex, England. William is 37 years, and Hannah 27 years old.

Birth of Son: Francis JOSEPH, born 11 June 1751 and baptised 16 June 1751 at St. James', Westminster, Middlesex, England. William is 46 years, and Hannah 36 years old.

Birth of Son: James JOSEPH, born 18 September 1754 and baptised 20 October 1754 at St. James', Westminster, Middlesex, England. William is 49 years, and Hannah 39 years old.

Birth of Son: John JOSEPH, born 10 November 1759 and baptised 25 November 1759 at St. James', Westminster, Middlesex, England. William is 54 years, and Hannah 44 years old.

Marriage of Son: His eldest son, William, marries Maria Collier in 1761 at the age of 25 years at Saint Michael, Wood Street, City of London, England.

THE LATER YEARS - 1765 to 1798:

Marriage of Son: His second eldest son, Francis, marries Harriot Caroline BROWN on 10 January 1779 at the age of 28 years at St. James', Westminster, Middlesex, England.

Death of William: He dies in 1790 at the age of 85 years, and is buried on 26 August 1790 at St. James', Westminster, Middlesex, England.

Death of Spouse: Hannah dies at the age of 83 years, and is buried on 8 February 1798 at her home town in Surrey, England.