TOWSEY TALES

NAME: Dorothy Towsey (maiden name unknown)
BIRTH DETAILS: circa 1606-1616, Letcombe Regis, Berks.
DEATH DETAILS: 17 Jan. 1691, East Challow, Berks.
CHART REF: Towsey Chart F1
MARRIAGE DETAILS: circa 1632
SPOUSE: John Towsey

See 'Towsey Tale' of John Towsey for family details.

Records indicate that Dorothy came from Letcombe Regis, but she might have been from any of the other villages in the Wantage area and there are records of about a dozen girls called Dorothy born in that area, who could be our ancestor. There may well also, have been more whose christening records have not survived.

Dorothy Towsey died ten years after her husband, in January 1691, leaving one shilling to her son, William Towsey, twenty shillings to Dorothy Jacob; the daughter of her daughter, Elizabeth, and the rest to her daughter Catherine James. There were instances in those days, where a couple would name a child after a wealthy relative, from whom they thus hoped to gain some favourable attention. In the case of Elizabeth naming her daughter after her mother, it seems to have paid off.

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