

INCONSISTENCIES

The following are inconsistencies found during research between *Vital Records of Townsend, Massachusetts*, Henry C. Hallowell, 1992 [especially the DAR records from 1941 & 1942 on pages 343 – 354] and the actual headstones in the Old Burying Ground, Townsend, Middlesex, Massachusetts. The headstone reference numbers and full names are from the research compiled in *Old Burying Ground, Headstones, Epitaphs, Ancestry, & Revolutionary War Patriots*, Susan (Woolfrey) Teachout, 2011.

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HS 3: Hannah (Colburn) Campbell

Daughter (343)

Wife (261, 304, headstone)

HS 8: Sarah “Sally” (_____) Sanders

HS 9: Lydia (Sanders) Sanders

HS 10: Solomon Sanders, Jr.

HS 11: Henry Sanders

HS 12: Betsey Sanders

HS 15: Lydia (Levistone) Sanders

HS 16: Solomon Sanders

Saunders (343)

Sanders (headstone)

HS 24: Cynthia Sherwin

1816 (343)

1817 (headstone)

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HS 39: Jonas Campbell, Jr.

53 y (344)

33 y (headstone)

HS 48: Lucy (Perham) Wyer

Widow, age 61 (344)

wife, age 67 (headstone)

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HS 49: Deacon Richard Wyer

34 y (344)

74 y (headstone)

HS 50: Esther (Stevens) Emery

Illegible (344)

Readable (headstone)

HS 57: Nancy Scales

___ d (344)

5 days (headstone)

HS 63: Joel Butler, Jr.

01 y, 11 m (344)

1 y, 1 m, 14 d (headstone)

HS 64: Jeremiah Butler

01 y (344)

4 y, 1 m, 23 d (headstone)

HS 66: Gilbert Butler

27 October 1814 (344)

27 October 1811 (headstone)

01 y, 7 m, 3 d (344)

1 y, 7 m, 8 d (headstone)

HS 69: Martha (Giles) Butterfield

98 y, 4 d (344)

28 y, 4 d (headstone)

HS 72: Nahum Richardson

20 August 1787 (344)

2 August 1797 (headstone)

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HS 75: Elizabeth (Proctor) Spaulding

12 October 1801 (229)

12 October 1804 (345, headstone)

HS 114: Samuel Hills Walker

1821 (345)

1824 (headstone)

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HS 121.1: Lieut. Lemuel Petts

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HS 136: Abel Adams

1843 (346)

1813 (headstone)

HS 152: Sarah (Shattuck) Ball

In her 74 y (346)

in the 31 y (headstone)

30 y, 4 m, 15 d (*Shattuck Memorials*, 171)

8 July 1779 (260)

8 July 1785 (346, headstone)

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HS 160: Susanna Ball

3 years on headstone seems to be incorrect, unless birth or death dates are incorrect.

HS 161: Betsey “Betty” (Wesson) Ball

17 September 1843 (325)

16 September 1843 (347, headstone)

HS 162: Noah Ball

26 August 1847 (333)

28 August 1847 (347, headstone)

HS 166: Son Spaulding

11 February 1781 (347)

11 February 1784 (headstone)

**Between headstones 180 and 181 is the headstone of Sarah (Brooks) Farrar
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HS 181: Frances “Fanny” Grant (Hosley) Green

2 May 1845 (273)

1 May 1845 (347, headstone)

HS 183: Polley Hosley

7 y, 4 m, 18 d (347)

7 y, 4 m, 14 d (headstone)

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HS 184: Doctor Samuel Hosley

22 April 1822 (347)

22 April 1832 (headstone)

HS 188: Millicent (Brooks) Smith

13 December 1756 (347)

13 April 1756 (228, headstone)

HS 189: Capt. Daniel Adams

10 October 1793 (347)

10 October 1795 (headstone)

Confusion on HS 191: Noah Brooks, **HS 192:** Seth Brooks, **HS 193:** Rebecca Brooks, **HS 194:** Abner Brooks, **HS 195:** Dorothy Brooks, **HS 198:** Sarah (Heywood) Brooks **and page 228.**

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HS 205: William Gilchrest Seaver

2 March 1812 (348)

8 March 1818 (273, 284, headstone)

HS 216: Mary (Stevens) Ball

69 y (348)

62 y (headstone)

HS 229: Elizabeth (_____) Wallis

25 January 1763 (348)

25 January 1765 (*New Ipswich History*, 682, headstone)

Relict on headstone. To be relict she had to die after husband John who died 20 May 1763.

HS 232: Joseph Wallis

5 July 1771 (348)

15 July 1771 (230, headstone)

Early 1900s record says 14 years. Doesn't match other records.

HS 232A: Joseph Wallis

Not listed in *Vital Records*; On headstone with HS232 in Old Burying Ground

20 December 1773 (230)

20 December 1772 (headstone)

Early 1900s record says 18 months. Doesn't match other records.

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HS 235: Lieut. Nathaniel Richardson

25 May 1756 (225)

26 May 1756 (349, headstone)

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HS 236: Ephraim Warren, Jr.

Question of whether he was 73 or 81 years. Headstone says 73 but other records say 81.

HS 237: Moses Warren, Jr.

December __ 1793 (349)

10 December 1793 (headstone)

HS 258: Elizabeth (Manning) Manning

78 y on her headstone. All other records say 68 years.

HS 263: Elizabeth (Wallis) Coneck

Stone broken _____, 1759 (349)

20 December 1757 (228, headstone)

HS 264: Elizabeth Coneck [No Headstone 2011]

13 y, in her (349)

3 y (215, 228, 1900s notebook)

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HS 284: Joseph Rumrill

In his 78 year (350)

73 y (headstone)

HS 286: Ensign William Stevens

28 August 1758 (224)

8 August 1758 (350, headstone)

HS 299: Rachel Hosley

3 December 1778 (256)

3 November 1778 (350, headstone)

HS 303: Deacon Amos Heald

7 January 1775 (259)

4 January 1775 (350, headstone)

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HS 306A: Sarah Conant

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HS 306B: Daughter Conant

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HS 319: Josiah Heald

18 October 1758 (228)

21 October 1758 (351, headstone)

HS 323: Susannah Clark

25 December 1776 (230)

5 March 1777 (351, headstone)

HS 324: William Clark, Jr.

In his 52 y (351)

in his 59th y (headstone)

HS 335: Robert Jefts

3 September 1849 (338)

29 August 1849 (351, headstone)

HS 339: Margaret Campbell

30 May 1756 (351)

30 May 1752 (229, headstone)

HS 341: Susanna Campbell

18 May 1761 (229)

17 May 1761 (351, headstone)

HS 342: George Campbell, Jr.

19 May 1762 (229)

4 May 1762 (351, headstone)

HS 344: Elizabeth Waugh

13 October 1747 (228) [makes sense]

31 October 1747 (351, headstone)

HS 345: Cirston (_____) Waugh

69[?] y (351)

67th y (headstone, 1900s)

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HS 361: Elizabeth Adams

4 June 1782 (228)

9 June 1782 (352, headstone)

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HS 368: Martha (Prescott) Hobart

Listed as Martha Robert (352)

HS 369: Shebuel Hobart

Listed as Shebvel Robert (352)

HS 370: Samuel Hobart

Listed as Samuel Robert (352)

HS 371: Susanna Hobart

Listed as Susanna Robert (352)

5 y, 4 m, 9 d (352)

5 y, 4 m, 19 d (headstone)

HS 377: Hannah (Going) (Spaulding) Withington

11 September 1837 (352)

11 September 1857 (headstone)

HS 379: Jonathan Spaulding, Jr.

19 October 1763 (256)

14 October 1763 (352, headstone)

HS 382: Laura Spaulding

7 September 1814 (352)

17 September 1814 (headstone)

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HS 386: Benjamin Hill Spaulding

1 May 1817 (284)

30 April 1817 (353, headstone)

HS 400: Jacob Dix

5 weeks (353)

7 weeks (headstone)

HS 404: Thomas Wyman

22 November 1776 (257)

21 November 1776 (353, headstone)

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HS 406: William Wesson

75 y, 7 m, 23 d (353)

75 y, 7 m, 25 d (headstone)

HS 427: Abigail Proctor

11 March 1789 (353)

11 March 1787 (headstone)