

Iowa Society DAR

PATRIOT STORIES

Daniel Gill, Vermont, A044663

- Civil Service
- Residence: Springfield Windsor Co VT
- Born: 25 Sep 1734 Kings Co RI
- Died: 7 Dec 1793 Westchester Co NY

On 1 Jan 1760 Daniel married Mercy Whitford (b 25 Mar 1739 Kings Co RI, d 6 Jan 1826 Springfield Windsor Co VT).at Exeter Kings Co RI. As of Spring 2022, DAR recognizes daughters from their children: Amos and Mary.

- o John married Thankful Bates sister of Moses and Roger Bates.
- o Amos (b 1765 Exeter Washington Co RI, d 13 Nov 1847 Springfield Windsor Co VT) married Sarah Bates (b 15 Oct 1772 Hingham Plymouth Co MA, d 29 Jun 1854 Springfield Windsor Co VT) on 30 Dec 1790.
- O Whitford married on 13 Dec 1801 to Betsey Holden.
- o Betsey married Mr. Dyke of Weathersfield.
- Mary (b 1 Oct 1780 Chittenden VT, d 30 Jan 1841 Nauvoo Hancock Co IL) married Bradley B Wilson (b 11 Oct 1769 Petersham Worcester Co MA, d 15 Nov 1842 Nauvoo Hancock Co IL) on 25 Feb 1798 at Springfield Windsor Co VT.
- Martha married Ranney of Westminster.

Daniel served on the Springfield VT Selectmen Committee which recruited and enlisted men for guarding the frontier. The enlistment call was to be ready for service by 15 Apr and continue until 15 Dec. The meeting also discussed a petition to call for raising a land tax for the town of Springfield's use.

During the period of 1773-1784, Daniel was elected to the town's three-person Fence Viewers Committee, an Overseers of Highways, one of the Town's Listers and the Town Representative to the State General Assembly.

According to the Merriam-Webster Dictionary, a Fence Viewer is "a local official who administers the fence laws (as by inspection of a new fence and settlement of disputes arising from trespass by livestock that have escaped enclosure)" and a Lister is one "that catalogs or creates lists." One of Daniel's lists may have been the *Grand List of the Real & Personal Estate of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield in Money for the Year 1782*.

Daniel also transported supplies in response to the alarm to Cambridge MA in April 1775.

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