



YOUR RESEARCH JOURNEY

AncestryProGenealogists® Research Materials

To help you understand the steps we took and the information we uncovered during your research journey, we will provide several items at the close of your session. Since you have hired us for our expertise, we want you to see how your research time was spent. As with all true research, we cannot guarantee a specific result. We do, however, guarantee our research will be of the highest quality, and your funds will be used appropriately.

With every research session, we will deliver these items:

1. Research Report — The Research Manager will write a high-level overview of the session. This summary will highlight key findings and outline recommended next steps.
2. Research Journal — The Research Journal is a log detailing each source consulted during the session, why it was consulted, and the outcome of the search. It also includes insights and analytical comments from the genealogist(s).
3. Historical Documents — We will provide copies of any documents found during the session.
4. Online Ancestry Tree — We create a private version of your tree during the search, allowing us to make changes and add documents without changing your personal tree. This tree is not meant to replace your personal tree. Rather, it reflects our work on the family lines you have asked us to research.





ROMAINE FAMILY HISTORY

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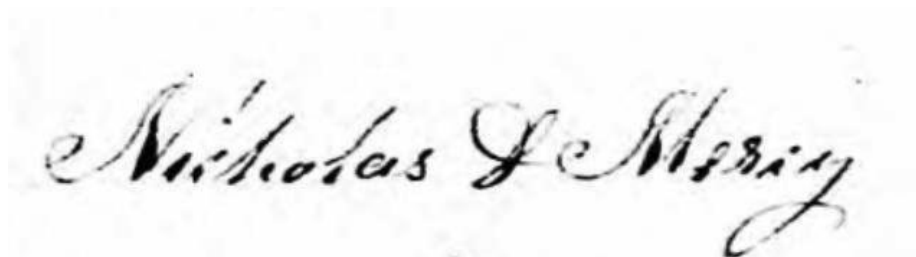
Introduction

Your goal for this research session was to identify the parents of Philip Romaine, born 22 November 1828 in New York, New York, and died in White Oak Swamp in Virginia, and then extend the Romaine line to the immigrant ancestor. This task was challenging as there were several Romaine families living in New York City in the years from 1800 to 1850. In addition, the names Nicholas and Philip were quite prevalent in our research. It was important to sort them out by occupation and birth date.

Your family information shows your ancestor, Nicholas Romaine, was born in 1849 in New York City. A review of the two available 1850 census records for men named Philip Romaine, shows the census which fits his profile is the record which shows him married to Elizabeth, with young son Nicholas in the household. Philip worked as a butcher. Since we accept *this* record as accurate for Nicholas and for his father Philip, this means that the Philip Romaine who lived in Mary Romaine's household in New York City is not Nicholas's father and not your direct ancestor (Document B). The Philip Romaine of that record was not yet married, and not a father. Identifying the correct record for the family in 1850 provides a useful starting point for research. We further narrowed down the identity of your ancestor Nicholas (Philip's father) by identifying him and his wife in city directories and church records.

Nicholas Romaine and Massey, parents of Philip Romaine

You provided a marriage record for a Nicholas Romaine to a Mary Long, and a baptism record for Philip Romaine, naming his parents, for 25 January 1829. These records may not be for the same person. The baptism record shows the child was born 22 November 1828. Although at first glance the names of the parents appear to be Nicholas and Mary, a careful reading shows that the letters in the mother's name do not correspond well to the name Mary.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nicholas J. Massey". The ink is dark and the background is light and slightly textured.

As we noted the name of his wife looked to be spelled with too many letters to be "Mary" in the marriage record, we looked for names of children born to the couple who would be siblings of Philip. It is clear from comparing these records that the name of Nicholas's wife is not Mary, but rather "Massey." We found several church records for her name and identified several baptismal records for siblings of Philip: Mary B. Romaine, Martha L. Romaine, and Catherine Margaret

Research Journal

Research Session:

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Romaine 1

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Research Plan

Initial Research Plan for Romaine 1:

Based on the strong foundation of research you provided in requesting us to confirm the identities of the parents of Philip Romaine as Nicholas Romaine and his wife Mary Long, we will first seek more records to support this family relationship. Limitations in making progress may result from the low number of records in early New York State in general, and the fact that census records prior to 1850 do not name each person in the household, but rather only the head of household. However, we plan to use research strategies to work around the latter issue.

Philip Romaine was born 22 November 1828 and died 30 June 1862 in the battle of White Oak Swamp in the Civil War. This battle took place in Henrico County, Virginia. Philip's widow received a military pension. As you note, this record provides no additional details for pursuing his ancestral line.

You note that the two census records for Philip Romaine and his wife Elizabeth for the years 1850 and 1860 show conflicting ages for Philip and his wife. While Philip is age 36 in 1850, he is age 31 in 1860. While such errors in census recording do occur, the additional evidence you have provided virtually assures that you have already identified the right parents for Philip. Dates, places, and names associated with the household may help to refine the search and confirm a generational link. The general process for successfully researching families in large cities, especially New York City, requires identifying as many records as possible about each family member and correlating information about names, ages, locations, and relationships.

The marriage record you provided for Nicholas Romaine and Mary Long shows the couple married 2 February 1813 in New York City. Philip Romaine's parents are identified as Nicholas and Mary in his baptism at Allen Street Church, a Methodist Church, in the record you provided. We can expect more records can be located to confirm this conclusion.

While the surname Romaine can be spelled in different ways, including Romeyn, Romain, Romine, it is spelled consistently as Romaine in the records you provided. We will keep this in mind as we search. While we need to be flexible regarding spellings, it seems that the spelling of Romaine in your line normalized by at least the 1800s.

Initial steps in research:

- Evaluate the four volume Romine family history for Nicholas's family and ancestors.
- Peruse city directories in New York City, readily available online for the years between and before the census enumerations of 1850 and 1860. City directories show who was living at what address. We can confirm family units and we can also identify households showing a similar name.

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- Seek baptismal records for the other children of Philip and Elizabeth (Charles, Edward, George, and Henrietta), as named in the 1860 census. Search for clues to their parents and grandparents noted in records.
- Peruse the church book for Asbury Church in New York City, where Philip and Elizabeth married in 1847 for more records for Romaines, who may be close relatives.
- Peruse also the church book for Allen Street Church in New York City, where Philip was baptized in 1818. There may be records for siblings or close relatives.
- Seek probate records which name the Romaine family in New York City and environs before 1850. We can also search for the names of your ancestors in the probate records of others. While the direct ancestors may not have owned land to pass down to heirs, this is a research step worth covering. If there is a record showing a family relationship, it will be very useful.
- Consider analyzing DNA matches for Romaine/Romeyn surnames in trees, if necessary to identify a common progenitor.

As you have done considerable research on this line, we will avoid duplicating these efforts. There were several branches of the Romaine/Romeyn families living in New York at the same time, apparently descended from an early immigrant. It will be important to keep the non-ancestral branches separate as we conduct research on your ancestral line. We do not expect any unusual delays in research. Time may not be sufficient to complete all planned searches. We will provide you with a midpoint update.

The private family tree that was created for you can be accessed by going to this URL in your web browser:
<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/165598321>

The pages that follow contain:

- Full citations for each source reviewed in search of your research objective;
- The reason we searched that particular record set;
- Information found in the record with a translation (if applicable) and our analysis of the information;
- Numbers to key documents, which are provided separately as images and referenced in the Research Report.

At the end of this document is an appendix containing a detailed review and analysis of all information provided at the outset of the research session.

Source	Purpose of Search	Findings/Analysis	Doc#
AncestryProGenealogists Research			
“Romine family,” Book, <i>WorldCat</i> (https://www.worldcat.org/), accessed January 2020.	Identify Romaine/Romeyn, Romine genealogies.	1. The Romine family. by W B Romine The Romine family. by W B Romine -13 pages, available at FHL. Print book View all formats and languages » Language: English Publisher: Pulaski, Tenn., Pulaski Citizen, 1930.	

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Thomas Longworth, <i>Longworth's American Almanac...</i> (New York City, New York Thomas Longworth, 1829), pp. 485-486; digital image, "New York City Directory," Digital Collections, <i>The New York Public Library</i> (https://digitalcollections.nypl.org/), accessed January 2020.	Find Romaines in New York City in 1829.	p. 485 Nicholas, gardener Ave. 3d. n. Bowery & 102 Stanton p. 486 Nicholas, gardener Tenth n. Av. B Philip, butcher, 14 Catherine-m. h. 309 Bowery Romaine widow Catherine, First n. Bowery <i>Are there two Nicholas Romaines, gardeners? Perhaps Nicholas who was carpenter previous year became a gardener.</i>	5
Thomas Longworth, <i>Longworth's American Almanac...</i> (New York City, New York Thomas Longworth, 1830), p. 516; digital image, "New York City Directory," Digital Collections, <i>The New York Public Library</i> (https://digitalcollections.nypl.org/), accessed January 2020.	Find Romain listings in city directory for 1830.	p. 516 Nicholas Romaine, smith, rear 153 Ludlow Philip, butcher 14 Catherine-m. h. 309 Bowery Catherine, widow of Philip, First n. Bowery <i>This year there is only one Nicholas Romaine. The other may be the Nicholas Romaine lost at sea in 1829. See directly below.</i>	6
United States, Navy, Officers and Enlisted Men, vol. 2, 1776-1885, p. 217, Nicholas Romaine, died 10 September 1829; digital image, "U.S., Navy Casualties Books, 1776-1941," <i>Ancestry</i> (http://www.ancestry.com), accessed January 2020.	Nicholas Romaine, lost at sea in 1829, Navy cook.	Nicholas Romaine, cook in U. S. Navy, lost at sea on vessel Hornet 10 September 1829. <i>Not ancestral. Not downloaded.</i>	
Asbury Methodist Church (New York City, New York), Baptism, Marriage, and other Records, 1842-1860, Nicholas Romaine, 1815 preachers class 4; digital image, "New York and Vicinity, United Methodist Church Records, 1775-1949," <i>Ancestry</i> (http://www.ancestry.com), accessed January 2020.	Find more church records for Nicholas Romaine of NYC.	1815 NYC Asbury Church Preachers Class No. 4 Nicholas Romaine, 1 st Street <i>As noted below, Nicholas Romaine of First Street is the person we identify as the father of Philip, as based on the church record of 1847. That record provides the address of First Street for both Nicholas and for Massey, who are named as parents of Philip and of Philip's siblings in church records.</i> <i>Preachers class is understood to be a class taught by the teacher—similar to today's Sunday</i>	7

SCHEDULE I.—Inhabitants in 13 Election District 21 1/2 Wards, in the County of New York, State of New York, enumerated by me on the 1 day of August, 1870.

Post Office: New York

Henry C. Broad, Ass't Marshal.

1	2	3	4			7	8		10	11		13	14	15	16	17	18	19		20
			4	5	6		8	9		11	12							19	20	
Dwellings, numbered in order of enumeration.		Families, numbered by the order of enumeration.		DESCRIPTION.			VALUE OF REAL ESTATE OWNED.		PLACE OF BIRTH.		PARENTAGE.		EDUCATION.		CONSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS.					
The name of every person whose place of abode on the first day of June, 1870, was in this family.				Age, Sex, Color, and State, Territory, or Foreign Birth, at time of Enumeration, June 1, 1870.	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male or female.	Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.	Place of Birth, naming State or Territory of U. S.; or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Father of foreign birth.	Mother of foreign birth.	If born within the year, state month (Jan., Feb., &c.).	If married within the year, state month (Jan., Feb., &c.).	Attended school within the year.	Can read.	Can write.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic.	Male—Color of hair of head, eyes, and complexion, and whether deaf and dumb, blind, or idiotic, or addicted to habits of intemperance, or other vices.	Female—Color of hair of head, eyes, and complexion, and whether deaf and dumb, blind, or idiotic, or addicted to habits of intemperance, or other vices.		
1	6	Romain	Mary	50	F	W	Keyping House		New York	/	/									
2			Nicholas	22	M	W	Painter		"									/		
3			George	11	M	W			"				/							
4	7	Lyons	Catharine	38	F	W	Washwoman		Ireland	/	/									
5	8	Coachman	George		M	W	Boot & Repair		New York									/		
6			Mary	40	F	W	Keyping House		"											
7			Jessie	25	F	W			"											
8			Francis	19	F	W	Teacher		"				/							
9	9	Snow	Joseph	43	M	W	Salesman		"									/		
10			Helen	38	F	W	Keyping House		"											
11			John	13	M	W			"											
12			Jessie	8	F	W			"				/							
13	10	Bartholf	David	36	M	W	Workman Brewery		"									/		
14			Mary	35	F	W			"											
15			Isabel	11	F	W			"											
16	11	Winslow	Oliver	37	F	W	Shoemaker		"	/	/									
17			Jane	22	F	W	"		Ireland	/	/									
18	12	Hodge	John	50	M	W	Boot & Repair		England	/	/							/		
19			Dora	29	F	W			Ireland	/	/									
20			Charles	6	M	W			New York	/	/									
21	13	Walbrook	James	58	M	W	Clerk in P. O.		"									/		
22			Mary	55	F	W			"											
23			Mary	22	F	W			"											
24	14	Pomeroy	Mary	52	F	W			Virginia											
25			Arthur	23	M	W	Clerk in Insurance Office		Maryland									/		
26			Mary	15	F	W			New York				/							
27	15	Edwards	Robert	30	M	W	Butcher		"	/	/							/		
28			Catharine	22	F	W			"											
29			Richard	3	M	W			"											
30	16	Graves	James	34	M	W	Dealer in Diamonds		"									/		
31			Mary	26	F	W			"											
32			Edward	7	M	W			"											
33	17	Kelumb	Walter	31	M	W	Clerk in Store		"									/		
34			Charlote	29	F	W	Keyping House		"											
35			Catharine	13	F	W			"				/							
36			William	6	M	W			"											
37			Martha	1	F	W			"											
38	18	Clau	John	30	M	W	Workman Brewery		Germany	/	/							/		
39			Catharine	30	F	W	Keyping House		"	/	/									
40			Jane	13	F	W			New York	/	/									

1870 U.S. Federal Census (Population Schedule), New York, New York County, New York, p. 2, Dwelling 6, Family 6, Mary Romain household; digital image, "1870 United States Federal Census," Ancestry (http://www.ancestry.com), accessed January 2020.

When Baptized Childrens Names Parents Names When Born

When Baptized	Childrens Names	Parents Names	When Born
June 2. 1822	Kopf Mary E	William & Huldah E	Nov. 17. 1822.
June 30. 1822	Robinson William W	John B & Catherine	Feb 9. 1822.
Aug. 4 1822	Anton Christina	Thomas & Mary	April 6 1822.
Nov. 4. 1822	Romaine Mary B.	Nicholas & Muesey.	Sep. 21. 1822.
Nov. 30. 1822	Riker Sarah R	Abraham & Sarah	Sep. 6. 1822.
1822	Richards George	George & Sarah	Aug 22. 1822.
1822	Robinson Catherine A.	John & Margaret	June 3. 1822.
	Reynolds Harriet	Bushard & Harissa.	Ap. 29 1810
May 14. 1823	Richardson W. P.	Phillip & Mary.	Septem 21 1820
" "	Richardson Maur	Do - Do.	Ap. 4. 1823
Mar 16	Roberts M. William	James & Mary	" 2 1816
" "	Roberts S. Mary	" "	July 19 1822
" "	Roberts John	" "	Feb 4 1819
May 18	Riley W Charles	Joseph & Lydia	Dec 1 1822
July 27	Rogers C Ann	E - & Sarah	" 25 "
Aug. 24	Roid Isabella	James & Mary Ann.	May 1 1823
Sep 8	Reading S. Mary	Thomas & Grace	June 2 "
" 24	Richardson W. P.	Samuel & Maria	Aug.
Dec 10	Rowland Jane	Adult	
June 27 1824	Riker Catharine	Norm. & Sarah	Apr. 17. 1824
Aug 3	Raisbeck Eliza	William & Elizabeth	Feb 3 1816
" "	Raisbeck Sarah	William "	Jan 31 1815
" "	Raisbeck Joanna	" "	Ap 20 1824
" "	Randall John	William " Ann	Dec 14 1823
Aug 22	Riley Rich Jacob	David & Phoebe	June 3 1824
Nov 11	Roome M. Andrew	Peter & Elizabeth	Aug 31 "