

### The Hulme Family

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“The Hulme Family is of Norman Ancestry and can be traced to Seigneur de Houlme, who crossed the Channel from Normady with William The Conqueror in 1066. He was the ancestor of Randulphus de Houlme who was the proprietor of the Manor of Houlme in Lancashire, including the side of the City of Manchester in the 12<sup>th</sup> Century.

“Sir John de Hulme, a great grandson of Pandulphus was knighted by Henry II, in 1160, and the several proprietors of the Manor or Hulme figure prominently in history until the 16<sup>th</sup> Century.

“Sir William de Hulme was knighted for services under the Black Prince in France, and his grandson of the same name is said to have sold the Manor in 1489. However, the descendants of the family spelling the name Hulme, with the French prefix of “de”, held land in the vicinity of Hulme Hall until the end of the 17<sup>th</sup> Century.

“About 1638 William Hulme, a grandson of Sir William de Hulme, settled at Tilston in Cheshire. His son Hugh Hulme, married a daughter of Robert Massaic and their fourth son was George Hulme.”

The first American ancestor of our Naomi Hulme, the wife of John Whitacre, was George Hulme, who came to America as a youth with his parents. George Hulme Sr. and Ellen. They arrived in Pennsylvania from Tilton, Cheshire, England about 1700. Tradition says that they crossed the Atlantic with William Penn on his second visit to his province of Pennsylvania, 1699.

Apparently the son, George, became a Quaker after his arrival in America. Possibly about the time of his marriage into a prominent Quaker family. There is no mention of the Hulme family in either American Quaker Records, or in the Societie’s Record House in London.

The first purchase of land that we found on Records in Bucks, Co., PA for George Hulme Sr. is dated September 12, 1705. Robert Heaton conveyed to George Hulme, Sr. and George Hulme, Jr. a tract of 600 acres in Middletown, Township, Bucks Co., PA. George must have had a previous conveyance because, as early as February 20, 1702/3, he contracted with Joshua Beare for building a barn and splitting 1000 rails. Robert Heaton, the grantor, and his son received large grants of land in Bucks Co., PA and there being some dispute as to which held the title, it is possible the conveyance was delayed some years after the real contract of sale and delivery of seisin by “Twig and Turf” according to the old custom. Some countries do not record deeds until the mortgage is fully

paid. If they paid on contract this could have been the cause of the delayed recording of this deed.

George Hulme, the elder, was a grand juror in 1708 and 1709, and appears on record in different capacities of public usefulness at intervals until his death in 1714. Letters of administration were granted on his estate to his son, George, "ye 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 1714." The bond is signed by George Hulme, Jr. in a good firm hand and opposite his name is affixed a red seal of wax impressed with a seal marked with his initials, "G.H.", and the name of "Ellen Hulme" is signed as a witness in a very shaky hand indicative of old age.

George Hulme the younger, was probably a minor when he accompanied his parents to Pennsylvania, but of age when the land was conveyed to him jointly with his father in 1706.

On the 7<sup>th</sup> Month (September, under the old calendar) second day, 1708, George Hulme Jr., proposed intentions of marriage with Naomi Palmer, at Middletown Monthly Meeting, or rather sought a certificate to Falls Monthly Meeting, in order to proceed in marriage with her at that meeting. They were married under the auspices of Falls M M 10 October 1708.

Naomi survived the marriage only about one year, and George proposed intentions of marriage with her sister, Ruth, in August 1710, a year and eight months later. Marriage to a deceased wife's sister was considered incest, and "against the good order maintained among Friends." The Monthly Meeting declined to sanction the union. George applied to the Quarterly Meeting and they, on 7 September 1710, sustained the decision of the Monthly Meeting. The young people took matters into their own hands and were married without the approval of the Quaker Community, on 7 January 1711.

We have not been able to determine which of the sisters is the mother of our Naomi Hulme who married John Whitacre Jr. There is no doubt that Ruth raised her.

			24	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
	12	John WHITACRE		
		BORN	25	ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
		WHERE Yorkshire, England		
		WHEN MARRIED 12 Mar 1702		
		DIED	26	John PARKER, 1634
		WHERE Philadelphia, Pa		ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
John WHITACRE	13	Jane PARKER		Extwistle, Lancs, Eng.
14 May 1704		BORN	27	Jane FOSTER
Falls, Bucks, Penn		WHERE		ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
MARRIED 1734		DIED		
		WHERE Bucks Co., Pa.	28	George HULME
	14	George HULME		ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
		BORN Chr 16 Jan 1683	29	Ellen
		WHERE Didsbury, Lancs, Eng		ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
		WHEN MARRIED 10 Dec 1707		
Naomi HULME		DIED w d 10 June 1729	30	John PALMER
		WHERE p 8 Jan 1729/30		b. 1655 ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
	15	1 Naomi, 2. Ruth PALMER		Cleveland, Yorks Eng.
1789		BORN	31	Christian
Goose Creek, Loudoun, Va		WHERE		ABOVE NAME CONTINUED ON CHART
		DIED		
		WHERE		

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William Hulme of Tilston, Cheshire, England, married a daughter of Robert Massiac. Their son George Hulme came from Cheshire to Pennsylvania about 1700. He died there in 1714. His wife was named Ellen.

George Hulme, Jr., the son of George and Ellen Hulme was born about 1684 in England. He married 20 October 1708 Naomi, a daughter of John Palmer of Bucks Co., Pennsylvania. The ceremony was performed at the Falls Monthly Meeting of the Quaker Church. Naomi died before 1711 and on the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 1711, Ruth, the sister of Naomi, was dismissed from the Quaker faith for marrying contrary to discipline, her sister's husband, John Palmer. A marriage of a brother and sister-in-law was considered incest at that time.

We have been unable to find the birth dates of the children of John Palmer so it is not certain which children are descended from Ruth and which from her sister Naomi. Both the names Ruth and Naomi have been favorites through the families descending from these girls.

Naomi Hulme, daughter of George Hulme, Jr., md 24 June 1734 John Whitacre. They are the parents of Hannah Whitacre, b. 21 September 1739, Falls, Buck, PA who became the first wife of John Jared, wagonmaker of Loudoun Co., VA. She died 8 November 1765 in Loudoun Co., VA. Her children, William and Joseph Jared and Naomi were raised by Rachel Palmer, the second wife of John Jared.

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Following along with the history of John Whitacre Jr. we learn his marriage to Naomi Hulme was celebrated 24 June 1734 at Falls Monthly Meeting. Naomi, his bride, was the daughter of George and Naomi (or Ruth?) (Palmer) Hulme, of the same congregation.

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