

FAMILY GROUP RECORD No. 032

HUSBAND	William WRIGHT					
Birth		Place				
Christening	02 – 05 – 1794	Place	Colton, Staffs.			
Marriage	22 – 11 – 1814	Place	Tatenhill, Staffs.			
Death		Place				
Burial		Place				
Husband's Father	John WRIGHT	Husband's Mother	Sarah WAIT	Parents Group Record	64	
Husband's Other Wives						

WIFE	Maria DOWNING					
Birth		Place				
Christening	28 – 09 – 1788	Place	Wichnor, Staffs.			
Death	24 – 02 – 1860	Place	Longdon by Lichfield, Staffs.			
Burial		Place				
Wife's Father	John DOWNING	Wife's Mother	Elizabeth OVERDIGE (OREDISH ?)	Parents Group Record	65	
Wife's Other Husband's						

Sex M / F	CHILDREN		WHEN BORN () = baptism date	WHERE BORN	MARRIAGES	TO WHOM	WHEN DIED	Grp Rec
	Given Names	Surname						
1	F	Mary	WRIGHT	(18 – 06 – 1815)	Wichnor, Staffs	20 – 06 – 1842	Thomas DEAKINS	
2	M	Joseph	WRIGHT	(12 – 01 – 1817)	Wichnor, Staffs	21 – 10 – 1839	Sarah DIXON	
3	M	John	WRIGHT	(12 – 01 – 1817)	Wichnor, Staffs			
4	M	William	WRIGHT	(06 – 12 – 1818)	Blithfield, Staffs.			
5	M	Charles	WRIGHT	(17 – 12 – 1820)	Colton, Staffs	07 – 10 – 1844	Sarah SUTTON	
6	M	Thomas	WRIGHT	(22 – 09 – 1822)	Colton, Staffs	18 – 09 – 1841	Elizabeth BRADBURY	16
7	F	Jane	WRIGHT	(06 – 07 – 1824)	Rugeley, Staffs	22 – 03 – 1847	Jonathan EARLE	20 – 10 – 1913
8	F	Frances	WRIGHT	(24 – 04 – 1825)	Colton, Staffs	05 – 04 – 1847	James PEACH	
9	M	James	WRIGHT	(17 – 02 – 1832)	Rugeley, Staffs	1864 Q1	Anne MOTTRAM	

William is identified from son Thomas' marriage certificate, which says that Thomas was under age 21 and residing in Longdon. In 1851 census Thomas was aged 29 and living with wife Elizabeth + 3 children. His birth place is given as Colton, Staffs. The only christening of a Thomas WRIGHT in Colton within 5 years of 1822 is the above Thomas, son of William & Maria WRIGHT born 1822. There are further entries in the IGI added later by members of the LDS which give Thomas' mother as Maria Downing.

There are at least 2 records of the marriage of Thomas WRIGHT, son of William WRIGHT & Maria DOWNING, each added by members of the LDS and each referring to a different spouse. In one record he marries Elizabeth BRADBURY and in the other he marries Mary Ann DUNK. We have a copy of the marriage certificate for Thomas & Elizabeth and we have found the family in subsequent censuses. Hence the reference to Mary Ann DUNK must be irrelevant to this family.

IGI Searches : William & Maria

William Wright

Male

Christening: 02 MAY 1794 Colton, Stafford, England
Father: John Wright
Mother: Sarah
Spouse: Maria Downing
Marriage: 22 NOV 1814 Tatenhill, Stafford, England
Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

MARIA DOWNING

Female

Christening: 28 SEP 1788 Wichnor, Stafford, England
Father: JOHN DOWNING
Mother: ELIZABETH
Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

Maria Downing

Female

Christening: 28 SEP 1788 Wichnor, Stafford, England
Death: 24 FEB 1860 Longdon By Lichfield, Stafford, England
Father: John Downing
Mother: Elizabeth
Spouse: William Wright
Marriage: 22 NOV 1814 Tatenhill, Stafford, England
Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

Maria Downing

Female

Birth: < 1793> <Tatenhill, Stafford, England>
Father: John Downing
Mother: Elizabeth [Overdige](#)
*N.B. 1793 is 21 years before marriage in 1814
some LDS people assume girls marry aged 21*
Record submitted after 1991 by a member of the LDS Church.

Mariah Downing

Female

Birth: 1792 Rugeley, Stafford, England
Spouse: William Wright
Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

MARY DOWNING

N.B. different Maria Downing christened 6 mths earlier

Christening: 30 MAR 1788 Wombourn, Stafford, England
Father: NICHOLAS DOWNING
Mother: MARY
Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

Family Group Record

Husband

John Downing

Wife

Elizabeth Downing

Children

1. Ann Downing
Birth: About 1775 Wichnor, Stafford, England
Burial: 19 AUG 1779
2. Hannah Downing
Birth: About 1777 Wichnor, Stafford, England
Burial: 19 AUG 1779
3. Mathew Downing
4. Elizabeth Downing
Christening: 29 JUL 1781 Wichnor, Stafford, England
5. Mathew Downing
Christening: 29 JUL 1784 Wichnor, Stafford, England
6. Robert Downing
Christening: 11 DEC 1785 Wichnor, Stafford, England
7. Maria Downing
Christening: 28 DEC 1788 Wichnor, Stafford, England

Did Maria have an illegitimate child before marrying William ?

Brian Wood, ex GenesReunited has info which suggests that Caroline died in her birth year.

CAROLINE DOWNING

Christening: 26 MAY 1811 Wichnor, Stafford, England

Mother: MARIA DOWNING

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

MARY WRIGHT

Christening: 18 JUN 1815 Wichnor, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

Mary Wright

Birth: About 1821 Of, Rugeley, Stafford, England

Father: William Wright

Mother: Marie Downing

Spouse: Thomas Deakins

Marriage: 20 JUN 1842 Rugeley, Stafford, England

Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

JOHN WRIGHT

Christening: 12 JAN 1817 Wichnor, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

JOSEPH WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 12 JAN 1817 Wichnor, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

Joseph Wright

Male

Birth: 1816 Colton, Stafford, England

Father: William Wright

Mother: Maria Downing

Spouse: Sarah Dixon

Marriage: 21 OCT 1839

Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

Joseph Wright

Male

Birth: About 1824 Rugeley, Stafford, England

Father: William Wright

Mother: Maria Downing

Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

WILLIAM WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 06 DEC 1818 Blithfield, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

CHARLES WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 17 DEC 1820 Colton, Stafford, England

Father: WM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

Charles Wright

Male

Birth: 17 DEC 1820 Colton, Stafford, England

Father: William Wright

Mother: Maria Downing

Spouse: Sarah Sutton

Marriage: 07 OCT 1844

Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

Charles Wright

Male

Birth: 1822 Newland, , Stafford, England

Father: Wiliam Wright

Mother: Maria Downing
Spouse: Sarah Rutton
Marriage: 07 OCT 1844
Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

Charles Wright

Male

Birth: About 1819 Of Rugsley, , Stafford, England
Father: William Wright
Mother: Maria Downing
Spouse: Sarah Sutton
Marriage: 07 OCT 1844
Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

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Marriages Dec 1844 (48%)

SUTTON Sarah	Lichfield 17 105
WRIGHT Charles	Lichfield 17 105

Jane Wright

Female

Birth: 06 JAN 1822 Rugeley, Stafford, England
Death: 20 OCT 1913
Father: William Wright
Mother: Maria Downing
Record submitted after 1991 by a member of the LDS Church.

Jane Wright

Female

Birth: 06 JUL 1824 Rugeley, Stafford, England
Death: 20 OCT 1913
Father: William Wright
Mother: Maria Downing
Spouse: Jonathan Earle
Marriage: 22 MAR 1847
Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

THOMAS WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 22 SEP 1822 Colton, Stafford, England
Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT
Mother: MARIA
[Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.](#)

Thomas Wright

Male

Birth: 1818 Blithfield, Stafford, England
Father: William Wright
Mother: Maria Downing
Record submitted after 1991 by a member of the LDS Church.

Thomas Wright

Male

Birth: 22 SEP 1822 Colton, Stafford, England

Father: William Wright

Mother: Maria Downing

Spouse: Elizabeth Bradbury

Marriage: 18 SEP 1841

Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

Thomas Wright

Male

Birth: 1822 Blithfield, Stafford, England

Father: William Wright

Mother: Maria Downing

Spouse: Mary Ann Dunk

Marriage: 25 JUN 1844

Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

FRANCES WRIGHT

Female

Christening: 24 APR 1825 Colton, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

Frances or Fanny Wright

Female

Birth: 24 APR 1825 Colton, Stafford, England

Father: William Wright

Mother: Maria Downing

Spouse: James Peach

Marriage: 05 APR 1847

Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

JAMES WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 17 FEB 1832 Rugeley, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

James Wright

Male

Birth: 1830 Rugeley, Stafford, England

Father: William Wright

Mother: Maria Downing

Spouse: Anne Wright

Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

James Wright

Male

Birth: 17 FEB 1832 Rugeley, Stafford, England

Father: William Wright

Mother: Maria Downing

Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

JOSEPH WRIGHT

Male

Birth: 01 OCT 1835

Christening: 08 NOV 1835 Hornington Street Wesleyan, Burton
Upon Trent, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA GORDAN

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

SARAH WRIGHT

Female

Birth: 22 JAN 1837

Christening: 12 FEB 1837 Hornington Street Wesleyan, Burton
Upon Trent, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA TORDIN

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

WILLIAM WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 02 FEB 1834 All Saints, Alrewas, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

ARTHUR WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 30 JUN 1839 Yoxall, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

JANE WRIGHT

Female

Christening: 18 OCT 1828 Rugeley, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

CHARLES WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 21 MAY 1843 Salt, Stafford, England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

SARAH ANN WRIGHT

Female

Christening: 15 DEC 1839 Saint Mary, Stafford, Stafford,
England

Father: WILLIAM WRIGHT

Mother: MARIA

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

JOHN DOWNING

Male

Spouse: ELIZABETH OVERDIGE

Marriage: 08 OCT 1769 Tatenhill, Stafford, England

Form submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

WILLIAM WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 02 MAY 1794 Colton, Stafford, England

Father: JOHN WRIGHT

Mother: SARAH

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

JOHN WRIGHT

Male

Spouse: SARAH WAIT

Marriage: 26 SEP 1793 Colwich, Stafford, England

Extracted marriage record for locality listed in the record.

ELIZABETH WRIGHT

Female

Christening: 23 JUN 1782 Tamworth, Stafford, England

Death: 20 AUG 1782

Father: JNO. WRIGHT

Mother: SARAH

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

JNO. WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 17 SEP 1780 Tamworth, Stafford, England

Father: JOHN WRIGHT

Mother: SARAH

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

JOHN WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 23 JAN 1793 Drayton Bassett, Stafford, England

Father: JOHN WRIGHT

Mother: SARAH

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

THOMAS WRIGHT

Male

Christening: 01 JAN 1784 Tamworth, Stafford, England

Father: JNO. WRIGHT

Mother: SARAH

Extracted birth or christening record for the locality listed in the record.

Emanuel WRIGHT

Male

Birth: About 1794 Colton, Stafford, England

Father: John WRIGHT

Mother: Sarah Waite

Record submitted after 1991 by a member of the LDS Church.

John Wright

Male

Christening: 16 OCT 1774 Wolverhampton, Stafford, England

Father: John Wright

Mother: Sarah Smith

Record submitted by a member of the LDS Church.

1851 England Census

Name:	William Wright								
Age:	57								
Relation:	Head								
Spouse's Name:	Marrie								
Gender:	Male								
Where born:	Colton, Staffordshire, England								
Civil Parish:	Rugeley								
County/Island:	Staffordshire								
Country:	England								
Registration district:	Lichfield								
Sub-registration district:	Yoxall								
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1841 England Census

Name:	Maria Wright														
Age:	40														
Gender:	Female														
Where born:	Staffordshire, England														
Civil Parish:	Rugeley														
Hundred:	East Cuttlestone														
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