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Partial Genealogy of the Tafts
(of Ohio & Vermont)

Main Political Affiliation:

1763-83	Whig/Revolutionary
1789-1823	Federalist
1824-31	National Republican
1832-53	Whig
1854-	Republican

1650

Robert Taft (1640-1724)
(Emigrated from Leinster,County Louth,Ireland to Massachusetts)
(Mendon, MA constable, 1695; selectman, 1697)
= Sarah Simpson (1640-1725)

Thomas Taft I (1671-1755) — *SEE TAFT OF VT GENEALOGY*

Robert Taft II (1674-1748)
= Elizabeth Woodward (1671-1753)

Daniel Taft I (1677-1761?) — *SEE TAFT OF IL GENEALOGY*

Cpt. Joseph Taft (1680-1747)
= Elizabeth Emerson (1687-1760)

Benjamin Taft (1684-1766) — *SEE TAFT OF MA GENEALOGY*

1700

Cpt. Robert Taft III (1697-1776)
= Mary Chapin (1710-68)

10 Others

Israel Taft (1699-1753) — *SEE TAFT OF RI GENEALOGY & SEE TAFT OF MA GENEALOGY*

John Taft (1710-69) — *SEE TAFT OF RI GENEALOGY & SEE TAFT OF MA GENEALOGY*

Gideon Taft (1715-63) — *SEE TAFT OF NH GENEALOGY*

Peter Taft (1714-83)
= Elizabeth Cheney (1707-83)
See Cheney of WY Genealogy

8 Others

8 Others

Robert Taft IV (1725-87)
= Deborah Lovett (1729-1814

Cpt. Ebenezer Taft (1735-1836) — *SEE TAFT OF RI GENEALOGY*

1750

1 Daughter

Lovett Taft (1756-1837)
= Lydia Post (1763-1813)

Aaron Taft (1743-1808)
(born MA); (moved to Vermont)
= Rhoda Rawson (1749-1827)

5 Others

12 Others

Oren Taft (1788-1861)
(born MA); (moved to Ohio)
= Lucy Ann Stowe of CT (1787-1869)

Peter Rawson Taft (1785-1867
(VT house); (VT judge)
See Howard of MI Genealogy Part I
= Sylvia Howard (1792-1866)

10 Others

1800

Frederick Lovett Taft (1811-69)
= Elvira Laura Rood of CT (1815-92)

Alphonso Taft
(1810-91); (born VT); (moved to Ohio)
(US Secretary of War, 1876); (US Attorney General, 1876-77)
(US Diplomat, 1882-85)
See Phelps of VT Genealogy
Fanny Phelps (1823-52) =
= Louisa Maria Torrey (1827-1907)

Newton Archibald Taft (1843-90)
= Laura Alba Humphrey (1833-1907)

Charles Phelps Taft (1843-1929)
(OH house, 1871-73); (US House, 1895-97)
(publisher, Cincinnati Times-Star)
(investor in oil/packing/Chicago Cubs etc)
(art collector/philanthropist)
= Annie B. Sinton (1852-1931)
(wealthy heiress worth $15 million)

Peter Rawson Taft (1845-89)
= Annie Matilda Hulbert (1858-at least 1880)

Hulbert Taft (1877-1959)
(publisher of Cincinnati Times-Star, 1930-54; chairman, 1954-58)
Nellie Phillips Leamon = (1881-1927)

3 Daughers

1850

William Howard Taft (1857-1930)
(OH judge, 1887-90); (US Solicitor General, 1890-92); (US Ct of Appeals, 1892-1900)
(Governor of Philippines, 1900-04); (US Secretary of State, 1904-08)
(27th US President, 1909-13); (Chief Justice US Supreme Ct, 1921-30)
See Herron of OH Genealogy
= Helen Herron (1861-1943)

2 Others

Henry Waters Taft (1859-1945); (lawyer)
(moved to New York)
(Delegate, Rep National Convention, 1920, 1924)
= Julia Walbridge Smith (1863-1942)

5 Children

Horace Dutton Taft (1868-1943); (lawyer)
(founded Taft School in Watertown CT; headmaster, 1890-1936)
= Winifred Shepard Thompson of NY (1860-1909)
(no children)

Frederick Lovett Taft (1870-1913)
= Mary Alice Arter (1881?-at least 1903)

6 Children

4 Children

Robert Alphonso Taft I (1889-1953)
(OH house, 1921-26); (OH senate, 1931-32)
(US Senate, 1938-53)
= Martha Wheaton Bowers (1891-1958)

1 Daughter

Charles Phelps Taft II (1897-1983)
(Hamilton co. prosecutor, 1927-28)
(Cincinnati OH city council, 1938-42, 1948-53, 1955-)
(Mayor of Cincinnati, 1955-57)
See Chase of IN Genealogy
= Eleanor Kellogg Chase (1891-1961)

1900

Major Kingsley Arter Taft (1903-70); (Rep)
(OH house, 1933-34)
(WWII)
(US Senate, 1946-47)
(OH supreme court, 1948-70)
= Louise Parsons Dakin (1905-97)

1 Son

William Howard Taft I (1915-91)
(US Ambassador to Ireland, 1953-57)

2 Sons

Robert Taft II (1917-93)
(WWII/US Army); (OH house, 1955-62)
(US House, 1963-65); (US Senate, 1971-76)
= Blanca Duncan Noel (1917-68)

6 Others

Seth Chase Taft (1923-); (lawyer)
(moved to Cleveland OH, 1947)
(Cuyahoga co. OH commissioner)
= Frances Bradley Prindle (1921?-)

= Barbara Hoult Bradfield (1916?-)

William Howard Taft II (1945-)
(Chief legal counsel for US State Department, 2001-2005)
= Julia Vadala (1947?-)

3 Children

Robert Alphonso Taft III (1942-)
(Ohio house, 1977-81)
Ohio secretary of state, 1991-99)
(Governor of Ohio, 1999-2007)
= Hope Rothert of AR (1945?-)

1 Daughter

3 Others

1950

3 Others

Frederick Irving "Rick" Taft (1950s?-); (lawyer); (Democrat)
(Pepper Pike OH city council, 1997-at least 2007)
(president, Ideaspace Inc.)