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Partial Genealogy of the Kennans
(of Vermont, Massachusetts, & Wisconsin)

Main Political Affiliation:

1763-83	Whig/Revolutionary
1789-1823	Federalist
1824-33	National Republican
1834-53	Whig
1854-	Republican

1600

1650

1700

James MacKennan II
(1719-at least 1760s); (armer)
(Scotch-Irish; emigrated from Dumfriesshire, Scotland to or born Rutland, Worcester co. Massachusetts)

= Margaret Smith
(1723-at least 1761)

1750

8 Others

Col. George MacKennan/Kennan I
(1752-1830); (farmer/miller)
(born Rutland, Worcester co. MA); (Rev War); (Charlemont MA selectman/assessor, 1783; surveyor of highways, 1785)
(Waterbury VT moderator/selectman, 1794, 1797, 1804; justice of peace); (VT legislature, 1798, 1805-06, 1808, 1810)

= Abigail Sherman (1750-99)

8 Others

Rev. Thomas Kennan
(1773-1853); (Presbyterian minister)
(born MA); (moved to VT, then New York, then Ohio)

= Sally Lathrop
(1775-1831)

George Kennan II
(1777-at least 1809)
(Charlemont MA constable, 1802; selectman, 1809)

1800

George Kennan
(1795-1876)
(born VT); (moved to New York, then Wisconsin)

= Mary Tullar
(1801-66)

10 Others

Thomas Lathrop Kennan
(1827-1920); (lawyer)
(wrote Genealogy of the Kennan Family, 1907); (of Morristown NY)

= Lea Brown
(1829-1906)

6 Others

John Kennan
(1803-96); (telegrapher)
(born VT); (moved to NY, then Norwalk, Huron co. OH)

= Mary Ann Morse of NY
(1811-98)

1850

5 Others

Kossuth Kent Kennan
(1851-1933); (lawyer)

Helen McGregor
(Pierpont) =
(2 children by 1st marriage)

= Florence James
(1860-1904)

= Sarah Louise
Wheeler
(1873-1947)

5 Others

George Kennan
(1845-1924); (telegrapher/ecplorer/author)
(born Norwalk, Huron co. OH)
(went to Russia to build telegraph lines across Siberia for Russian-American Telegraph Co., 1964-68)
(explored Caucasus Mountains, 1870-71; Siberia & Kamchatka Peninsula, 1885-86)
(Associated Press reporter in Washington DC, 1871-78)
(supporter of a Revolution in Russia from 1886, but then opposed Bolshevik takeover, 1917)
(died Medina, Orleans co. NY)

See Weld of MA Genealogy Part II

= Emmeline Rathborne Weld
(1854-1940)

1900

3 Daughters

George Frost Kennan
(1904-2005)
(born Milwaukee, Milwaukee co. Wisconsin)
(US State Department Foreign Service, 1925-50,
stationed in Russia, Czechoslovakia, Germany; Russian expert;
Long Telegram from Moscow, genesis of Containment Policy)
(US Ambassador to Russia, 1952; to Yugoslavia, 1961-63)
(became professor/author/historian; won two Pulitzer Prizes)

1 Son

= Annelise Sorenson (1910-2008)
(emigrated from Kristiansand, Norway

1950

4 Children