

## **Samuel Geep's of Merriott, Somerset, England. Alias "Gibb" used in New Family Search.**

The following are distinctive, distinguishable, and separate Samuel Geep's in the parish of Merriott, Somerset, England.

- 1) 1764 Samuel Geep
- 2) 1767 Samuel Geep
- 3) About 1788 Samuel Geep
- 4) About 1789 Samuel Geep
- 5) 1808 Samuel Geep
- 6) 1813 Samuel Geep
- 7) 1816 Samuel Geep
- 8) 1826 Samuel Geep.

After Civil registration began in 1837, the above family name was spelt as Geep or Gabe, and Later as Gibbs, Gibb or Gibe depending on who and what parish recorded the event. The Names of Gibb, Gibbs or Gabe does not appear in the Parish of Merriott, Somerset England until after 1837.

### The parents:

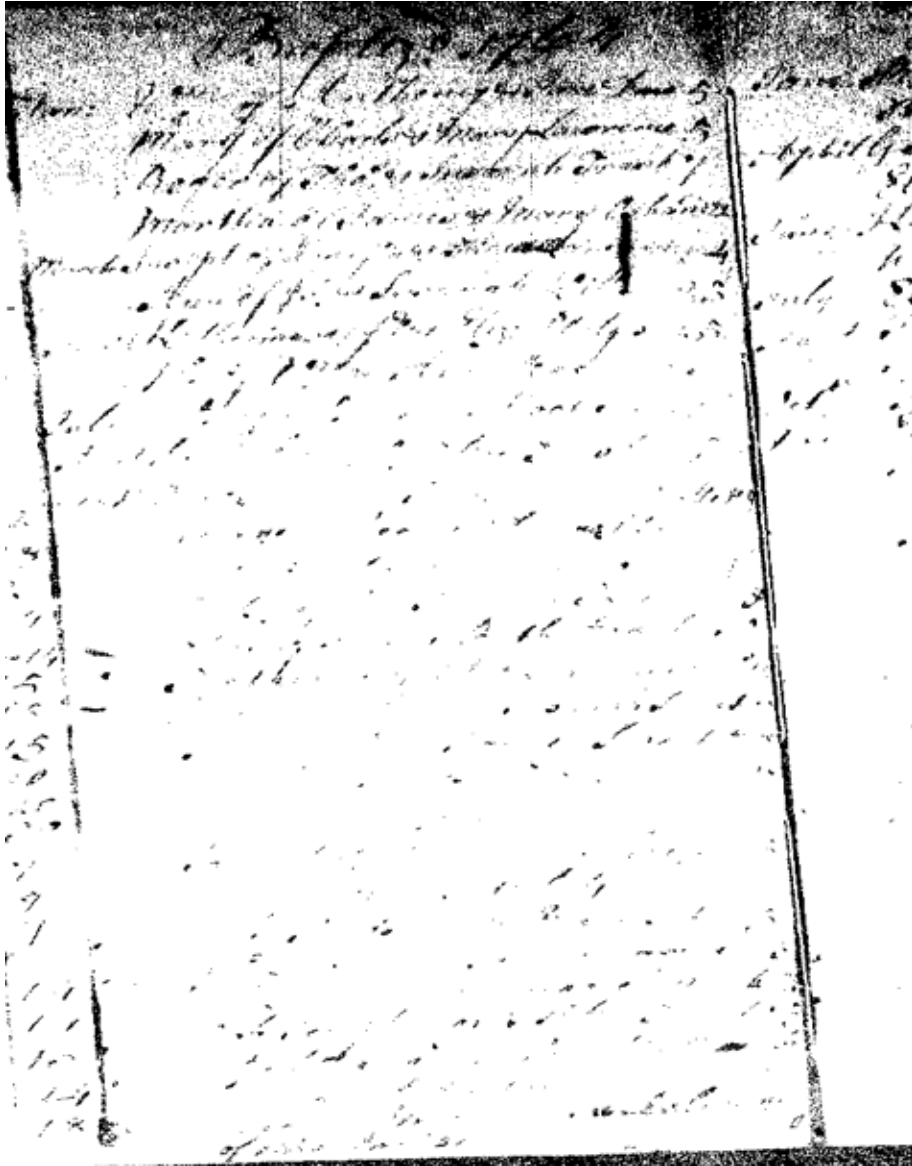
The parent of the above Samuel's as near as I can determine are as follow.

#### #1 Samuel Geep 1764

His baptism in the Church of England, Parish of Merriott, Somerset is as Follows, Source FHL Film # 1526760.

The writing is very faint on the film for the date give for Samuel's christening . On the original, Imagination is needed, but the surname Geep is distinguishable , as well as the mother's name Mary. The given name has a Sa in front and then Indistinguishable. The following is a digitize copy of 1764 Merriott Parish record. To see it requires magnified several times. On the image below it about half way down the second column.

Note at the top Baptism 1764 on the right hand side the year is distinguishable



# 2 Samuel Geep 1769

His parents are George and Charity Geep. His Christening, in the Church of England, Parish of Merriott is as follows. The entry is clear and readable. Date is 4 Oct 1767, Samuel of George and Charity Geep. A digitized copy of 1867, Parish of Merriott follows. The entry is 2 line from the bottom.



The wife "Charity" distinguishes this man as a separate individual from Samuel 1864 and 1867. Whose wives were Ann and Mary respectfully.

And based on the child's christening he would be born about 1812 - 25 = 1788

No.4: Samuel Geep, 1789

This Samuel Geep is identified as separate from the others by the Christening of his daug. Harriet Geep 1814. Source FHL Film # 1526760

Date 22 May 1814, Chr. In Parish Merriott, Somerset, Harriett daug. of Samuel and Elizabeth Geep abode Merriott,, Occup. Ag Labourer. The following is a digitized record of her chr. Third entry from the top.

BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of <i>Merriott</i> in the County of <i>Somerset</i> in the Year 1814						
When Bap. or Chr.	Child's Christian Name	Parent's Name		Abode	Quality, Trade, or Profession	By whom the Ceremony was performed
		Christian	Surname			
May 22 <sup>o</sup> No. 49.	Elizabeth daughter of Elizabeth	John	Osborne	Merriott	Labourer	J. P. White Vicar
May 22 <sup>o</sup> No. 50.	Edith daughter of	Edith	Young	Merriott	Labourer	J. P. White Vicar
May 22 <sup>o</sup> No. 51.	Harriett daughter of Elizabeth	Samuel	Geep	Merriott	Labourer	J. P. White Vicar

The wife "Elizabeth" distinguishes this Samuel from all of the above.

Based on the child's chr. He would be born about 1814- 25 = 1789

No.5 : Samuel Geep, 1808

The father of this Samuel Geep is Samuel Geep and Ann Druce. First line in the image. His christening is as follows from the parish record of Merriott, Date 17 April 1808, Baptized Samuel son of Samuel and Ann Geep. You may also note there is a chr. of a Hannah Geep on this page.

Baptisms  
1809

April 17<sup>th</sup> Samuel son of Sam<sup>l</sup> & Ann Geep  
 Agnes son of Joseph & Bridget Lawrence  
 Emily Geep? of William & Maria Young -  
 May 29<sup>th</sup> Hannah daughter of William & Ann Hele  
 Elias son of John & Sarah Fresh  
 John Christopher son of John & Ann Pitts  
 Joseph son of Joseph & Catherine Fresh  
 Elizabeth son of Joseph & Catherine Pitts  
 George son of Thomas & Ann England  
 30<sup>th</sup> Edward son of Sarah & Edward Blawood  
 Hannah Geep? of Elizabeth Geep B.C.  
 Ann Geep? of John & Elizabeth Lawrence

There is a burial of a Samuel Geep on 20 Feb 1809, no age and no parents are given. Therefore this burial may not be this Samuel Geep. But I have not found a marriage or family for him later on in the parish records and I can identify the rest of them. The 1788 and 1789 Thomas Geep both have children after 1809 so it is not them. A burial in 1837 identifies the death of the 1764 Samuel. So the only other option one it could be is the 1767 Samuel Geep.

NO. 6: Samuel Geep 1813.

This Samuel Geep is the Base Son of Hannah Geep. Who is the Daughter of Thomas and Alice Geep. Who is the son of William and Mary Rapson.

His christening in the Church of England, parish of Merriott, is as follows:

Date 25 Dec 1813, baptized Samuel son of Hannah Geep B. C (Base Child). Abode Merriott. A digitized copy of the 1813 record of Merriott is as follows.

Page 5.

BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of \_\_\_\_\_  
 in the County of Somerset in the Year 1813

When Baptized.	Child's Christian Name.	Parents Name.		Abode.	Quality, Trade, or Profession.	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
		Christian.	Surname.			
1813 Dec 25 No. 33.	George son of	Robert Elizabeth	Warry Merriott	Blackfrithe		J. P. Vicar
Dec 25 No. 34.	Samuel son of	Samuel Elizabeth	Sweet Merriott	Labour		J. P. Vicar
Dec 25 No. 35.	Hannah daughter of	William Hannah	Sweet Merriott		Labourer	J. P. Vicar
25 <sup>th</sup> Dec No. 36.	Samuel son of	Hannah B. C.	Geep Merriott			J. P. Vicar

I have not identified this boy in later records. He may have altered the spelling of his name or moved out of the parish. His christening is after the 1809 Burial so he did not die then.

No.7: Samuel Geep, 1816

This Samuel Geep's parents are William and Ann Geep. This Samuel is a brother to William Geep who is the father of John Lye Gibb. After William Geep married Isabella Elizabeth Lye and moved to South Petherton Parish, this name was recorded as Gibb or Gabe in various records. Documentation of this is provided later. His christening in the parish of Merriott is as follows

Date 16 May 1816, Baptized Samuel son of William and Ann Geep, abode Merriott. Occup. Labourer.

A digitized copy of this chr. follows.

No.	Date	Child's Name	Parents	Parish	Occupation	Signature
116	Jan 10	John son of	William Russell Mary	Merriott	Labourer	J. Price
117	Jan 18	Rebecca daughter of	William Russell Frances	Merriott	Wheelwright	J. Price
118	Feb 20	Mary daughter of	William Russell Frances	Merriott	Labourer	J. Price
119	26 May	Mary daughter of	William Russell Elizabeth	Merriott	Labourer	J. Price
120	26 May	Simon son of	Robert Russell Sarah	Merriott	Labourer	J. Price
121	26 May	Mary daughter of	Thomas Bailey Elizabeth	Merriott	Labourer	J. Price
122	26 May	Samuel son of	William Geep Ann	Merriott	Labourer	J. Price

After his marriage his name is recorded as Gibbs and Gibb in various records. He moved to Kingsbury Episcopi to raise his children. Evidence provided later.

No.8 Samuel Geep, 1826

The parents of this Samuel Geep are George Geep and Elizabeth Wills.

This Samuel was christened in Merriott, Parish. In Merriott his chr. is Under the name of Geep and I think a brother by the same name was christened in South Petherton under the name Gibbs.

Following are the two christening entries.

Parish of Merriott Somerset, FHL Film# 14789074,

Date 7 may 1826, Samuel son of George and Elizabeth Geep, abode Merriott, Occup Lab.

In the Parish of South Petherton, FHL Film# 1526363

Date 30 Jun 1824 Samuel of George and Elizabeth Gibbs. Abode South Petherton, Occup Labourer.

I wonder if and think these parent are the same parents?

BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of <u>Merriott</u> in the County of <u>Somerset</u> in the Year 1826						
When Baptized.	Child's Christian Name	Parents Name		Abode	Quality, Trade or Profession	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
		Christian	Surname			
1826 May 7	Samuel	George	Elizabeth	Merriott	Labourer	Wm. Bond
No. 320						
May 7	Joseph Thomas	Brown	Merriott	Labourer		Wm. Bond
No. 321						
May 7	Samuel John	Willis	Merriott	Labourer		Wm. Bond
No. 322						
May 7	James Robert	Lawson	Merriott	Labourer		Wm. Bond
No. 323						
May 7	Matthew John	Willis	Merriott	Labourer		Wm. Bond
No. 324						
May 7	Samuel George	Geep	Merriott	Labourer		Wm. Bond
No. 325						

BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of St. Peter, Wiltshire  
 in the County of Wiltshire in the Year 1831

When Baptized	Child's Christian Name	Parents Name		Abode	Quality, Trade, Profession	By whom the Ceremony was performed	Remarks
		Christian	Surname				
1831 May 25 No. 497	Elijah	Thomas	Salmer	S. Peter's	Labourer	William Wills Curate	
May 23 No. 498	Unity	Thomas Unity	Gifford	S. Peter's	Labourer	William Wills Curate	
May 30 No. 499	Mary	John Mary	Stone	S. Peter's	Labourer	William Wills Curate	
May 31 No. 500	William	Jane Rebecca	Wise	S. Peter's	Labourer	William Wills Curate	
June 8 <sup>th</sup> No. 501	Thomas Dinkham	Burwell & Elizabeth	Roan	Compton Dunice S. Peter's	Quartermaster	William Wills Curate	May 17 <sup>th</sup> 1831
June 27 <sup>th</sup> No. 502	Mary	John Sarah	Stacy	S. Peter's	Labourer	William Wills Curate	
June 27 <sup>th</sup> No. 503	Margaret	Brish Ann	Best	S. Peter's	Labourer	William Wills Curate	
June 30 <sup>th</sup> No. 504	Ann	George Elizabeth	Gibbs	S. Peter's	Labourer	Thos. Price Curate	



Marriages of the above Samuel Geep's.

1: Samuel Geep. 1764

Assuming the Samuel 1764 and Samuel 1767 married in order of age. The following are the marriage records of this two men.

1786 Marriage in the parish of Lopen, Somerset, England.

Date 3 October 1786

Samuel Gabe of this parish and Ann Druce of this parish married in this church by Banns. By me John Templeman Minister

Signed X mark of Samuel Gabe and X mark of Ann Druce.

Witnesses Thomas Rousell and Mary Possenger.

Following is a digitized copy of the Lopen marriage. 3 Entry

The image shows a digitized church marriage record with three entries, numbered N° 13, N° 14, and N° 15. Each entry is separated by a horizontal line. The text is handwritten in cursive. Entry N° 13 is for a marriage in the parish of Lopen, Somerset, England, dated 3 October 1786. Entry N° 14 is for a marriage in the parish of Lopen, Somerset, England, dated 15 November 1784. Entry N° 15 is for a marriage in the parish of Lopen, Somerset, England, dated 15 November 1784. Each entry includes the names of the bride and groom, the date and time of the marriage, the name of the minister, and the names of the witnesses.

Page	[ The Year ]
N° 13	1786
Married in this Church by Banns this 3 <sup>rd</sup> Day of October in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Six By me John Templeman Minister This Marriage was solemnized between Us { In the Presence of { -----	
N° 14	1784
Married in this Church by Banns this 15 <sup>th</sup> Day of November in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Four By me John Templeman Minister This Marriage was solemnized between Us { In the Presence of { -----	
N° 15	1784
Married in this Church by Banns this 15 <sup>th</sup> Day of November in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Four By me John Templeman Minister This Marriage was solemnized between Us { In the Presence of { -----	

Based on the Christening and Marriage date his age would be 1786 – 1764= 22  
or 1784 -1764= 20

2: Samuel Geep 1767

Marriage in the Parish Lopen, Somerset, England FHL Film# 1526760

Marriage #9 Date 15 November 1784

Samuel Gabe of this parish and Mary England of this parish married by me John Templeman Minister.

Signed X of Samuel Gabe and X of Mary England.

Witnesses William Russ Sen'r (Senior) and William Russ Jun'r (Junior)

Note as part of this entry was written NB. Sept'r 2 Paid the above duty to Mrs Daniel of South Petherton appointed to receive it. The Following is digitized copy of the Lopen marriage.

[ The Year 1 ]		Page 1	Tab
No. 1	Samuel Gabe	of this Parish	
	and Mary England	of this Parish	
were			
Married in this Church by			
this	25th	Day of November	in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred
and	Sixty Seven		
By me		Wm. Russ	Minister
This Marriage was solemnized between Us			
In the Presence of		William Russ	
		William Russ	

Based on Marriage and Chr. His Est. age. 1784- 1767= 17 or 1786 – 1767 = 19

There was no marriages found in the parish of Merriott, South Petherton, Crewkerne, Hinton St. George which are adjoining parish, for these two men. And the Name Gibb, Gibbs, Geep or Gabe does not appear in the parish of Lopen fifty year previous or after these dates. So the Samuel Gabe's are not local boys to Lopen Parish. They are about the right ages for these Samuel Geep's of Merriott.

3 and 4: Samuel Geep's 1788, and 1789

I have not found marriages for these Samuel Geep's in Merriott or surrounding parishes. But they show up in Christenings of Children in the parish of Merriott.

5: The 1808 Samuel Geep  
died as a Child.

No.6 Samuel Geep 1813  
No marriage found for him.

No.7: Samuel Geep 1816

1846 June Marriage Index, Gibb Samuel Dist Langport, Vol 10, Page 695

Marriage Date 1846 May 12

Samuel Gibbs Full Age Bachelor, Lab. Kingsbury Episcopi, Father William Gibb Labourer.

Mary Tribley Minor Spinster, abode Kingsbury Episcopi, Father James Tribley Labourer

EBY=1826

Signed x of Samuel Gibbs and x or Mary Tribley.

Note in 1851 Census name is Gibb, 1861 and 1871 Census as Gibbs

## No. 8 Samuel Geep, 1826.

1826 Chr in the parish of Merriott, Somerset, FHL Film# 14780974  
Chr. 7 May 1826 Samuel Son of George and Elizabeth Geep Merriott, labourer.

1861 Census for the parish of St. Andrew Devon England Reg. Dis Plymouth , Intitutuon  
Millbay barracks Plymouth

Name	Rel	Condition	Age	Occup	Where born	Est Birth year
Samuel Gabe	Corperal	Unm.	35	Coperal	Royal Services	South Petherton, Somerset

1826

I have him Chr. in Merriott.

1871 Census of Civil Parish of Ilminster , Town of Ilminster County Somerset, England  
Reg. Dist. Chard

Abode	Name	rel	cond	age	Occup	Where Born	est. Birth Year
	John Gabe	Head	Mar	22	Flax Dresser	South Petherton, Somerset	1859
	Mary Ann Gabe	Wife	Mar	22		,Somerset	1859
	George Gabe	Son		3		Ilminster, Somerset	1868
	Samuel Gabe	Son		8 Mo		Ilminster, Somerset	1870
	Samuel Gabe	Lodger	Unm	20	Flax Dresser	South Petherton, Somerset	1851
	Samuel Gabe	Lodger	unm	45	Pensioner	South Petherton, Somerset	, 1826

As far as I can tell 45 year old Samuel Gabe (Born Chr. Geep) never married and He is  
an uncle to this John Gabe

## Burials for Samuel Geep's of Merriott.

### 1764 Samuel Geep

death entry 14 May 1837, Samuel Geep, abode Merriott Died May 14 age 76, Est Birth  
year 1761

1767 Samuel Geep  
Death Not identified

1788 Samuel Geep  
Death Not Identified

1789 Samuel Geep  
Death Not identified.

1808 Samuel Geep  
Christening from IGI Batch# 2260219 under the name Gibb  
Bap: Parish of Merriott, Somerset, England FHL Film# 1526760  
Chr. 17 Apr 1808 Samuel son of Samuel and Ann Geep

Possible Death entry of Samuel Geep 20 Feb 1809  
this may not be him as no age was given and no parent given.  
but I have not found a marriage or family for him later on.

1813 Samuel Geep  
Death Not identified

1816 Samuel Geep  
1871 Jun Death Index , Gibbs Samuel, dist. Langport, 5c 310 age 55 ,1871 - 55 = 1916  
Burial: Parish Kingsbury Episcopi, Somerset, England

### 1826 Samuel Geep

There were no Samuel Geep Death between 1871 and 1926 in Somerset county but the following Gabe was found. The 1887 Death Index could be this Samuel Geep, EBY as 1824 South Petherton is in the Dist Yeovil

---

	<i>Type:</i>	Deaths	<i>Surname:</i>	Gabe	<i>First name(s):</i>	Samuel
<b>Search for</b>	<i>Start date:</i>	Mar 1871	<i>End date:</i>	Dec 1926	<i>County:</i>	Somerset

---

**Deaths Jun 1887** (>99%)

Gabe	Samuel	63	<a href="#">Yeovil</a>	5c	<a href="#">301</a>	 
EBY 1887 – 63 = 1824						

Dear Gibb family relatives.

From William Geep 1825 back, the records do NOT support the use of the name "Gibb" as the surname for these people. The above documentation is given to support the fact that the surname of the early Ancestors of John Lye Gibb is NOT GIBB But Geep as shown in the above documentation.

From William Geep (1825) BACK , the name Geep would be more appropriately to use to identify these People rather than Gibb as this is the name they were Christian under.

Samuel Geep

William Geep

William Geep (Gibb)

John Lye Gibb (father) and Sarah Ann Phillips

Sarah Ann Gibb(mother) and Franklin Pierce Fisher

Mary Phyllis Fisher (mother) and Lorenzo Snow Davies

Franklin David Davies. A Great Grandson of John Lye Gibb.

All of the Samuel Geep's are descendents of William Geep and Mary Rapson The parents of Samuel Geep 1764.