



Levasseurs in America prior to 1800

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Jean Levasseur dit Lavigne (circa 1622-1686)

Jean was originally from the Parish Saint-Leu-et-Saint-Gilles in Paris. He married Marguerite Richard, according to a marriage contract before the notaries Le Cat and Le Semelier, on April 23, 1645. The couple arrived in New France with their son Louis around 1651. Jean was a master builder and became first bailiff to the Sovereign Council. Jean's descendants are believed to be approximately 340 persons.

Pierre Levasseur dit Lespérance (circa 1627-1694)

Pierre, like his brother Jean, is originally from the Parish Saint-Leu-et-Saint-Gilles in Paris. He married Jeanne Chaverlange, on October 25, 1655 in Québec. His descendants are estimated at 6,359

persons. Pierre is also the ancestor of the Borgia family and a group of descendants whose name is Carmel.

Jeanne Levasseur

Jeanne, Jean and Pierre Levasseur's sister, also came to New France. She was already married to Christophe Drolet when she arrived. In 1654, their son Pierre was baptized in Québec. Jeanne and Christophe returned to France in 1672. Their son remained in Canada and is at the origin of all the Drolet's in America.

Laurent Levasseur (circa 1648-1726)

Laurent was from the Parish Sainte-Trinité de Bois-Guillaume, archdiocese of Rouen in Normandie. His name appears for the first time in the 1666 Census. He is employed by Guillemette Hébert, Guillaume Couillard's widow. Laurent married Marie Marchand, on April 30, 1670 in Québec. His descendants are estimated at 8,245 persons.

Louis Levasseur sieur de Lespérance (circa 1636-1690)

Louis is from Saint-Jacques de Paris. He married Marguerite Bélanger, on December 13, 1666 at Château-Richer, Montmorency, QC. He died in Québec in 1690. His descendants are estimated at 13 persons.

Henri Lamarre dit Belisle (circa 1669-1740), ancêtre des Levasseur dit Belisle

Henri is from Saint-Michel-la-Palud, Angers, Maine-et-Loire, in France. He is the son of Antoine Lamarre and Marguerite Levasseur. He is a master surgeon. He first married under the name Henri Lamarre dit Belisle, to Catherine Demosny, on June 26, 1690 in Québec. He then adopted the name Henri Belisle. His second marriage was with Françoise Perinne Dandonneau, on November 26, 1705, in Champlain. His third marriage was with Jeanne Archambault, on August 25, 1712, at Pointe-aux-Trembles, Montréal. The descendants of this third marriage adopted the family name Levasseur dit Belisle. Henri is the ancestor to the Levasseur dit Belisle.

Charles-René Vassor dit Lafraicheur (circa 1724-1781)

Charles-René is from the Parish Saint-André-des-Arts in Paris. He first married Geneviève Grosnier on January 13, 1750, in Québec. In his marriage contract he is identified as a soldier with the Compagnie de Saint-Vincent. He was then married to Josephte Bouteiller on April 4, 1758 in Rivière-des-Prairies. His third marriage was with Amable Poudret dit Lavigne on October 12, 1761 at Rivière-des-Prairies. After 1772, when his children were baptized he adopted the Levasseur name. His descendants are estimated at 201 persons.

Jacques Levasseur de Neré (circa 1662-circa 1723)

Jacques was from de Paris. He married Marie Françoise Achille Chaveneau, circa 1694, in France. He arrived in New France in 1694, As a military engineer to the king. He returned to France and his descendants are estimated at 14 persons.

Pierre Levasseur dit Saint-Pierre (circa 1719-1774)

Pierre was from Notre-Dame de Peronne, Picardie. He was married to Marie-Louise Durbois dit Léonard, on August 31, 1750 at Fort Frédéric, Beauharnois. He returned to France and his descendants are estimated at 10 persons.

Jean LeVasseur (circa 1683- prior to 03-11-1734)

Jean was from Saint-Jacques, Dieppe, in Normandie. In New France, he was a marine soldier with the Dumesnil Company. He married Barbe Chevalier, on March 14, 1713 in Montréal. He had one daughter.

René-Nicolas Levasseur (circa 1707–1784)

René-Nicolas was born at Rochefort. He was chief of the royal naval construction and inspector of the woods and forests in Canada. In 1738, the king sent him to Quebec to establish naval construction sites. He arrived with his wife Angéline Juste and his daughters Marie-Françoise-Renée and Marie-Anne. Marie Françoise married Barthélemy Martin on August 31, 1752, in Québec and Marie-Anne married Alexandre Robert on September 21, 1760, at the Notre-Dame Church in Montréal. René-Nicolas and his family returned to France in 1760.

Michel Levasseur

Michel was a goldsmith and resided in New France from 1699 to about 1712. He was married to Madeleine Villers. The couple baptized seven children in Québec between the years 1700 and 1710. Three died at a young age. The last one died on February 8, 1712 in L'Ancienne-Lorette. Michel taught the goldsmith trade to the apprentices Pierre Gauvreau and Jacques Pagé dit Carcy. We could believe that he returned to France after 1712.

François Vavasseur

François was born circa 1702. He was from Orléans, in France. He married Marguerite Chaille, in Québec in 1732. Four children were baptized in Québec.

Jeanne Levasseur (1631-1673)

Jeanne is a «Fille du Roi» (King's daughter), from Rouen (St-Éloi). She was the daughter of Nicolas Levasseur and Catherine Leforestier. She married Barthélemy Tesson in Québec, on October 24, 1667. She died in France on May 29, 1673.

Sieur Le Vasseur

In 1542, a Sieur Le Vasseur drowned while on an exploration trip on the Saguenay River. He was a passenger on Sieur Jean-François de La Rocque de Roberval voyage to New France.

Jacques Levasseur

Jacques is from the archdiocese of Lisieux, in France. According to the 1666 Census, he is a hired hand for Marie Bourdon, widow of Jean Gloria. He is 33 years old. s.

Jean Levasseur

On the 1666 Census Jean, aged 20, is a hired hand for Jacques Bilodeau, a farmer on l'Île d'Orléans.

Jean Levasseur

On the 1667 census, Jean, aged 28, is a hired hand for Jean Primont, a farmer on l'Île d'Orléans.

Guillaume Levasseur

In 1601, Guillaume Levasseur, influential European cartographer drew the Atlantic Ocean map. This represents, amongst others, the geography of Eastern Canada. The golf and the Saint Lawrence River were drawn. The names of QUEBECQ, 3 RIVIERES, HOCHELAGA, TADOUSSAC are inscribed. Guillaume Levasseur was from Dieppe in Normandy. At the time, cartographers worked with the explorers and the fishermen who explored the coasts. They would provide information about their voyages. Cartographers would then draw their maps. Did Guillaume Levasseur come to New France? We do not know.

Note : The estimate for the number of descendants is according to the data in the Levasseur data bank as of March 26, 2008.

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LEVASSEUR ASSOCIATION



The Association, Levasseur d'Amérique Inc. is a non-profit organization, founded in 1988, in accordance to a federal charter. Its goals are:

- To join together and unite a large number of Levasseur and other descendants who have adopted the patronymic Borgia, Carmel, Carmell, Vasseur, Vassor, Vasser.
- To promote, develop and diffuse historical genealogical knowledge about the Levasseur families with Internet, an electronic Newsletter published three times per year also the publication of genealogical dictionaries.
- To maintain and update, on an ongoing basis, the genealogical data base available to members at all times on the Internet.
- To make available to members a family photo album and the Newsletters that the Association has published since 1988.
- To honor the memory of our forefathers and their descendants by way of monuments, plaques or symbolic gestures that commemorate historic events that are chronicle the Levasseur family.
- To gather all documents related to the Levasseur family for the purpose of constructing archives that will constitute the heritage of our Association and that will provide a source of information for historians and genealogists.

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