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JOSEPH NEVILLE, SR. 1707 - 1790+

Ordinary Keeper, Fredericksburg, Va., 1735
Caroline County, Va., 1738

Joseph Neville, Sr. was born in 1707 in Northampton County, Va.; died after 1790 near Moorfield, Hampshire County, Va.; married first, Ann Bohannon in 1730 in Isle of Wight County, Va.; married second, Mary Elliott of Fauquier County on 11 December 1777.

Joseph Neville became an operator of ordinaries when he received a license for one near Fredericksburg, Va. in 1735. He next received a license in Caroline County, Va. in 1738. In 1741 his residence and his ordinary were in Pight Ridge at a fork in the road at Thorofare Gap.

In 1752 Joseph was licensed to operate the original Neville Tavern at Rockingham which had been operated earlier by his brother George for travelers on the road between Fredericksburg and Winchester, Va. The tavern appears on Dalrymple's road survey of 1754, in the area that later became Fauquier County.

Some time after the death of his wife Ann, Joseph Neville deeded his land to his son George on Cedar Run and moved to Hampshire County, Va. to be near his son Joseph, Jr. This son later became Brig. General in the Revolutionary War as did his brother James. On 11 December 1777 Joseph Neville, Sr. married his second wife. A deposition taken in Hardy County, Va. show that Joseph Neville, Sr. was 83 years of age in 1790.

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