Edward Adamthwaite of Uckerby

For a long time, I have been curious about the Adamthwaites that have appeared in the parish records of Bolton-upon-Swale in Yorkshire. So it was very helpful to discover this Will amongst the Yorkshire records. Uckerby is very close to Bolton upon Swale, so I feel sure that this is all one family group - however, the records for this church were not deposited until 1656, so there is a gap between the family mentioned in Edward's will and those appearing in the records. See below for a tentative family tree for Edward and also a list of the other Adamthwaites from the later parish records. Whoever, they were, they seem to have died out at the end of the 17th century, because I have not found any other Adamthwaites in this area after this date.

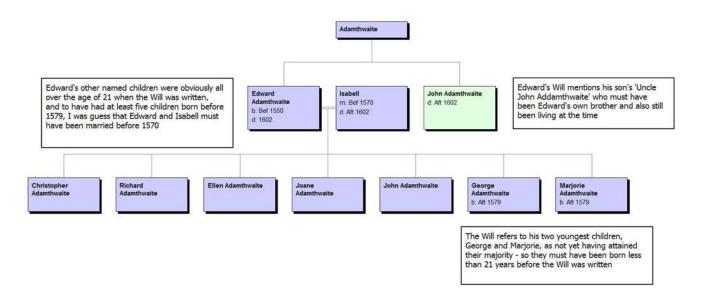
Edward Adamthwaite's Will, written in 1600 and proved in 1602

The 14th day of July 1600

In the name of god Amen I Edward Addamtwhate of Uckerby in the Countie of York wever sick of bodie but whole in mind I thanck god do ordain and make this my last will and testament in manner and form following First I give and bequeath my soul to almightie god my Saviour and redeemer and my bodie to be buried within the Chappel yard of **bowlton upon swaille** also I give and bequeath to Isabell my wife and Christofer Addamtwhaite my sonne the right and interest that I now have in the old lease of my farm at that I now dwell on for to bring up the rest of my younger children with And my mind and will is that my son Richard Addamtwhate shall go to his Unckle John Addamtwhate and if he will bestow that farmat that he hath on him as his promise was to me that he give to Ellen Addamtwhate my daughter twentie six shillings and eight pence and to Joane Addamtwhaite twentie shillings and to John Addamtwhaite my sonne twenty shillings and my mind and will is that Christo Addamtwhate and my wife shall give unto George Addamtwhaite and Margerie Addamtwhate my tow (2) youngest children Fortie shillings a piece when they come to lawfull years and all the goods that I now have I give unto **Isabell my wife and Chr Addamtwhaite my sonne** to bring up my Children with and them both I make executors of this my last will and testament witnesses hereof Richade Whxxx Anthonie Joblinge and Anthonie Browne

Probate 23 November 1602

transcribed by Sue Mastel from Document held at West Yorks Archive Service, ref RD/APE/2/44 on the next page is a possible outline of Edward of Uckerby's family tree:



Most of the following baptisms, marriages and burials were recorded in the Bolton Upon Swale, parish registers, though a few took place in neighbouring Yorkshire or Durham parishes, so could be connected. They could belong to descendants of Edward, but as the Bolton on Swale Parish Registers are only available from 1656, we cannot discover how they could be linked.

The following entries appeared in Bolton on Swale parish registers (unless otherwise stated):

- 1657 Christopher Adamwhait married Hannah Sill (St Peter Leeds)
- 1661 Edward Adamwhit married Ann Stot (Forcett)
- 1662 Anne, dau of Edward (and Ann Stot?) baptised
- 1662 Ann, dau of Edward Adamthwaite, baptised
- 1663 Christopher, son of Edward (and Ann Stot?) baptised
- 1665 John, son of Edward and Ann Adamthwait baptised a son of Edward was buried one week later
- 1668 Mary, dau of Edward and Ann Adamthwait baptised
- 1667 Christopher Adamthwaite buried
- 1673 Jean, dau of Edward and Ann Adaamthait baptised
- 1675 Elizabeth Adamthwaite buried
- 1675 Marjory Adamwhit married Anthony Blenkinsop in Gainford (Durham)
- 1680 Edward Adamthwaite buried
- 1686 Ann Adamthwaite buried Edward's widow?
- 1689 Jane Adamthwaite buried
- 1699 Anne Adamthwaite buried
- 1699 Grace Adamthwaite married Thomas Ellary

In 1673 an Edward Adamthwait paid his Hearth Tax in Gilling East - this is the only Adamthwaite in the area who appears on the HEarth Tax records, so we believe it must be Edward who married Ann Stot. However, by 1700, all the Adamthwaites seem to have left the area.