

Stone Family DNA Project in England

Dear Stone Family,

I am writing to share with you some exciting news on our Stone family. First, you'll find a groundbreaking research update letter from Bill Stone, the author of "Thomas Stone of Hamilton Parish," enclosed. To help confirm his new discoveries that point to Gov. William Stone of Maryland as our ancestor, we are embarking on a Stone DNA project in Cheshire County, England, where Bill's research leads us.

While this news is wonderful, it is offset by the very sad news that time is of the essence since Bill has cancer. His heart's desire, however, is to finish his unpublished work called "Generations" and to write an update to "Thomas Stone of Hamilton Parish." Bill provides information on both of these books in progress as well as his illness in the attached letter.

I am committed to helping Bill finish his work and I hope you will join me by donating funds to pay for the Stone Family DNA Project in England. We need to raise \$1,000 to pay for male line DNA testing through FamilyTreeDNA. I am also in process of recruiting participants in England for the study. Bill provided your mailing address to me so I could reach out to you.

Bill and I have used DNA testing to confirm research as several of you have. For me, I was able to break through a brick wall that had puzzled other researchers for years, thanks to my uncle agreeing to DNA testing as well as one of Bill's discoveries with a will. Thanks to Bill's persistence and thoroughness with his ongoing research, I am hopeful that this is the last leg of the genealogical journey for our line and it is truly exciting to help unravel this mystery for all of us and for generations to come.

Thank you so much for considering this request. If you want to contribute, please do so at your earliest convenience and by Oct. 1, 2015. This will give us time to identify if we need to broaden the search beyond the people who bought Bill's book. We recognize that many are on fixed incomes, so any amount is appreciated.

To donate, please mail a check payable to me at the following address:

Thank you.
Sue (Stone) Patrick