

THE EARL(S) OF DEVON

(family lineage in U.S of Courtney, Starnes(Stearns), Poole(Pole), Scales)

The first Earl of Devon was Baldwin de Redvers (c. 1095–1155) ,^[4] son of Richard de Redvers (d.1107),^[5] feudal baron of Plympton, Devon,^[6] one of the principal supporters of King Henry I (1100–1135). It was believed by some that Richard de Redvers had in fact been created the first Earl of Devon, and although in the past this caused confusion concerning the numerical ordering of the Earls of Devon, the point is now more clearly settled in favour of Baldwin as the first.^[7] Baldwin de Redvers was a great noble in Devon and the Isle of Wight, where his seat was Carisbrooke Castle, and was one of the first to rebel against King Stephen (1135-1154). He seized Exeter Castle, and mounted naval raids from Carisbrooke, but was driven out of England to Anjou, France, where he joined the Empress Matilda. She created him Earl of Devon after she established herself in England, probably in early 1141.

Baldwin de Redvers, 1st Earl of Devon, was succeeded by his son, Richard de Redvers, 2nd Earl of Devon,^[8] and grandson, Baldwin de Redvers, 3rd Earl of Devon,^[9] and the latter was succeeded by his brother, Richard de Redvers, 4th Earl of Devon, who died without issue.^[10]

William de Redvers, 5th Earl of Devon (d.1217)^[11] was the third son of Baldwin, the 1st Earl. He had only two children who left issue. His son Baldwin died 1 September 1216 at the age of sixteen, leaving his wife Margaret pregnant with Baldwin de Redvers, 6th Earl of Devon. King John (1199-1216) forced her to marry Falkes de Breauté, but she was rescued at the fall of Bedford Castle in 1224 and divorced from him, as having been in no true marriage. She is thus called Countess of Devon in several records. The fifth Earl's youngest daughter, Mary de Redvers, known as 'de Vernon', was eventually sole heiress of the 1141 Earldom. She married firstly, Pierre de Preaux, and secondly, Robert de Courtenay (d.1242), feudal baron of Okehampton, Devon.^[12]

The 6th Earl^[13] was succeeded by his son, Baldwin de Redvers, 7th Earl of Devon (d.1262),^[14] who died without progeny. His sister, Isabella de Forz, widow of William de Forz, 4th Earl of Albemarle, became Countess of Devon suo jure.^[15] Her children predeceased her and she had no grandchildren.

Her lands were inherited by her second cousin once removed, **Hugh de Courtenay** (1276-1340),^[16] feudal baron of Okehampton, the great-grandson of Mary de Redvers and Robert de Courtenay (d.1242) of Okehampton. He was summoned by writ to Parliament in 1299 as Hugo de Curtenay,^[17] whereby he is held to have become Baron Courtenay.^[18] However, forty-one years after the death of Isabel de Forz, letters patent were issued on 22 February 1335 declaring him Earl of Devon, and stating that he 'should assume such title and style as his ancestors, Earls of Devon, had wont to do', by which he was confirmed as Earl of Devon.^[19] Although some sources consider this a new grant the wording of the grant arguably indicates a confirmation and that he became thereby 9th Earl. Historic sources thus variously refer to him as either 1st Earl or 9th Earl, and the position cannot be decided either way due to the uncertainty of the surviving evidence. For the last years of his life he thus held two titles, 1st/9th Earl of Devon, by reason of the 1335 letters patent, and 1st Baron Courtenay, the title by which he had been summoned to Parliament in the years prior to the 1335 letters patent.^[20]

The 1st/9th Earl was succeeded by his son, Hugh de Courtenay, 2nd/10th Earl of Devon.[21] Three of the eight sons of the 2nd/10th Earl had descendants a fourth, William Courtenay, was Archbishop of Canterbury and Lord Chancellor. Sir Hugh Courtenay (1326-1349), KG, eldest son and heir of the 2nd/10th Earl, was one of the founding members of the Order of the Garter, but both he and his only son, Sir Hugh Courtenay (died 1374), predeceased the 2nd/10th Earl.[22] Sir Edward de Courtenay (died 1368/71), the third son, also predeceased his father, but left an eldest son, Edward de Courtenay, 3rd Earl of Devon (1357-1419), "The Blind", who inherited as the 3rd/11th Earl.[23] The 3rd/11th Earl's eldest son, Sir Edward Courtenay (died 1418), married Eleanor Mortimer, daughter of Roger Mortimer, 4th Earl of March, but predeceased his father, leaving no issue,[24] and the 3rd/11th Earl's second son, Hugh de Courtenay, 4th Earl of Devon (d.1422) succeeded him as became 4th/12th Earl of Devon.[25] The 4th/12th Earl was succeeded by his son, Thomas Courtenay, 5th/13th Earl of Devon (d.1458).[26]

The Wars of the Roses were disastrous for the Courtenay earls. The 5th/13th Earl's son, Thomas Courtenay, 6th/14th Earl of Devon (d.1461), fought on the losing Lancastrian side at the Battle of Towton (1461), was captured and beheaded, and all his honours forfeited by attainder. Tiverton Castle and all the other vast Courtenay lands were forfeited to the crown, later to be partially restored. He left two younger brothers, Henry and John, who were left to witness the indignity of their ancient and noble family title being conferred elsewhere.

NOTE: The first de Courteney Earl of Devon was William de Courteney married Catherine of York, sixth daughter of Edward IV and Elizabeth Woodville. Unfortunately, William supported King Henry VII Tudor who made him a Knight Bachelor in 1487. William fell out of favor when King Henry VII discovered that he had joined in the conspiracy to crown Edmund de la Pole, 3rd Duke of Suffolk (d. 1513), " the last Yorkist claimant." For his complicity William was attainted and imprisoned in the Tower of London, February 1504, and was made incapable of inheritance. He was pardoned and released from prison by Henry VIII. William died on 9 June 1511 of pleurisy and was buried by a royal warrant at Blackfriars, London.

HERALDRY

Three sculpted heraldic shields of arms exist above the effigy, showing the arms of Courtenay, Courtenay impaling the royal arms of England and the royal arms of England. Later authorities[16] have suggested, on the basis of the monument's heraldry, the effigy to be the wife of Thomas Courtenay, 5th/13th Earl of Devon (1414–1458), namely Lady Margaret Beaufort (c. 1409–1449), daughter of John Beaufort, 1st Marquess of Somerset, 1st Marquess of Dorset (1373-1410), KG, (later only 1st Earl of Somerset), (the first of the four illegitimate

children of John of Gaunt, 1st Duke of Lancaster (4th son of King Edward III), and his mistress Katherine Swynford, later his wife) by his wife Margaret Holland. The basis of this re-attribution is the supposed fact that the "royal arms" shown are not the arms of King Edward IV, but rather the arms of Beaufort. The arms of Beaufort are the royal arms of England differenced within a bordure company argent and azure. [17]

Coat of Arms of William de Courteney, 1st Earl of Devon



POWDERHAM CASTLE



Earls of Devon, First Creation (1141)

The arms of the de Redvers, adopted at the start of the age of heraldry (c. 1200-1215), probably by William de Redvers, 5th Earl of Devon (died 1217), : Or, a lion rampant azure Baldwin de Redvers, 1st Earl of Devon (c. 1095–1155)

Richard de Redvers, 2nd Earl of Devon (died 1162)

Baldwin de Redvers, 3rd Earl of Devon (died 1188)

Richard de Redvers, 4th Earl of Devon (died c. 1193), brother

William de Redvers, 5th Earl of Devon (died 1217), uncle

Baldwin de Redvers, 6th Earl of Devon (1217–1245), grandson

Baldwin de Redvers, 7th Earl of Devon (1236–1262)

Isabel de Redvers, 8th Countess of Devon (1237–1293), sister

Earls of Devon of the early Courtenay line

Arms of first Courtenay Earls of Devon: Or, three torteaux a label azure, as depicted (without tinctures) impaling Bohun on the monumental brass in Exeter Cathedral, Devon, of Sir Peter Courtenay (died 1405), 5th son of Hugh Courtenay, 2nd Earl of Devon (died 1377) Hugh de Courtenay, 9th Earl of Devon (1276–1340) (cousin; declared Earl 1335)

Hugh de Courtenay, 10th Earl of Devon (1303–1377) (son)

Edward de Courtenay, 11th Earl of Devon (1357–1419), "The Blind", (grandson)

Hugh de Courtenay, 12th Earl of Devon (1389–1422) (son)

Thomas de Courtenay, 13th Earl of Devon (1414–1458) (son)

Thomas Courtenay, 14th Earl of Devon (1432–1461) (son) (attainted 1461)

John Courtenay, 15th Earl of Devon (1435–1471) (brother) (restored 1470; in abeyance from 4 May 1471 to 14 October 1485, subject to revival of earlier attainder of 1461)

Earl of Devon, Second Creation (1469)

Humphrey Stafford, 1st Earl of Devon (1439–1469) (granted May 1469; forfeited August 1469)

Earl of Devon, Third Creation (1485)

Original undifferenced Coat of Arms of the House of Courtenay: Or, three torteaux, as shown sculpted within a Garter on the chancel arch of St Peter's Church, Tiverton, Devon, being the arms of Edward Courtenay, 1st Earl of Devon, KG (died 1509) Edward Courtenay, 1st Earl of Devon (died 1509) (forfeited at his death by son's attainder; restored 1512 to his grandson) Heir male to John Courtenay above; attainted 1484; restored to lands and honours then lost in 1485; if this was intended to restore the first Earldom, it was also forfeit 1538/9.

Earls of Devon, Fourth Creation (1511)

Arms of William Courtenay, 1st Earl of Devon (1475–1511): Quarterly 1st & 4th, Courtenay; 2nd & 3rd Redvers, as sculpted on south porch of St Peter's Church, Tiverton, Devon, impaling the arms of King Edward IV, the father of his wife Princess Katherine William Courtenay, 1st Earl of Devon (1475–1511) (attainted 1504; restored to the rights of a subject 1511; new creation two days later; died the next month without investiture, but buried as an Earl) son of Edward above.

Henry Courtenay, 1st Marquess of Exeter, 2nd Earl of Devon (1498–1539) (heir to both 3rd and 4th creations after 1512; attainted 1538/9) son of William above.

Earls of Devon, Fifth Creation (1553)

Arms of the later Earls of Devon, with the label azure further differenced by annulets or plates Edward Courtenay, 1st Earl of Devon (1527–1556) (also restored in blood, but not honours, 1553; fifth creation dormant 1556†) son of Henry above.

Earls de jure, of Powderham

William Courtenay, de jure 2nd Earl of Devon (1529–1557), of Powderham, distant cousin of Edward above,

William Courtenay, de jure 3rd Earl of Devon (1553–1630)

Francis Courtenay, de jure 4th Earl of Devon (1576–1638)

Sir William Courtenay, de jure 5th Earl of Devon, 1st Baronet (1628–1702) (created 1644)

Sir William Courtenay, de jure 6th Earl of Devon, 2nd Baronet (1675–1735) grandson of prec.

William Courtenay, de jure 7th Earl of Devon, 1st Viscount Courtenay (11 February 1709/1710 – 16 May 1762) (created Viscount Courtenay 1762)

William Courtenay, de jure 8th Earl of Devon, 2nd Viscount Courtenay (30 October 1742 – 14 October 1788)

William Courtenay, de jure 9th Earl of Devon (1788-1831), de facto 9th Earl of Devon (1831-1835), 3rd Viscount Courtenay (1768–1835) (retrospectively revived 1831†)

Footnotes

1. *"Comes", Latin "companion"; the original Norman earl was different from an Anglo-Saxon ealdorman or Norse jarl, being a companion of the Duke of Normandy who was the war leader or dux and in 1066 led his army across the Channel.*

2. *Thorn, Caroline & Frank, (eds.) Domesday Book, (Morris, John, gen.ed.) Vol. 9, Devon, Parts 1 & 2, Phillimore Press, Chichester, 1985, part 2 (notes), chapter 5. Thorn refers to Ordgar, Ealdorman of Devon as "Earl of Devon"*

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4. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 311–12.*

5. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 309–11.*

6. *Sanders, I.J., English Baronies, Oxford, 1960, p.137, Plympton*

7. *For details see Richard de Redvers - Was Richard the first Earl of Devon?*
8. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 312–13.*
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10. *Cokayne 1916, p. 315.*
11. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 315–16.*
12. *Sanders, I.J., English Baronies, Oxford, 1960, p.70, Okehampton*
13. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 318–19.*
14. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 319–22.*
15. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 322–3.*
16. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 323–4*
17. *Hugo nominative Latin form, Hugoni dative, i.e. writ to Hugoni...*
18. *Cokayne 1916, p. 323; Richardson I 2011, p. 539.*
19. *Cokayne 1916, p. 323.*
20. *Richardson I 2011, p. 539.*
21. *Cokayne 1916, p. 324.*
22. *Cokayne 1912, pp. 324–5; Richardson I 2011, p. 542.*
23. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 325–6; Richardson I 2011, pp. 546–7.*
24. *Cokayne 1916, p. 326; Richardson I 2011, p. 546.*
25. *Cokayne 1916, p. 326.*
26. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 326–7; Richardson I 2011, pp. 546–7.*
27. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 327–8.*
28. *Cokayne 1916, p. 328.*
29. *Cokayne 1916, p. 328.*
30. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 328–9.*

31. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 328–30.*
32. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 328–30.*
33. *Cokayne 1916, pp. 328–30.*
34. *Prince, Worthies of Devon*
35. *See Battle of Clyst Heath*

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LINEAGES

I. Edward de Courtenay¹ b. circa 1328, d. before 1377;

Father: Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon¹ b. 12 July 1303, d. 2 May 1377

Mother: Margaret de Bohun¹ b. 3 April 1311, d. 16 December 1391

Edward de Courtenay was born circa 1328. He was the son of Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon and Margaret de Bohun.¹ Edward de Courtenay died before 1377. D.v.p.¹

Family

Child

◦Edward de Courtenay, 3rd Earl of Devon+ b. c 1350, d. 5 Dec 1419¹

Citations

1.[S603] C.B., LL.D., Ulster King of Arms Sir Bernard Burke, B:xP, pg. 141.

II. Edward de Courtenay, 3rd Earl of Devon¹ b. circa 1350, d. 5 December 1419;

Father: Edward de Courtenay¹ b. circa 1328, d. before 1377

Edward de Courtenay, 3rd Earl of Devon was born circa 1350. He was the son of Edward de Courtenay.¹ Edward de Courtenay, 3rd Earl of Devon died on 5 December 1419.¹

Family

Child

◦Hugh de Courtenay, 4th Earl of Devon+ b. c 1380, d. 16 Jun 1422¹

Citations

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Lady Eleanor de Courtenay¹ b. circa 1275?

Father Sir Hugh Courtenay of Oakhampton¹ b. before 1256, d. 20 February 1292

Mother Eleanor le Despencer b. circa 1261, d. 30 September 1328

Lady Eleanor de Courtenay was born circa 1275?. She was the daughter of Sir Hugh Courtenay of Oakhampton and Eleanor le Despencer.¹ Lady Eleanor de Courtenay married Henry, 1st Baron Grey of Codnor, son of John de Grey of Codnor and Lucy de Mohun.¹

Family

Henry, 1st Baron Grey of Codnor b. circa 1262?, d. 1308

Child

◦Richard, 2nd Baron Grey of Codnor+ b. c 1292?, d. 13351

Citations

1.[S603] C.B., LL.D., Ulster King of Arms Sir Bernard Burke, B:xP, pg. 248.

Evelina de Courtenay b. circa 1282, d. circa 10 October 1335;

Father: Sir Hugh Courtenay of Oakhampton^{2,1} b. before 1256, d. 20 February 1292

Mother: Eleanor le Despencer¹ b. circa 1261, d. 30 September 1328

Evelina de Courtenay was daughter of Hugh de Courtenay, and sister of Hugh, Earl of Devon.² She was born circa 1282 at Okehampton, Devon, England.³ She was the daughter of Sir Hugh Courtenay of Oakhampton and Eleanor le Despencer.^{1,2} Evelina de Courtenay married Robert (de Scales), 2nd Lord Scales, son of Robert de Scales IV, 1st Lord Scales and Alice (?), circa 1309 at Okehampton, Devon, England.^{3,2} Evelina de Courtenay paid a fine of 200 marks to the king for the guardianship of her son in 1322.² She died circa 10 October 1335.⁴

Family

Robert (de Scales), 2nd Lord Scales b. 1279, d. 20 March 1325

Children

◦Eleanor de Scales+ b. 1305?

◦Robert (de Scales), 3rd Lord Scales+ b. 1311, d. 13 Aug 1369

Citations

1.[S215] Revised by others later George Edward Cokayne CP, XI:501, (i).

2.[S603] C.B., LL.D., Ulster King of Arms Sir Bernard Burke, B:xP, pg. 476.

3.[S245] LDS.

4.[S215] Revised by others later George Edward Cokayne CP, XI:501.

Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon^{1,2} b. 12 July 1303, d. 2 May 1377;

Father: Hugh, 1st Earl of Devon b. circa 1280, d. 23 December 1340

Mother: Agnes de St. John b. circa 1273, d. 11 June 1345

Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon was born on 12 July 1303 at Okehampton, Devon, England.^{1,3,4} He was the son of Hugh, 1st Earl of Devon and Agnes de St. John. Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon married Margaret de Bohun, daughter of Humphrey (de Bohun), 8th Earl of Hereford, 9th Earl of Essex, Constable of England and Princess Elizabeth, on 11 August 1325.^{5,1,3,4} Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon served in the Scottish and French wars, and was made Knight Banneret on 20 January 1327.⁴ He was summoned to Parliament, by writ directed Hugoni de Courteney juniore, on 23 April 1337. He served with the King in France.⁶ He was "the warrior who drove the French back from their descent on Cornwall" in 1339.⁴ He succeeded to the Earldom of his father in 1340. 10th Earl of Devon between 1341 and 1377.⁷ He was a Founder member of the Order of the Garter, #12, circa 1347/48.⁶ He died before 2 September 1349 at (sic).⁶ He died on 2 May 1377 at Exeter, Devon, England, at age 73 years, 9 months and 20 days.^{1,3,8} Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon was buried in St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, England. His Order of the Garter Stall Plate is in South 13.

Family

Margaret de Bohun b. 3 April 1311, d. 16 December 1391

Children

◦Margaret de Courtenay+ b. a 1326, d. 2 Aug 1385^{1,5,7,9,10}

◦Edward de Courtenay+ b. c 1328, d. b 1377¹¹

◦Peter de Courtenay b. s 1330¹²

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2.[S206] *With additions and corrections by Walter Lee Sheppard, Jr. and assisted by David Faris Frederick Lewis Weis, Weis: AR 7th ed., 51-32.*

3.[S245] LDS.

4.[S735] Peter Townend, *B:P*, 103rd, pg. 722.

- 5.[S205] *David Faris, Plantagenet Ancestry, 235, Randolph.*
- 6.[S1030] *Archivist to the Dean and Canons of Windsor Grace Holmes, Order of the Garter, pg. 48.*
- 7.[S484] *Peter Townend, B:P, 105th, pg. 591 - Cobham (Dormant).*
- 8.[S735] *Peter Townend, B:P, 103rd, pg. 723.*
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- 10.[S215] *Revised by others later George Edward Cokayne CP, III:344.*
- 11.[S603] *C.B., LL.D., Ulster King of Arms Sir Bernard Burke, B:xP, pg. 141.*
- 12.[S1486] *Louise Staley (e-mail address), Courtenay & Botreaux Clyvedon in "Clyvedon, Courtenay & Botreaux," newsgroup message 2001-11-29 18:25:01 PST, per C.P..*

Hugh, 1st Earl of Devon^{1,2} b. circa 1280, d. 23 December 1340;

Father Sir Hugh Courtenay of Oakhampton b. before 1256, d. 20 February 1292

Mother Eleanor le Despencer b. circa 1261, d. 30 September 1328

Hugh, 1st Earl of Devon was the son of Hugh de Courtenay, Feudal Baron of Oakhampton, and Eleanore le Despencer.³ He was a witness where Evelina de Courtenay daughter of Hugh de Courtenay, and sister of Hugh, Earl of Devon.⁴ Hugh, 1st Earl of Devon was born circa 1280. He was the son of Sir Hugh Courtenay of Oakhampton and Eleanor le Despencer. Hugh, 1st Earl of Devon married Agnes de St. John, daughter of John de St. John, Lord of Basing and Alice FitzPiers, in 1292.^{5,3} Hugh, 1st Earl of Devon succeeded also to the great Honor of Plympton as heir of the family of Reviers, Earls of Devon, in 1293 at Devon, England.³ He became heir of the Isle of Wight as descendant of Mary de Vernon in 1293.³ Hugh was summoned to parliament between 1299 and 1334 as Lord Courtenay.³ He was at the siege of Caerlaverock in 1300.³ He was one of the Lords Ordainers in 1313.³ He was a member of the King's Council in 1318.³ Warden of the Coasts of Devon and Cornwall between 1324 and 1326.³ He declared Earl of Devon by letters patent on claiming the "third penny" of the county on 22 February 1334/35.³ Arms: Quarterly, 1st and 4th, or three torteaux (for Courtenay); 2nd and 3rd, or a lion rampant azure (for Redvers).⁶ He died on 23 December 1340.

Family

Agnes de St. John b. circa 1273, d. 11 June 1345

Children

◦Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon+ b. 12 Jul 1303, d. 2 May 1377

◦Sir Thomas de Courtenay of Woodhuish and Dunterton+ b. c 1312, d. 13567

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7.[S1480] *Geneajourney.com, online <http://www.geneajourney.com/welcome.html#top>, Courtenay, Lords of Okehampton.*

Hugh de Courtenay, 4th Earl of Devon¹ b. circa 1380, d. 16 June 1422;

Father Edward de Courtenay, 3rd Earl of Devon¹ b. circa 1350, d. 5 December 1419

Hugh de Courtenay, 4th Earl of Devon was born circa 1380. He was the son of Edward de Courtenay, 3rd Earl of Devon.¹ Hugh de Courtenay, 4th Earl of Devon married Anne Talbot, daughter of Richard, 4th Baron Talbot.¹ Hugh de Courtenay, 4th Earl of Devon died on 16 June 1422.¹

Family

Anne Talbot

Child

◦Thomas de Courtenay, 5th Earl of Devon+ b. c 1390, d. 3 Feb 14581

Citations

1.[S603] C.B., LL.D., *Ulster King of Arms Sir Bernard Burke, B:xP, pg. 141.*

Margaret de Courtenay of Devonshire and Somerset¹ b. circa 1355, d. 14 August 1422;

Father: Sir Thomas de Courtenay of Woodhuish and Dunterton^{2,3} b. circa 1312, d. 1356

Mother: Muriel, Lady Courtenay^{1,3} b. circa 1322

Margaret de Courtenay of Devonshire and Somerset was descendant of Geoffrey Plantagenet.⁴ She was born circa 1355.¹ She was the daughter of Sir Thomas de Courtenay of Woodhuish and Dunterton and Muriel, Lady Courtenay.^{2,3,1} Margaret de Courtenay of Devonshire and Somerset married Thomas Peverell Esq., of Hamatethy, son of Hugh Peverell Knt., of Hamatethy and Margaret de Cobham, circa 1370.^{3,4} Margaret de Courtenay of Devonshire and Somerset died on 14 August 1422.⁵

Family

Thomas Peverell Esq., of Hamatethy b. circa 1346

Child

◦Katherine Peverell+ b. c 1394, d. a 14 Jun 1426^{3,5}

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5.[S1522] *Douglas Richardson, Plantagenet Ancestry, pg. 407.*

John de Courtenay, Baron of Oakhampton¹ b. circa 1230, d. 3 May 1274;

Father: Robert de Courtenay, Baron of Oakhampton² b. circa 1183, d. 27 July 1242

Mother: Mary de Vernon² b. circa 1180

John de Courtenay, Baron of Oakhampton was born circa 1230. He was the son of Robert de Courtenay, Baron of Oakhampton and Mary de Vernon.² John de Courtenay, Baron of Oakhampton married Isabel de Vere, daughter of Hugh (de Vere), 4th Earl of Oxford, before 1255.² John de Courtenay, Baron of Oakhampton died on 3 May 1274.^{3,2}

Family

Isabel de Vere b. circa 1233

Child

◦Sir Hugh Courtenay of Oakhampton+ b. b 1256, d. 20 Feb 1292³

Citations

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3.[S735] *Peter Townend, B:P, 103rd, pg. 722.*

Margaret de Courtenay¹ b. circa 1291;

Father: Sir Hugh Courtenay of Oakhampton¹ b. before 1256, d. 20 February 1292

Mother: Eleanor le Despencer b. circa 1261, d. 30 September 1328

Margaret de Courtenay was born circa 1291. She was the daughter of Sir Hugh Courtenay of Oakhampton and Eleanor le Despencer.¹ Margaret de Courtenay married Nicholas, 2nd Baron Moels, son of John, 1st Lord Moels and Maud de Grey.¹

Family

Nicholas, 2nd Baron Moels d. 1316

Citations

1.[S603] C.B., LL.D., *Ulster King of Arms Sir Bernard Burke, B:xP, pg. 369.*

Margaret de Courtenay¹ b. after 1326, d. 2 August 1385;

Father: Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon^{2,3,5,6,4} b. 12 July 1303, d. 2 May 1377

Mother: Margaret de Bohun^{2,3,4} b. 3 April 1311, d. 16 December 1391

Margaret de Courtenay was born after 1326 at Exeter, Devon, England.^{1,7} She was the daughter of Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon and Margaret de Bohun.^{2,3,4,5,6} Margaret de Courtenay married John "the Founder", 3rd Lord Cobham, son of John, 2nd Lord Cobham and Joan de Beauchamp, in 1332/33 at Cobham, Kent, England.^{1,3,8,5,4} Margaret de Courtenay died on 2 August 1385.^{1,7,5} Margaret de Courtenay was buried in Cobham, Kent, England. A monumental brass depicts her with a canopy showing Mary and Child.⁹

Family

John "the Founder", 3rd Lord Cobham b. circa 1321, d. 10 January 1407/8

Child

◦Joan de Cobham+ b. c 1342, d. 1388^{1,3,6}

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Peter de Courtenay¹ b. ca 1330;

Father: Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon¹ b. 12 July 1303, d. 2 May 1377

Mother: Margaret de Bohun¹ b. 3 April 1311, d. 16 December 1391

Peter de Courtenay was born say 1330. He was the son of Hugh II, 2nd Earl of Devon and Margaret de Bohun.¹ Peter de Courtenay married Margaret Clivedon; Her 2nd.¹

Family

Margaret Clivedon b. say 1352

Citations

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Robert de Courtenay, Baron of Oakhampton¹ b. circa 1183, d. 27 July 1242;

Father: Reginald, titular seigneur de Courtenay² b. circa 1150, d. 27 September 1194

Mother: Hawise de Courcy, Lady of Oakhampton² b. circa 1150, d. 31 July 1219

Robert de Courtenay, Baron of Oakhampton was born circa 1183. He was the son of Reginald, titular seigneur de Courtenay and Hawise de Courcy, Lady of Oakhampton.² Robert de Courtenay, Baron of Oakhampton succeeded his uncle in Sutton Courtenay in 1209.³ Sheriff of Devon, Castellan of Exeter at England in 1215.³ He was made responsible by King John for the minting of tin coin in Devon and Cornwall in 1215.³ He inherited from his mother the great Honor of Oakhampton, which amounted to 92 kingiht's fees, on 31 July 1219 at Devon, England.³ He married Mary de Vernon, daughter of William, 5th Earl of Devon and Mabirie de Beaumont-le-Roger, before 1230; Her 2nd (widow).^{3,2} Robert de Courtenay, Baron of

Oakhampton died on 27 July 1242.² Robert de Courtenay, Baron of Oakhampton was buried in the Ford Abbey, Devon, England.

Family

Mary de Vernon b. circa 1180

Children

◦John de Courtenay, Baron of Oakhampton+ b. c 1230, d. 3 May 1274²

◦Egeline de Courtenay+ b. 1231?⁴

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Sir Thomas de Courtenay of Woodhuish and Dunterton¹ b. circa 1312, d. 1356;

Father: Hugh, 1st Earl of Devon¹ b. circa 1280, d. 23 December 1340

Mother: Agnes de St. John¹ b. circa 1273, d. 11 June 1345

Sir Thomas de Courtenay of Woodhuish and Dunterton was born circa 1312.¹ He was the son of Hugh, 1st Earl of Devon and Agnes de St. John.¹ Sir Thomas de Courtenay of Woodhuish and Dunterton married Muriel, Lady Courtenay, daughter of John, 4th Lord Moels and Joane Lovel, before 1337.² Sir Thomas de Courtenay of Woodhuish and Dunterton died in 1356.¹

Family

Muriel, Lady Courtenay b. circa 1322

Child

◦Margaret de Courtenay of Devonshire and Somerset+ b. c 1355, d. 14 Aug 1422^{3,4}

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4.[S603] C.B., LL.D., Ulster King of Arms Sir Bernard Burke, B:xP, pg. 369.

Thomas de Courtenay, 5th Earl of Devon¹ b. circa 1390, d. 3 February 1458;

Father: Hugh de Courtenay, 4th Earl of Devon¹ b. circa 1380, d. 16 June 1422

Mother: Anne Talbot¹

Thomas de Courtenay, 5th Earl of Devon was born circa 1390. He was the son of Hugh de Courtenay, 4th Earl of Devon and Anne Talbot.¹ Thomas de Courtenay, 5th Earl of Devon married Margaret Beaufort, daughter of John Beaufort, Earl of Somerset, Marquess of Dorset and Margaret, Marchioness of Dorset, before 1432.¹ Thomas de Courtenay, 5th Earl of Devon died on 3 February 1458 at the Abbey of Abingdon. He died on the journey to London, with other lords, to mediate between the King and the Duke of York.¹

Family

Margaret Beaufort b. circa 1404

Child

◦Thomas de Courtenay, 6th Earl of Devon b. c 1432, d. Apr 1462¹

Citations

1.[S603] C.B., LL.D., Ulster King of Arms Sir Bernard Burke, B:xP, pg. 141.

Thomas de Courtenay, 6th Earl of Devon¹ b. circa 1432, d. April 1462;

Father: Thomas de Courtenay, 5th Earl of Devon¹ b. circa 1390, d. 3 February 1458

Mother: Margaret Beaufort¹ b. circa 1404

Thomas de Courtenay, 6th Earl of Devon was born circa 1432. He was the son of Thomas de Courtenay, 5th Earl of Devon and Margaret Beaufort.¹ Thomas de Courtenay, 6th Earl of Devon murdered Nicholas Radford of Upcott at his manor, possibly for Radford's siding with the Bonvilles in their family feud, on 23 October 1455 at the manor of Upcott, Cheriton FitzPaine, Devonshire, England.² He died in April 1462 at York, England. He was beheaded by order of King Edward IV.¹

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