

John was born May 10, 1617 in Chesire, England and died Sept. 12, 1685 in Grafton Heath, england. He married Margaret about 1683 in England. It has been found among ancient papers belonging to the Minshall family a Will dated Sept., 26, 1683 purported to have been made by John Minshall of Lathford Co., Chester, England, Husbandman. He desired his body to be buried near where his daughter Rebecca was buried in Grafton Heath. He gave his wife Margaret Minshaw, certain Privileges in his dwelling house; gave the property where dwelt to his son Samuel; gave to his son, John Minshaw of Great Sankie, the tract or tenement where he dwelt; to his son Thomas, forty pounds, and to his daughter Elinor, a legacy; his daughter Mary, a legacy. His daughter, Elizabeth, we presume, was then deceased. His executors were his son John, and son-in-law Thomas Barns. Thomas Barns forwarded to America a copy of the Will, which was made in 1683, but it does not mention the residence of his son Thomas, who came to Pennsylvania in 1682.