

## PIONEER FAMILIES

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### Swan Family

Shortly before 1763, a young man in his early twenties, appeared in Scotch Plains, a stranger from Stonington, Conn. This young man, Jedidah Swan found favor in the eyes of the villagers and speedily became one of them. He fell in love with one of the young girls, Phebe Stanbury, and in 1763 they were married. He was about 26 years old, while she was ten years younger. There is no record of any children born to the couple, but it is quite probable that Jedidah and Phebe (Stanbury) Swan helped with the care and education of numerous nieces and nephews.

Jedidah Swan was born in Stonington, Conn. Aug. 5, 1735.

Amos Swan was born in Stonington, Conn. June 23, 1745.

They were the sons of Nathaniel and Mehitabel (Brown) Swan. Ref. R. A. Wheeler's History of Stonington, Conn., pp. 609-617.

Jedidah Swan married Phebe Stanbury, daughter of Rec. Stanbury, Oct. 6, 1763.

Amos Swan married Rhoda Stanbury, daughter of Rec. Stanbury (date not proved).

Jedidah Swan died June 16, 1812.

Amos Swan died Nov. 16, 1782.

Phebe, wife of Jedidah Swan died Jan. 2, 1806.

All buried in Baptist Cemetery at Scotch Plains.

The marriage license of Jedidah Swan and Phebe Stanbury is preserved in the office of the Secretary of State, in