



ROGER WILLIAMS FAMILY ASSOCIATION

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Dear Members:

Stretched before me is Narragansett Bay, where 335 years ago Roger Williams paddled his canoe. Ships of all sizes still use this important waterway.

We are planning a SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY OBSERVANCE on Saturday afternoon, November sixth at the beautiful Sprague Mansion and we hope to make this a gala affair. A special program has been arranged and guests are welcome. Help us to make this an outstanding event by your attendance.

I feel that our Ancestor would have been pleased that so many of us remember and honor his principles of faith and friendship.

We send especial greetings to our shut-in members, to the families who have lost loved ones go our sympathy and prayers and we welcome the members who have joined the past year.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Verena Williams

President

35 Cherry Road, Edgewood, R. I. 02905

(Summer - Box 26, Prudence Park, Prudence Island 02872)

IN MEMORIAM

Florence Rhodes (Webster) Thayer (Mrs. Lewis M.) (Mass.)	1970
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Ciarence H. Dench (Associate) (R. I.)	October 31, 1970
Edna M. Angell Fassell (Mrs. Charles) (R. I.)	October 31, 1970
Vera-Mae Chamberlain (Nelson) Wennberg (Mrs. Donald E.) (Past President) (R. I.)	November 10, 1970
Donald T. Lamon (Associate) (R. I.)	November 11, 1970
Florence Joslin Gallup (Mrs. Milton P.) (R. I.) (Past President)	November 23, 1970
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Merle Barden Young (R. I.)	January 15, 1971
Annie M. Wallen (Miss) (R. I.)	February 23, 1971
Erma M. Richards Grip (Mrs. Robert C.) (Calif.)	March 25, 1971
Barbara A. Weston (Miss) (R. I.)	March 31, 1971
Lewis G. Pepper (Associate) (Calif)	May 7, 1971
L. Byron Steere (R. I.)	May 26, 1971
Elizabeth Cole Dubee (Mrs. J. Raymond) (R. I.)	June 7, 1971
Ernest Ethan Mowry (Associate) (R. I.)	June 24, 1971
Everett W. Adams (R. I.)	June 26, 1971
Arthur Rupert Paine, Jr. (R. I.)	June 27, 1971
Grace Arnold Leigh (Mrs. William A.) (R. I.)	July 24, 1971
Lila F. Thurber Hauser (Mrs. Arthur P.) (Conn.)	August 2, 1971
Mabel T. Irons Cox (Mrs. Johnson M.) (R. I.)	August 14, 1971

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A STAND FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

A decisive moment in Baptist history came when Roger Williams took his courageous stand for an unfettered conscience in matters of religion. He had come to Boston in 1631 to escape persecution as a religious non-conformist in England, only to find that Puritans themselves were intolerant. For when he set forth his convictions that a Christian church must be a free church, he was vigorously opposed.

Williams insisted that the consciences of all the world cry out against "setting up of civil power and officers . . . to judge of the conviction of men's souls." He distinguished between the sacred and the secular. The state, he felt, is under obligation to maintain law and order so that religion may freely thrive. The civil magistrate, he warned, commits a great crime when he violates the sanctity of the soul. The very nature of a Christian church is perverted when people are forced to worship. Freedom from coercion, he insisted, is essential to genuine faith, and genuine faith must be free.

The remarkable thing about Williams is that the liberty he claimed for himself he defended for those who were his chief opponents. When he established the Providence Plantations, the colony was firmly grounded upon the principle of religious freedom and separation of church and state. from R. I. Baptist

Bills for dues are included in this bulletin and are due NOW.

Report illness of our members to Sunshine Chairman, any deaths or changes of addresses to the Treasurer. For Genealogical information write the Registrar. Addresses may be found on the following side.

— BEGINNING OUR 80TH YEAR —

OFFICERS — SEPTEMBER 1971 TO SEPTEMBER 1972

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OFFICERS ELECTED

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