

Caspar Elias Diller III (1766 - 1825)

Caspar Diller III was born February 28th 1766¹ to Caspar Elias Diller II in Millerstown Lancaster County Pennsylvania. When Caspar was seven years old in 1773 his father brought the family to Middleton Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

Caspar married Anna Christina Wolf about 1790 in Cumberland County Pennsylvania. Christina was born April 17th 1772 to Leonard and Margaret Wolf.

Caspar built the family home about 1791, which is located on present day Stought Road, off Route 74, near Churchtown located in Monroe Township² Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

Caspar died September 16th 1825.³ His will was written August 8th 1825, and proven on September 26th 1825. His son David, and son-in-law Fredrick Goodyear, were the executors of the will, which was witnessed by Rudolph Krysher and Peter Bricker.⁴

Christiana died April 27th 1834.⁵ They were both laid to rest in the Old Graveyard at 325 Old Stone House Road in Churchtown located in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.⁶

Caspar and Christina had nine children.⁷

- i. Sarah (Sally) Jane Diller was born January 26th 1792. She married Christian Richwine February 26th 1880. Christian was born November 16th 1785. Sarah died February 26th 1870, at the age of 79 years and 1 month. Christina died November 16th 1871.⁸ They were both laid to rest in the Mt. Zion Cemetery located near Churchtown in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.⁹
- ii. Rachel Diller was born February 2nd 1794. She married Fredrick Goodyear.¹⁰ Fredrick was born January 3rd 1787, and died December 18th 1849. Rachel died August 1st 1870. She and her husband were laid to rest in the Churchtown United Brethren Church, located ½ mile from Churchtown in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.¹¹
- iii. Catherine Diller (Aunt Catie) was born September 18th 1795. She did not marry, and she died at 82 years, 4 months, and 2 days old on January 20th 1878. She was laid to rest in the Mt. Zion Cemetery located near Churchtown in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.¹²
- iv. Daniel Diller was born February 28th 1798. Daniel married Susan Deihl 1832 in New Oxford Adams County Pennsylvania. Susan was born July 30th 1803 to John Peter Diehl and Susanna Krantz in New Oxford. Daniel died May 31st 1861, and Susan on December 25th 1868.¹³
- v. Rebecca Margaret Diller was born January 1st 1800. She married William Darr.¹⁴ William was born July 11th 1798. William died April 26th 1862, and Rebecca died April 19th 1886.¹⁵ They were both laid to rest in the Mt. Zion Cemetery located near Churchtown in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.¹⁶
- vi. Leonard Diller was born August 27th 1803. He married Sarah Ann Smith, who was born August 15th 1807. Leonard was 62 years, 11 months, 3 days old when he died July 30th 1866. Sarah Ann died April 17th 1886.¹⁷ They were both laid to rest in the Mt. Zion Cemetery located near Churchtown in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.¹⁸

- vii. Solomon Henry Diller was born September 4th 1806 to Caspar Elias Diller III in Allen Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania. He married Sarah Elizabeth Stevens November 11th 1832 at Carlisle, Cumberland County Pennsylvania by Rev John S. Ebaugh. ¹⁹ Sarah was born October 28th 1809. Solomon died September 21st 1891, and Sarah on December 28th 1891. ²⁰ They were both laid to rest in the Mt. Zion Cemetery located near Churchtown in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania. ²¹
- viii. Samuel Diller was born June 18th 1811 ²² to Caspar Elias Diller III and Anna Christina Wolf ²³ in Allen Township, present day Monroe Township, near Churchtown located in Cumberland County Pennsylvania.
- Samuel married Catherine Richwine of Cumberland County on September 4th 1828, most likely in the Diller hone, and recoded at the First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Carlisle, Cumberland County Pennsylvania. ²⁴ Catherine was born March 16th 1811. Samuel died March 1st 1873, and Catherine on January 17th 1887. They both laid to rest in the Mt. Zion Cemetery located near Churchtown in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania. ²⁵
- ix. David Diller was born July 2nd 1811. He married Harriet Shaefer on January 26th 1834 at the First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Carlisle, Cumberland County Pennsylvania. ²⁶ Harriet was born December 16th 1818. Harriet died on February 17th 1874, and David on May 14th 1874. They both laid to rest in the Mt. Zion Cemetery located near Churchtown in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania. ²⁷

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End Notes

¹ Caspar Diller III Birth Date: The information came from the 1901 inscription listing. Gravestones are no longer in the cemetery, only a single monument, which was erected by descendants; Old Graveyard at 325 Old Stone House Road in Churchtown located in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

² Monroe Township was formed in 1825, from the western portion of Allen, which then extended to the Susquehanna River. It lies in the southern tier of townships, and is bounded on the north by Silver Spring Township, on the east by Upper Allen Township, on the south by York County, and on the west by South Middleton Township. Churchtown (Allen P. O.), the most important village in the township, is situated near its center. It derived its name, about the year 1830, from an old Lutheran and German Reformed Church, which was erected just east of the present town about 1790.

³ Caspar Diller III and Christiana Death Date and Burial: The information came from the 1901 inscription listing. Gravestones are no longer in the cemetery, only a single monument, which was erected by descendants; Old Graveyard at 325 Old Stone House Road in Churchtown located in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

⁴ Caspar Diller III's Will; Will Book, I, Page 433; Register of Wills and Clerk of Orphans' Court, Cumberland County Court House, 1 N Courthouse Avenue, Carlisle, Pennsylvania 17013

⁵ Caspar Diller III and Christiana Death Date and Burial: The information came from the Caspar Diller Family, prepared by Paul Diller, 1920, compiled from actual visits with early Diller descendant's; Solomon Henry Diller Family Oral and Noted History, 1900 to 1980, Ida Diller-Eshleman, Orpah L. Eshleman-Benner, and Mabel E. Benner-Hertzler, Cumberland County Pennsylvania, Leon Herzler, Newport, New Hampshire 03773. Their Gravestones are no longer in the cemetery, only a single monument, which was erected by descendants; Old Graveyard at 325 Old Stone House Road in Churchtown located in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

⁶ Caspar and Anna Burial: The information came from a 1901 inscription listing. Gravestones are no longer in the cemetery, only a single monument, which was erected by descendants; Old Graveyard at 325 Old Stone House Road in Churchtown located in Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

⁷ Caspar and Christiana Diller's Children: The information came from Caspar's will, Will Book, I, Page 433; Register of Wills and Clerk of Orphans' Court, Cumberland County Court House, 1 N Courthouse Avenue, Carlisle, Pennsylvania 17013

⁸ Sarah Jane Diller and Christian Richwine Birth, Marriage and Death Dates: The information came from family notes prepared by Paul Diller, 1920, compiled from actual visits with early Diller descendant's; Solomon Henry Diller Family Oral and Noted History, 1900 to 1980, Ida Diller-Eshleman, Orpah L. Eshleman-Benner, and Mabel E. Benner-Hertzler, Cumberland County Pennsylvania, Leon Herzler, Newport, New Hampshire 03773.

⁹ Sarah Diller and Christian Burial: The information came from their headstone inscriptions: Wife of C. Richwine, Aged 79 yrs, 1 mo; Mt. Zion Cemetery, intersection of Rout 174 and 74, located in Churchtown, Monroe Township, Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

¹⁰ Rachael Diller Marriage: The information came from Caspar Diller III's Will; Will Book, I, Page 433; Register of Wills and Clerk of Orphans' Court, Cumberland County Court House, 1 N Courthouse Avenue, Carlisle, Pennsylvania 17013.

¹¹ Rachel Diller Birth and Death Dates, and Burial: The information dates came from the Gerberich Collection, Historical Society of Pennsylvania; Historic Pennsylvania Church and Town Records; Cumberland County Historical Society, 21 Pitt Street Carlisle Pennsylvania;

- In the 1933 description they report: "...There have been many more stones here as evidenced by the heavy stone bases still remaining in the ground, foot-stones where headstones are lacking and illegible fragments of carven slate. The corner of the cemetery is being used by the neighborhood as a public dump. The trees have apparently been left to grow undisturbed this past half century or more, as they are quite tall and thick, and visible at a distance..."

The burial location came from the Churchtown Reformed Brethren Church, 1/2 mile east by south-east of Churchtown.

¹² Catherine Diller Information and Burial: The information came from her headstone inscription: Mt. Zion Cemetery, intersection of Rout 174 and 74, located in Churchtown, Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

¹³ Daniel and Susan Diller Dates: The dates came from the Solomon Henry Diller Family Oral and Noted History, 1900 to 1980, Ida Diller-Eshleman, Orpah L. Eshleman-Benner, and Mabel E. Benner-Hertzler, Cumberland County Pennsylvania, Leon Herzler, Newport, New Hampshire 03773. Burial: The information came from her headstone inscription: age 63-3-3, Mt. Zion Cemetery, intersection of Rout 174 and 74, located in Churchtown, Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

¹⁴ Rebecca Margaret Diller Name, Marriage: Page 349, Biographical Annals of Cumberland County Pennsylvania, containing Biographical Sketches of Prominent Representative Citizens and of many of the early Settled Families, Illustrated, Chicago, The Genealogical Publishing Company, 1905.

¹⁵ Rebecca Margaret Diller Birth and Death Dates: The dates came from the Solomon Henry Diller Family Oral and Noted History, 1900 to 1980, Ida Diller-Eshleman, Orpah L. Eshleman-Benner, and Mabel E. Benner-Hertzler, Cumberland County Pennsylvania, Leon Herzler, Newport, New Hampshire 03773.

¹⁶ Rebecca Margaret Diller Birth and Death Dates, and Burial: The information came from her headstone inscription: Mt. Zion Cemetery, intersection of Rout 174 and 74, located in Churchtown, Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

¹⁷ Leonard Diller Birth and Death Dates: The dates came from the Solomon Henry Diller Family Oral and Noted History, 1900 to 1980, Ida Diller-Eshleman, Orpah L. Eshleman-Benner, and Mabel E. Benner-Hertzler, Cumberland County Pennsylvania, Leon Herzler, Newport, New Hampshire 03773; and information from their headstone inscriptions; Mt. Zion Cemetery, intersection of Rout 174 and 74, located in Churchtown, Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

¹⁸ Leonard and Sarah Ann Diller Burial: The information came from his headstone inscriptions: Sarah Ann Age Inscription: aged 76 yr, 9 mo, 2 da; Leonard Age Inscription: aged 76 yr, 9 mo, 2 da; Mt. Zion Cemetery, intersection of Rout 174 and 74, located in Churchtown, Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

¹⁹ Solomon Henry Diller Family Information: A large portion of this families information came from the Solomon Henry Diller Family Oral and Noted History, 1900 to 1980, Ida Diller-Eshleman, Orpah L. Eshleman-Benner, and Mabel E. Benner-Hertzler, Cumberland County Pennsylvania, Leon Herzler, Newport, New Hampshire 03773.

²⁰ Solomon and Sarah Birth and Death Dates: The dates came from the Solomon Henry Diller Family Oral and Noted History, 1900 to 1980, Ida Diller-Eshleman, Orpah L. Eshleman-Benner, and Mabel E. Benner-Hertzler, Cumberland County Pennsylvania, Leon Herzler, Newport, New Hampshire 03773; and information from their headstone inscriptions; Mt. Zion Cemetery, intersection of Rout 174 and 74, located in Churchtown, Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

²¹ Solomon and Sarah Diller Burial: The information came from his headstone inscriptions: Sarah Ann Age Inscription: aged 82 yrs; Solomon Age Inscription: aged 85 yr; Mt. Zion Cemetery, intersection of Rout 174 and 74, located in Churchtown, Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

²² Samuel Diller Birth Date: There were two dates associated with Samuel's birth. Family records indicate June 11th 1808, and June 11th 1811. The 1811 date; we used his headstone inscription, which listed the date of his death as March 1st 1873, and his age at the time of his death: 61 years, 8 months and 11 day old on March 1st 1873. We then used a birth date calculator, ProGenelaogists, PO Box 900188, Sandy, UT 84090-01888. The 1808 date came from the Solomon Henry Diller Family Oral and Noted History, 1900 to 1980, Ida Diller-Eshleman, Orpah L. Eshleman-Benner, and Mabel E. Benner-Hertzler, Cumberland County Pennsylvania, Leon Herzler, Newport, New Hampshire 03773; and information from their headstone inscriptions; Mt. Zion Cemetery, intersection of Rout 174 and 74, located in Churchtown, Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

²³ Samuel Diller's Parent's Names: This information is part of the oral history from the granddaughter of Samuel's brother, Solomon Diller.

²⁴ Samuel Diller Marriage to Catharine Richwine: Event Date: 04 Sep 1828; Event Place: First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Carlisle, Cumberland, Pennsylvania; Indexing Project (Batch) Number: M50466-1; System Origin: Pennsylvania-ODM; GS Film Number: 823844; Pennsylvania, Marriages, 1709-1940, index, FamilySearch; <https://familysearch.org>.

²⁵ Samuel and Catherine Diller Burial: The information came from their headstone inscriptions: Mt. Zion Cemetery, intersection of Rout 174 and 74, located in Churchtown, Monroe Township Cumberland County Pennsylvania.

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