

As you travel from Hadley towards Northampton Court House, you cross the Conn River, after which, about a half mile distant on the right, on the farther corner of the second street on the same road, you come to the beautiful site, once the place of residence of Joseph Alvord and some of his descendants, afterwards the residence of Nathan Clark, Esq. Joseph Alvord was a large land-holder and his name appears frequently on the land records. He was constable in 1745.

Joseph Alvord and his wife were buried in the old cemetery at Northampton, and their tomb-stones are still standing (1908).

"In memory of Mr. Joseph Alvord who died  
Jany 1, 1786 in the 89 year of his age."

"In memory of Mrs. Clemens wife of Joseph

Alvord who died March 25, 1776, in the 73 year of her age."

Mrs. Clemence (Wright) Alvord's grandfather was Samuel Wright who married Elizabeth Burt and was a soldier on service at Northfield where he was slain by the Indians Sept. 2, 1675.

35. NOAH ALVORD (*Ebenezer, Alexander*), born Northampton, Mass., June 27, 1701; died Wilbraham, Mass., Sept. 1, 1763; married Springfield, Mass., Feb. 9, 1726, Hannah Burt daughter of Dea. Henry and Elizabeth (Warriner) Burt (whose first wife was Elizabeth, daughter of Alexander Alvord). She was born Springfield, Mass., May 14, 1701; died Wilbraham, Mass., Aug. 25, 1749. He married 2nd Springfield, Mass., Feb. 20, 1752, Rebecca Severance, who died Oct. 17, 1793. Res. Springfield, Mass. Children:

85. Hannah, b. Springfield, Mass., Mar. 5, 1727-28.

86. Moses, b. Springfield, Mass., Mar. 20, 1730-31.

87. Aaron, b. Springfield, Mass., July 29, 1734.

88. Elizabeth, b. Springfield, Mass., July 22, 1738; d. unm.

Noah Alvord settled in 1732 in that part of Springfield which is now Wilbraham, being the second settler, then a wilderness, near Nathaniel Hitchcock, the pioneer who came with his young wife the year before and made his home in a hut by the mountains.

"Sweet counsel did these two neighbors take respecting the field to be cleared, to be planted or to be sown; and often did Hitchcock that summer after his neighbor's arrival, take his ax and go over to his neighbor Alvord's to work by his side, softening the hardness of the labor by the pleasure of society. And you might have seen Alvord of an early morning with his hoe in hand, going over to make Hitchcock's long day's work shorter by his helpfulness. Nor