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Dear James

Maybe you can help me. I found your entry in the 1993 GRD for Copson pre Fillongley, Warwickshire, England.

It is not often one finds another researching the name Copson. I cannot progress on my line before 1791 and I'm not at Fillongley but I am in Warwickshire.

James Copson, my direct ancestor married Elizabeth Jeffrey on 30 October 1834 at Hilmorton. They had one child Sarah before emigra ting to Australia in 1838. Sarah was born at Hilmorton in 1835 and is also my direct.

James's immigration record said his father was also James and his mother Sarah of Tamworth. The IGI shows a marriage of a John to a Sarah Middleton of Tamworth, Staffordshire on 9 May 1791 and I confident this couple is James's parents.

John and Sarah had children Ann baptised 26 August 1799, Sarah baptised 27 December 1800, Joseph baptised 29 August 1803, Elizabeth baptised 18 August 1806 and James baptised 4 December 1811 (birth fits my James) all at Napton on the Hill and Mary baptised 16 May 1813 and Eliza baptised 23 July 1815 both born at Hilmorton. There is another baptism registered to a John and Sarah at Wednes , Staffordshire on 27 January 1793 which may also be a child of this couple.

There is only one Copson family at Hilmorton on the IGI so I can be almost sure that this is my line.

I have come to a stand still here. Probably the records are not available for me to find James Copson's birth c1766 so making a connection may be nearly impossible. Can you identify any of your line to this couple? I guess this would be asking too much.

If not maybe you can tell me more about the Fillongley line as you have it just in case I am able to get a break through and find a link

I would appreciate any assistance you can give.

Yours sincerely

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