

# The history of the Crutchley Family

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## The Veil

'The Veil' is a genealogy based short story that I have written. It was inspired by my own genealogical experience, but in the most part is the result of pure imaginative fiction.

'The Veil' tells the strange tale of William, a most unlikely genealogist, drawn to and completely absorbed by the hobby, following a freak media coincidence. William embarks on a quest that will require all of his inner reserves to complete. As he nears his goal, William's research places great strain on his personal and professional relationships and ultimately consumes his resources entirely.

'The Veil' – What happens when genealogy transcends mere obsession ....

Download and read 'The Veil' by clicking 'The Veil' button on the web site home page.

## Crutchley Genealogy Data

Again largely thanks to data contributions made by visitors to the web site, the Crutchley family database has grown. Version 5.00 is now available for download.

There are now over 400 records in the database, a total that is growing on an almost daily basis. It now also contains a significant number of records from online sources.

The Jervis gedcom file was kindly donated by Dr Graham Jervis and is now available. It contains the details of over a hundred individuals, including about seventy bearing the Crutchley surname, originating in the English Midlands and dating from 1810 onwards.

If you would like to download a copy of the database or the other files, which are offered totally free of charge, visit the 'Downloads' section of the web site.

You will also need to sign my guest book or email me, to obtain the password to download the files.

**Don't forget, your contributions to the database would be greatly appreciated.**

## IMPORTANT NEW DATA SOURCES ADDED AS 'THE HISTORY OF THE CRUTCHLEY FAMILY' WEB SITE EXPANDS AGAIN

Welcome to the third issue of my web site newsletter.

In common with last year's improvements to the web site, there have been a number of important additions and changes throughout 2003. The volume of data now available for download to those researching the Crutchley surname has further increased and remains available totally free of charge. You can read about all of the recent additions to the site by clicking on the 'What's New' button on the web site home page.

Once again I am very grateful to all those who have provided information for inclusion in the web site. I have continued to add to the web site some of the data generated by my own research, but contributions from visitors to the site are proving to be very important and valuable to others.

Please keep your contributions coming, they are greatly appreciated. Your comments, advice and suggestions are also greatly appreciated, so don't forget to sign the guest book at your next visit to the web site.

Best regards, Gary S. Crutchley

## William Crutchley (abt 1778 to 1859)

'The very elusive William Crutchley' is the story of my research efforts aimed at positively identifying the father of my fourth great grandfather, born about 1778. It is a genealogical tale with whose frustrations and difficulties most amateur genealogists will identify.

Inevitably, every amateur family historian comes upon a point in their research where the continuity of the existing records breaks down or fundamental errors within them are revealed. Thereafter further progress back through time and the accurate tracing of a lineage is often barred or based on supposition rather than unambiguous proof.

This is the point that I have reached with my own Crutchley research, as William still refuses to reveal himself fully.

To read 'The very elusive William Crutchley', click on the 'Elusive William' button on the web site home page.

Visit the 'History of the Crutchley family' web site for a genealogical journey across three hundred years.

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