

Franz (Francis) Hoffman 1750 – 1819

Maryland

Franz (Francis) Hoffman was born August 10, 1750 in Landau-im-der-Pfalz (the Rhineland-Palatinate), Germany. He arrived in Philadelphia on November 12, 1768 aboard the ship Pennsylvania Packet, Captain Robert Gill commanding. He subsequently travelled south to Frederick County, Maryland, where he settled and acquired several tracts of land in what was then known as New Town or Trap (now Jefferson). He was granted citizenship on November 29, 1774.

Sometime around 1771, he married Barbara Thomas, daughter of Gabriel Thomas and Anna Margaret Thomas (maiden name unknown). They had six children – three sons and three daughters.

On November 29, 1775, Francis Hoffman was named as Ensign in Captain Ludowick Kemp's company of Maryland militia.

He died May 25, 1819 and is buried in the Thomas family cemetery in Mountville, south of Jefferson, Maryland.