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“The Timeline of Robert Neal (alternate spelling Neill),” by Stephen Neal
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| | Robert Neal (Alternate) Robert Neel, Neil, Neill |
| | Parents - John Neal B. 1718 Antrim, Ulster, Northern Ireland – D. Oct. 17th 1791 Paxtang Margaret B Abt. 1718 Ulster, Ireland D. After Oct 1791 Paxtang, Dauphin, Pennsylvania Siblings: William, John, James, Margaret, Jean (Jane), Nancy Agnes, and Eleanor |
| 1745 | BIRTH 1745 • Lower, Paxtang, Dauphin (at that time Lancaster County), Pennsylvania |
| 1765-1769 Age 20-24 | Marriage to Elizabeth Irwin |
| 1771 Age 26 | Birth of daughter Nancy Agnes Neal McCarty (1771–1846) in Paxtang, Dauphin (at that time Lancaster County) PA |
| 1772 Age 27 | Birth of son John Neal (1772–1847) in Paxtang, Dauphin (at that time Lancaster County) PA |
| 1774 Age 29 | Birth of daughter Mary Neal Wilson Morrow (1774–1839) in Paxtang, Dauphin (at that time Lancaster County) PA |
| 1775-1779 Age 30-34 | MILITARY 1775-1779 • Pennsylvania Rev. War Soldier: Private Capt George McMillan's Company Eighth Class Second Battalion Lancaster Co Private in Capt John Gillchreest's Company Eighth Class Fourth Battalion Lancaster Co https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QG2M-6H4Y https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QG2M-Q68W https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/62200/images/62200_0035_1895?plid=687192 |
| 1779 & 1780 | Provided Wagon Services to the Military He was paid by the Military to run Wagons for the Military https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QPZN-PK7J |
| 1779 Age 34 | Residence 1779 • Upper Paxton, Lancaster, Pennsylvania – He received ½ of his father's land Pennsylvania, U.S., Septennial Census https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2702/images/33017_263381-00868?plid=706213 |
| 1780 Age 35 | Residence 1780 Paxtang Township Returns for the year 1780 https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/14137/images/dvm_LocHist001026-00155-0?plid=297 |
| 1780 Age 35 | Birth of daughter Elizabeth Neal McCullough (1780–1852) in Paxtang, Dauphin (at that time Lancaster), Pennsylvania |
| 1781 Age 36 | Residence 1781 • Upper Paxton, Lancaster, Pennsylvania (Tax Record) https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2497/images/33020_254651-01073?plid=1258124 |
| April 9 th 1781 Age 36 | Residence 1781 • Pittsburgh Pennsylvania Patent document shows Robert Purchased the “Highlands Tract, 262 acres for “Five pounds sterling per hundred acres” (one source says 34 pounds 8 shillings) on April 9 th 1781. The application was warranted, surveyed, the survey was returned on Dec 5 th |

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| | 1787, and patent was granted on December 10 th , 1787. https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2350/images/33019_b079044-00789?plid=152331 |
| 1781-1795 Age 36-50 | Built Neal log House which is now in Schenley Park Pa Sometime between 1781 - 1795 he built the Neal log house now in Schenley, park, Pittsburgh, Allegheny, Pennsylvania, USA |
| 1781-1795 | Wagon Trade Route 1781-1795 • Pittsburgh to Philadelphia Pennsylvania Robert was a Waggoneer from Pittsburgh to Philadelphia. Along with his neighbor Jack Andrews. "The Great Wagon Road" -He would have used either Braddock or Forbes Road from Pittsburgh to Hagerstown or Chambersburg Respectively. Then used "The Great Wagon Road" from Hagerstown, MD to Gettysburg, Lancaster and Philadelphia. The trip from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh by wagon took between four to six weeks, depending on conditions. Travelers would buy wagons in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, which was known for its wagon-building industry, Wagons were made throughout Lancaster County. 1740-1840 marked the peak time for the building of these wagons, first mainly between Lancaster County and Philadelphia, then on to Pittsburgh, and then eventually to the Pacific. In 1749, historians estimate that 7,000 of these wagons were in use and At their peak, 10,000. Portions of the original roads still exist today, Braddock Road being Route 40. Forbes Road being Route 30 and 11. The Great Wagon Road being parts of Route 11, 81, & 66. |
| 1783 | Residence 1783 • Allegheny (at that time Westmoreland), Pittsburgh PA (Tax Record) https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2497/images/33020_254664-01222?plid=1751294 He is living on "Highlands" at this time but still maintaining his property in Paxtang Residence 1783 • Paxton, Dauphin (at that time Lancaster), Pennsylvania (Tax Record) https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2497/images/33020_254652-00108?plid=1345065 |
| 1783 Age 38 | Birth of daughter Jean (Jane) Neal Porter (1783–1839) Pittsburgh, Allegheny County (then Westmoreland county) PA |
| 1785 Age 40 | Property May 6th 1785 • Pittsburgh Pennsylvania On May 6, 1785, John Penn and John Penn, Jr., made a deed to Lot 349 in Colonel Wood's Plan of the City of Pittsburgh to Robert Neal |
| 1785 | Paid for Services May 27th 1785 On May 27th 1785 Robert was paid by the US Military: 191 pounds 5/8 1/2 Sterling For: "Militia Duty since the reduction of Charleston" and for "Wagon service in 1779 and 1780" https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QPZN-PK7J |

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| 1785 Age 40 | Residence 1785 • Allegheny (at that time Westmoreland), Pittsburgh, PA Tax records, He is living on “Highlands” at this time but still maintaining his property in Paxtang Dauphin, Pennsylvania USA. https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2497/images/33020_254650-00045?plid=1935085 |
| 1786 | Residence 1786 • Allegheny (at that time Westmoreland), Pittsburgh, PA Tax records https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2497/images/33020_254664-01447?plid=1771867 He is living on “Highlands” at this time but still maintaining his property in Paxtang 1786 • Lower Paxton, Dauphin, Pennsylvania, USA. Tax Records https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1945174:2497?ssrc=pt&tid=161467433&pid=152258630805 |
| 1787 Age 42 | Property 10 Dec 1787 • Pittsburgh Pennsylvania Highlands was Warranted Dec 5th 1787. Highland was then patented on Dec 10 th 1787. Patent 262 Acres - The Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania patented the land on December 10, 1787, to Robert Neil (Patent Book 11, page 448) https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/95552:2409?ssrc=pt&tid=161467433&pid=152258630805 |
| 1787 | Residence 1787 • Pittsburgh, Allegheny (at that time Westmoreland county), Pennsylvania Tax Records https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2497/images/33020_254665-00246?plid=1685045 |
| 1788 Age 43 | Residence 1788 • Pittsburgh, Allegheny, Pennsylvania Tax Records https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2497/images/33020_254665-00328?plid=1696549 |
| 1789 Age 44 | Residence 1789 • Pittsburgh, Allegheny, Pennsylvania Tax Records https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2497/images/33020_254650-00275?plid=1972490 |
| 1789 | Birth of daughter Martha Neal Stewart (1789–1862) Pittsburgh, Allegheny, Pennsylvania |

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| 1790 Age 45 | Residence 1790 • Allegheny, Pittsburgh, PA Census records https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/161467433/person/152258630805/facts/citation/0/edit/details/facts 1790 • Lower Paxton, Dauphin, Pennsylvania, USA. Census Records He is living on “Highlands” at this time but still maintaining his property in Paxtang https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/5058/images/4185998_00366?pid=307226 |
| 1791 Age 46 | Death of his father John Neal (1718–1791) Oct. 17th 1791 • Paxtang, Dauphin, Pennsylvania, USA |
| 1795 Age 50 | Property 2 Jul 1795 • Pittsburgh Pennsylvania Purchased Lot no 384. In Deed Book E-5 at page 68 from John Fisher (Innkeeper) and Catherine Fisher, his wife, of Washington County. This lot was bounded by Fifth Ave and Diamond Street and by lots 383 and 385 |
| 1795 Age 50 | Property August 1795 • Pittsburgh Pennsylvania Sold "Highland" to John Reed for 365 pounds 5 shillings in 1795, thus realizing a profit of 330 pounds. Moved to what is now downtown Pittsburgh - Fifth Street and Diamond ally John Reed is the grandson of Hugh Reed – Who had a log cabin at Fort Ligonier on the Wagon road and had a wagon trade. I wondered if they ran wagons together |
| 1798 Age 53 | Death of wife Elizabeth Irwin (1745–1798) • Pittsburgh, Allegheny, Pennsylvania, USA |
| 1800 | Residence 1800 • Pittsburgh, Allegheny, Pennsylvania (Census Record) https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/7590/images/4440862_00056?pid=364640 |
| 1801 Age 56 | Will Robert’s will was written in 1801 Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, USA Robert’s 1801 will lists his daughters but not his son(s). This may be due to Robert’s father’s will which states “I will and order my son Robert to pay his son John Twenty pounds according to his promise when I did convey to him the half of my land.” Or it may be because the daughters needed to be ensured that they had source of income, but his son was already settled on his own as he was older. He leaves much more security to the two youngest daughters (homes to be rented to provide money for them for “clothing, schooling and maintaining them” and after his debts had been paid any remaining money was to be split between the two youngest daughters). They were 15 and 21 at his death. |
| 1804 Age 59 | Death May 1804 • Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co., PA Probate |