

This book is an endeavor to present a Genealogy and History of the Anglea (sometimes spelled Angel and Angle) family in the United States. Throughout the history of these United States, the surname has existed from the time of the early settlers to the present day. Early records have the surname spelled in various ways depending on the wishes of the individual families.

Since it was not possible to determine the exact relationships of the individuals with the variant spellings of the surname, I have attempted to cover as many different spellings as possible. It must be understood that all individuals with the variant spellings are not closely related. However, some of them are definitely related and most of them are possibly related. In studying the geographical locations of the surname and the dates of their existence, the different spellings seem to cluster in various regions of the country.

In the early colonial period of this country, the Angell surname was predominant in the New England area including Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut. The Angel and Angle surname was predominant in Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and parts of Virginia. The Anglea surname was found in Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina. Variations of the Anglea surname such as Angele, Angely, Angley, Angella appeared mostly in the Southeast in the late 18th and early 19th century.

As the population of this country grew and early settlers moved westward, the exact spelling of the surname became more varied. Also, as the settlers became more educated, they were more cognizant of the unusual spellings and pronunciations of the surname. This probably led them to revert to a more common or accepted spelling of the surname.

This is not an "in depth" history of all of the Anglea, Angel, etc. surnames, but it touches on most of the variant spellings. The families that spelled the surname Anglea, Angle and Angel are covered more "in depth" than others previously mentioned.

This book presents family pictures, Coats of Arms of the various spellings of the surname, descendant charts and maps showing the locations of some of the families covered. Also, a section is provided for you to enter your own family information such as descendant charts, family pictures, Bible records and other vital statistics on your particular family.

The Coats of Arms presented are of specific families and should not be construed to mean that since the spelling is the same as your surname, it is your family's Coat of Arms. During the period of history that Coats of Arms were popular, two different families that spelled their surname the same way, did not necessarily have the same Coat of Arms.