

Shropshire's
Mayflower children
history day



SATURDAY 4 JULY 2020

10.00am - 4.00pm

**Shipton Village Hall,
TF13 6JX**

Jointly organised by the **Friends of Shropshire Archives**
& the **Shropshire's Mayflower Children** Group

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A gravestone in the Charter Street Cemetery, Salem, Massachusetts declares:

"Here lyeth buried Ye body of CapT Richard More aged 84 years Died 1692 A Mayflower Pilgrim."

Richard More (aged 6) and his sisters and brother, Elinor, Mary and Jasper, were taken from their mother in Shipton, Shropshire, and sent to America on the Mayflower in 1620. Only Richard survived the voyage. This is a very unhappy saga of family intrigues, the cruel abandonment of four young children and a new life for Richard in America – set against a backdrop of religious intolerance both in England and in America.

- 10.00am** **Welcome:** *Mark Cavendish, Chairman of the Shropshire's Mayflower Children Group*
- 10.10am** **Shropshire's Mayflower Children – John Davies**
John Davies worked as a journalist. Now retired, he has written his first book - *Richard More the reluctant pilgrim* - following extensive research in both the UK and USA.
- 11.00am** **Coffee/tea**
- 11.20am** **The Religious Background – Margaret Clark**
Margaret Clark is a reformation historian who enjoys using local records to illustrate national trends.
- 12.10am** **The Puritans in America – Ian Beckwith**
Ian Beckwith was a teacher of history in schools, adult education, and the Open University. His publications include histories of Lincoln and Gainsborough.
- 1.00pm** **Thanks:** *Jill Ming, Chair of the Friends of Shropshire Archives*
- 1.10pm** **Lunch** (included):
- 2.15pm** **Visits:** (all three or you choose; sign up on the day)
i. More Hall – the seat of the Mores until they moved across the road to Larden Hall in 1434.
ii. Shipton Hall – built in about 1598 for John Lutwyche.
iii. Shipton Church (St James) – where the More children were baptised in 1612 – 1616.
- 4.30pm** **Close**

Admission by ticket in advance: *£20 including lunch

Friends of Shropshire Archives and **Members of Shropshire's Mayflower Children** get priority booking and 10% discount: *£18. Bookings open on 1 February.

Book with a credit card at www.shropshiresmayflowerchildren.com or send a cheque, payable to **Shropshire's Mayflower Children**, together with this form to **Mike Brogden, Ferndale, Shipton, Much Wenlock, TF13 6LB**. We will send the full programme and directions with your tickets. Tel **01584 841649** or email mike@brogden.info to check availability before posting.

Please tick the relevant boxes below.

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£ Total cost.