



## FOUNDING FEMALES Female Qualifying Ancestor Index

**Female Ancestor Number: 238**

**Name:** Clarkson, Mary

**Dates:** ( - aft Dec 1778)

**Colonial Society:** VA

**Date added to ROA:** June 29, 2025

**Service:** Received a license to run an ordinary, Sept 1761, Sept 1762, Goochland County

**Authority:** Goochland County, Virginia, Court Order Book 9, Sept 1761; Goochland County Virginia, Court Order Book 9, Sept 1762.

### **Biography:**

At this time, it's not known where Mary was born or who her parents were. What we do know is that her husband, John, purchased 400 acres on Beaverdam Creek in Goochland County, Virginia, in 1749. He was living in Louisa County at the time. This property was granted to William May in 1729.

John received a license to operate an ordinary in 1758, which was renewed in 1759.

John wrote his will in April 1759, and it was probated in May 1759. He named his wife, Mary, and his children, Susannah (Maddox), David, John, Mary (Herndon), Anne (Pledge), and Martha (Salmon).

Mary received a license to operate an ordinary in 1761, and it was renewed in 1762. In 1766, her son, John, sold his father's property "near the courthouse" where his mother, Mary, was currently living. She was still living in 1788 when her son, John, stated in a chancery suit that a certain parcel of land was "now in the possession" of his mother, Mary.

It's not known where or when Mary died.