

**Individual Narrative of Benjamin⁸ Leverich Remsen [358]
Son of Elizabeth⁷ Leverich [185] and Rem Remsen
Husband of Barbara Anderton**

Benjamin Leverich Remsen was born on 9 August 1822 at Newtown, Queens County, New York.^{1,2}

Benjamin L. Remsen, age 28 laborer, was recorded in the 1850 U.S. Census of Newtown, Queens County, New York. He was living with his parents. Also included in the household was his nephew, Abraham Lawrence.³

Benjamin Leverich Remsen married Barbara Anderton on 18 July 1850 at Newtown, Queens County, New York.⁴

Barbara Anderton was born circa 1832 in England. She was baptized 24 June 1832 at Middleton-Cheney, Northampton, England. Barbara was the daughter of William Anderton and Elizabeth Hardyman. Barbara emigrated to the U.S. with her parents arriving at New York City 24 May 1841.^{5,6,7,8,9}

Benjamin L. Remsen served in the union army during the civil war. He enlisted in New York City 29 August 1862 in Company E, 145th Infantry Regiment. He was promoted to full corporal on 10 April 1863. He was mustered out on 9 December 1863.¹⁰

Benjamin L. Remsen was not found in the 1860 and 1870 U.S. Census.

Benjamin L. Remsen, age 58 farmer, was recorded in the 1880 U.S. Census of Newtown, Queens County, New York. Benjamin's household included his wife Barbara, age 46, and his son Elmer, age 18.¹¹

On 21 March 1881 the New York Times published the following article which would be of interest to followers of the Remsen Family. "Benjamin L. Remsen, of Newtown, is about to present to the Long Island Historical Society the bayonet carried by this grandfather, Major Abraham Remsen, in the Revolutionary War. The patriotic major bequeathed it to his son, Rem Remsen (Benjamin's father), who in turn carried it in the war of 1812. The family tradition is that their ancestors brought the bayonet and a musket from Holland in 1742. The musket, which will be preserved as an heirloom by Mr. Remsen, is six feet long and carried an inch ball."¹²

Benjamin L. Remsen, age 71, and his wife Barbara, age 60, were recorded in the 1892 New York State Census.¹³



Benjamin and Barbara Remsen: Submitted to Ancestry.com by Elizabeth Emily Cassidy 5 September 2018

Benjamin L. Remsen, age 78, was recorded in the 1900 U.S. Census of Newtown, Queens County, New York. Benjamin was living with his son Elmer and his family. The census record reports that Benjamin was a widow. This is incorrect since Barbara Remsen appeared in the 1910 U.S. Census and died in 1911. She was not living in Elmer's household with Benjamin, and she is not found elsewhere in the 1900 Census.¹⁴

Benjamin Leverich Remsen died on 4 March 1904 at Elmhurst, Queens County, New York, at age 81. At the time he died, Benjamin L. Remsen was a retired carpenter living at Hoffman Boulevard in Elmhurst (formerly Newtown, Queens County, New York). Benjamin died from Senility Chronic Endocarditis. Benjamin was buried in the Newtown Presbyterian Church Cemetery.^{15,16,17,18}

Barbara Remsen, age 79 widow, was recorded in the 1910 Census of New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York. Barbara was living with their son Elmer and his family. The household resided at 2a Beechwood Avenue.¹⁹

Barbara (Anderton) Remsen died 10 May 1911 in New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York. Barbara was buried at the Newtown Presbyterian Church Cemetery.^{20,21,22}

Benjamin Leverich Remsen and Barbara Anderton had four children all of whom survived to adulthood.²³

- i. Susan Elizabeth Remsen was born 26 November 1851 at Newtown, Queens County, New York. Susan married Joseph Campbell 1 July 1868 at Manhattan, New York County, New York. Susan died 28 April 1920 at Kingston, Ulster County, New York. Susan was buried at Cypress Hills Cemetery in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York. Susan was recorded in the U.S. Census for 1870, 1880, 1900, and 1910 in Brooklyn; 1920 Ulster County, New York.^{24,25,26,27,28,29,30,31,32}
- ii. Charlotte Remsen was born circa 1854 and died unmarried at age 18 on 11 April 1872. Places of birth and death are unknown. Charlotte's burial place is unknown.³³
- iii. William Anderton Remsen was born circa June 1857 in Middle Village, Queens County, New York. William married Isabelle Williams circa May 1878 place unknown. William died 23 September 1937 in Elmhurst, Queens County, New York. William was buried in the Cedar Grove Cemetery in Flushing, Queens County, New York. William was recorded in the U.S. Census for Queens County in 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, and 1930.^{34,35,36,37,38,39,40,41,42,43}
- iv. Elmer E. Remsen was born circa July 1861 at Newtown, Queens County, New York. Elmer married Jennie Stark 21 December 1887 at Newtown. Elmer died 30 April 1946 at Brookhaven, Suffolk County, New York. Elmer was buried at Cedar Grove Cemetery in Patchogue, Suffolk County, New York. Elmer was recorded in the U.S. Census in New York State 1880 and 1900 Queens County; 1910 and 1920 Westchester County; 1930 and 1940 Suffolk County.^{44,45,46,47,48,49,50,51,52}

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