

“a short history of the Bushnell name...”

These fun facts are found in a *Genealogy of the Bushnell Family* (dated in 1932) sent to William F. Bushnell (“Daddy Will”) who is Mary Frances, Barbara, Cathy and Helen’s paternal grandfather.

- ◇ **Percy De Bouchnelle accompanied William The Conqueror in 1076** in his expedition to England, coming from Tours in Normandy, France.
- ◇ At the end of the war **Henri and Percy De Bouchnelle were granted Baronial privileges** in England, one in Cumberland County to guard the Scots, and the other in one of the Midland Counties.
- ◇ During the realm of King Edward III (1370s), **Sir John De Bouchnelle changed the family name to Bushnell** to conform to the English usage.
- ◇ **Francis Bushnell is the progenitor** of most of the Bushnells in the U.S. today... was born about 1580 in Sussex County England. He **emigrated to America in 1639** with his wife and 7 of his 11 children and settled in Connecticut.
- ◇ Our descendents may join the Daughters and Sons of the American Revolution and the Colonial Dames, as **Jabez Bushnell served under General Washington at Phillipsburg in July of 1782.**

