

### **Dr. Francis Archibald (1716-1742) of Boston**

1746 April 18 (Friday). Was much engag'd the fore part of the Day in buying black Cloth for a Coat -- at length Suited myself at Mr. Lawtons £8 and 5 shillings per yard: improv'd Mr. Owen to make it -- but because it was not possible to get it ready for the Funeral, my Brother Samuel was So Friendly as to lend me a Black Coat till my own could be made. This Eve The Remains of my Honoured Parent were decently interr'd. Mr. Gee not able by reason of illness to be there; but Mr. Webb and Mr. Eliot were. The Bearers were Deacon Procter and Elder Baker, Deacon Hunt and Deacon Townsend, Deacon Larraby and Dr. Archibald. After we return'd and the Company, except near Relations, gone, we again pray'd together.

In his brief sketch of Edward Archibald (1716-1742, Harvard 1736), son of Dr. Francis and Huldah Archibald, Shipton writes, "The family's American roots were shallow, for they attended King's Chapel, owned no property in Boston, and took no part in public affairs." *SHG* 10:3.