

Drury, Josiah of Framingham: Killed in Oxcart Accident, October 1, 1771

1771 October 2 (Wednesday). N.B. heard of the Death of Capt. *Drury* of Framingham, which was last night by his Cart turning over upon him.¹

1771 October 6 (Sunday). Mr. *Sumner* Preached here on *Joh.* 3.14, a.m., on v. 15 p.m. I Preached at *Shrewsbury* on *Rev.* 16.15 a. and p.m. N.B. Two of the 3 Brethren of the late Capt. *Drury* of Framingham who was killed last week by his Cart, live in Shrewsbury and are prayed for, and the Sermons Seasonable I hope to all of us.

From Sudbury we learn that Capt. Josiah Drury of Framingham, aged 64 Years, driving a Team thro' that Town, was thrown from the Tongue of his Cart by his Cattle taking fright, when the Wheel going over his Breast, killed him instantly. The above Accident happened on Tuesday Evening last.

Boston New-Letter, Oct. 3, 1771, p. [3].

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¹Death not in Framingham Vital Records. “Capt. Josiah Drury killed with a Cart October 1 1771”; “The Drury Death Book,” *New England Historical and Genealogical Register* 65 (Oct. 1911), 358. Another source states that Josiah Drury, b. 1707, son of Caleb and Elizabeth Drury, was “killed in an ox-cart accident in Wayland”; *American Biography: A New Cyclopaedia* (New York: American Historical Society, 1924), 15:280.