

Journey Through Centuries of Legacy and Triumphs

The background of the book cover is a dramatic illustration. In the upper left, a Viking warrior in a dark, ornate helmet and armor is shown in profile, holding a large, round wooden shield. In the upper right, a man in 18th-century attire, including a blue coat and a white cravat, is depicted with a fur-trimmed hat and a shouting expression, holding a long wooden staff or pole. The background is a dark, stormy sea with a large, multi-masted sailing ship (a galleon) visible in the distance. The sky is filled with dark clouds and small, glowing orange-red sparks or embers.

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A TRILOGY: 800 AD TO 1784

TERRY E. DUDLEY

Dover, Delaware Jul 9, 2024 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.Issuewire.com)) - Author Terry E. Dudley launched his trilogy book *From Vikings, Normans and Englishmen to Americans* an unbiased, well-researched, and succinctly written book penned by Dudley to narrate his ancestor's life through European and American historical events spanning AD 800 to 2021.

Inspired by Alex Haley's seminal work, *Roots*, Dudley set out to unearth his family's paternal line through interviews, genealogy, family tales, and DNA analysis, revealing a fascinating past. The trilogy is available worldwide through Amazon.

Book 1: *From Vikings, Normans and Englishmen to Americans: 800 AD to 1784*

The first of the *trilogy*, AD 800 to 1784, Dudley's ancestors began their journey as Vikings, later becoming Normans who joined William the Conqueror in his historic invasion of England. They settled in their new homeland, enduring the tumultuous periods of the Hundred Years War and the Wars of the Roses, while loyally serving various monarchs.

With the rise of Puritanism, Dudley's ancestors sought a new beginning in the New England colonies. In the colonies, they fought with the British in the French and Indian Wars and with the Patriots in the Revolutionary War. They relocated to the Old South after the Revolutionary War where they encountered the harsh peculiar institution of slavery and a class of people called Free People of Color.

Book 2: *From Vikings, Normans and Englishmen to Americans: 1784 to 1911*

Continuing Dudley's narrative through the lens of recorded history, Dudley records and offers us an exploration of his ancestors' lives as they lived life mixed with the complexities of American history.

The second installment spans 1784 to 1911 beginning with the family's recent move from New England to the Antebellum South. Amidst their rural lifestyle, they are confronted with the challenges brought by the War of 1812, the harsh realities of slavery, and interactions with the community of Free People of Color. A forbidden affair with these people leads to the birth of an unwanted son, who is abandoned inheriting his mother's social status, facing a life of hardship. Though the identity of his father remains a mystery, the unwanted son is offered the chance to adopt his father's surname when he becomes an adult.

More key events play a pivotal role in the life of Dudley's ancestors including the quest for freedom in Ohio, the impact of the Civil War on both sides, an oil boom in Ohio, and the Spanish-American War. The book concludes with the death of the family patriarch that sparks, sparking inheritance disputes among his descendants who, despite their differences, begin to move to other states, unknowingly on the brink of World War I.

Book 3: *From Vikings, Normans and Englishmen to Americans: 1911 to 2021*

In this concluding volume, Dudley masterfully weaves his family's saga through the rich tapestry of 20th-century history, offering readers an immersive experience that spans over a century.

Book 3 opens in 1911, marking a moment with the passing of a revered family patriarch. The narrative swiftly transports readers on a transformative Western journey to Arizona Territory and California, setting the stage for an exploration filled with intrigue and adventure.

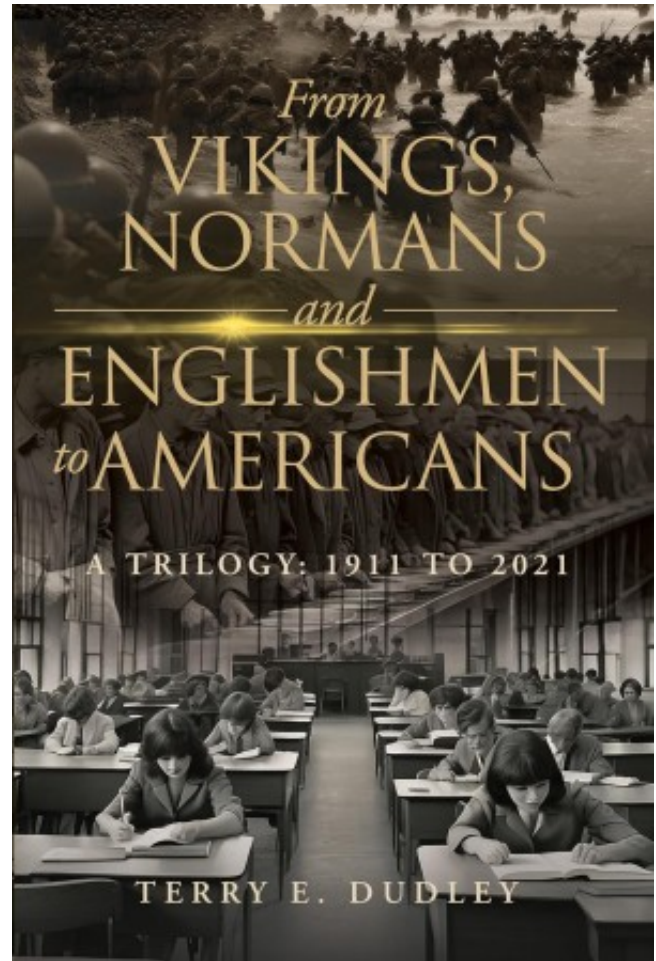
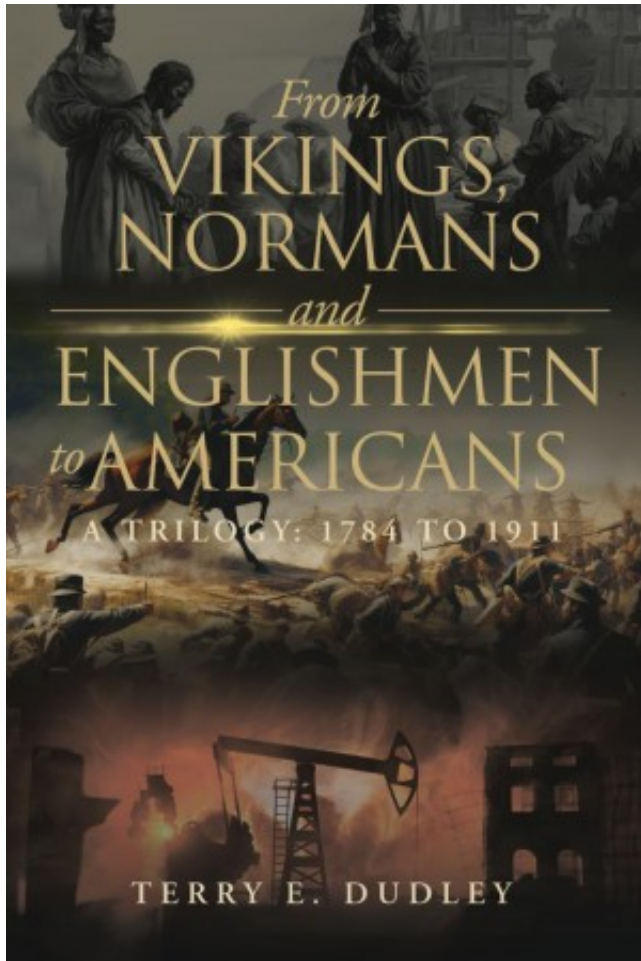
Dudley's storytelling plunges readers into the turbulence of World War I, the Roaring 20s, and the Great Depression, showcasing the family's resilience in the face of adversity. The onset of World War II sees the family once again answering the call to service, mirroring their steadfast commitment displayed during the American Revolution and the Civil War.

As the post-war era unfolds, the story highlights a period of remarkable growth and opportunity, coinciding with the arrival of the "Baby Boomers." The 60s and 70s bring the challenges of the Vietnam War and social upheaval, while the subsequent decades of the 80s and 90s, along with the impactful events of 9/11, propel the family into the complexities of modern times.

Being the most relatable of the trilogy as it extends into the present day, Dudley culminates the last installment with an intriguing glimpse into the future, addressing the challenges and opportunities awaiting our descendants.

Together, these three books form a cohesive and compelling tale that spans over a millennium, illustrating how personal histories are intertwined with the broader events that shape societies. Fans of historical chronicles and genealogy enthusiasts will be enchanted by Dudley's tales. Readers find the book educational and an interesting display of British and American history, while some found it hard to put the book down because of numerous intriguing and good-to-know facts like a Dudley involved in the founding of Harvard.

Read more to know more, get your copy of *From Vikings, Normans and Englishmen to Americans* today to uncover how the past shapes the present and may even illuminate the secrets of your own heritage. *From Vikings, Normans and Englishmen to Americans* books 1, 2, and 3 are readily available for order on [Amazon](#).



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