ZAND DYNASTY

Circa 1650 to 2020 - Twelve generations

ZAND FAMILY BASE CHART

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Introduction

The research for Zand family ancestry has been started by late ***Asadollah Mohseniazadeh*** in early 2000, preparing notes of his own knowledge of family members and connections after interviewing family members, mainly ***Forough Zand*** [1] [2]. The study has been continued by ***Elaheh Zandieh*** his wife in early 2020, putting together all Asad's notes and enquiring many other family members. ***Shahin Zand*** (Forough's daughter) involvement, collaboration and support at this time, has enabled detailed data gathering and corrections.

Thanks to all the family members who responded to our request, contributed and sent us information. We hope that everyone continues to contribute to keep these charts up to date.

Asadollah's research began with ***"Haj Agha Hassan"*** and his wife ***"Bibi Koochak"*** but he did not provide any information regarding his parent and siblings, we now have been informed by ***Jafar Zand*** (eleventh Zand, AKA1 - 18) that ***Haj Agha Hasan*** was son of ***"Masood Khan"***, who was son of ***"Abdol Ghani Khan"*** [1] who was son of ***"Sadeq Khan"***, brother of ***"Karim Khan Zand "***[2] and Shah of Iran of the Zand Dynasty from 1779 to 1781.

All this information has been presented in three charts and a family member list (as an Excel file) by Majid Zandieh (Elaheh's brother).

*[1] or maybe **Ali Naghi Khan** as per the book: "Cavad ol Parr", from Karim Khan to Lotf Ali Khan*
[2] Sourced from wikifagir.ir

NOTES for Excel users:
*Hovering the mouse over the **"References"** (solid-colored arrowed box) will show connection detail. Clicking on references, will take you to the respective connection.*

*For easier access or to find a family member's name and their relation to others, you can go to "Members" worksheet and follow the instruction provided in **"Guide for Searching Names"**.*

Any comments and feedback from family members are appreciated.
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Notes: In every box, nilation has been written on top, name on bottom, year of birth (if known) and city of residancy (if known and not deceased) are vertically on the left, any nicknams is vertically on the right.

An @ sign at top right corner indicates that email address is available. If anyone is interested in an email address, please contact me and I will try to arrange for parties consent.

Additional family connections are in separate worksheets, references are shown with a solid-colored arrowed box filled with sheet name and reference number .
For ease of use, each reference pair ("Go to" & "From") has been identified with a unique color. For example, Go to X1 and From X1 both have a green color.

Lower reference numbers of "From" part of the reference pair, are usually located in upper left position of the charts.

A note for our younger generation:
You may be curious about so many different surnames in the charts in addition to "Zand", which are all related to each other. The reason for this is as follows:

Prior to 1919, use of surnames was not common among Iranians. A person was often distinguished from others by a combination of prefixes and suffixes or patronymics and honorifics attached to his or her first name, as you can see in case of people listed at the top of the charts.

In 1919, during the reign of Ahmad Shah Qajar and in his 2nd prim ministerism (1918-1920), Vosough-od-Dowleh introduced an act to use of surnames.
The practice expanded when Reza Shah Pahlavi ruled (1925–1941). He introduced birth certificates ("Shenasnameh") as a government document for proof of identity and made adopting a surname mandatory for everyone (circa 1927). Since there were no specific guidelines for selecting a surname, some family members have chosen different surnames than that of their ancestors or even their siblings.

Clements R. Markham, British historian, 1874, on the Zands
"The Zand tribe is a branch of the numerous Lak tribe, which is subdivided into many clans. . . They date their origin from the time of the Kalanian dynasty (during which, based on oral history , arose Prophet Zoroaster) and the Zands declare that their ancestors were charged with the care of the Zand Avesta (the Holy Book of the Religious Books of Zoroastrianism) by the great prophet Zoroaster himself."
Sourced from: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zand_dynasty

[1] Sourced from: "Cavad ol Parr", from Karim Khan to Lotf Ali Khan written by Mohsen Eftekhari, 4th edition 1997, page 142

[2] Sourced from: wikifagir.ir

[3] Sourced from: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zand_dynasty

[4] Sourced from: www.royalark.net/Persia/zand2.htm

Shahs of Iran of the Zand dynasty [1]

1	Mohamed Karim Khan	Founder	1705-1779	1750–1779
2	Mohamed Ali Khan	Karim son	1760-1779	1779 (two months)
3	Abol-Fath Khan	Karim son	1755-1787	1779 (two months)
4	Mohamed Sadeq Khan	Karim brother	?- 1781	1779–1781
5	Ali-Morad Khan	Sadeq half-nephew	1720–1785	1781–1785
6	Jafar Khan	Sadeq son	?- 1789	1785–1789
7	Sayed Morad Khan	Alikhorsi nephew	?- 1789	1789 (six months)
8	Lotf Ali Khan	Jafar son	1769-1794	1789–1794

"There are more stories told of Karim Khan's kindness, simplicity, generosity, and sense of justice than about any other Iranian monarch. As the archetype of the good king with a genuine concern for his people and who thus gained their respect and love, he ranks with Anushirvan the Just, Sultan Sanjar, and Shah Abbasi.
Where these and other rulers surpass him in military glory and administrative genius, Karim Khan's memory has apparently retains even today an unparalleled place in his countrymen's affection as a good man who became and remained a good monarch."
Amanat (ed.), Pivot and Fulcrum, 1997, page 182

Under the Zands Iran experienced a return of government to one that, like its pre-Islamic governments, was based on and derived from native values and cultures. People knew that government was there to serve them.
Sourced from: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zand_dynasty
"Karim Khan had not learned the art of being a good sovereign from anywhere, nor seem it in any living rolemodel. It was, rather, the result of his own august genius.
He was the son of the chief of a barely known clan of the Lur tribe, called Zandeh."
"Although his bones may have withered, his lasting legacy to-day is more than mere memory; the Vakil (Advocate of the People) continues to live, among the people."

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