## THE CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF RULERS

## THE SASSANIAN DYNASTY (CE 224-641)

[PAPAK, King of Pars (circa CE 211- 223)]

[SHAHPUR, King of Pars (circa CE 211-?220)]

ARDESHIR I, King of Kings of Airan (CE 224-240), son of Papak

SHAHPUR I (CE 240-271), son of Ardeshir I

**HORMAZD** I (CE 271-272) son of Shahpur I (British Museum coin)

**VARAHRAN** I (CE 272-276), son of Ardeshir I

VARAHRAN II (CE 276-293), son of Varahran I

VARAHRAN III (CE 293), son of Hormazd I. No coins known to have been minted.

NARSEH (CE 293-303), son of Shahpur I

**HORMAZD** II (CE 303-309) son of Narseh

**SHAHPUR** II (CE 309-379) The Great, son of Hormazd II

ARDESHIR II (CE 379-383), son of Hormazd II

SHAHPUR III (CE 383-388), son of Shahpur II

VARAHRAN IV (CE 388-399), son of Shahpur II

YAZDEGARD I (CE 399-420), son of Shahpur III

**VARAHRAN V** (CE 420-438), son of Shahpur III

YAZDEGARD II (CE 438-457), son of Varahran V

**HORMAZD** III (CE 457-459), son of Yazdegard II. No coins known to have been minted. PIRUZ I (CE 459-484), son of Yazdegard II

**VALAKHSH** (CE 484-488), son of Yazdegard II

First reign **QOBAD** I (CE 489-497), son of Piruz I

ZAMASP (CE 497-499), son of Piruz I

Second reign **QOBAD** I (CE 499-531)

KHUSRU I (CE 531-579), 3rd son of Qobad I

HORMAZD IV (CE 579-590), son of Khusru I

**VARAHRAN** VI (CE 590), army commander

[VISTAKHM (in Khorasan CE 592-596)], Khusru II's uncle

KHUSRU II (CE 590-628), son of Hormazd IV

**QOBAD** II (CE 25 Feb 628-6 Sept 628) Eldest son of Khusru II. Ruled about 6 1/2 months.

ARDESHIR III (CE 6 Sept 628-27April 629), 7 year old grandson of Khusru II. Ruled 6 1/2 months.

**SHAHRBARAZ** (CE 27April 629-9 June 629), army commander. Ruled 5 weeks. Murdered. No coins known to have been minted.

**PURANDOKHT** (CE 9 June 629-mid Oct 630) daughter of Khusru II Ruled 16 months.

KHUSRU III (CE mid Oct-early Nov 630), son of Hormazd IV. Ruled 3 weeks. No coins known to have been minted.

**GUSHNASP BANDEH** (CE early Nov-mid Dec 630), son of Hormazd IV. Ruled 5 weeks. No coins known to have been minted.

AZARMIDOKHT (CE mid Dec 630-mid March 631), daughter of Khusru II.
Ruled 3 months. No coins known to have been minted.

KHURRAZAD (CE mid March-mid April 631), grandson of Khusru II. Ruled 4 weeks. No coins known to have been minted.

FARROKHZAD (CE Mid April-mid May 631), grandson of Khusru II. Ruled 4 weeks. No coins known to have been minted.

**HORMAZD** V (CE mid May 631-early Jan 632), grandson of Khusru II. Ruled about 7 months.

KHUSRU IV (CE early Jan-mid March 632), grandson of Khusru I. Ruled 9 weeks. No coins known to have been minted.

PIRUZ II (CE mid March-mid April 632), grandson of Khusru I. Ruled 4 weeks. Coin previously not known but we have it (? contemporary fake)

KHUSRU V (CE mid April-mid June 632), 3 year old child-King. The only surviving son of Khusru II. Ruled 8 weeks.

YAZDEGARD III (CE 16<sup>th</sup> June 632- 641), grandson of Khusru II (son of Shahriyar)

Flight to China after the Battle of Nihavand was lost CE 641 Murder in Merv on return to Airan CE 651

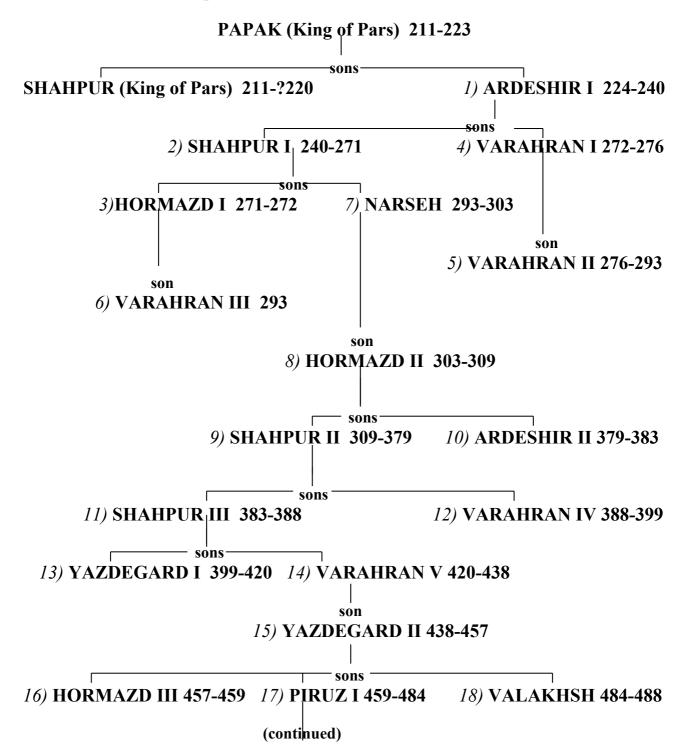
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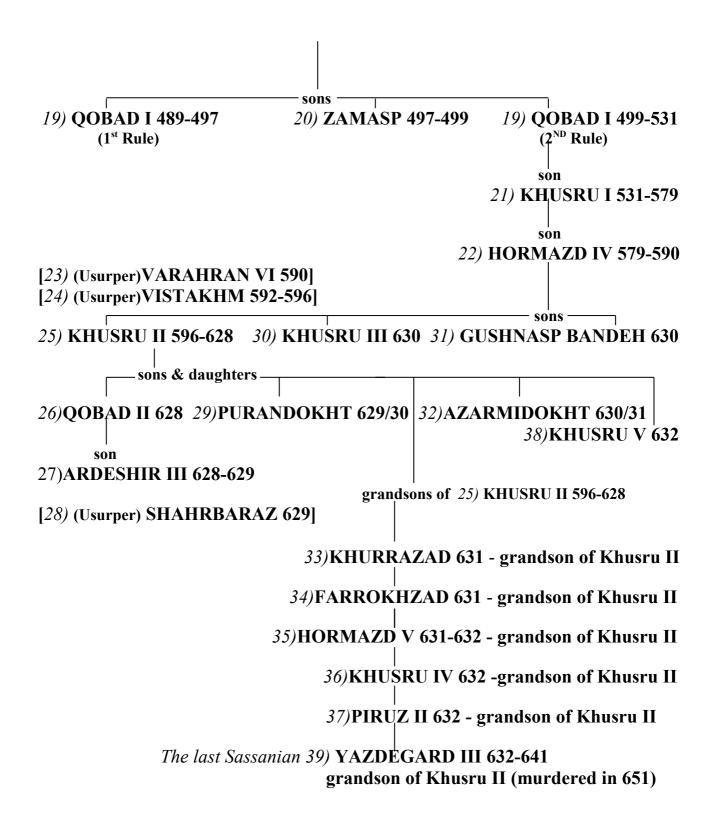
## THE GENEALOGY TREE OF RULERS

## THE SASSANIAN DYNASTY (CE 224-641)

[PAPAK, Commander of the Parthian Army in Pars married Princess Ram Behest (circa CE 200), daughter of Gozhir, the Parthian Satrap of Pars.

Papak took over from Gozhir circa 211]





[Note that there were 14 rulers - 25) to 38) - during a period of 4 years and 4 months between February 26, CE 628 and June 16, CE 632. 13 of these rulers, except 26), were assassinated. The last Sassanian 39) ruled for 9 years]

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