

John S. Moor

Lowell, Massachusetts

- 1808 John S. Moor is born in Manchester, NH on April 17.
- 1824 John marries Lucinda French in Canterbury, NH.
- 1839 John S. Moor, musical instrument maker, Lowell, MA; boards at Daniel Richardson's (directory).
- 1840 John S. Moor, musical instrument maker at Oliver A. Richardson's gunsmith shop on Middle St, Lowell (dir).
- 1841 – 1855 John is listed as a gunsmith working for Richardson. His last name varies as Moor or Moore (directory).
- 1855 Census has him moved to Waltham, MA and working as a watch maker.
- 1865 Still in Waltham as a watch maker (census).
- 1880 Still in Waltham and listed as a "gentleman" (census).
- 1890 John dies on March 8th in Waltham; age 81.

Bb keyed bugle shown is the only known instrument existing today and is marked "Lowell" so should date to c.1840. The design is very similar to that of Graves & Co. (bottom left photo from Horn-u-copia.net) of Winchester, NH so it's possible Moor worked for them before he came to Lowell in 1839. This bugle is 14.3" long with a 4.4" diameter bell and 9 keys.

