"A major problem for users of genealogical databases is that of variant spellings of surnames. "Soundex" offers a little help, but is a technique poorly adapted to surnames. Various databases offer some degree of surname grouping, such that a search on one surname will return other "possibles", but no database offers anything like a comprehensive coverage of surname variants and with more large datasets being generated (eg the NBI) the problem is getting worse."

WILLOUGHBY SPELLINGS I have encountered:

Person Specific:

*Willoighby (marriage cert. spelling for my ggg grandfather, William M.)
*Early record spellings for Thomas Willoughby who settled in Virginia in 1610: Willoby,
Willoughbye,
Willobey, Willowsaby

GENERAL:

- **Welloughby**
- **Wilabie**
- **Wilaby**
- **Wilbe**
- **Wilbee**
- **Wileby**
- **Willabe**
- **Willabee**
- **Willaby**
- **Willaughby**
- **Willaughly**
- **Willeby**
- **Willerbe**
- **Willerbee**
- **Williby**
- **Willioby**
- **Willioughby**

- **Willipy**
- **Willobey**
- **Willobie**
- **Willoby**
- **Willoghby**
- **Willoghbye**
- **Willohby**
- **Willoubey**
- **Willoubhby**
- **Willouby**
- **Willougbly**
- **Willougby**
- **Willoughbe**
- **Willoughbey**
- **Willoughbie**
- **Willoughbly**
- **Willoughty**
- **Willowbe**
- **Willowbey**
- **Willowby**
- **Willowghby**
- **Willowsaby**
- **Willughby**
- **Wilobe**
- **Wilobee**
- **Wilobie**
- **Wiloby**
- **Wilouby**
- **Wiloughby**
- **Wilowby**