**100 Sons-in-Law in the Islamic Republic of Iran**

Mehrzad Boroujerdi

In Iran, marriages among clerical families are a common tradition. These familial connections gained greater political significance with the establishment of the theocratic government in 1979. The list below, which is part of a broader research project on kinship and nepotism in the Islamic Republic, provides an overview of the role of sons-in-law, helping to understand the intricate relationships among high-ranking officials.

1. **Abbas-Ahmad Akhundi** (Minister of Housing and Urban Development) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Hashem Rasuli-Mahallati** (member of the Second Assembly of Experts).
2. **Hojjatoleslam Ali-Akbar Nateq-Nuri** (former MP and Interior Minister) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Hashem Rasuli-Mahallati** (member of the Second Assembly of Experts).
3. **Mohammad-Ali Shahidi-Mahallati** (Vice President and Head of the Foundation of Martyrs and Veterans Affairs) is also the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Hashem Rasuli-Mahallati** (member of the Second Assembly of Experts).
4. **Hojjatoleslam Mohammad-Hassan Gorhi** (member of Ayatollah Khomeini and Ayatollah Khamenei's office in Qom) is also the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Hashem Rasuli- Mahallati** (member of the Second Assembly of Experts).
5. **Vahid Khavaei** (CEO of Alavi Foundation) is the son-in-law of **Ismail Ahmadi-Moqaddam** (senior commander of the IRGC and chief of police).
6. **Mohammad-Javad Ezheh'i** (Ministerial Adviser and Head of State Welfare Organization in the first cabinet of Prime Minister Mir-Hossein Musavi) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Mohammad Beheshti** (member of the Revolution Council and Chief Justice).
7. **Javad Amani-Hamedani** (Secretary General of the Islamic Society of Guilds and Bazaar) is the son-in-law of **Ahmad Qadiri** (former Deputy Attorney General and one of the officials of Evin Prison).
8. **Mehrdad Bazrpash** (Vice President, President of the Court of Audit, Minister of Roads and Urban Development) is the son-in-law of **Alireza Aliahmadi-Jashfaqani** (Minister of Education during Ahmadinejad's presidency).
9. **Mohammad-Hossein Baniasadi** (Minister in the cabinet of Prime Minister Mehdi Bazargan) is the son-in-law of **Mehdi Bazargan** (former Prime Minister).
10. **Mohammad Pishgahi-Fard** (high-ranking member of the Islamic Republican Party) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mohammad Mofatteh** (member of the Revolution Council).
11. **Ayatollah Mohammad Mofatteh** (member of the Revolution Council) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Sadeq Ehsanbakhsh** (member of the First Assembly of Experts).
12. **Ali Abbaspour-Tehrani-Fard** (former MP) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Morteza Motahhari** (member of the Revolutionary Council).
13. **Ali-Naqi [Seyyed Mohammad] Jahromi** (Minister of Labor and Social Affairs in Ahmadinejad's first cabinet) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Ali-Akbar Nateq-Nuri** (former MP and Interior Minister).
14. **Mohammad-Sadeq [Mohyeddin] Haeri-Shirazi** (MP and member of the Assembly of Experts) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Nureddin Hosseini-Hashemi-Shirazi** (prominent cleric of Shiraz).
15. **Hojjatoleslam Hosseinzadeh Bahraini** (MP) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mehdi Noghani** (prominent cleric of Mashhad).
16. **Seyyed Mohammad Hosseini** (MP, Minister of Culture and Islamic Guidance, Vice President for Parliamentary Affairs) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Abbas Purmohammadi** (Secretary of the Islamic Republican Party in Kerman Province).
17. **Seyyed Ahmad Khatami** (member of the Assembly of Experts and Guardian Council) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Mohammad-Reza Saeedi-Golpayegani** (cleric who was killed in prison in 1970).
18. **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Hossein Mirkhalili** (advisor and head of the presidential office in the Planning and Budget Organization) is the son-in-law of **Seyyed Ahmad Khatami** (member of the Assembly of Experts and Guardian Council).
19. **Ayatollah Shahab al-Din Eshraghi** (head of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's office during exile) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini**.
20. **Ayatollah Seyyed Abolghasem Khazali** (member of the Guardian Council and Assembly of Experts) was the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Sheikh Mahmoud Kalbasi** (cleric).
21. **Hojjatoleslam Mohammad-Hadi Movahedi-Kermani** (First Deputy of the Judiciary) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Abolghasem Khazali** (member of the Guardian Council and Assembly of Experts).
22. **Ayatollah Seyyed Hadi Khosrowshahi** (member of the Assembly of Experts) was formerly the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Sadeq Rouhani** (one of the Shia sources of emulation).
23. **Khalil Dadvar** (MP during the Fourth Parliament) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Mohyeddin Fal-Asiri** (religious scholar).
24. **Seyyed Mohsen Dehnavi** (MP during the Eleventh Parliament) is the son-in-law of **Mohammad-Mehdi Rahbari-Amlashi** (former MP).
25. **Kazem Gharibabadi** (Iran's ambassador to the Netherlands, permanent representative to the United Nations in Vienna, representative to the International Atomic Energy Agency, and Deputy Chief of the Judiciary for International Affairs and Secretary of the Human Rights Headquarters) is the son-in-law of **Mohammad-Baqer Zolqadr** (Secretary of the Expediency Council).
26. **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Ebrahim Raisi** (Chief Justice and President) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Ahmad Alamolhoda** (Friday Prayer Leader of Mashhad and member of the Assembly of Experts).
27. **Meqdad Neely [Ahmad Abadi]** (former editor of "Raja News" and board member of Imam Reza Institute of Quranic and Prophetic Studies) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Ebrahim Raisi** (Chief Justice and President).
28. **Mehdi Sa'adati-Bishesar** (MP during the Eleventh Parliament) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Ali-Akbar Mohammadi** (custodian of the Rohieh seminary in Babol).
29. **Mehdi Sanaei** (former MP and Iranian ambassador to Russia) is the son-in-law of **Ali Yunesi** (Minister of Intelligence during the Mohammad Khatami administration).
30. **Malek Rahmati** (deputy of the Astan Quds Razavi, governor of East Azerbaijan) was the son-in-law of **Seyyed Mostafa Seyyed-Hashemi** (former MP and deputy for planning and economic development of the Executive Headquarters of Imam's Directive).
31. **Abdolali Ali-Asgari** (head of the Islamic Republic of Iran Broadcasting) is the son-in-law of **Mehdi Shah-Abadi** (former MP).
32. **Seyyed Mohammad-Hadi Razavi** (sentenced to twenty years in prison for illicit gains) is the son-in-law of **Mohammad Shariatmadari** (Minister of Commerce).
33. **Ayatollah Lotfollah Safi-Golpayegani** (member of the Assembly of Experts of the Constitution and Guardian Council) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Mohammad-Reza Golpayegani** (one of the Shia sources of emulation).
34. **Ali Saleh-Abadi** (Governor of the Central Bank) is the son-in-law of **Gholamreza Mesbahi-Moqaddam** (member of the Assembly of Experts).
35. **Hojjatoleslam Mehdi Sadr-al-Sadati** (member of the Fifth Assembly of Experts) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Mohammad-Reza Modarresi-Yazdi** (former member of the Guardian Council).
36. **Mohammad Aghasi** (head of ISPA and deputy for review and evaluation at the Cultural Council of the Supreme Council of the Cultural Revolution) is the son-in-law of **Seyyed Yahya (Rahim) Safavi** (former IRGC commander).
37. **Fazlollah Salavati** (former MP) is the son-in-law of **Allameh Mohammad-Taqi Jafari** (religious scholar).
38. **Hossein Taeb** (head of the Basij Resistance Force, head of the IRGC Intelligence Organization) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Ali-Akbar Musavi-Hosseini** (former MP).
39. **Ayatollah Seyyed Habibollah Taheri-Gorgani** (member of the Assembly of Experts) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Sajjad Alavi** (religious scholar).
40. **Ayatollah Seyyed Mohammad-Baqer Soltani-Tabatabai-Boroujerdi** (member of the Assembly of Experts) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Sadr al-Din Sadr** (one of the Shia sources of emulation).
41. **Majid Abbaspour-Tehrani-Fard** (professor at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Sharif University of Technology) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Morteza Motahhari** (member of the Revolutionary Council).
42. **Abdolreza Azizi** (former MP) is the son-in-law of **Seyyed Ali** **Musavinasab [Avvazzadeh]** (former MP).
43. **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Mahmoud Alavi** (former MP, member of the Assembly of Experts, Minister of Intelligence) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Mohammad Hosseini-Kashani** (member of the First Assembly of Experts).
44. **Ayatollah Abbas-Ali Amid-Zanjani** (former MP, president of Tehran University) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Shahab-al-Din Marashi-Najafi** (religious scholar).
45. **Ali Fazel-Lankarani** (brother of Ayatollah Mohammad Fazel-Lankarani, member of the First Assembly of Experts) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Shahab-al-Din Marashi-Najafi** (religious scholar).
46. **Ayatollah Seyyed Kazem Nourmofidi** (member of the Assembly of Experts) is the son-in-law of **Mohammad Fazel-Lankarani** (member of the First Assembly of Experts).
47. **Ayatollah Abdolhossein Gharavi** (member of the First Assembly of Experts) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Hassan Angaji** (one of the scholars of Azerbaijan).
48. **Nader Qazipur** (former MP) is the son-in-law of **Seyyed Hassan Vaez-Musavi-Anzabi** (MP for Urmia in the First Parliament).
49. **Seyyed Mohammad-Mahdi Ahmadi** (CEO of Shahr Bank) is the son-in-law of **Mohsen Rezaei** (former IRGC commander-in-chief).
50. **Ayatollah Ali Qoddusi** (Chief Prosecutor of the Islamic Revolution) was the son-in-law of **Seyyed Mohammad-Hossein [Allameh] Tabatabai** (philosopher and religious theorist).
51. **Hojjatoleslam Mohammad-Ali Ansari** (member of Ayatollah Khomeini's office) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Hossein Kermani** (MP during the First Parliament).
52. **Hojjatoleslam Asadollah Kiyan-Ersi** (former MP) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mohammad-Sadeq Khalkhali** (revolutionary judge and president of the Revolutionary Courts, former MP, member of the Assembly of Experts).
53. **Ali Larijani** (Minister of Culture and Islamic Guidance, head of the IRIB, member of the Expediency Council and Parliament) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Morteza Motahhari** (member of the Revolutionary Council).
54. **Mohammad-Amin Aghamiri** (Secretary of the Supreme Council of Cyberspace) is the son-in-law of **Mohammad-Javad Larijani** (former MP).
55. **Ayatollah Sadeq Amoli-Larijani** (Chief Justice and head of the Expediency Council) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Hossein Vahid-Khorasani** (religious scholar).
56. **Mohammad-Baqer Larijani** (President of Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Deputy chancellor of Islamic Azad University) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Hassan Hassanzadeh-Amoli** (Islamic philosophy professor).
57. **Hojjatoleslam Mostafa Mohaqqeq-Damad** (Chief Inspector General, Head of Islamic Studies Group of the Academy of Sciences of Iran) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Hashem Amoli (Ardeshir-Larijani)** (religious scholar in Qom and Najaf).
58. **Ayatollah Mahmoud Mohammadi-Araqi** (member of the Assembly of Experts and former member of the Expediency Council) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mohammad-Taqi Mesbah-Yazdi** (former member of the Assembly of Experts).
59. **Mehdi Hosseinzadeh** (Deputy of Social and Cultural Affairs of the Supreme Council of Free Trade-Industrial Zones) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mahmoud Mohammadi-Araqi** (member of the Assembly of Experts and former member of the Expediency Council).
60. **Javad Mohammadi** (Secretary of the High Council for the Attraction of Faculty Members of the Supreme Council of the Cultural Revolution) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mahmoud Mohammadi-Araqi** (member of the Assembly of Experts and former member of the Expediency Council).
61. **Mostafa Mo`in** (Minister of Culture and Higher Education, Minister of Science, Research and Technology) is the son-in-law of **Gohar al-Shariah Dastgheyb** (former MP).
62. **Mohammad-Mehdi Mofatteh** (former MP) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mohammad Mohammadi-Gilani** (former member of the Assembly of Experts and Guardian Council, Chief Justice).
63. **Hojjatoleslam Ahmad Molazadeh** (MP during the First Parliament) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Hossein Ghafari** (cleric who died in prison in 1974).
64. **Seyyed Hossein Musavi-Tabrizi [Pour-Mirghafari]** (former MP, Chief Prosecutor of the Islamic Revolution, member of the Assembly of Experts) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Hossein Nuri-Hamadani** (member of the First Assembly of Experts).
65. **Seyyed Hadi Hashemi** (brother of Seyyed Mehdi Hashemi, one of the founders of the IRGC) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Hossein-Ali Montazeri** (former Deputy Supreme Leader).
66. **Ayatollah Seyyed Abolfazl Mirmohammadi [Zarandi]** (member of the Assembly of Experts) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Ahmad Zanjani** (Shia jurist).
67. **Hojjatoleslam Masih Boroujerdi** (professor at the Qom seminary) is the son-in-law of **Seyyed Mohammad Mirmohammadi [Zarandi]** (former MP and member of the Expediency Council).
68. **Alireza Nejabat** (Deputy of Fars IRIB and Director General of Kish Island IRIB) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mohammad-Sadeq (Mohieddin) Haeri-Shirazi** (former MP and member of the Assembly of Experts).
69. **Hossein Nejabat** (former MP) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Nureddin Hosseini Hashemi** (religious scholar and jurist).
70. **Ali-Ashraf Riyahi** (accused in the 6.6 billion euro petrochemical corruption case) is the son-in-law of **Mohammad-Reza Nematzadeh** (former Minister of Industry, Mines, and Trade).
71. **Alireza Nobari** (Governor of the Central Bank) was the son-in-law of **Abolhassan Banisadr** (President).
72. **Ayatollah Mohammad-Ali Saduqi** (former MP) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Ruhollah Khatami** (member of the First Assembly of Experts).
73. **Hojjatoleslam Mohammad Hashemian** (former member of the Assembly of Experts) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mohammad-Ali Saduqi** (former MP).
74. **Mohammad-Reza Takhshid** (Dean of the Faculty of Law and Political Science at Tehran University) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mohammad Yazdi** (Chief Justice).
75. **Hassan Yunesi** (lawyer) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Ahmad Zargar** (Chief Justice of the Tehran Revolutionary Court and former Secretary of the Promotion of Virtue and Prevention of Vice).
76. **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Hassan Khomeini** (custodian of Seyyed Ruhollah Khomeini's shrine) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Mohammad Musavi-Bojnurdi** (member of the Supreme Judicial Council).
77. **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Ali Khomeini** (cleric) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Javad Shahrestani** (representative of Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Sistani).
78. **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Yasser Khomeini** (cleric) is the son-in-law of **Seyyed Mohammad Sadr** (former member of the Expediency Council).
79. **Mohammad Hassan Arabi** (member of the Qom City Council) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Ruhollah Khomeini**.
80. **Mahmoud Boroujerdi** (Deputy Minister of Higher Education, Iranian ambassador to Finland) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Ruhollah Khomeini**.
81. **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Masoud Khamenei** (cleric) is the son-in-law of **Seyyed Mohsen Kharrazi** (former member of the Assembly of Experts).
82. **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Mostafa Khamenei** (cleric) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Azizollah Khonsari** (representative of Ayatollah Khomeini in the Supreme Council of the Cultural Revolution).
83. **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Meysam Khamenei** (teacher at the Tehran seminary) is the son-in-law of **Mahmoud Loulachian** (wealthy bazaar merchant).
84. **Mohammad Mohammadi-Golpayegani** (head of Ayatollah Khamenei's office) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Reza Hosseini-Golpayegani** (cleric).
85. **Hamid Lahuti-Eshkevari** (doctor) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani** (President).
86. **Saeed Lahuti-Eshkevari** (doctor) is also the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Akbar Hashemi-Rafsanjani** (President).
87. **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Ali Musavi-Ardabili** (seminary teacher) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Javad Shahrestani** (representative of Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Sistani).
88. **Seyyed Masoud Musavi-Ardabili** (President of Mofid University) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mahmoud Hashemi-Shahroudi** (former Chief Justice).
89. **Gholam-Hossein Elham** (Minister of Justice) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Ali Davani** (author of the 10-volume book "The Movement of the Iranian Clergy").
90. **Asadollah Badamchian** (Secretary General of the Islamic Coalition Party) is the son-in-law of **Saeed Amani-Hamedani** (former MP).
91. **Mohammad Reyshahri** (Minister of Intelligence) is the son-in-law of **Ali-Akbar Meshkini** (Chairman of the Assembly of Experts).
92. **Abdol-Jabbar Karami** (MP) is the son-in-law of **Mostafa Khorramdel** (MP).
93. **Mohammad-Ali Karimi** (MP) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Reza Khoshroo** (cleric).
94. **Hojjatoleslam Isa Vela'i** (former MP) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Mohammad-Reza Tavassoli-Mahallati** (member of the Expediency Council and Assembly of Experts).
95. **Hesamoddin Ashna** (Cultural Advisor to President Hassan Rouhani) is the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Ghorbanali (Hossein Ali) Dorri-Najafabadi** (former MP and member of the Assembly of Experts, Minister of Intelligence).
96. **Mojtaba Rezaei** (MP during the Eleventh Parliament) is the son-in-law of **Habibollah Burbur** (businessman and Secretary General of the Loyalists of the Islamic Revolution Party).
97. **Hojjatoleslam Seyyed Ahmad Khomeini** (member of the Expediency Council and Assembly of Experts) was the son-in-law of **Ayatollah Seyyed Mohammad-Baqer Soltani-Tabatabai Boroujerdi** (former member of the Assembly of Experts).
98. **Molavi Abdulhamid Ismaeelzahi** (Friday Prayer Leader of Zahedan and Director of Darul Uloom Zahedan) is the son-in-law of **Molavi Abdulaziz Mollazadeh** (member of the Assembly for the Final Review of the Constitution).
99. **Kambiz Mehdizadeh** (Deputy Minister of Industry, Mines, and Trade and head of the Geological and Mineral Explorations Organization) is the son-in-law of **Hojjatoleslam Hassan Rouhani** (President).
100. **Hossein Heydari** (advisor and special assistant to the mayor in smart city, modern technologies, and urban innovation) is the son-in-law of **Alireza Zakani** (Mayor of Tehran).
101. **Ruhollah Rahmani** (Director General of the Innovation and Investment Support Office of the Ministry of Communications and Deputy of the Innovation Division of Digikala Corporation) is the son-in-law of **Gholam-Ali Haddad-Adel** (former MP and member of the Expediency Council).