

BYRNE FAMILY

NB: The following is prepared from Falkland Islands Registers and files – there may be other family born outside the Falklands. Unless stated otherwise, all dated births, deaths and marriages occurred in the Falklands and all numbered graves are in Stanley Cemetery. Various spellings of names are recorded as written at the time.

Patrick BYRNE was born circa 1806 in Wexford, Ireland. Patrick was married to **Mary COCKRANE (CAUGHLIN)** (*not in the Falkland Islands*).

Patrick, Mary and their children **James** and **Margaret BYRNE** arrived in the Falkland Islands on board the Barque *Victory* 13 October 1849 as part of a group of military pensioners commanded by Captain James Reid, a total of 122 people including women and children. Their period of enrolment in the Falkland Islands was seven years, ending in July 1856.

In the February 1851 census the **BURNE** family are listed as:

Patrick BURNE, age 41, (*military*) pensioner, Irish

Mary BURNE, age 39, wife, Irish

James BURNE, age 5, child

Margaret BURNE, age 3, child

NB: Mary omitted

Patrick, pensioner, was on the list of convictions before the magistrate during 1851. [H9]

Patrick was refused permission to leave the Falkland Islands and requested land 27 September 1852. [H11]

In May 1855 Private BYRNE was recorded as living in No 1 Upper Row (*12 Pioneer Row*) and did not have a privy [H8]

Permission was given to release Mary from gaol 13 June 1857. [D7; 258]

Patrick, age 51 and a labourer & pensioner born in Wexford in Ireland, died 3 or 4 July 1857 in Stanley from apoplexy and was buried 5 July 1857 (*no grave record – possibly buried in Section B, Catholic Section*)).

Mary and her surviving children are believed to have left the Falkland Islands in 1858.

Children of Patrick and Mary BYRNE:

1. **James Alexander BURNE** born circa 1846 (*not in the Falkland Islands*). James, age 9, was recorded on the return of the Government School dated 1 April 1855. [H8] James, age 9, died 15 May 1855 in Stanley from typhus and was buried 16 June 1855 in Stanley Cemetery (*no grave record – possibly buried in Section B, Catholic Section*).
2. **Margaret BURNE** born circa 1848 (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Margaret, age 7, was recorded on the return of the Government School dated 1 April 1855. [H8] Margaret, age 7, died 20 June 1855 in Stanley from typhus and was buried 21 June 1855 in Stanley Cemetery (*no grave record – possibly buried in Section B, Catholic Section*).
3. **Mary BYRNES** born 15 October 1850 in Stanley and baptised 1 December 1850 by Holy Trinity Church. Mary, age 4, was recorded on the return of the Government School dated 1 April 1855. [H8]
4. **Marsilla BYRNE** born 26 February 1853 in Stanley and baptised **Priscilla BYRNE** 25 September 1853 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as pensioner. Marsilla, age 2y & 5m, died 20 June 1855 in Stanley from typhus and was buried 2 July 1855 in Stanley Cemetery (*no grave record – possibly buried in Section B, Catholic Section*)).
5. **Bridget Catherine BYRNE** born 22 May 1855 in Stanley and baptised **Bridget Anne BYRNE** 19 June 1855 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as labourer & pensioner.
6. **Catherine BYRNE**, under 1 month old, baptised 23 January 1857. [H14]