

COUTTS 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.

William COUTTS was born in Banffshire, Scotland in 1846.

William left Southampton 23 February 1872 on sv *Endora*. The trip took 99 days and they arrived June 1872. William rescued Jane Jennings who nearly fell overboard while watching flying fish by grabbing her dress. He came to work for the Falkland Islands Company Limited. William, Scotch shepherd, was married to **Ann FELL** 3 December 1874 at Darwin, according to the Presbyterian form, after banns by Reverend A Yeoman, Minister. The witnesses were William Fell and James Campbell. William's father was recorded as John Coutts, gamekeeper and Ann's as William Fell, overseer.

William died 22 January 1925 on Lively Island and is buried in Darwin Cemetery. Ann, age 88, died 1 February 1946 in Stanley and was buried in Grave P 1314.



FIRST GENERATION

Children of William and Ann COUTTS:

1. **Margaret COUTTS** born 7 February 1875 at Black Rock. Margaret was married to **Thomas SMITH**, carpenter, 1 June 1910 at Bleaker Cottage, Port Stanley by Robert Johnson, Nonconformist Minister. The witnesses were Duncan Fell and Lizzie Smith. Thomas' father was recorded as James Smith, carpenter. Thomas died 1 October 1941, age 71, and is buried in Grave L1195. Margaret died 27 June 1966 and is buried in Grave T2058
2. **Ann COUTTS** born 5 March 1876 at Laguna Isla. Ann was married to **Andrew REIVE**, shepherd living at Port Sussex, 29 June 1899 in the house of Mr Coutts at Cantera, East Falkland according to the Rites & Ceremonies of the Established Church by Licence by Lowther E Brandon MA Dean & Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were John David Evans and William Hawill. Ann was living at Cantera. Andrew's father was recorded as Peter Reive, shepherd.
3. **Jessie COUTTS** born 13 May 1877 at Laguna Isla. Jessie, age 23 & living in Stanley, was married to **Robert REIVE**, age 33, widow and shepherd living at San Carlos South, 25 August 1900 in the Parish Church according to the Rites & Ceremonies of the Established Church by Licence by Lowther E Brandon MA Dean & Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were William Coutts and John Coutts. Robert's father was recorded as Peter Reive, shepherd. Robert died 27 February 1936 in Stanley and is buried in Grave K1092. Jessie died, age 69, 24 June 1946 and is buried in Grave P1324.
4. **Jane COUTTS** born 24 June 1878 at Laguna Isla. Jane was married to **Sydney Markham GLEADELL**, navy, 3 March 1928 at the Registrar's Office, Stanley by Special Licence by M Craigie Halkett, Ag Registrar General. The witnesses were M Smith and F Gleadell. Sydney's father was recorded as Edward Gleadell, deceased. Jane died 6 September 1938 at Elephant Beach, Port San Carlos and is buried there.
5. **Elizabeth COUTTS** born 2 April 1880 at Laguna Isla. Elizabeth, age 21, was married to **Adam SMITH**, age 33, shepherd living at Campa Verde, San Carlos S, 15 August 1901 in the house of Mr Coutts, Cantera according to the Rites & Ceremonies of the Established Church by Lowther E Brandon MA Dean & Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were John Smith and Hugh Campbell. Adam's father was recorded as James Smith, navy. Adam died 6 July 1944 and is buried in Grave P1277.
6. **John COUTTS** born 21 July 1881 at Laguna Isla. Farm manager, Lively Island. John was married **Margaret MIDDLETON**, domestic servant, 29 August 1924 at Darwin Harbour by Governor's Licence by Alex Moir, Deputy Registrar & JP. The witnesses were Peter Coutts and Isabella Middleton. Margaret's father was recorded as Lindsay Middleton, shepherd. Margaret died 29 March 1948 and is buried in Grave P1375. John died 20 October 1962 in Stanley and is buried in Grave Q1724.
7. **Elsbet COUTTS** born 5 January 1883 at Laguna Isla and baptised 24 May 1883 by the United Free Church. Elspet was married to **William REDMOND**, blacksmith, 3 February 1911 at Cantera by Special Licence by Patrick O'Leary Roman Catholic Priest. The witnesses were C N Foley and William Coutts. William's father was recorded as William Redmond, blacksmith. Elspet was baptised by St Mary's Roman Catholic Church the same day. Elspet died 24 June 1921 from tubercular meningitis and is buried in Grave M862. William died 17 April 1950, age 73, and is buried in Grave M1426.

8. **Elliot Fell COUTTS** born 8 September 1884 at Laguna Isla and baptised 2 November 1884 by the United Free Church. Elliot was married to **Albert James PHILLIPS**, labourer, 6 September 1907 at Cantera, Darwin District C Rome Hall, Assistant Cathedral Chaplain. The witnesses were W Coutts, Mary Coutts and H Phillips. Albert's father was recorded as Jesse Phillips, retired foreman. Albert died 19 August 1940 and is buried in Grave L1163. Elliot died 6 June 1960 and is buried in Grave S1669.
9. **Isabella COUTTS** born 11 December 1885 at Laguna Isla and baptised 11 March 1886 by the United Free Church. Isabella, age 20, was married to **Thomas REIVE**, shepherd, 7 September 1905 at Cantera, Darwin by Special Licence by Lowther E Brandon MA Dean & Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were John Coutts and Elspet Coutts. Thomas' father was recorded as Peter Reive, shepherd. Thomas died 17 December 1941 and is buried in Grave J1201. Isabella died 18 October 1959 in Stanley and is buried in Grave S1651.
10. **James COUTTS** born 30 April 1887 at Laguna Isla and baptised 14 May 1887 by the United Free Church. James, age 61 and a farm manager, died 5 March 1949 and was buried 8 March 1949 in Grave Q1396.
11. **Fell COUTTS** born 2 October 1888 at Cantera and baptised 3 April 1889 by Holy Trinity Church. Fell, a farm manager, was married to **Theodora Gladys WILLIAMS** 1 July 1919 in St James' Church, Punta Arenas by John Williams, Acting British Chaplain. The witnesses were James Coutts, Jane E Williams and John W Williams. Theodora's father was recorded as John Williams, Clerk in Holy Orders. Both Fell and Theodora were living in Punta Arenas at the time.
12. **Mary COUTTS** born 7 June 1890 at Cantera and baptised 10 February 1891 by Holy Trinity Church. Mary was married to **Arthur PORTER**, labourer, 5 March 1917 at the house of William Redmond, Goose Green by Governor's Licence by Alex Moir, Deputy Registrar. The witnesses were John Coutts and Elspet Redmond. Arthur's father was recorded as Joseph Porter, deceased. Arthur worked on board HMCS "Afterglow". He died 15 November 1970 at Stanley and is buried in Grave P1797. Mary died 6 May 1983 and is buried in Grave P1998.
13. **Charles COUTTS** born 13 November 1892 at Cantera and baptised 31 January 1893 by Christ Church Cathedral.
14. **Duncan Fell COUTTS** born 29 August 1895 at Cantera and baptised 12 December 1895 by Christ Church Cathedral. Duncan was married to **Annie Middleton MORRISON** 24 July 1925 at Darwin Harbour by Special Licence by Alex Moir, Deputy Registrar & JP. The witnesses were Peter Coutts and Violet Morrison. Annie's father was recorded as Kenneth Morrison, shepherd. Duncan, age 32, died in Stanley 2 December 1927 from tuberculosis and was buried 6 December 1927 in Grave L972. Annie went to Punta Arenas on holiday in 1928.
15. **Peter Tulloch COUTTS** born 31 May 1897 at Cantera and baptised 23 July 1897 by Christ Church Cathedral. Peter, age 52 and a shepherd, died 18 April 1950 and was buried 20 April 1950 in Grave Q1427.

DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM & ANN STILL IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS