

DOUGLAS 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. Any variations which may occur in the spellings of names are recorded as written in the records at the time.

William DOUGLAS was born circa 1846 in Scotland..

William started working for the Falkland Islands Company Ltd in April 1865 in the Lafonia area on a monthly wage of £3-10-0. He left the Company's employ on 1 June 1867. [FIC/IW1; 350-351]

William started working for the Falkland Islands Company Ltd in the Lafonia area again prior to 1 January 1881. On 30 June 1881 he was paid £32 for taming 16 horses; 27 May 1882 £38 for taming 19 horses; 30 June 1883 £32 for taming 16 horses; and 6 June 1884 £36 for taming 18 horses. William finished working for the Falkland Islands Company Ltd in the Lafonia area 6 June 1884 and took a cash order for £44 for the balance of his account. [FIC/IW3; 77-78, 461]

William, a Scottish stock-hand living at Bodie Creek, was married to **Jane "Jeanie" GREENSHIELDS** 14 September 1881 at Douglas Station by Governor's licence according to the Presbyterian form by Anthony German, Minister. The witnesses were James Greenshields and W K Cameron. William's father was recorded as John Douglas, gentleman farmer, and Jane's father was recorded as Robert Greenshields, gentleman and farmer.

Jane, age 43, died 1 May 1899 at Useful Hill, Patagonia. [FIM May 1899; On memorial in St. Bride's Churchyard, Douglas, Lanarkshire, Scotland] Jane's brother, Thomas, age 29, died 21 December 1889 and left half of Useful Hill Station to William; the other half to his brother George.

William, age 61 & of Estancia Esperanza, South America, died 15 August 1907 in Llanfyllin, North Wales. [On memorial in St. Bride's Churchyard, Douglas, Lanarkshire, Scotland]

FIRST GENERATION

Children of William and Jane DOUGLAS:

1. **Robert Greenshields DOUGLAS** born 30 August 1882 at Bodie Creek and baptised 11 October 1882 by the United Free Church, Darwin. His father's occupation was recorded as herdsman. Robert, age 28 & a farmer living in Punter Arenas, was married to **Ethel Emma ROBINS**, age 25 & living in Punta Arenas, 28 May 1910 in St James' Church, Punta Arenas according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England after civil marriage on the same day by J Stanley Smith. The witnesses were John W Douglas and M Robins O. Robert's father was recorded as William Douglas, deceased farmer, and Ethel's father was recorded as James Charles Robins, engineer. Ethel, who was born 8 July 1884 to James C and Emma J Robins, died 12 February 1912 at Estancia Esperanza, South America, and was buried there. Robert left to enlist September/October 1915. [FIM Sep 1915] Robert, age 33 and a second lieutenant in the Suffolk Yeomanry, died 14 August 1916 of wounds in Egypt and is buried in the Alexandria (Hadra) War Memorial Cemetery in Grave B2. [On memorial in St. Bride's Churchyard, Douglas, Lanarkshire, Scotland]
2. **John William DOUGLAS** born 16 April 1884 at Bodie Creek and baptised 12 May 1884 by the United Free Church, Darwin. His father's occupation was recorded as herdsman. John was married to **Mabel Annie ROBINS** in 1914 in London, England. John, age 59, died 29 July 1943 at Netherwood, Newbury, Berkshire, England. [On memorial in St. Bride's Churchyard, Douglas, Lanarkshire, Scotland]
3. **James Thomas Magellan DOUGLAS** born circa 1888 (*not in the Falkland Islands*). James, age 34 & of Useful Hill Station, Straits of Magellan, died 20 February 1923 in the Metropole Hotel, London, England. [On memorial in St. Bride's Churchyard, Douglas, Lanarkshire, Scotland]
4. **Alexander Clarence DOUGLAS** born circa 1892 (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Alexander, age 10, died 10 March 1902 at 38 Blenheim Gardens, London, England. [On memorial in St. Bride's Churchyard, Douglas, Lanarkshire, Scotland]