# **HANSEN FAMILY (2)**

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.

Charles HANSEN, a native of Denmark, came to the Falkland Islands in 1860 after being wrecked on board the *Concordia* of Hamburg. {See "A Life of Our Choice by Sydney Miller" Charles, owner of the schooner "Louisa" and a native of Heligoland\* living in Stanley, was married to **Julia Sarah SPITTLE**, domestic living at Government House, 18 March 1869 at Trinity Church, Stanley according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England by Licence by Charles Bull MA Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were Henry Robason, Madeline Felton, Alice Felton and Nora Felton. Charles' father was recorded as **Matse HANIS-GR** (also entered as **Matze HUNZIKER**), farmer, and Julia's father was recorded as John Spittle, mess master.

Charles was granted naturalisation 20 December 1879. [Ordinance No 3 of 1879]

Charles, age 54, died 1 October 1891 after being lost overboard while crossing from Santa Cruz to Carcass Island. [Will & Death Notice] There is a memorial window to Charles in Christ Church Cathedral, Stanley.

Julia left the Falkland Islands 1 April 1920 on board the RMS "Orcoma". Julia, a widow of Berwyn, Sutton-road, Erdington, Birmingham, died 31 August 1922. Probate was granted to her daughter Frederica and she left effects worth £6,933-17-10 [Will & Death Notice; England and Wales national probate calendar. Probate dated 16th of October 1922 Registry Birmingham, England]

\*In 1879 Charles wrote an appeal to the Governor confessing that he was in fact Danish and asking for naturalisation as a British citizen which was granted that year.

#### FIRST GENERATION

#### Children of Charles and Julia HANSEN:

- 1. Julia Marian HANSEN born 30 December 1869 at Stanley and baptised 18 March 1870. Julia, age 23 and living on Carcass Islands, was married to Sydney MILLER, age 26 and a farm manager living at Hill Cove 12 July 1892 on Carcass Island according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by Licence by Lowther E Brandon MA Colonial Chaplain 12 July 1892. The witnesses were Sarah Hansen and Ella Bertrand. Sydney's father was recorded as James Miller, contractor, and Julia's father was recorded as Charles Hansen, sheep farmer. Sydney was born 25 January 1867 in Shoreham in the UK. He worked as the manager at Hill Cove, West Falkland. He was appointed a member of the Board of Health for the West Falklands and also a Justice of the Peace in 1903. There is no obituary for him in the Falklands.
  - Julia and Sydney retired to Cornwall in 1929. Julia died 9 December 1936 in Cornwall. [see Obituary]
- 2. **Frederika Kate HANSEN** born 21 July 1871 at Stanley and baptised 27 September 1871. Frederika was married to **Ernest Stanley REEVES** at St Michaels Church, Boldmere 21 July 1903. [see Marriage Notice] Ernest died c1945 and Frederica in 1948.
- 3. Charles John Henry HANSEN born 22 June 1873 and baptised 13 July 1873. Charles died 9 June 1937 at Carcass Island from natural causes heart failure and is buried on Carcass Island. There is no obituary for him.
- 4. William Jason HANSEN "Jason" (twin) born 24 January 1882 in Sidmouth, Devonshire, England. Jason, a farm manager from England, was married to Daisy SCOTT 26 January 1910 father Charles **SCOTT**, shepherd. Daisy was born at Chartres, West Falkland 19 October 1890 at Carcass Island by Registrar's Licence by J Meredith Bate, Assistant Cathedral Chaplain. The witnesses were Julia Sarah Hansen and Charles Scott. William's father was recorded as Charles Hansen, farmer, and Daisy's father was recorded as Charles Scott, shepherd. Jason died 21 January 1952 at Carcass Island. According to the Coroner's Court of Inquiry held at Carcass Island 2 February 1952 by J E Hamilton JP, the cause of death was "Misadventure. Accidentally killed by overturning of farm tractor while driving" He is buried in Grave 1475. (There were no local periodicals at this time and no report or obituary). Daisy emigrated to the UK in 1957.



**Jason 1925** 

5. **Stanley HANSEN** (twin) born 24 January 1882 in Sidmouth, Devonshire, England. Stanley died April 1906 at San Julian, South America. [FIM Jul 1906]

### SECOND GENERATION

## Children of Julia (1) and Sydney MILLER:

- 1. Frederica Daisy MILLER born 19 June 1894 at Hill Cove and baptised 1 July 1894. She married Harry Walls TOWNSON, a bachelor and veterinary surgeon. They were married at the house of Mr S Miller, Hill Cove, West Falkland by Registrar's Licence, by Edward J Seymour, Dean & Chaplain, 27 April 1915. The witnesses were Maurice Buckworth and Sydney Miller. Harry's father was listed as William Walls TOWNSON, a veterinary surgeon. [see Wedding Report] Harry was appointed Camp Manager for the Falkland Islands Company Ltd in 1916. The family left the Falklands 9 December 1919.
- 2. Ruth MILLER born 30 November 1895 (not in the Falklands) and baptised 29 March 1896 in the Falklands. Died Easter Sunday, 31 March 1918 (not in the Falklands death information from family bible).
- 3. Constance MILLER born 30 October 1899 at Hill Cove and baptised 19 February 1900. Married William Henry LUXTON (not in Falklands) some time after 1929. He was a widower and had two daughters, Beatrice Orissa (b. 20 May 1902) and Viola Mary Maggie (b. 9 July 1905) both born in the Falkland Islands, and a son, Keith William Edwin born 10 February 1908 in Bromley Kent, from his previous marriage. His first wife, Maud Agnes LUXTON née SMITH, died 24 September 1920 from acute pneumonia and is buried in Grave D852.
  - William died 22 September 1952 and is buried in Grave 1493. Constance died in 1989 in England there was no local periodical at both times in the Falkland Islands.
- **4. Sydney MILLER** born 8 March 1905 at Hill Cove and baptised 18 June 1905. Married **Betty Lois FELTON** at Christ Church Cathedral by Banns by Harold E Lumsdale, Dean of Christ Church 20 February 1933. The witnesses were M H Creamer, G J Felton and C Luxton. [see Wedding Reports x 2]

Betty was born 24 December 1911 at Stanley to **Roy Stanley FELTON** and **Muriel Harriet FELTON** née **DUROSE**. Her father was a sheep farmer.

Sydney died 4 July 1992 and is buried in Grave V3009 [see Obituary]. Betty died 28 October 2004.

DESCENDANTS OF CHARLES AND JULIA STILL IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS