

McPHEE 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 spellings of names are recorded as written in the records at the time.

Donald McPHEE was married to **Grace CARRUTHERS** 24 July 1876 (*not in Falkland Islands*). Donald senior died 1 January 1907 (*not in Falkland Islands*).

Children of Donald and Grace McPHEE:

1. **James McPHEE** (*did not come to the Falkland Islands*). Was working as a piper in private employment in 1915.
2. **Donald Stuart McPHEE** was born 25 December 1879 at Kingussie, Inverness, Scotland. Left from Liverpool on board the ss *Oravia* 25 August 1910 with his brother Alexander arriving in Stanley, Falkland Islands 22 September 1910. Probably went to Darwin with his brother on board the *Samson* 24 September 1910 but is not listed individually. Worked for the Falkland Islands Company Ltd from 21 September 1910-26 May 1911 and was earning £7-0-0 a month when he finished work. He was charged £14-0-0 for his passage from England which was deducted from his wages. Is shown as departing with his brother for Liverpool on board the *Oravia* 13 June 1911 and returning on the same ship 24 August 1911. Donald left Darwin again 2 May 1912 for Montevideo on the *Columbus* returning to Stanley 30 July 1912 on board the *Whaler*. Left Stanley with his brother on the *Oropesa* for Liverpool 6 August 1912. Left Liverpool 17 October 1912 with his brothers Alexander and Angus on board the RMS *Oravia*. The ship was wrecked on the Billy Rock outside Stanley Harbour the night of 12 November 1912 with no loss of life. Donald worked his passage back to the UK on the *Bogota*, which left 16 August 1914, and enlisted in the 5th Cameronians. He was invalided out after being wounded and arrived back from Liverpool 12 April 1917. He sailed back to Port San Carlos 24 April 1917 to resume work. Donald married **Sara Ann PATERSON**, daughter of **Donald PATERSON** a farmer, 9 September 1917 in St Mary's Roman Catholic Church. Sara was born in Santa Cruz, Argentina 3 September 1896. Donald's profession was recorded as school teacher. He also worked as a caretaker, shepherd, labourer and cook. Donald, Sara and Grace went to Punta Arenas, Chile 21 August 1920 on board the *Orita*. They returned with Betty, who was born at San Sebastian, Tierra del Fuego, 1 April 1924 on board the *Oriana*. On 10 July 1931 Donald was injured while loading timber on board the ss *Falkland*. He was taken to the hospital in Stanley where it was found he had two fractured ribs. Donald, Sara and Grace applied for passports in 1935 to take up residence in the UK. Betty, Ian, Angus, Jean and Hamish accompanied them. They departed 30 September 1935 on board the *Lafonia* for Montevideo en route to England.
3. **Alexander "Sandy" McPHEE** was born 26th November 1884 at Hopehill, Glasgow, Scotland. Left from Liverpool on board the ss *Oravia* 25 August 1910 with his brother Donald arriving in Stanley, Falkland Islands 22 September 1910. Left for Darwin on board the *Samson* 24 September 1910. Worked for the Falkland Islands Company Ltd from 21 September 1910-26 May 1911 and was earning £5-0-0 a month when he finished work. He was charged £14-0-0 for his passage from England which was deducted from his wages. Is shown as departing with his brother for Liverpool on board the *Oravia* 13 June 1911 and returning on the same ship 24 August 1911. Left Stanley with his brother on the *Oropesa*

for Liverpool 6 August 1912. Left Liverpool 17 October 1912 with his brothers Donald and Angus on board the RMS *Oravia*. The ship was wrecked on the Billy Rock outside Stanley Harbour the night of 12 November 1912 with no loss of life. Alexander was a paid private on active service in the Falkland Islands Volunteer Force until 30 June 1915 when he returned to civil employment. He received £5 pay a month with rations while on active service. Alexander married **Letitia Maud CAREY**, daughter of **David CAREY** (deceased), 14 February 1918 at Christ Church Cathedral. Alexander's profession was recorded as mariner. Letitia died 22 August 1925, age 32, and is buried in Stanley Cemetery in Grave J828. Alexander died 21 February 1943, age 60, at Port Howard and is buried there.

4. **Angus McPHEE** born circa 1892. Left Liverpool 17 October 1912 with his brothers Alexander and Donald on board the RMS *Oravia*. The ship was wrecked on the Billy Rock outside Stanley Harbour the night of 12 November 1912 with no loss of life. (*No other mention of him other than the fact that he was still in the Falkland Islands in 1915*)
5. **Mary McPHEE** (*did not come to the Falkland Islands*). Was working in a mill in Perth and living with her mother at 38 New Row, Perth in 1915.
6. **Margaret McPHEE** (*did not come to the Falkland Islands*). Was working in a mill in Perth and living with her mother at 38 New Row, Perth in 1915.

DESCENDANTS OF ALEXANDER & LETITA STILL IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS