

RATCLIFFE 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 RATCLIFFE, a seaman from England, was married to **Emily FRY**, a domestic from England, 28 March 1870 at Trinity Church Stanley according to the rites and ceremonies of the Church of England by Governor's Licence by Charles Bull MA Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were William Macey and Celestina Pitaluga. William's father was recorded as William Ratcliffe, engineer and Emily's father as William Fry, gardener.

Emily came to the Falkland Islands on board the *Victoria Tatham* which left London December 1869 and arrived in Stanley 22 February 1870. Her passage cost £15. [FIC: Island Ledger No 2, pg 81]

William Ratcliffe was appointed the Government Pilot 1 February 1871 on an annual salary of £72. Captain William Ratcliffe, Senior was granted a licence as a pilot for the Port of Stanley 23 July 1897 and this was still valid 11 January 1905. Emily died of apoplexy 4 May 1892, age 48, and is buried in Grave A66. William died from cardiac disease and influenza 29 September 1920, age 80, and is buried in Grave Ei853.

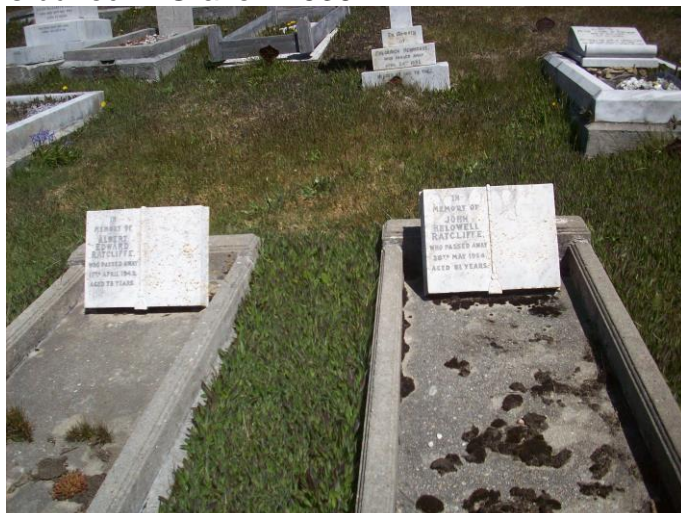
FIRST GENERATION:

Children of William and Emily RATCLIFFE:

1. **Emily Crossman RATCLIFFE** born 9 October 1870 in Stanley. Died 6 March 1922 and is buried in Grave K866.
2. **William RATCLIFFE** born 3 October 1871 in Stanley. Seaman. Died 14 August 1943 and is buried in Grave K1244.



3. **John Hallowell "Jack" RATCLIFFE** born 20 November 1872 in John Street, Stanley. Worked as part of the crew of the *Zillah* when she brought in the cargo of the wrecked *J R Kelly* in June 1899. 1 November 1923 purchased the front half of what is now 31 Fitzroy Road from Elizabeth Humble, heir of George Natt. 30 March 1929 purchased the south portion of the lot for £150 from Estate Cornelius Michael Lehen. John's occupation later was a merchant. He died 28 May 1954 and is buried in Grave K1536.



4. **George RATCLIFFE** born 5 March 1874 in Stanley. Went to Liverpool on the *Victoria* 25 May 1904.
5. **Albert Edward "Bertie" RATCLIFFE** born 9 November 1875 in Stanley. Also worked as Government Pilot. Died 17 April 1949 and is buried in Grave K1400.

6. **David Hallowell RATCLIFFE** born 9 October 1878 in Stanley. Suffocated in the peat slip of 2 June 1886 and is buried in Grave A104.
7. **James William RATCLIFFE** born 27 January 1881 in Stanley. Died 9 February 1955 and is buried in Grave K1542.



8. **Howard Hallowell RATCLIFFE** born 28 December 1883 in Stanley. Howard commenced working as a lad with his brothers Jack and James on the *Zillah*. Served on FIC schooners and from 1918 worked as Government Pilot after the retirement of his brother Bert. Howard died Tuesday 26 September 1944 and was buried Friday 29 September 1944 in Grave K1283. [Obituary FI Weekly News 28 Sep 1944]

