

WALSH 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.

John WALSH, age 25 and a mariner, was married to **Emily McGILL**, age 27, 14 March 1895 in the house of A E Baillon, Stanley according to the rites and ceremonies of the Baptists by Governor's licence by Ernest C Murphy, Baptist Minister. The witnesses were Isabella McGill, James McGill, W McGill and A C Goss. John's father was recorded as James Walsh, tanner, and Emily's father was recorded as William McGill, shepherd.

On 19 June 1869 John, a mariner, purchases Crown Grant 107 being one rood in the southern suburbs of Stanley for £12. [Reg: Vol IV, pg 168] On 29 May 1906 he sold it for £15. [Reg: Vol V, pg 188]

On 1 May 1912 John is appointed a deckhand on the *Penguin* and sanitary puntman.

In August 1920 John is appointed foreman of the navy gang for the FIC. [FIC/D13; 564]

On 01 August 1928 John purchases Crown Grant 49 being ½ an acre on Fitzroy Road for £75. [Reg: Vol VIII, pg 391] On 22 August 1931 he sells part of Crown Grant 48 to **Esther WALSH** being one chain, two hundred and eight square yards for one shilling. [Reg: Vol VIIIA, pg 202] On 14 September 1931 Esther sells her part including all buildings for £400. [Reg: Vol VIIIA, pg 212]

On 3 April 1936 John, a seaman, writes his will leaving everything to his son **Gerald William WALSH** but to be used by his wife during her lifetime. [Reg: Vol X, pg 195]

John, age 67 and a labourer, died 2 November 1939 was buried in Grave N1145. Emily, age 71, died 28 February 1940 was buried in Grave N1158.

FIRST GENERATION:

Children of John and Emily WALSH:

1. **Hugh Wright WALSH** born 16 December 1895 and baptised 6 March 1898 by St Mary's Roman Catholic Church. His father's occupation was recorded as mariner. Hugh went to Punta Arenas in 1919 signed on the ss *Kenuta*.
2. **James Lambeth WALSH** born 24 July 1897 and baptised 6 March 1898 by St Mary's Roman Catholic Church. His father's occupation was recorded as sailor. James was employed as a wireless telegraph apprentice by the Falkland Islands Government 1 November 1913. In 1916 he completed his apprenticeship & passed exams as 1st Class Operator. Acted as Junior Operator from 1 June 1916. and he acted as operator from 19 February to 7 September 1918 when the Colonial Wireless Station closed down. He then took charge of the station newly erected at Fox Bay. Worked as telegraph operator at Fox Bay in 1919. James went to Montevideo in 1920.
3. **John Roach WALSH** born 20 August 1901. His father's occupation was recorded as mariner. John, of full age and a storekeeper, was married to **Esther Emily DAVIS**, under age, 21 July 1927 at St Mary's Roman Catholic Chapel, Stanley by Banns by Mario Louis Migone, Priest in Charge. The witnesses were D Walker and E Enestrom. John's father was recorded as John Walsh, foreman and Esther's father was recorded as Benjamin Davis, carter. John died 13 November 1930, age 29, of miliary tuberculosis, cystitis and broncho-pneumonia and is buried in Grave N1011. Esther married (2) **Eric Thomas JOHNSON**, a shepherd 26 September 1931 at Chartres by Special Licence by William H Luxton, Justice of the Peace. The witnesses were Charles Porter and Karina May Sornsen. Eric's father was recorded as Edward Roach Johnson, retired farm foreman.
4. **Gerald William WALSH** born 13 April 1904 in Stanley and baptised 13 May 1904 by St Mary's Roman Catholic Church. His father's occupation was recorded as gardener. Gerald, a sailor, went to Canada via Montevideo or Great Britain in 1928 for a visit. Gerald, a sailor, went to Canada via the USA in 1935 to obtain employment. On 9 April 1940 Gerald sold the land and buildings on Fitzroy Road for £500. [Reg: Vol X, pg 218]