DUFFIN 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.

Alfred Harry "Tom" DUFFIN was born 26 January 1885 in Basingstoke, Hampshire, England [FIG: PP3, pg 2] Harry was a first cousin to **George JENNINGS**. Harry's father **Thomas DUFFIN**, born 27 February 1839 to **Thomas** and **Rose DUFFIN**, was the younger brother of **Mary JENNINGS** née **DUFFIN**, born 1825, George's mother. [Family history, to be confirmed].

Harry arrived in Stanley 17 October 1911 on board the *Orissa* from Liverpool. Harry started work for the Falkland Islands Company Ltd in the North Arm area 23 October 1911 on a monthly salary of £7-0-0. v [FIC/IW8, pg 609-610]

Harry, a foreman labourer from England, was married to **Jane BURNS** 21 August 1914 at North Arm by Alex Moir, Deputy Registrar. The witnesses were Henry Jennings and Emma Burns. Harry's father was recorded as Thomas Duffin, labourer, and Jane's father was recorded as Thomas Thompson Burns, shepherd. Harry, age 37 and a labourer, Jane, age 34, and Maud, age 7, departed 6 October 1923 for Liverpool on board the *Oriana* for a holiday in England. Harry, Jane and Maud arrived back 2 July 1924 on board the *Ortega* from Liverpool. Harry was recorded as being 5' 10" tall with fair hair and brown eyes. Jane was recorded as being 5' 3½" tall with brown hair and blue eyes.



Harry, age 37

Jane, age 34

Jane, age 60 and from the Falkland Islands, died 7 March 1949 in Stanley and was buried 9 March 1949 in Grave Q1397. Harry, age 70 and from England, died 14 June 1955 and was buried 16 June 1955 in Grave Q1548.



Children of Harry and Jane DUFFIN:

1. Sarah Emma Maud "Maud" DUFFIN born 4 January 1916 at North Arm and baptised 26 November 1916 by Christ Church Cathedral. Her father's occupation was recorded as foreman labourer. Maud departed Stanley 9 February 1937 on board the *Dawn* for Sparrow Cove to camp out at the Mount Low huts. [Penguin 17 Feb, pg 4] Maud was married to **Dennis John "Jack" SOLLIS**, seaman, 23 May 1940 at Christ Church Cathedral by Special Licence by Gerald K Lowe, Senior Chaplain. The witnesses were Leslie Sollis and Nellie Hansen. Dennis' father was recorded as Frank Sollis, stonemason, and Maud's father was recorded as Alfred Henry Duffin, policeman. Maude, age 44, went to Montevideo in 1960 for medical treatment, and Jack, age 44 and a civil servant accompanied her. Muad and Jack went on holiday in 1970 and 1973. Jack, age 70, died in England 31 May 1985 while on leave and his ashes were interred 3 September 1985 in Grave V3040.

