

JENNINGS 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.

George JENNINGS was born 3 October 1847 in Basing, Hampshire to **John JENNINGS**, labourer, and **Mary JENNINGS** née **DUFFIN**. George was a first cousin to **Harry DUFFIN**. 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.

George, age 23 and a hammersmith, was married to **Jane NORTH** 26 February 1870 in Basing. The witnesses were William Henry Ruddle and Annie North. George's father was recorded as John Jennings, labourer, and Jane's father was recorded as Thomas North, labourer. Jane was born 26 September 1841 in Hampshire.

George, a labourer, his wife, two children and infant, were passengers on the *Endora* leaving London 15 January 1872. The *Endora* arrived in Stanley April 1872 after 84 days out with 14 crew, 15 passengers and cargo for the FIC Limited. Another labourer for the FIC Ltd on board was **Alfred NORTH**. [FIC: C1, des 430]

George commenced work April 1872 for the Falkland Islands Company Ltd in the Lafonia area on a monthly wage of £3-10-0. By 1903 George was working as a butcher on a monthly wage of £6-0-0. George finished working for the FIC 13 March 1910.

On 9 May 1910 George was presented with a purse containing £30 from his friends and neighbours. George and Jane left on RMS *Orissa* 17 May 1910 to return to Hampshire, England. [FIM Jun 1910]

George and Jane lived in Basingstoke for a few years then moved to the Lockerbie district. Jane, age 80 years and 7 months, died at Hewke Hill, Lockerbie 31 March 1921 [FIM May 1924]. George then went to live with his daughter Ellen McCall. George, age 82, died early Thursday morning 25 July 1929 at the home of his daughter Mrs McCall in Lockerbie, Scotland and was buried on the Saturday at Dryfesdale Cemetery. [Annandale Herald 1 Aug 1929] The net proceeds of his estate came to £64-10-8 ½ which was divided equally between his seven children; Ellen McCall, William Jennings, Frederick Jennings, Charles Jennings, Mary McCarthy, Jessie Kendal and Mabel Middleton.

FIRST GENERATION:

Children of Jane NORTH:

- a. **William Staples NORTH** born 3 December 1865 in Basing, Hampshire, England. His father's name was not recorded and his mother's occupation was recorded as servant. William arrived April 1872 with his family on the *Endora*. **William JENNINGS** left on RMS Orissa 17 May 1910 with his parents. In February 1921 the Colonial Manager of the FIC stated that William was working as a boy in 1855 and recommended pensioning William off as he was always ailing and it would be cheaper. [FIC/D13; 617] William left again 2 April 1922 on board the *Orcoma* for Liverpool. In 1929 William was living with his sister at Malvinas, Lockerbie, Scotland.

Children of George and Jane JENNINGS:

1. **Frederick George JENNINGS** born 25 September 1870 in Basing, Hampshire, England. His father's occupation was recorded as labourer. Frederick arrived April 1872 with his family on the *Endora*. Frederick, age 24 and a shepherd, was married to (1) **Georgina Rae THOMPSON**, age 21, 29 May 1894 in the house of William Bound according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by Licence by Edward C Aspinall asst Col Chaplain. The witnesses were Mary Jane Jennings and Thomas John Jennings. Frederick's father was recorded as George Jennings, labourer, and Georgina's father was recorded as George Thompson, shepherd. Georgina died, 30 November 1896 at Horn Hill, age 23, of phthisis and was buried 4 December 1896 at North Arm.



Frederick, a widower and shepherd, was married to (2) **Emma UWINS**, widow and domestic servant, 10 March 1904 at the Church at Darwin by Reg Gen's Licence by C K Blount MA Assistant Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were Mabel Jennings, and Henry Jennings. Frederick's father was recorded as George Jennings, labourer, and Emma's father was recorded as John Potter, tradesman. [Account of wedding FIM Apr 1904] Frederick started work with the FIC as a boy and worked for them until his retirement in 1924 when he moved into Stanley. He was granted a pension of £34 a year in 1923 for 36 years of service. In 1929 Frederick was living in Maraqueta Cottage, 12 Brandon Road, Stanley. Emma had come to the Falkland Islands as a cook for Mr Matthews of the Falkland Islands Company Limited. Emma, age 69, died 4 September 1938 and was buried

Tuesday 6 September 1938 in Grave L1125. [Obituary FI Weekly News 8 Sep 1938] Frederick, age 72, died 31 August 1942 at the home of Jack Peck after a short illness and was buried in Grave L1225. [Obituary]

2. **Ellen Maria JENNINGS** born 12 January 1872 in Basing, Hampshire, England. Her father's occupation was recorded as labourer. Ellen arrived April 1872 with her family on the *Endora*. Ellen, age 21 and English, was married to **Archibald McCALL**, age 40 and superintendant of North Arm Section, 4 August 1892 at Darwin Harbour in the house of George Jennings according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by Licence by Lowther E Brandon MA Colonial Chaplain & Dean. The witnesses were David Bond and Jessie Jennings. Archibald's father was recorded as George McCall, shepherd, and Ellen's father was recorded as George Jennings, butcher. Archibald retired from the FIC Ltd in 1910 and went to Lockerbie in Scotland. Archibald died 23 February 1921 in Lockerbie, Scotland. [Obituary FIM Jan 1922] Ellen died in Scotland in 1953.
3. **Jessie JENNINGS** born 30 May 1873 at Darwin and baptised 30 October 1873 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as labourer. Jessie was married to **Walter John KENDAL**, overseer, 1 July 1909 at the Registrar's Office, Darwin by Special Licence by C N Foley, JP & Registrar of Marriages. The witnesses were William Jennings and Ellen McCall. Walter's father was recorded as John Kendall and Jessie's father was recorded as George Jennings, labourer. [Account of wedding FIM Aug 1909] In 1929 Jessie was living in Pioneer Row, Stanley. Jessie, age 66, died 20 January 1941 and was buried in Grave L1175. Walter, age 78, died 14 October 1950 and was buried in Grave 1437.
4. **Thomas John JENNINGS** born 23 September 1875 at Darwin and baptised 5 May 1877 by Holy Trinity Church. His father's occupation was recorded as labourer. Thomas, age 37, was married to **Susana RAMIREZ**, age 34 & from Iquique, Chile, 18 January 1913 in Nuestra Señora de Luján, Río Gallegos. Thomas' parents were recorded as George Jennings & Jane North from England, and Susana's parents were recorded as Carlos Ramirez & Maria Santos Aguilar from Chile.
5. **Charles JENNINGS** born 5 December 1877 and baptised 5 February 1878 by Holy Trinity Church. His father's occupation was recorded as labourer. Charles worked for the FIC in the North Arm area for many years. In 1929 Charles was living at Cattle Point, North Arm. Charles, age 75 and a shepherd, died 10 August 1953 and was buried 14 August 1953 in Grave Q1517.
6. **Mary Jane JENNINGS** born 16 February 1880 at Darwin. Her father's occupation was recorded as labourer. Mary, age 19 and living at Darwin, was married to **Michael McCARTHY**, age 22 and a shepherd living in Lafonia, 13 July 1899 by St Mary's Chapel in Stanley. The witnesses were Charles McCarthy, Jessie Jennings, Nellie McCarthy and Thomas John Jennings. Michael's father was recorded as Philip McCarthy, labourer, and Mary's father was recorded as George Jennings, butcher. [Account of wedding FIM Aug 1899] In 1929 Mary was living at Danson Harbour, North Arm. Mary, age 52, died 1 March 1932 at Danson Harbour from natural causes and was buried at North Arm.
7. **Henry JENNINGS** born 9 January 1882 at Darwin. His father's occupation was recorded as labourer. Henry started working for the FIC in the North Arm area 3 December 1894 on a monthly wage of £2-0-0. Henry, a shepherd, died 4 December 1921 at North Arm from a haemorrhage and pulmonary embolism and was buried there 10 December 1921.



8. **Mabel Eliza JENNINGS** born 25 January 1886 at Darwin and baptised 6 May 1886 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as labourer. Mabel was married to **James MIDDLETON**, shepherd, 16 July 1908 at Darwin by Special Licence by C Rome Hall, Assistant Cathedral Chaplain. The witnesses were Henry Jennings and Alice Steel. James' father was recorded as Stewart Middleton, shepherd, and Mabel's father was recorded as George Jennings, butcher. [Account of wedding FIM Sep 1908] In 1929 Mabel was living at Darwin Harbour. James started work with the Falkland Islands Company Limited at Darwin 1 December 1898 and by 1945 had worked for 46 years for the FIC at Darwin as shepherd and head shepherd. James, age 65 and a shepherd, and Mabel, age 66, went to the UK in 1952. James, age 75 and a retired farmer, died 31 January 1959 at Lower Maudlin Street on way to the Bristol Royal Infirmary, Bristol, England. He was living at 48 South Liberty Lane, Bedminster, Bristol at the time. Mabel died 29 March 1974 at Summerlands Hospital, Yeovil, England. She was living at 30 Elmhurst Avenue, Yeovil at the time.

SECOND GENERATION:

Children of Frederick (1) and Georgina JENNINGS:

1. **Henry George JENNINGS** born 19 March 1895 at North Arm and baptised 22 November 1895 by Christ Church Cathedral. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Henry, age 13, started work for the FIC in Lafonia 26 November 1908 and worked for them for many years then for six years at Douglas Station then for the last 20 years lived in Stanley. Henry, a labourer, was married to **Ada Caroline KIDDLE** 29 April 1929 at Christ Church Cathedral by Banns by S E E Aylward, Clerk in Holy Orders. The witnesses were Alexander Lee Kiddle and Ethel Summers. Henry's father was recorded as Frederick George Jennings, retired shepherd, and Ada's father was recorded as Alexander Lee Kiddle, labourer. Henry, age 50 and a labourer, died 23 September 1945 from endocarditis and bronchitis and was buried 25 September 1945 in Grave O1303. [Obituary FI Weekly News 27 Sep 1945]

Children of Frederick (1) and Emma JENNINGS:

- a. **Frederick John JENNINGS** born 25 February 1905 at Mariquita, Darwin and baptised 21 October 1905 by Christ Church Cathedral. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Frederick, a labourer, was married to **Dora Irene JENNINGS** 6 June 1931 at the Registrar's Office, Stanley by Special Licence by M Craigie Halkett, Ag Registrar General. The witnesses were F G Jennings and W R Halliday. Frederick's father was recorded as Frederick George Jennings, night watchman, and Dora's father was recorded as Thomas Jennings, occupation unknown. Frederick, age 52 and a labourer, died from cancer 4 December 1957 in Stanley and was buried 7 December 1957 in Grave S1601. Dora, age 77, died 9 February 1988 in Aberdeen, Scotland, and her ashes were interred 23 February 1988 in Grave S3087.

Children of Ellen (2) and Archibald McCALL:

1. **James Haining McCALL** born 22 June 1893 at North Arm. His father's occupation was recorded as superintendant of shepherds.
2. **William George McCALL** born 14 November 1895 at North Arm. His father's occupation was recorded as overseer at North Arm.
3. **Archibald Henry McCALL** born 28 May 1897 at North Arm. His father's occupation was recorded as overseer at North Arm.
4. **Susan Jane McCALL** born 15 March 1904 at North Arm. Her father's occupation was recorded as overseer.

Children of Jessie (3) and Walter KENDAL:

1. **John Thomas "Jock" KENDAL** (twin) born 8 July 1913 at 3.50pm at Walker Creek and baptised 11 August 1913 by Christ Church Cathedral. His father's occupation was recorded as foreman labourer. John, age 23 and a mariner, went to England on duty in 1936. John, age 27, died in 1940 from malaria contracted on his way to England on board the *Lafonia*. [Obituary FI Weekly News 11 July 1940]

2. **George North "Pun" KENDAL** (twin) born 8 July 1913 at 4.50pm at Walker Creek and baptised 11 August 1913 by Christ Church Cathedral. His father's occupation was recorded as foreman labourer. George, age 39 and a seaman, went on holiday to the UK in 1952.

Children of Mary (6) and Michael McCARTHY:

1. **Ellen "Nellie" McCARTHY** born 14 December 1900 at Darwin Harbour. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Ellen was married to **Kenneth John McPHEE**, shepherd, 18 July 1918 at the Cookhouse, North Arm by Governors Licence by Alex Moir, Deputy Registrar. The witnesses were Mary Jane McCarthy and Henry Jennings. Kenneth's father was recorded as Kenneth McPhee, hotelkeeper, and Ellen's father was recorded as Michael McCarthy, shepherd. Ellen, age 20, died 13 September 1921 from uraemia and is buried at North Arm.
2. **William George McCARTHY** born 4 January 1903 at Darwin Harbour. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. William, a shepherd, was married to **Daisy Edna WALKER** 7 March 1929 at St Mary's Roman Catholic Chapel, Stanley by Banns by Mario Louis Migone, Priest in Charge. The witnesses were Charles McCarthy, Nora McCarthy and Thomas P Walker. William's father was recorded as Michael McCarthy, shepherd, and Daisy's father was recorded as Thomas Palmer Walker, engineer.
3. **Mary Jane McCARTHY** born 30 January 1905 at Danson Harbour. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Mary was married to **Bertram Arthur SEDGWICK**, sailor, 5 May 1925 at Darwin Harbour by Special Licence by Alex Moir, Deputy Registrar & JP. The witnesses were Henry Horace Sedgwick and Nora McCarthy. Bertram's father was recorded as Henry Horace Sedgwick, deceased foreman labourer, and Mary's father was recorded as Michael McCarthy, shepherd.
4. **Charles McCARTHY** born 9 July 1907 at Darwin Harbour. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Charles, a shepherd, was married to **Rosina Mary SUMMERS** 13 February 1933 at St Mary's Roman Catholic Chapel, Stanley by Special Licence by Mario Louis Migone, Priest in Charge. The witnesses were Archive McCarthy and Alma Summers. Charles' father was recorded as Michael McCarthy, overseer. Rosina and Charles emigrated to New Zealand in 1955 with their two sons, Terence and Toni.
5. **Nora McCARTHY** born 3 November 1909 at Danson Harbour, North Arm. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Nora, a housekeeper, was married to **William Edgar ROBERTS**, shepherd, 20 May 1936 at St Mary's Catholic Church, Stanley by Banns by Hugh Drum, RC Priest. The witnesses were Edgar Edward Roberts and Winnie McCarthy. William's father was recorded as Edgar Roberts, cook, and Nora's father was recorded as Michael McCarthy, overseer.
6. **Michael McCARTHY** born 26 March 1912 at Danson Harbour. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Michael, age 7, died 28 May 1919 from diabetes and was buried at North Arm.
7. **Archibald Henry McCARTHY** born 29 June 1914 at Danson Harbour, North Arm. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Archibald, a handyman, was married to **Hazel Joyce SEDGWICK** 8 March 1950 at the Nonconformist Church (Tabernacle), Stanley by Walter Forrest McWhan, Nonconformist Minister. The witnesses were

Dorothy Margaret Sedgwick and Michael McCarthy. Archibald's father was recorded as Michael McCarthy, retired overseer, and Hazel's father was recorded as William Henry Sedgwick, carpenter.

8. **Winnie McCARTHY** born 10 December 1916 at Danson Harbour, North Arm. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Winnie was married to **Hugh Ernest CLIFTON**, shepherd, 24 February 1943 at Christ Church Cathedral by Banns by Gerald K Lowe, Senior Chaplain. The witnesses were J Clifton and S Sedgwick. Hugh's father was recorded as William George Clifton, cook, and Winnie's father was recorded as Michael McCarthy, farm overseer. Hugh, age 39 and a contractor, Winnie, age 40, and their children went to the UK in 1957. Hugh died 2 January 1991 in Carterton, New Zealand.
9. **Michael McCARTHY** born 9 August 1919 at Darwin. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Michael, age 30 and a labourer, went on a visit to New Zealand in 1950.
10. **Philip McCARTHY** born [REDACTED] at Danson Harbour, North Arm. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Philip, age 27 and a seaman, went to Uruguay and the British Empire in 1949.

Children of Mabel (8) and James MIDDLETON:

1. **Ellen Violet MIDDLETON** born 15 February 1910 at Mount Pleasant and baptised 17 May 1910 by Christ Church Cathedral. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Ellen, a domestic cook, was married to **Donald Wilfred James ROGERS**, labourer, 23 September 1933 at Goose Green by Special Licence by J Traill Wood, Registrar. The witnesses were James Arthur Sarney and Elizabeth Sarah Scott. Donald's father was recorded as Stanley Eli Rogers, carter, and Ellen's father was recorded as James Middleton, head shepherd. In February 1937 Donald wrote to the Colonial Secretary to say that he was leaving for the UK in May 1937 and that he had been employed by the FIC for 11 ½ years. Ellen died 1 May 2004 in Somerset, England.
2. **Margaret Jane MIDDLETON** born 25 November 1911 at Mount Pleasant and baptised 29 January 1913 at Mount Pleasant by the Tabernacle. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Margaret, a nurse, went to the UK on business in 1928. Margaret, a domestic servant, was married to **Charles Henry THOMPSON**, mason, 23 February 1933 at the Registrar's Office, Stanley by Special Licence by G R L Brown, Registrar General. The witnesses were P Pettersson and Martin Henricksen. Charles' father was recorded as Charles Fisher Thompson, mason, and Margaret's father was recorded as James Middleton, shepherd. Margaret and Charles went to the UK with their family in 1933. Margaret died 12 September 1954 in Bristol, England.
3. **Mabel Eliza MIDDLETON** born 30 November 1913 at Mount Pleasant and baptised 17 December 1913 at Mount Pleasant by the Tabernacle. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Mabel, a domestic, was married to **Howell Robert EVANS**, under gardener, 4 December 1932 at Christ Church Cathedral by Special Licence by Harold E Lumsdale, Dean of Stanley. The witnesses were E Berntsen and C Evans. Howell's father was recorded as John David Evans, engineer, and Mabel's father was recorded as James Middleton, shepherd. Mabel was baptised by Christ Church Cathedral 29 January 1935. Mabel and her two sons went to the UK in 1948 to rejoin her husband. Mabel died 18 January 1995 in Auckland, New Zealand.

4. **James Darwin MIDDLETON** born 2 March 1917 at Mount Pleasant and baptised 17 March 1917 by Christ Church Cathedral. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. James, a baker, was married to **Eveline Frances McLEOD** 30 January 1947 at Christ Church Cathedral by R G R Calvert, Senior Chaplain. The witnesses were Francis William Aldridge and Mary Ann Aldridge. James' father was recorded as James Middleton, shepherd, and Eveline's father was recorded as Donald McLeod, gardener. James was killed 8 January 1966 in a traffic accident on the Hauraki Plains, New Zealand.

5. **Georgina Elizabeth MIDDLETON** born 30 May 1920 at Darwin and baptised 12 July 1920 by Christ Church Cathedral. Her father's occupation was recorded as assistant overseer. Georgina was married to **Percy Stanley DIXON**, carpenter, 15 April 1942 at Christ Church Cathedral by Special Licence by Gerald K Lowe, Senior Chaplain. The witnesses were J D Middleton and A D Scott. Percy's father was recorded as William Basil Dixon, deceased, and Georgina's father was recorded as James Middleton, foreman. Georgina, Percy and their children travelled to the UK in 1948. Georgina, Percy and their children emigrated to New Zealand in 1957. In 2007 Georgina was living in Auckland, New Zealand.

DESCENDANTS OF GEORGE & JANE STILL IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS