

LYNCH 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.

Children of ? and ? LYNCH:

1. **Thomas LYNCH** was born circa 1838 (*not in the Falkland Islands*).

Thomas was married to **Mary JENKIN** (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Thomas was in the 2nd Battalion Scots Fusilier Guards.

Thomas and Mary were hired in England in 1886 as house servants for Robert and Dora Blake and sailed with them the same year for the Falkland Islands. Their daughter Mary accompanied them. They worked for the Blake family for six years. [Falklands Heritage, Mary Trehearne]

Thomas and Mary departed 17 March 1892 on board the *Isis* bound for England via Montevideo. They accompanied Dora Blake and her children and arrived in Dartmouth on Easter Day, 17 April 1892. [FIM Apr 1892: Falklands Heritage, Mary Trehearne]

Thomas, age 71 and a pensioner, 2nd Battalion Scots Fusilier Guards, died in Stanley 2 June 1909. The informant was his brother **William LYNCH**. Thomas was buried 6 June 1909 in Grave I 706.

Mary, a widow from England, was married to (2) **George Alexander RATTLEY**, gardener, 13 July 1914 at Speedwell House, Stanley by C McDonald Hobley. Chaplain. The witnesses were U H Clausen and Adelaide Clausen. George's father was recorded as George Alexander Rattley, carter, and Mary's father was recorded as Robert Jenkin, deceased farmer.

Mary, age 79 and British, died in Stanley 26 November 1924 and was buried 30 November 1924 in Grave J 911.

George, age 73 and a British cook, died at Spring Point 4 January 1928 and was buried there.

2. **William LYNCH** was born circa ? (*not in the Falkland Islands*).

William was married to ? (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Mr and Mrs W LYNCH arrived from Dartmouth on board the *Pentaur* 16 October 1889. [FIM Jun 1898]

On 6 September 1904 C G A ANSON wrote to the manager of the Falkland Islands Company Ltd advising that he was expecting "*the William Lynches*" by the next mail from Sandy Point and that William was coming to Chartres to manage when he went to England in 1905. On 29 September 1904 he wrote "*I am very sorry that the Lynches were crowded out of the Fortuna as it would have been such a capital chance of their getting round, and I know what a wretched sailor Mrs Lynch is. I shall be sending horses over to Fox Bay next week so I hope they will have a good run out.*" Although they aren't listed as arrivals it is likely they arrived in Stanley on the RMS *Panama* 15 September 1904. [FIC/EC/CHA/01#03; 04; 05]

Mr and Mrs W LYNCH arrived from Fox Bay and Great Island on the *Malvina* 26 May 1909. William was in Stanley when his brother Thomas died 2 June 1909. William and his wife departed for Liverpool on board the *Orissa* 17 June 1909. [FIM Jun 1909; Jul 1909]

Children of Thomas (1) and Mary LYNCH:

1. **Mary Harriet LYNCH** born circa 1873 (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Mary, age 19 and living in Stanley, was married to **George Frederick Rudd JOHNSON**, age 23 and a shepherd living in Stanley, 14 March 1892 in Christ Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by Licence by Lowther E Brandon MA Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were Thomas Lynch and Mary Lynch. George's father was recorded as William Johnson, mariner, and Mary's father was recorded as Thomas Lynch, hatter. Mary, age 24 & British, died 7 November 1896 from cardiac failure after childbirth and was buried 10 November 1896 at Hill Cove.

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Children of Mary (1) and George JOHNSON:

1. **Mary Ellen "May" JOHNSON** born 6 November 1896 at Hill Cove and baptised 10 November 1896 by Christ Church Cathedral. Her father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Mary was married to **William Charles RUMBOLDS**, shepherd, 10 February 1919 at Christ Church Cathedral by Governors Licence by J Stanley Smith, Clerk in Holy Orders. The witnesses were Mary Rattley and George Rattley. William's father was recorded as Thomas William Rumbolds, soldier, and Mary's father was recorded as George Frederick Johnson, foreman. May, age 25, died 19 April 1922 on Saunders Island from pulmonary tuberculosis and cachexia and was buried on Saunders Island.