

McASKILL/MacASKILL 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 McASKILL was married to **Kate “Katti” MORRISON** (*not in the Falkland Islands*). John & Kattie emigrated to the Falkland Islands from Kyles Scalpy, Outer Hebrides.

The FI Magazine of November 1895 lists among the passengers on board the ss *Pentaur*, from London arriving in Stanley 8 November 1895, Mr & Mrs McAskill, (also an R McAskill and a T McAskill). This may have been **John McASKILL** and **Katie (Kate) McASKILL** née **MORRISON**. The December FI Magazine lists a Mr & Mrs J McAskill and child departing from Stanley to Camp on the *Result*.

The family all returned to Scotland except for Jack who stayed behind, and settled in Fernlea, Portnalong, Isle of Skye (*no record of their departure found*).

FIRST GENERATION:

1. **John “Jack” McASKILL** born circa 1888 (*not in Falkland Islands*). Came to the Falkland Islands with his parents from Kyles Scalpy, Outer Hebrides (*see above*). Went to work at Roy Cove for the Clements circa 1907. Shepherd. Married **Jane Eliza “Lottie” McKAY** 10 May 1911 at Mount Sullivan House, West Falkland by J Meredith Bate, Assistant Cathedral Chaplain. The witnesses were Richard McKay, Donald McKay, Gideon McKay and Harry Morton Stanley Turner. Jack’s father was recorded as John McAskill, shepherd and Lottie’s as George McKay, shepherd. They moved to Goring House, Chartres. John and Jane did not have any children in the Falkland Islands. Lottie, also known as Mrs Mac, received the British Empire Medal in 1957 as a reward for her service to the people of West Falkland. Jack died 4 July 1968 age 80, and is listed as a retired shepherd from Scotland. He is buried in Grave T2118 in Stanley Cemetery. There is no obituary in the local periodical of the time. Lottie continued to live at Goring House until 1973 when she moved into Stanley. Lottie died 30 June 1979 in Stanley at the age of 87 and is buried in Grave T2117.
2. **Peter Kenneth McASKILL** born 25 May 1896 at Little Chartres, West Falkland and baptised 1 November 1896 by Lowther E Brandon, Dean & Colonial Chaplain. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd.
3. **Donald Ewen McASKILL** born 2 February 1898 at Little Chartres, West Falkland and baptised 12 March 1898 by Lowther E Brandon, Dean & Colonial Chaplain. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd and his father signed with a X. Emigrated to Australia from the Isle of Skye.
4. **Panning “Panny” MacASKILL** born 13 November 1899 at Little Chartres, West Falkland and baptised **Bannatyne MacASKILL** 28 June 1900 by Lowther E Brandon, Dean & Colonial Chaplain. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd and he signed with a X. Panning settled on the Isle of Skye.
5. **Robert McASKILL** born 13 April 1902 at The Saddle, Chartres, West Falkland and baptised 20 October 1902 by Charles Blount, Assistant Minister, with a note under the entry reading *“This child was not “received” according to the Public Baptismal service, not signed with the Cross.”* His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Robert married a local girl on Isle of Skye.
6. **Joanne McASKILL** born Isle of Skye.
7. **Catherine McASKILL** born Isle of Skye.