

McLAREN 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. All variations in spelling of surnames is how they were recorded in the records.

James McLAREN, shepherd, a passenger on the *Elbe* left England in August 1877. [FIC LO-St 1867-1877, pg 517]

James McLAREN, shepherd with two dogs, and his wife, **Agnes McLAREN** née **EADE**, to perform house duties, departed the UK on board the *Neko* October 1882. They arrived in the Falkland Islands 27 November 1882 on board the *Neko*. James was employed by the Falkland Islands Company Ltd for L A Baillon but left after complaining of the treatment of himself and his wife. He then went to work for Blake at Hill Cove. [FIC LO-St 1878-1888, despatch 614, 628]

Advertisement: *Mrs McLaren is ready to take in washing, to make up white shirts &c. also, plain sewing and knitting; 1/- and 1/6 for socks and stockings respectively, when the worsted is supplied.* [CM Jun 1891]

Advertisement: *James McLaren begs to inform the public that he has taken David Mitchell's Establishment and is prepared to receive boarders, to supply meals, tea, coffee, &c at a moment's notice. Camp residents please note the above.* [CM Jun 1891]

Agnes McLAREN, British and age 38, died 23 May 1896 from syncope after parturition (*in childbirth*) and was buried in Grave A42. There is no birth, death or burial record for her stillborn daughter who was most likely buried with her.

In the Falkland Islands Magazine of July 1897 in the Petty Debt Court **John DAVIS** made a claim of £20 against **James McLAREN** for a debt incurred during nearly two years for looking after his son who was 4 years old. James stated that he had been working at San Carlos South as a navy at £5 a month, 13 months employed up to 10 March then he was dismissed. He stated that another son, 10 or 11 years of age was with Mrs Martin. The judgement was for the plaintiff for the full amount plus costs of 5/-. [CM Jul 1897]

James Rogers McLAREN, British and age 82, died 5 October 1926 and was buried 6 October 1926 in Grave J946.

FIRST GENERATION:

Children of James and Agnes McLAREN:

1. **Thomas James McLAREN** born 6 February 1884 at Crooked Inlet and baptised 30 March 1886 by Holy Trinity Church. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. Thomas died from tuberculosis 16 August 1913 and was buried in Grave I763.
2. **George Manuel McLAREN** born 5 December 1887 in Stanley and baptised 15 January 1888 at Darwin by the United Free Church (Tabernacle). In 1897 he was living with Mrs Martin. [CM Jul 1897] George, a labourer, was married to **Selina Helen KELWAY** 7 March 1915 at Christ Church Cathedral by Banns, by Edward J Seymour, Dean & Chaplain. The witnesses were G Kelway, John G Kelway and Isabell A Challen. Selina's father was recorded as John George Kelway, engineer. In 1928 George went to Montevideo, Uruguay for a "change of climate" and Selina accompanied him. While discharging cargo from the *Loreto* Wednesday 30 April 1930 George sustained a severe scalp wound and had to have four stitches. [Penguin 1 May 1930] George died from tuberculosis 28 July 1939 and was buried 29 July 1939 in Grave Ei1137. Selina went on medical to the British Hospital, Montevideo, Uruguay in 1946.
3. **John Rodgers McLAREN** born 29 October 1888 and baptised 7 November 1888 at Darwin by the United Free Church (Tabernacle). His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. John died 1 October 1890 from bronchitis and was buried 4 October 1892 in Grave A43.
4. **Alexander Rodger McLAREN** born 26 December 1894 in Stanley and baptised 25 February 1895 by Christ Church Cathedral. His father's occupation was recorded as shepherd. In 1897 he was living with John DAVIS and had been for nearly two years. [CM Jul 1897] Alexander, a cook at Roy Cove, was married to **Minnie Malvina MARTIN**, domestic at West Point, 20 October 1932 Roy Cove, West Falkland by Special Licence by Harold E Lumsdale, Dean of Christ Church, Stanley. The witnesses were J B Browning and S E Browning. Minnie's father was recorded as Thomas Martin, shepherd. Alexander, Minnie and their family emigrated to the UK in 1936 seeking employment. They later returned and in 1959 Alexander and Minnie emigrated to Australia via the UK.
5. **Girl McLAREN** born 23 May 1896 in Stanley. Stillborn.

DESCENDANTS OF JAMES & AGNES STILL IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS