

PRIOR 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.

James PRIOR was born circa 1828 in Windsor, Berkshire, England.

James was married to **Kezia Southgate SANDS** (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Kezia was born in 1838 in St Georges, Middlesex, England to Thomas Southgate Sands and Sarah Sands née Martin.

On 18 September 1879 James, a builder, agreed to erect the prison wall including pointing, labour only, for £90. [H35; 68a]

James, a contractor age 58 and a native of England, died 22 May 1887 from bronchitis and was buried 27 May 1887 in Grave A 122.

Kezia was a witness at the wedding of Edward Cressard and Sarah Wilkinson 16 February 1892.

Kezia, her six daughters (*Christine, Florence, Grace, Gertrude, Mable and Maude*) and two sons (*Ernest and Richard*), departed 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe.

Kezia, age 81, died 16 November 1919 in Denver, Colorado, United States of America and was buried in Lot 95, Section 6, Block 58, Fairmount Cemetery, Denver.

FIRST GENERATION

Children of James and Keziah PRIOR:

1. **Ernest Francis PRIOR** born circa 1861 in Croyden, Surrey, England. Ernest came to the Falkland Islands with his parents. Ernest purchased stores in the FIC's camp store between March and May 1883. [FIC/IW3; 358] Ernest was a witness at the wedding of Charles Dix and Margaret Hubbard 21 June 1883 and at the wedding of Joseph Klein and Leontina Wychaert 12 April 1892. Ernest departed with his family 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe. Ernest, age 68, died in 1929 and was buried in Block 76, Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Colorado, United States of America.
2. **Constance Mary PRIOR** born circa February 1863 in Croyden, Surrey, England. Constance came to the Falkland Islands with her parents. Constance, age 19 ½ and living in Stanley, was married to **Henry Samuel LASAR**, United States consul and a widower living in Stanley, 29 August 1882 in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by Licence by Lowther E Brandon MA Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were Ernest Prior and Grace Prior. Henry's father was recorded as John Lasar, insurance agent, and Constance's father was recorded as James Prior, bricklayer. Constance, Henry and their two children departed 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe. Henry, age 80, died 12 March 1901 in Denver, USA. Constance, age 79, died 28 August 1942 in Denver, Colorado, United States of America and was buried in Lot 169, Section 9, Block 37, Fairmount Cemetery, Denver.
3. **James Frederick PRIOR** born circa 1866 in Croyden, Surrey, England. James departed 23 April 1892 on the *Tanis* bound for Montevideo. James, age 75, died 4 October 1941 and was buried in Grave 4, Lot 168, Block 37, Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Colorado, United States of America.
4. **Richard PRIOR** born circa 1867 in Croyden, Surrey, England. Richard departed with his family 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe. Richard, age 55, died 3 January 1924 and was buried in Lot 39, Block 55, Section 16, Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Colorado, United States of America.
5. **Christine Mary PRIOR** born circa 1868 in Croyden, Surrey, England. Christine departed 19 April 1893 on the *Neko* bound for Sandy Point (*Punta Arenas, Chile*), arriving back 16 August 1893 on board the *Abydos* from Montevideo. Christine departed with her family 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe. Christine died in 1918 (*not in the Falkland Islands*).
6. **Florence Maud PRIOR** born circa 1870 in Croyden, Surrey, England. Florence departed with her family 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe. Florence, age 75, died 10 June 1946 and was buried in Lot 171, Section 5, Block 37, Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Colorado, United States of America.
7. **Grace PRIOR** born circa 1872 in Croyden, Surrey, England? Grace departed with her family 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe. Grace, age 58, died 20 October 1922 and was buried in Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Colorado, United States of America.
8. **Gertrude PRIOR** born circa 1874 (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Gertrude departed with her family 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe. Gertrude, age 43, died 5

November 1918 and was buried in Lot 92, Section 4, Block 58, Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Colorado, United States of America.

9. **Mabel PRIOR** born circa 1876 (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Mabel departed with her family 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe. Mabel died in 1918 (*not in the Falkland Islands*).
10. **Maude P PRIOR** born 30 December 1879 in Stanley and baptised 29 January 1882 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as bricklayer. Maude departed with her family 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe. Maud was married to ? **SMITH** (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Maud, age 69, died 7 February 1949 and was buried in Lot 175, Block 96, Section 5 & &, Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Colorado, United States of America.
11. **Ethel Frances PRIOR** born 12 November 1881 in Stanley and baptised 29 January 1882 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as bricklayer. Ethel, age 6 months, died 13 May 1882 in Stanley from tabes mesenterica and was buried 21 May 1882 (*buried as Maude in the Church Records; no grave number recorded*).

SECOND GENERATION

Children of Constance and Henry LASAR:

1. **Isabel Dean LASAR** born 24 September 1883 in Stanley and baptised 9 December 1883 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as United States Consul. Isabel departed with her family 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe. Isabel died in Denver, Colorado.
2. **Rudolph James William LASAR** born 19 February 1889 in Stanley and baptised 10 November 1889 in Eagle Cottage, Stanley by the United Free Church (Tabernacle). Rudolph departed with his family 7 March 1895 on board the *Ramses* bound for Europe. Rudolph was married to **Blanche Helen WHITE** (*not in the Falkland Islands*). Blanche was born 18 December 1888. Blanche, age 60, died 19 April 1949 and was buried Row 3, Colorado State Veterans Center, Homelake Cemetery, Monte Vista, Rio Grande, Colorado. Rudolph, age 76, died 11 March 1965 in Colorado, United States of America and was buried in Row 3, Colorado State Veterans Center, Homelake Cemetery, Monte Vista, Rio Grande, Colorado.