

WALSH 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.

Thomas WALSH, his wife **Mary WALSH** formerly **McKEE** and their children **Thomas WALSH** and **Mary Ellen WALSH** arrived in the Falkland Islands on board the British Barque *Ealing Grove* 12 January 1858 as part of the Falkland Islands Company detachment of Pensioners. Apart from the Commanding Officer, Captain Moloney, the Company consisted of three sergeants, two corporals, a drummer (Thomas) and thirty privates. Thomas was a drummer from the 3 Foot Regiment. [H14, pg 316]

On 11 July 1860 Thomas, a drummer with the Falkland Islands Garrison Company, was recorded as a member of the Stanley Benefit Club.

There was no further mention of this family found after the birth of Thomas' natural child in June 1863. The family may have left with Captain Maloney and his men on board the transport ship *Velocidade* 23 January 1864.

FIRST GENERATION:

Children of Thomas and Mary WALSH:

1. **Thomas Eugene WALSH** born June 1856 (*not in Falkland Islands*). Arrived in the Falkland Islands with his parents and sister on board the British Barque *Ealing Grove* 12 January 1858. Thomas died 22 May 1858, age 2 years and 11 months, from an accidental scald and was buried 23 May 1858 (*no grave record*).
2. **Mary Ellen WALSH** born ? (*not in Falkland Islands*). Arrived in the Falkland Islands with her parents and brother on board the British Barque *Ealing Grove* 12 January 1858.
3. **Margaret Ann WALSH** born 4 March 1859 in Stanley and baptised 2 June 1859 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as drummer with the Falkland Islands Garrison Company.
4. **William John WALSH** born 29 August 1860 in Stanley and baptised 30 September 1860 by Holy Trinity Church. His father's occupation was recorded as drummer with the Falkland Islands Garrison Company.
5. **Thomasina WALSH** born 20 August 1862 in Stanley and baptised **Elizabeth Isabella WALSH** 16 January 1863 by Holy Trinity Church. The godparents were Mary Walsh, Harriet Wilson and James Murphy. Her father's occupation was recorded as drummer with the Falkland Islands Garrison Company.

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Child of Thomas WALSH and Harriet Ann WILSON:

1. **Harriet Ann WALSH** born 14 June 1863 in her grandfather, Benjamin Wilson's house in Stanley and baptised **Harriet Ann WILSON** 7 October 1863 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as drummer with the Falkland Islands Garrison Company.

NB: **Harriet Ann WILSON** was the daughter of **Benjamin** and **Mary Ann WILSON**. Benjamin was a private in the Falkland Islands Garrison and he and his family also arrived in the Falkland Islands on board the British Barque *Ealing Grove* 12 January 1858 as part of the Falkland Islands Company detachment of Pensioners. Harriet, age 19, was married to **Henry WHITE**, a sealer from British America, 26 July 1864.