

We are descended from a line of Skirlings (later known as Stirlings) that is known to genealogists studying the Sk/Stirlings of Scotland as the "Seacoast Lines", that is, people of the area of Barry, Panbride and Carnoustie. That area of Scotland used to be known as the County of Forfar, or even longer ago, Forfarshire. The modern name is now Angus, Scotland. **Dundee is the largest city in Angus; Carnoustie is nearby and "The Four Stirling Brothers" emigrated from that city to Huron County, Ontario in 1840. You can find it near the Firth of Tay in the map below.**



Scotland

In 1998, 6 years after my return to Michigan, I started looking into the family history. I bought a Family Tree Maker Program, and with a few pieces of paper given to me by my parents and my aunts, started my Ancestors and Families Hunt. My first field trip was to Goderich, Ontario, simply because one of the documents I was given was from "Goderich Township Families" and because from my Grandma Hilda's stories I remembered she was working at the Bedford Hotel there, when she met our Grandfather Howard Alexander Stirling in 1915. So I took a quick tour of the Bedford, and spent a day at the Goderich Library.



Judy, Cathy, John and David

Taken by my Dad's car about 1950, apparently in Collingwood. Now, if Wayne had been there, we would have all the Senior Cousins!

Looking for further information, I was feeling completely lost as I

didn't even know where the place names mentioned in my acquired pieces of history might be. A great librarian helped me find what was available there in Goderich (especially "Goderich Township Families"), and sent me to Clinton for another local history book by the Clinton Women's Institute: "A History of Clinton Township". Even more wonderfully, he was able to tell me, when I came across the information that "the original Stirling Family Bible from Scotland" was held by Sherlock Keyes, where to start hunting for that Grail. Oh, you don't hear of many people named Sherlock, he told me, and sent me down the road to the Keyes farm, where I spoke with Donald Keyes. Donald put me in touch with Carol Simons, of Varna, who now has the old Bible, and for whose sharing and assistance I am eternally grateful.

Carol was my first contact with another family historian of our lines: the four Scots brothers, sons of John Skirling and Janet Petrie of Panbride Scotland, who set out from Carnoustie to emigrate to Huron County Canada in 1840. I went to visit Carol in 2000 and saw the original Bible: copies of front pages are in the scrapbook. Carol has become a real member of the family, participating in my parents, Howard and Vivian Stirling's interments in Clinton Cemetary and joining us for both "wakes". Through Carol I was given the pleasure of meeting some wonderful Stirling people who still live in the Clinton area: Robert Russell and Margaret Stirling, and Grant Hunter and Anna Cole Stirling, who still live on one of the concessions farmed by the original immigrant Stirling brothers. She has been a great resource also, in puzzling out this family, as there are so many names in common in different families. Finally, in using the internet and surname mailing groups of RootsWeb, I am now in touch, six years later, with several of the other family historians, descendants of the same Scots brother, James Skirling and some of the other brothers lines - Earl Close in Arizona, Maxine Kennedy near Flint Michigan, Elizabeth Archer also

Michigan, Christina Gray in Pennsylvania, and Angus Cline in Scarborough Ontario. How our far our families have spread!



Howard Alexander Stirling

I was delighted to receive, about a month after visiting Donald, a letter and photograph from Donald's brother, Ken, in Scarborough Ontario. The photograph was of our grandfather as the youngest child in a large family who surrounded him, the children of John Colwell Stirling and Susan Dempsey (c.1905).

It's been fascinating, but lots of work learning about so many places and people and information systems. (Especially since I only knew Monikie and Forfar were in Scotland somewhere at the beginning!) I was delighted with the chance I was given to explore Angus Scotland, with a guided toour of Monikie, Barry and Panbride by Colin Clevely, a researcher near Dundee Scotland, who has done a tremendous amount of research on "The Skirlings of Monikie and Forfarshire". He has a website, **monikie.org**, **which is a wonderful site for exploring more about both the Skirlings and the history and area of our family's emigration.** Colin took the picture of Chris and I in Panbride Kirkyard.

I have also been able to find information on our grandmother Hilda's line, the South Family of Bristol England, in the Record Office in Bristol, and went to nearby Longwell Green to meet Reg Moody, who was Hilda's cousin and met her when she went to England in 1953 for Queen Elizabeth's coronation. Hilda Helen Mabel South Stirling VanDerHart, or "Gramma in Canada" as we called her, was the matriarch and the center of extended family for me. She was a memorable character, not perfect, as people seldom are, but interesting - full of life and appetite for life. She wrote a partial autobiography, which is reproduced in full as an Appendix. Hilda was also a central figure in the quest for her missing, abducted sister Edie: Hilda talks about the beginning of that story in her Journey of Life, and Edie's daughter gives the story a happy ending, channeling Edith's story, which was printed in the magazine True Experience in 1961. A copy is included right after Hilda South's work.

When you look at the diagrams and connections and pictures of the nearly thousand people in this history, from the researchers of different branches of our family alone, is that the idea of 'six degrees of separation' has to be real. "The **small world phenomenon** is the theory that everyone in the world can be reached through a short chain of social acquaintances. This concept gave rise to the famous phrase six degrees of separation, implying that the chain is typically no more than

six links long",(from:wikipedia.org/wiki/Small_world_phenomenon).

Family lore can be a bore, but only when you are hearing it, never when you are relating it to the ones who will be carrying it on for you. A family without a storyteller or two has no way to make sense out of their past and no way to get a sense of themselves."

Frank Pittman (20th century)

From an author of women's literature, Deborah Smith, in "Blue Willow" - we know how women who write for other women are of course intensely interested in relationship, family, and human stories - I have this quote:

"Family is everything. It defines you - the heart of your spirit, the heritage of your smile, not only the color of your eyes but how they see the world. You are bound by kinship. You add your own link to the chain, and that's where you strengthen or weaken what you've been blessed - or burdened - with. That's where you use the indefinable quality that belongs to you, alone, the bit of uniqueness you pass on to your children for good or bad, the part of you that will always be separate from those who share your name, your blood, and your past."

In my twenties and thirties, I did not understand the concept of family as I would later. Perhaps it was the American culture, the times I grew to adulthood in, or a function of the sometimes very painful experiences of my childhood. I came to understand that in the end, as a grandfather once jtold me, trailing his children, grandchildren, and my little family, "Family is the biggest and best part of life". And now in my fifties I begin to understand that contrary to Thomas Wolfe's denial, you CAN GO Home Again. Because you process and change, and finally realize that every single moment of your life is precious, and 'home' is just a metaphor for belonging and love and heart.

It was a difficult process for me, realizing how little regard I had given to extended family after childhood, clinging to tenuous connections, but being so far away I could not fully participate in all the rituals of life in which family is involved. I think as you age, it is easier to be present to your experience and to the others who share it, painful or joyous. I know that living through the last years of my parents' lives with my family, and the closeness as well as the changes that came with it, was truly a rite of passage.

My brother David stood at my mother's funeral and said that Mother's last words to him were "Remember me", his voice choking with sorrow. All of those who came before us wish for the same. I fully realized that all of us want to be remembered, and that when we go to the cemetary it is a sacred place which honors those who gave us LIFE, who lived and loved and did their best to pass on to us what we needed to live as well as they and we could. In every kirkyard, every cemetary, the wind whispers Remember Me.

I am the oldest in my original family now, and I remember that one of the tasks of this stage of life is 'generativity': giving our younger Beloveds some of the past through stories and pictures of those who gave them life, back and back as far as we can determine and understand.

I believe, I know love lives on and never leaves. Love, family changes our lonely lives to one of engagement and challenging us to do our best in life. Those who came before are part of us, of who we are, just as much as our personal past. Our ancestors as far as Scotland and England and as near as our own parents contributed ineffably to our lives: we must acknowledge and honor

that. I feel as if I know these people so much better in working on this family history book: even those who were present in my lifetime. I hope that this living history will give our children, and us, some joy and wonder and an expanded vision of our lives and our histories, as well as the understanding that we do indeed live on: as our heart always goes on, ahead into this sweet Divine Mystery with our children.

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." (Hebrews 11:1)

I don't care how poor a man is; if he has family, he's rich. ~M*A*S*H Colonel Potter

We all grow up with the weight of history on us. Our ancestors dwell in the attics of our brains as they do in the spiraling chains of knowledge hidden in every cell of our bodies. ~Shirley Abbott

You don't choose your family. They are God's gift to you, as you are to them. ~Desmond Tutu

Call it a clan, call it a network, call it a tribe, call it a family. Whatever you call it, whoever you are, you need one. ~Jane Howard

What greater thing is there for human souls than to feel that they are joined for life - to be with each other in silent unspeakable memories. ~George Eliot

Other things may change us, but we start and end with the family. ~Anthony Brandt

Family faces are magic mirrors. Looking at people who belong to us, we see the past, present, and future. ~Gail Lumet Buckley

The lack of emotional security of our young people is due, I believe, to their isolation from the larger family unit. No two people - no mere father and mother - as I have often said, are enough to provide emotional security for a child. He needs to feel himself one in a world of kinfolk, persons of variety in age and temperament, and yet allied to himself by an indissoluble bond which he cannot break if he could, for nature has welded him into it before he was born. ~Pearl S. Buck

Where we love is home, Home that our feet may leave, but not our hearts. ~Oliver Wendell Holmes, Sr., *Homesick*

You can never go home again, but the truth is you can never leave home, so it's all right. ~Maya Angelou

And the last words:

I don't have to look up my family tree, because I know that I'm the sap. ~Fred Allen

I hope you enjoy this wander through **lots** of information on our family (families!).

Complete Ancestral Line: All Families

Catherine Stirling Faust Gould, June 2004.

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How to read the outline of descendants report:

This first outline includes nine generations from our last known ancestor, John Skirling. So John Skirling is generation #1, and you will see a number 1 by his name. His son is generation #2, and so on. Generation 8 is our parents - or ourselves - and 9 is the cousins now, with generation 10 our children and their spouses.

Other outlines follow, with the above divided into 4 or 5 generations each, hopefully to give a clearer picture.

Since we are descended from the original John Skirling born about 1710, all branches of our family known to me are the same until we get to generation 4, James Stirling and Elizabeth Lawrence. James was one of the four original Scots, sons of John Skirling III and Janet Petrie, who emigrated to Huron County Ontario in 1840. There are several family members around Ontario and Michigan who are also descended from John and Janet, but descend from a different brother: William, George, or Alexander. An example is Grant Stirling, who still live at Porter's Hill, near Clinton, who is descended from Alexander Stirling.

Here is an outline of the direct descent in short form:

Generation 1: John Skirling Sr. born about 1710 and died in 1792

Generation 2: John Skirling II (1729 - 1784) and Elizabeth Lawrence (born 1734)

Generation 3: John Skirling III (176-c.1808 and Janet Petrie (1764 - 1855)

Generation 4: James Stirling (1792 - 1887) and Elizabeth Lawrence (1795 - 1866), both born in Scotland, and emigrated to the Goderich Ontario area in 1840.

Generation 5: John Stirling (1825 in Scotland -1875 in Ontario) and Phoebe Anne Colwell (1829 in Ontario - 1901)

Generation 6: John Colwell Stirling (1852 - 1934) and Susanne Dempsey (1857 - 1920)

Generation 7: Howard Alexander Stirling (1893 Clinton Ontario - 1929 Toronto) and Hilda Helen Mabel South (born 1900 in Bristol England - 1983 Toronto Ontario.

Generation 8: children of Howard Stirling and Hilda South: Howard, Lloyd, Gwen, & Shirley.

Generation 9: children of Howard, Lloyd, Gwen and Shirley

Generation 10: grandchildren of Howard, Lloyd, Gwen and Shirley.

Generation 11: our grandchildren (Generation 12: The Future)

Gen.1:John Skirling I (About 1710 - 1792)

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Gen.2:John Skirling II (1729 - 1784) and Elizabeth Lowson



Gen.3:John Skirling III (1760 to c. 1808) and Janet Petrie



Gen.4: James Stirling (1792 - 1887) and Elizabeth Lawrence



Gen.5: John Stirling (1825 - 1875) and Phoebe Anne Colwell



Gen.6: John Colwell Stirling (1852 - 1934) and Susanne Dempsey



Gen.7:Howard Alexander Stirling (1893 - 1929) and Hilda South



Generation 8:

Howard John Stirling & Vivian Shillum & Doris Caines

Gwen Stirling & Delmar Duffin

Shirley Stirling & Conrad Bourgeois

Complete Ancestral Line: All Families

Descendants of John Skirling

1 John Skirling 1710 - 1792 b: Abt. 171 2 John Skirling II 1729 - 1784 b:	1729
+Elizabeth Lowson 1734 - b: 17	
	808 b: April 24, 1760 in Ballskellie, Barry, Angus Scotland b: November 30, 1764 in Hillhead, Parish of Monikie, County of Forfar
	2 - 1887 b: July 17, 1792 in Panbride Parish, Forfar, Angus, Scotland (near Carnoustie).
2	te 1795 - 1866 b: 1795 in "of Arbroath Parish"
	1825 - 1875 b: December 29, 1825 in Panbride Parish, Forfarshire, Scotland (near Carnoustie).
+Phoebe An	ne Colwell 1829 - 1901 b: 1829 in Kentville, Nova Scotia
	Stirling 1851 - 1917 b: September 20, 1851
	Collins 1851 - 1928 b: January 29, 1851 in Carleton County, Ontario
	Kathryn Blanche Stirling 1880 - 1909 b: May 19, 1880 in Lamotte Township, Sanilac County,
	Michigan
	+William Turnbull Thom 1868 - 1957 b: April 03, 1868 in Dalhousie, Ontario
	8 James Robert Thom 1903 - b: September 21, 1903 in Lamotte Township, Sanilac County,
	Michigan
	8 William Henry Thom 1906 - b: March 07, 1906 in Lamotte Township, Sanilac County,
	Michigan
	+Gladys Knudson 1908 - b: May 10, 1908
	8 Alberta Blanche Thom 1909 - b: 1909
	+Donald Maurice Mullen 1907 - 1966 b: May 25, 1907 in Lowell, Michigan
	Lulu Annette Stirling 1883 - 1922 b: September 27, 1883
	+Austin Neil Stephenson 1879 - 1926 b: May 24, 1879 in Ontario
	8 Lulu May Stephenson 1916 - 1916 b: Abt. 1916
	8 Nina Blanche Stephenson 1917 - b: June 18, 1917 in Marlette, Michigan +Reuben Turner 1914 - b: December 21, 1914
7	Francis Collins Stirling 1878 - 1878 b: Abt. 1878
6 John (Colwell Stirling 1852 - 1934 b: January 03, 1852 in Clinton, Huron County, Ontario
	nne Dempsey 1857 - 1920 b: June 09, 1857 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
7	Marguerite F.A. "Minnie" Stirling 1879 - 1920 b: September 08, 1879 in Bervie, Kincardine
	Township, Bruce County, Ontario
	+James Alvin Fritz 1878 - b: Abt. 1878 in Albion, Michigan
	Sadie Stirling 1880 - 1948 b: February 02, 1880
	+Walter Smith
	8 Howard "Pete" Smith 1910 - b: 1910 in Battle Creek, Michigan
	8 Jack Herald Smith 1914 - b: 1914 in Battle Creek, Michigan
*2r	d Husband of Sadie Stirling:
	William Stirling 1884 - 1965 b: March 15, 1884
	+Marie Goetz 1885 - b: September 17, 1885
	8 Bruce Wellington Stirling 1911 - b: 1911 in Lansing, Michigan
	+Bea Saxton
	8 Elizabeth Margeurite Stirling 1914 - b: 1914
	+Charles Mautz
	Susan "Pearl" Stirling 1886 - 1954 b: September 25, 1886 in Goderich Twp., Huron County,
	Ontario
	+William James Marshall 1880 - 1914 b: Abt. 1880 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
	8 Eileen Wilhamena Marshall 1909 - b: 1909 in Clinton, Huron County, Ontario
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	8 Ernest Wilmer Marshall 1911 - b: 1911
	Ontario
*2r	d Husband of Susan "Pearl" Stirling:
	+William Hamilton Elliot - 1952
	8 Lorne Hamilton Elliot 1916 - b: 1916 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
	+Luella Glendyne Snider 1924 - b: 1924 in Niagara Falls, Ontario

Q	Arthur Benson Elliot 1918 - 1980 b: July 25, 1918 in Goderich, Huron County, Ontario
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	Lloyd George Elliot 1923 - b: 1923 in Goderich, Huron County, Ontario
	Carl Vinson Elliot 1926 - b: 1926 in Goderich, Huron County, Ontario
7 D1	+Oertrude Vanschak 1924 - D: 1924
/ Reut	en Samuel Stirling 1889 - 1949 b: December 29, 1889
+Mal	
*2nd Wi	e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e
+Eliz	
7 Ruby	Suring
/ How	ard Alexander Stirling 1893 - 1929 b: August 30, 1893 in Clinton, Ontario
+H1le	la Helen Mabel South 1900 - 1983 b: October 11, 1900 in Bristol, England
8	Howard John Stirling 1917 - 2002 b: October 03, 1917 in Toronto Ontario Canada
	+Vivian Shillum 1916 - 2002 b: December 30, 1916 in Moosejaw, Saskatchewan, Canada
	9 Catherine Jean Stirling 1947 - b: December 28, 1947 in Highland Park Michigan
	+Howard Gregory Faust 1948 - b: March 05, 1948 in St. Louis, Missouri
	Muscogie County, Georgia
	*2nd Husband of Catherine Jean Stirling:
	+Christopher Edward Gould 1940 - b: August 19, 1940 in Coventry, Britain
	9 David John Stirling 1949 - b: July 02, 1949 in Highland Park, Michigan
	+Diane Knoy 1949 - b: September 02, 1949
	+Nicole Ann Mead 1977 - b: May 10, 1977
	9 Mary Ann Hilda Stirling 1951 - b: December 24, 1951 in Highland Park Michigan
	9 Patricia Ann Stirling 1955 - b: March 21, 1955 in Detroit Michigan US
	+Michael Demsky 1955 - b: February 10, 1955 in Detroit
	+Joseph Thomas Foltz
	9 Michael Joseph Stirling 1957 - b: March 24, 1957
	+Paulette Dominick
8	Lloyd George Stirling 1919 - 1993 b: March 03, 1919
	+Doris May Caines 1928 - 2004 b: 1928 in Plymouth, Devonshire, England
	9 Wayne Lloyd Stirling 1947 - b: January 03, 1947 in Toronto, Ontario
	+Joyce Hendrika Helmers 1955 - b: July 04, 1955
	way to McMaster's Hospital, delivery assisted by her Dad!
	*2nd Wife of Wayne Lloyd Stirling:
	+Sarah Janet Komaniski 1955 - b: May 23, 1955
	9 Pamela Dorothy Stirling 1950 - b: July 26, 1950 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada
	9 Howard "Howie" Arthur Stirling 1961 - b: April 05, 1961 in Toronto, Ontario
	Gwendolyn Hilda Stirling 1922 - b: December 20, 1922
	+Delmar Duffin 1918 - 2002 b: November 02, 1918 in Mulmer, Ontario, Canada
	9 Judith Ann Duffin 1943 - b: June 25, 1943 in Alliston, Ontario
	+Fraser Main 1942 - b: January 19, 1942 in Nairn, Scotland
	+John Clelland 1969 - b: July 01, 1969
	9 John Robert Duffin 1947 - b: November 13, 1947
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+Alan Noble Campbell Glasgow 1950 - b: October 27, 1950 in Gosforth,
Northumberland County, England
+Shauna Lynn MacLeod 1972 - b: November 10, 1972 in North York, Ontario
*2nd Husband of Susan Leah Duffin:
+Bill Buchanan
9 Cynthia May Duffin 1957 - b: January 27, 1957 in Collingwood, Ontario
+Doug John McKechnie 1955 - b: October 06, 1955 in Collingwood, Ontario
Collingwood, Ontario
*2nd Husband of Cynthia May Duffin:
+Thomas John McAuley 1950 - b: December 1950 in Sarnia, Ontario
9 Bill Allen Duffin 1960 - b: May 20, 1960
9 Mark Alexander Duffin 1961 - b: July 17, 1961
8 Shirley Marguerite Stirling 1925 - b: February 03, 1925
+Conrad Joseph Bourgeois
9 David Conrad Joseph Bourgeois 1952 - 2001 b: April 09, 1952
+Carole-Ann Facey
+Sylvester Ostrom 1853 - 1892 b: Abt. 1853 in Hastings County Ontario
+Dan MacLean 1860 - 1939 b: Abt. 1860
7 Lulu Ostrom 1887 - b: January 31, 1887
+McLaren +McLaren 7 Samuel Ostrom 1889 - b: April 27, 1889
7 Samuel Ostrom 1899 - D. April 27, 1889
*2nd Husband of Mary Ann Stirling:
6 Elizabeth Lawrence Stirling 1857 - 1923 b: December 21, 1857
+John Henry Dempsey 1855 - 1927 b: April 27, 1855 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario 7 Margaret Victoria Dempsey 1878 - 1928 b: December 06, 1878
+Thomas Webster
7 Annie Gertrude Maude Dempsey 1880 - 1945 b: July 06, 1880
Ontario 7 Elizabeth Dempsey 1884 - b: June 09, 1884 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
7 Enzabeth Dempsey 1884 - 9. July 11, 1886 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario 7 Rosetta Dempsey 1886 - 1964 b: July 11, 1886 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
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Ontario
+Daniel Francis Kennedy 1861 - 1927 b: November 06, 1861 in Ontario
7 Louis Charles Kennedy 1891 - 1950 b: March 01, 1891 in Lamotte Township, Sanilac County,
Michigan ++Zelpha Creig
County, Ontario
+Arthur Heemer
Ontario
+Cecile Auslander
7 Francis Walter Kennedy 1888 - 1947 b: December 14, 1888 in Lamotte Township, Sanilac County, Michigan
+Beulah Victoria Agar
7 Edith Blanche Kennedy 1893 - 1968 b: September 1893 +John Yack

*2nd Husband of Edith Blanche Kennedy:
+John Gwilliam
Michigan
+Alex Grey McLean
+Margaret Pearl Una McIntosh
+Andrew Emerson 1857 - 1950 b: July 17, 1857
+Minnie Nixon 1890 - 1986 b: Abt. 1890
7 Annie Margaret Emerson 1886 - 1970 b: October 1886
+Angus Graham 1865 - 1950 b: Abt. 1865
7 Frances Elizabeth Emerson 1889 - 1983 b: August 26, 1889 in Ripley, Ontario
7 Samuel Herbert Emerson 1891 - 1981 b: May 23, 1891
+Nora Louise Luella Tyerman 1862 - 1941 b: April 09, 1862 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
Ontario
+Lloyd Angus Cline 1913 - 1998 b: January 09, 1913 in Maidstone Township, Essex
County, Ontario
Ontario Ontario
+Corrine Redmond 1942 - b: 1942 in Goderich, Huron County, Ontario
+William Dale Stevens 1963 - b: 1963
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10 Menssa Anne Cine 1972 - 6: 1972 in Burnington, Haiton County, Ontario
+David J. Murphy 1966 - b: 1966
Ontario
+Annie Johann MacKenzie
Lyla Stirling 1899 - 1981 b: September 07, 1899 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario
+Jane "Jennie" Woods 1868 - 1949 b: December 25, 1868 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County,
Ontario
John Wilmer Stirling 1890 - 1968 b: July 18, 1890 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario
7 James Haward Stirling 1904 h. Santamber 12 1904 in Hangark Michigan
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7 Annie Jane "Jean" Hewitt 1899 - 1983 b: November 19, 1899 in Kincardine Township, Bruce
County, Ontario
+Frank Houle - 1964
+Elizabeth Coutts 1831 - b: May 17, 1831
+Sarah Colwell b: in Kentville, Nova Scotia
+Tom Harrison
+Campbell
+Tilford
6 William Stirling 1863 - b: 1863
6 Agnes Stirling 1868 - b: 1868 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
+Hugh Thurlow 1865 - b: Abt. 1865 in Colborne Twp. Huron County, Ontario
+Jessie Edward 1867 - 1916 b: 1867
+John Black 1850 - 1909 b: 1850
+Lt. Col William Young 1859 - 1917 b: 1859
+Drinkwater / Jones
+Gertsch
+Underwood
+William Strachan
+Rebecca Jane Colwell 1845 - b: July 12, 1845 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
+Jane Jennie Beacom 1864 - b: Abt. 1864 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
7 Gertrude Stirling 1894 - b: 1894
7 Grace Luella Stirling 1895 - 1968 b: 1895
+Roe 6. Mary Elizabeth Stirling 1966, 1059, by March 29, 1966 in Cadariah Tyun, Hyuan Cayatty, Ontonia
6 Mary Elizabeth Stirling 1866 - 1958 b: March 28, 1866 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
+Donald MacKenzie 1866 - 1908 b: 1866
7 Jessie MacKenzie 1897 - 1983 b: 1897
+Sherlock Keyes 1894 - 1970 b: 1894
9 Sandra Keyes 1954 - b: 1954
+Michael Kilbreath 1953 - b: 1953
10 Joyce Kilbreath 1979 - b: 1979
+Rene Saunders
9 Douglas Keyes 1956 - b: 1956
+Debbie Monticello 1964 - b: 1964
9 Beth Keyes 1958 - b: 1958
+Richard Beckett 1951 - b: 1951
+Chester Malloch 1921 - 2002 b: 1921

9 Steven Ridgeway Malloch 1953 - b: 1953
+Brenda Maureen Nauman 1956 - b: 1956
10 Jeffrey Ridgeway Malloch 1989 - b: 1989
9 Patricia Ann Maud Malloch 1955 - b: 1955
+John Malcolm Cunningham 1951 - b: 1951
9 William George Malloch 1963 - b: 1963
+Diane Le Febyre 1961 - b: 1961
8 Kenneth Keyes 1935 - b: 1935
+Sandra McCluskey 1945 - b: 1945
9 Ray Keyes 1972 - b: 1972
9 Brian Keyes 1973 - b: 1973
+Not known
8 Jean MacKenzie
+Surname Campbell
8 John MacKenzie Campbell 1929 - b: 1929
9 John Malcom Campbell 1952 - b: 1952
+Sharon Bunn 1959 - b: 1959
9 Margaret Helen Campbell 1955 - b: 1955
+Donald McIlwain 1953 - b: 1953
10 B.J. McIlwain 1980 - b: 1980
9 William Colin Mark Campbell 1959 - b: 1959
+Jane Haskell 1968 - b: 1968
+George Duglas Simons 1931 - b: 1931
9 Dawn Carol Simons
9 Linda Eleanor Campbell
9 Nancy Campbell 1963 - 1963 b: 1963
9 Barbara Campbell
+Ruth Rye 1867 - 1918 b: 1867
7 William Rye Stirling 1898 - 1953 b: 1898
+Cora Smith 1901 - b: 1901
+Herman Campbell 1925 - b: 1925
9 Judy Campbell 1948 - b: 1948 9 Janet Campbell 1953 - b: 1953
9 James Campbell 1954 - b: 1954
8 Robert William Stirling 1935 - b: 1935
+Audrey Lintula 1932 - b: 1932
9 Wendy Lee Stirling 1963 - b: 1963
8 Gerald John Stirling 1938 - b: 1938
+Eleanor Ames 1938 - b: 1938
9 Julie Stirling 1961 - b: 1961
9 David Stirling 1963 - b: 1963
9 Kevin Stirling 1966 - b: 1966
+Eva McDonald 1908 - 1983 b: 1908
+Eliza Smith
+Katherine McLeod
*2nd Wife of William Colwell Stirling:
+Anne Willison

6 Rebecca	ane Stirling 1876 - b: November 02, 1876
	h H. Johnson 1868 - b: Abt. 1868
	rling 1877 - 1964 b: November 10, 1877 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
	ria "Sadie" Stirling 1879 - 1967 b: September 10, 1879 in Goderich Twp., Huron County,
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	ohn H. Crawford 1872 - b: Abt. 1872 in Fordwich, Huron County, Ontario
6 Jessie Ma	y Stirling 1881 - 1962 b: May 26, 1881 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
+Leslie L	
6 Edith Jose	ephine Stirling 1883 - 1975 b: June 17, 1883 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
6 Luella Al	berta Stirling 1885 - 1969 b: March 16, 1885 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario
+Herbert	Manley Wallis 1875 - b: Abt. 1875
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+Gwendolyn Ackert 1917 - b: 1917
8 Nancy Anne Melinda Stirling 1945 - b: 1945
+Brian Rowe
9 Fraser Thomas Rowe 1973 - b: 1973
8 Linda Elizabeth Stirling 1950 - b: 1950
+Richard MacLeod
9 Stirling Angus MacLeod 1985 - b: 1985
+Catherine Grigg
9 Ashley Elisa Stirling 1982 - b: 1982
9 Matthew William Stirling 1984 - b: 1984
9 Kristen Emily Stirling 1986 - b: 1986
8 Robert John Stirling 1955 - b: 1955
+[1] John Watson
8 Bob Watson
*2nd Husband of Muriel Stirling:
+Jack Watson
+Judy Rabb
9 Robert John Watson 1970 - b: 1970
9 Jennifer Watson 1974 - b: 1974
+Fred Schuck
9 Marghita Schuck 1970 - b: 1970
9 Angela Schuck 1972 - b: 1972
+Andrew Currie
4 Alexander Stirling 1797 - 1884 b: 1797 in Panbride Parish, Forfar, Angus, Scotland
+Margaret Monnie 1790 - 1871 b: 1790
5 Janet "Jessie" Stirling 1824 - 1916 b: 1824
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+Margaret "Meg" Russell 1833 - 1914 b: Abt. 1833
7 Fred Stirling
+Jonathan Burton
6 Janet "Jessie" Stirling 1865 - b: 1865
+Peter MacDougall
+Harris
6 Sarah Stirling 1868 - b: Abt. 1868
+Frank Cross
+Agnes Halliday
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+Battershell
+Margaret Torrance 7 [2] Robert Stirling
+Anna Cole
+William Vanderland
9 John Vanderland
+John McDonald
+Burnett
6 Nell McDonald
+Elliott
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+Whitely

+Scott
+Spears
+Fenner / Vanderhoff
+Gordon
*2nd Wife of William Stirling:
+Unknown
5 James MacDonald Stirling 1852 - b: Abt. 1852
6 James Stirling
6 Hugh Stirling
+Margaret Clarke - 1894
5 David Stirling 1838 - b: September 16, 1838
5 Janet or Jessie Stirling 1841 - b: June 08, 1841
5 George Stirling 1837 - 1898 b: April 22, 1837
3 George Skirling 1762 - 1796 b: Abt. 1762 in Channel Ground of Carnoustie, Barry
+James Lowson
3 Isobel Skirling 1767 - 1796 b: Abt. 1767 in Barry Parish
+John Lowson 1769 - 1793 b: 1769
3 James Skirling 1774 - b: March 23, 1774 in Carnoustie, Scotland
+Ann Saddler 1756 - 1861 b: 1756 in Probably Kincardineshire
3 Susan Skirling 1777 - b: May 04, 1777 in Carnoustie, Scotland
3 David Skirling 1772 - 1796 b. Abt 1772

Descendants of John Skirling

Generation No. 1

1. JOHN¹ SKIRLING was born Abt. 1710, and died Aft. 1792 in Mosstown, Barry, Angus, Scotland.

Notes for JOHN SKIRLING:

Note: found John Skirling married to Anna Hardie, 25 Nov 1736 Barry, Angus, Scotland as "extracted marrriage record for locality"

@http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Search/frameset_search.asp Since son John Skirling II born 1735, this is distinct possibility.

"A John Skirling appears frequently in the Barry Parish Session Minutes, and as witness to the baptisms of his grandchildren in Barry and Panbride." per C.Gray, 2004

Child of JOHN SKIRLING is:

2. i. JOHN² SKIRLING II, b. 1729; d. 1784, Panbride Parish..

Generation No. 2

2. JOHN² SKIRLING II (*JOHN*¹) was born 1729, and died 1784 in Panbride Parish. He married ELIZABETH LOWSON August 14, 1759 in Barry Parish, Forfarshire, Scotland², daughter of JOHN LOWSON and MARGARET GREGORY. She was born 1734.

Notes for JOHN SKIRLING II:

John is the first entry in the Panbride Mortcloth entries for 1784. The Parish of Panbride includes the towns of Barry and Carnoustie.

Background for Skirling/Stirling family name and geographical locations, contributed by Christina Gray of New Jersey, a primary researcher for the Monikie.Org website (Monikie being in Angus, Scotland, east coast) which deals primarily with branches of Stirlings: "The SKirlings are a small, very Angus-centric surname. The date of the transition from the use of SKirling to STirling varies from parish to parish, and there are even a couple of SKirlings appearing in the statutory registers. So, in some parishes, you'll find Skirlings who became Stirlings very early on, and in others it wil happen much later. The latest Skirling I have found was in the 1891 census, and the two of those were from Arbroath, and connected right into families of Sk/t/irlings. Interesting, though, that even that late, there were people who still used the Skirling pronunciation.

Not only is it an Angus-centric surname, it is one that - if you draw a line on a map from Forfar to Montrose to Dundee and back to Forfar - falls into a very small geographic "triangle" in Angus. The only Skirlings who appear outside that triangle always have roots inside it, unless you consider the very early uses of the name, which oddly ONLY appear in Edinburgh,

Fife and parts south. Which is making us think that it may well be a surname related to the Borders parish of the same name, and our research, right now, is focusing on trying to trace that."

From Stirling Family genealogist, Christina Gray: "I am also descended from the James Stirling who married Elizabeth Lawrence. In my case, my great-great grandfather was Alexander Stirling, who married Mary Ann Morgan in Canada in 1856. There seem to be about 4 main branches of the Stirlings in Angus. Colin's [Colin Clevely of Monikie & website], which covers the 'cradle' of Kinnettles, Glamis and Forfar; yours and mine [Catherine Stirling Gould and Christina Gray], better known as the 'seacoast set', which lived in Monifieth, Barry, Panbride, St. Vigeans and Arbroath; a slightly different group that was very centered in Arbroath but who had strong ties to the Forfar area; a group that was centered on Dunnichen and Arbroath; and finally a 'fancy' group that was in Kinnettles, but most of whom left in the 1750's for the Colonies, and who ended up in the Louisiana Territory. [Per Colin clevely of Monikie/website/researcher: the 'seacost set' would include the areas of Monifieth, Barry, Panbride, St. Vigeans and Arbroath, with perhaps ties to Forfar). 1750 seeems to be the critical date for all - none of our lines can be proven before that date, except for the Louisiana emigrees. So what Colin and I [Christina] are working on now is taking our families back past that date. . . . "

Additionally, it is noted by Christina that "some researchers have a brother of John II, also a David Skirling. I believe this was picked up from the Kirk Session records, where there was a David Skirling, in Barry and Panbride as a contemporary of John II, who had an affair with a Marion Ramsay but who bolted before the Kirk could get him to admit it. Again, there's nothing to actually connect him to John II, so I doubt the connection. Some researchers into this line have a connection of John II to a grandfather, David Skirling, who married Margaret Mill/Milne in about 1698. There is no documentation to this effect other than the fact that David Skirling and Margaret Milne lived in Barry and had all their children there. He may well be the grandfather of John II, but there is nothing to corroborate this.."

More About JOHN SKIRLING II: Burial: Panbride Kirkyard Occupation: Weaver

Notes for ELIZABETH LOWSON:

From Christina Gray: "In Panbride, John Skirling and Eelizabeth Lowson have a memorial stone, badly damaged but has data on both sides. It is extremely important for our line as the SGS (Scottish Genealogy Society) transcription was in error. It does corroborate the Panbride Mortcloth entry of 1784 for John Skirling as John II. You can just make out the date and age, even though there is no name left. See scrapbook for photos of stone.

From Maxine Kennedy: "[Elizabeth was]Baptized 22 March 1735 in Blaketie, Barry Parish. She is the daughter of John Lowson and Margaret Gregory. She had a brother John, baptized 22 April 1739 in Mosstown. Lowson is a very common name in both Barry and Panbride Parish and is recorded back into the 1600's there".

More About ELIZABETH LOWSON:

Burial: Panbride Kirkyard

Christening: March 30, 1734, Masstown, Barry

Children of JOHN SKIRLING and ELIZABETH LOWSON are:

- 3. i. JOHN³ SKIRLING III, b. April 24, 1760, Ballskellie, Barry, Angus Scotland; d. Abt. 1808, Panbride Parish, Scotland.
 - ii. GEORGE SKIRLING, b. Abt. 1762, Channel Ground of Carnoustie, Barry; d. 1796, Panbride Parish, Scotland.
- 4. iii. ELIZABETH SKIRLING, b. Abt. 1764.
 - iv. ISOBEL SKIRLING, b. Abt. 1767, Barry Parish; d. 1796, Panbride Parish, Scotland; m. JOHN LOWSON³, 1783; b. 1769; d. 1793, Panbride Parish, Scotland.
 - v. ANN SKIRLING, b. Abt. 1769.
 - vi. JAMES SKIRLING, b. March 23, 1774, Carnoustie, Scotland; m. ANN SADDLER, Kineff and Caterline in Kincardineshire; b. 1756, Probably Kincardineshire; d. 1861.

Notes for JAMES SKIRLING:

Per Christina Gray, Stirling researcher: "I have James Skirling SON to John Skirling II, married to Ann Sadler but could not find him in the OPRsThis [father son] is a problematic connection. For my own research purposes, I treat him as a brother of John III, but there is no substantiated connection to either of our John's. There are intriguing entries in the OPRs (notably birth witnesses and the like, and that's why, for my own purposes I have him as a brother of John III. . . There is also a James on the memorial stone in Panbride - so John III definitely had a brother, James, who survived the stone."

- vii. SUSAN SKIRLING, b. May 04, 1777, Carnoustie, Scotland.
- viii. DAVID SKIRLING, b. Abt. 1772; d. 1796⁴.

Notes for DAVID SKIRLING:

Per Christina Gray: David was born (or baptised) 22 April 1772 in Barry. He died in 1796, as seen on the memorial stone. As far as I know, he did not marry, nor have any children.

Generation No. 3

3. JOHN³ SKIRLING III (*JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born April 24, 1760 in Ballskellie, Barry, Angus Scotland^{5,6}, and died Abt. 1808 in Panbride Parish, Scotland. He married JANET PETRIE July 30, 1791 in Monikie parish, Angus, Scotland⁷, daughter of JAMES PETRIE and MARGARET STALKER. She was born November 30, 1764 in Hillhead, Parish of Monikie, County of Forfar, and died January 04, 1855 in Gallowlaw.

Notes for JOHN SKIRLING III:

Note: it was in this generation that the spelling of the surname changed from Skirling to Stirling in the old Parish Records.

Exact date of death unknown: last son was born in 1808, and Janet is shown as a widow in the 1841 census. John's father is seen in the Old Parish Registers as John Skirling. Per Maxine Kennedy, who researched Stirling and Petrie lines and notes that the spelling later became Petee, they lived in Panbride, Barry and Carnoustie (the latter subsumed Panbride in later

times). Also birth date in question: Carol Simons, also descended from John and Janet, has 1765 as birth year.

John is described as Seaman, Merchant Service, on his son Robert's death certificate 1883 as informed by Robert's daughter Jessie, in Panbride Forfar records.

Notes for JANET PETRIE:

Janet survived until 1855, the first year of official Scottish record keeping, and is entry #1 for official SRO death certificate (1855 Panbride entry #1 Scottish Records Office) which states "Janet Stirling, age 90 years, died 04 January 1855 at 3:00 pm at Gallowlaw. Born Hillhead, Parish of Monikie, County of Forfar, 63 years in this district - Panbride; Parents James Petrie and Margaret Stalker, Spouse John Stirling - weaver, deceased; Issue James age 62, George age 60, Alexander age 57, Patrick deceased, David deceased, William age 49, Robert age 46; Cause of death: Debility of Old Age, reported by Thomas Nicoll, a neighbor, Gallowlaw on 06 January 1855 at Panbride". In the 1841 census she was at Gallowlaw, Panbride, with her son Robert, his wife Margaret, and their children David and Janet. At the 1851 census she was shown still residing with her only son remaining in Scotland, Robert Stirling and his family. Gallowlaw was on the east side of Carnoustie: In the ED (enumeration district) census form, the villages of Gallowlaw and Newton were listed as "of Panbride". According to Lynda Osgerby, a genealogy correspondent who resides in the area, "Gallowlaw was on the coast, by West and East haven and mainly housed fishermen and sailors. It has now disappeared under the development of Carnoustie. . . There is a Gallow Hill in the adjacent parish of Monikie, not far from where Jannet was born. The word 'law' is often used for 'hill', so this could be right. In the Register there were several other people from Gallow Law, so it must have been a community of some size in the 19th century."

In Carnoustie, the Gallowlaw section can be found straddling the railroad tracks by the Free Church. The house where Janet Petrie died is now gone, but there are some similar homes left (per Christina Gray).

According the sexton at the time Janet Petrie, who has no stone, was buried in the Panbride Kirkyard. (Parish Churchyard Register for Panbride Old Kirk 1833-1875.)

More About JANET PETRIE:

Alternate Spelling: "Jannt" in old records Burial: January 08, 1855, Panbride Kirkyard⁸

Christening: December 13, 1764, Monikie, Angus Scotland (Source: IGI)⁹

Marriage Notes for JOHN SKIRLING and JANET PETRIE:

Married in Monikie Parish per Forfar Stirling database (monikie.org, Colin Clevely as source), but marriage recorded in Panbride Parish. The marriage was recorded at Monikie (Angus, Scotland) on July 30, with a marriage date of July (June?) 24. The bride's parish was Monikie.

Children of JOHN SKIRLING and JANET PETRIE are:

- 5. i. JAMES⁴ STIRLING, b. July 17, 1792, Panbride Parish, Forfar, Angus, Scotland (near Carnoustie).; d. 1887, Goderich Ontario.
- 6. ii. GEORGE STIRLING, b. Abt. 1794, Scotland.
- 7. iii. ALEXANDER STIRLING, b. 1797, Panbride Parish, Forfar, Angus, Scotland; d. March 12, 1884, Goderich.
 - iv. PATRICK STIRLING, b. Abt. 1799; d. Bef. 18559.

- v. DAVID STIRLING, b. Abt. 1802; d. Bef. 18559.
- 8. vi. WILLIAM STIRLING, b. Abt. 1805, Panbride Parish, Scotland; d. July 08, 1880.
- 9. vii. ROBERT STIRLING, b. Abt. 1808, Panbride Parish, Scotland; d. October 08, 1883, Panbride Parish, Forfar, Angus, Scotland.
- **4.** ELIZABETH³ SKIRLING (*JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born Abt. 1764. She married JAMES LOWSON⁹ 1791.

Child of ELIZABETH SKIRLING and JAMES LOWSON is:

i. JAMES⁴ LOWSON, b. 1792, Barry Parish.

Generation No. 4

5. JAMES⁴ STIRLING (*JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born July 17, 1792 in Panbride Parish, Forfar, Angus, Scotland (near Carnoustie)., and died 1887 in Goderich Ontario. He married ELIZABETH LAWRENCE 1825 in Panbride¹⁰. She was born 1795 in "of Arbroath Parish" and died 1866.

Notes for JAMES STIRLING:

From: "History of Clinton and Surrounding Community", Compilation by Clinton Womens Institute, published 1950 and held in Clinton Library:

(Corroborated in document from unsigned family historian)

Also from: "The Stirling Family", by Will and Maude Stirling:

"On the fourth of July 1840 James Stirling, his wife and five sons, Sandy Stirling with his wife and family, and George Stirling with his wife and family left Carnoustie, Scotland for Canada. They sailed from Dundee, and it was six weeks and three days before the ship reached Quebec. A sad incident of the voyage was the burial at sea, of James age 7, son of James Stirling. After four days at Quebec they proceeded to Montreal, then on Durham boats they travelled to Kingston. After four days they embarked on a steam boat for Toronto and after three days they sailed for Hamilton. Their baggage was shipped in schooners to Goderich and the party travelled in two wagons to Stratford. There they changed wagons and journeyed to Mitchell. From there they could procure no vehicles and had to journey on foot to Goderich carrying two sick members of the family. The roads were terrible. A blacksmith from Goderich overtook the party and kindly carried the two sick ones part way in his wagon. Although the travelers had money to buy food, sometimes for a day or two they were without food and when they reached Uncle Willie's shanty, guided there the last part of the trip by Nannie McKenzie, their disappointment was very great. This Uncle Willie was a brother of the three men of the party and had gone to Canada earlier to "spy out the land". He sent to Scotland such glowing reports that his three brothers with their families decided to find homes in this new country.

An older brother, William, had come to Canada earlier. The three brothers and their families settled in Goderich township. They paid \$3.00 an acre for their farms. This account was told me by Mrs. McGregor, daughter of Sandy Stirling. She was sixteen years of age when her family came to Canada.

From now on this narrative related the story of James the oldest of the four brothers. James brought with him from Scotland, records of his birth, marriage and a certificate from the Church of Scotland. James' sons later bought farms nearby, but William the youngest married Rebecca Jane Colwell, daughter of John Colwell of Porters Hill and they lived on the farm with the aged father who knew little about farming, having been a sailor. The mother, Elizabeth Lawrence her maiden name, died a few years after William's marriage and after her death James Stirling lived with his son William to the ripe old age of ninety-five years and some months. He was a fine looking, cheery old man, retaining his memory and good sight but had lost his hearing. However, he was blessed with good health until a few days before his death.

His son John . . . " [See appendix A, The Stirling Family by Will and Maude Stirling]

Per unknown family historian: "The family included many weavers, which was a large industry in that area. The most likely reason that the four sons emigrated to Canada was that the bottom dropped out of the market around 1840". Per: "Goderich Township Families", held by Goderich Library, "James was known as a great singer of Scottish Songs. In the 1861 census, James is listed as residing in a one story log house with son William. In 1843 his name occurs as residing on L33/C4, near Goderich."

Note: Carol Simons has birth year of James as 1795.

More About JAMES STIRLING:

Burial: Goderich Cemetary, Goderich Ontario

Notes for ELIZABETH LAWRENCE:

Surname possibly spelled Laurence.

Children of JAMES STIRLING and ELIZABETH LAWRENCE are:

- 10. i. JOHN⁵ STIRLING, b. December 29, 1825, Panbride Parish, Forfarshire, Scotland (near Carnoustie).; d. September 18, 1875, Goderich, Ontario.
 - ii. JAMES STIRLING, b. 1827; d. 1840¹².

Notes for JAMES STIRLING:

Reportedly died at sea on the way to Canada. Discrepancy in age reported: born in 1827, died at sea 1840, yet various family accounts state his age at death was seven.

- 11. iii. DAVID LAWRENCE STIRLING, b. December 04, 1829, Barry Scotland; d. October 27, 1911, Colborne Township, Ontario.
- 12. iv. ALEXANDER "SANDY" STIRLING, b. 1832.
- 13. v. WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE" STIRLING, b. May 29, 1835, Panbride Parish, Scotland; d. June 04, 1910.
- **6.** GEORGE⁴ STIRLING (*JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born Abt. 1794 in Scotland. He married MARGARET PETRIE¹² November 09, 1823 in Carmglie, Scotland¹². She was born

1793, and died 1870.

Notes for GEORGE STIRLING:

From Goderich Township Families: "George settled on L37 /C6 (Line 37, Concession 6) which is shown in his name in 1834. He married Margaret Petrie of Carmylie Parish in 1823 and they had five children."

More About GEORGE STIRLING:

Emigration: 1840, To Ontario Canada

Marriage Notes for GEORGE STIRLING and MARGARET PETRIE:

Source: Maxine Kennedy. Spelling of Carmglie may be Carmyglie or Carmylie (Parish): depending on source and transcriber.

Children of GEORGE STIRLING and MARGARET PETRIE are:

i. SUSAN⁵ STIRLING, m. BATES.

Notes for SUSAN STIRLING:

Elizabeth Milne is a descendant of Susan: lives in Harbor Springs, Michigan.

- ii. MARY STIRLING, m. VANSTONE.
- iii. JANE STIRLING, m. MCPHAIL.
- 14. iv. ROBERT STIRLING, b. 1829, Scotland; d. 1909.
 - v. ANN STIRLING.

Notes for ANN STIRLING:

From GTF: " Ann reportedly died a few days before her wedding day (1858) and was buried in her wedding gown."

7. ALEXANDER⁴ STIRLING (*JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1797 in Panbride Parish, Forfar, Angus, Scotland, and died March 12, 1884 in Goderich. He married MARGARET MONNIE¹² May 1823 in Panbride Parish, Forfar, Angus, Scotland (source: Maxine Kennedy)¹². She was born 1790, and died 1871.

Notes for ALEXANDER STIRLING:

Per Goderich Register: Immigrated in 1840, and settled on L37 / C6 (Line 37, Concession 6) where they built a log house. Alexander was one of the first elders of Bethany Presbyterian Church in 1865.

More About ALEXANDER STIRLING:

Emigration: 1840

Notes for MARGARET MONNIE:

Possibly the daughter of Alexander and Mary Strachan of Carmylie Parish: per Goderich Township Families. Alternative surname: may have been spelled Mannie.

Children of ALEXANDER STIRLING and MARGARET MONNIE are:

- 15. i. Janet "Jessie" 5 Stirling, b. 1824; d. 1916.
 - ii. DAUGHTER STIRLING, b. 1825.
- 16. iii. WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE" STIRLING, b. 1826; d. 1902.
- 17. iv. MARGARET STIRLING, b. Abt. 1829.
- **8.** WILLIAM⁴ STIRLING (*JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born Abt. 1805 in Panbride Parish, Scotland, and died July 08, 1880¹². He married (1) CATHERINE CREIGHTON. She was born 1829 in Scotland, and died March 09, 1890 in Reed City, Michigan. He married (2) UNKNOWN.

Notes for WILLIAM STIRLING:

Per Goderich Township Register: "William arrived in Canada unmarried ca 1830-1835. He leased L32 / C4 (Line 32, concession 4) in 1834 and contracted for L32 / C5 in 1846. William reportedly wrote glowing accounts of the area to his brothers in Scotland, and in 1840 James, George, and Sandy joined him. . . a cobbler in Scotland, William brought his tools with him. He was a song leader for many years at Bethany Presbyterian Church. His first wife's name is unknown, but a son, James MacDonald Stirling was born of that marriage. He later married Catherine Creighton and they had six children. After Williams death, Catherine married Mr. Cranston.

More About WILLIAM STIRLING:

Burial: Bayfield Cemetary¹²

Children of WILLIAM STIRLING and CATHERINE CREIGHTON are:

- i. JANET⁵ STIRLING, b. May 31, 1856; d. March 04, 1888, Chase, Michigan; m. SCOTT.
- ii. MARY ANN STIRLING, b. November 20, 1857; d. May 04, 1938, Chase, Michigan; m. SPEARS.
- iii. WILLIAM ALEXANDER STIRLING, b. February 13, 1859; d. March 26, 1900, Michigan.
- iv. Catherine "Kate" Stirling, b. May 23, 1862; m. Fenner / Vanderhoff.
- v. MARGARET "MAGGIE" STIRLING, b. March 03, 1865; d. May 03, 1956; m. GORDON.
- vi. DAVID STIRLING, b. 1868, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario.

Child of WILLIAM STIRLING and UNKNOWN is:

- 18. vii. JAMES MACDONALD⁵ STIRLING, b. Abt. 1852.
- **9.** ROBERT⁴ STIRLING (*JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born Abt. 1808 in Panbride Parish, Scotland, and died October 08, 1883 in Panbride Parish, Forfar, Angus, Scotland ¹³. He married MARGARET CLARKE ¹⁴ March 07, 1836 in Carnoustie, Scotland ¹⁵, daughter of GEORGE CLARK and ISABELLA NICOLL. She died January 06, 1894 in Gallowlaw, Panbride Parish ¹⁶.

Notes for ROBERT STIRLING:

Robert Stirling's baptism is recorded in Panbride Parish records: "14 October 1808, John Skirling and Janet Petrie, son Robert. Witnesses Robert Sonsan and William Archer." This family appears in the 1841 and 1851 census for Gallowlaw, Panbride, per report of

Christina Gray. Per Earl Close: Robert and Margaret are shown in the Census records in 1861 in Newton, and in 1871 in the Helen Bank Hotel, and in 1881 and 1891 on Gallowlaw Street.

More About ROBERT STIRLING:

Baptism: Panbride Parish, Scotland

Marriage Notes for ROBERT STIRLING and MARGARET CLARKE:

Robert and Margaret's marriage is recorded in the Panbride records as follows: "7 March 1836, Robert Stirling, weaver, Gallowlaw in this Parish and Margaret Clark in the parish of Berry. Married at Carnoustie. (Proc: Feb 21, 28, and March 7)".

Children of ROBERT STIRLING and MARGARET CLARKE are:

i. DAVID⁵ STIRLING, b. September 16, 1838.

Notes for DAVID STIRLING:

David is shown in the Census years of 1861, 1871, 1881 as an unmarried fisherman living at home with his parents. We do not know when David died. (Per Earl Close)

More About DAVID STIRLING:

Baptism: September 30, 1838, Panbride Parish, Scotland

ii. JANET OR JESSIE STIRLING, b. June 08, 1841.

Notes for JANET OR JESSIE STIRLING:

Per Earl Close: "Jessie was a laundress and cared for her widowed mother until her mother's death in 1894. Jessie was not married and we have not found when she died".

More About Janet or Jessie Stirling:

Baptism: September 30, 1841, Panbride Parish, Scotland

iii. GEORGE STIRLING, b. April 22, 1837; d. July 22, 1898, Blairgowrie Perth Scotland 17; m. CECILIA HOGG; d. 1913.

Notes for GEORGE STIRLING:

Per Earl Close: George was a ship captain and visited the Stirlings in Canada. When he was talking to "Long Willie" Stirling, his nephew, he stated that if Willie would name a son George after him, he would send him a watch. "Willie" did name a son George, and received the promised watch.

More About GEORGE STIRLING:

Baptism: May 03, 1837, Witnessed by Janet and Jean Petrie

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10. JOHN⁵ STIRLING (*JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born December 29, 1825 in Panbride Parish, Forfarshire, Scotland (near Carnoustie). ¹⁸, and died September 18, 1875 in Goderich, Ontario ^{19,20}. He married PHOEBE ANNE COLWELL 1850 in Goderich Township, Huron County, Ontario ²⁰, daughter of JOHN COLWELL and MARY BROWNING.

She was born 1829 in Kentville, Nova Scotia²¹, and died November 24, 1901 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario.

Notes for JOHN STIRLING:

"John met with a sad death, losing his arm in a threshing machine. The family moved to Bruce County, near Burvie, Ontario". (source: Goderich Township Register, page 287) Note: Forfarshire is the old name of the present county Angus in southeast Scotland, near the city of Dundee.

More About JOHN STIRLING:

Burial: Maitland Cemetary, Ontario

More About PHOEBE ANNE COLWELL:

Burial: Maitland Cemetary

Children of JOHN STIRLING and PHOEBE COLWELL are:

- 19. i. JAMES⁶ STIRLING, b. September 20, 1851; d. August 05, 1917, Sanilac County Michigan.
- 20. ii. JOHN COLWELL STIRLING, b. January 03, 1852, Clinton, Huron County, Ontario; d. December 29, 1934, Clinton, Huron County, Ontario.
- 21. iii. MARY ANN STIRLING, b. July 23, 1855; d. Abt. 1935.
- 22. iv. ELIZABETH LAWRENCE STIRLING, b. December 21, 1857; d. October 14, 1923.
- v. SARAH JANE STIRLING, b. August 20, 1858, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. February 22, 1927, Coronation, Paintearth County, Alberta Canada.
- 24. vi. CATHERINE STIRLING, b. October 01, 1859; d. November 17, 1946.
- 25. vii. DAVID STIRLING, b. January 06, 1861; d. May 16, 1937, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario.
- 26. viii. GEORGE STIRLING, b. March 21, 1864; d. January 28, 1904, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario.
- 27. ix. MARIAH FLORENCE STIRLING, b. June 25, 1865; d. May 29, 1940, Marlette, Michigan (Burlington Township, Lapeer County).
 - x. SAMUEL STIRLING, b. 1868; d. Alberta.
 - xi. WILLIAM STIRLING, b. 1870.
- 28. xii. Frances Alexander Stirling, b. April 14, 1872, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. Alberta.
- 29. xiii. EDITH BLANCHE STIRLING, b. Abt. 1874; d. December 29, 1963, Salt Lake City, Utah.

11. DAVID LAWRENCE⁵ STIRLING (*JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born December 04, 1829 in Barry Scotland²², and died October 27, 1911 in Colborne Township, Ontario. He married ELIZABETH COUTTS²³ 1850²³. She was born May 17, 1831.

Notes for DAVID LAWRENCE STIRLING:

Maxine Kennedy has David born in 1829. Christina Gray confirms with access to Colborne Twp. Register. Per GTF: family later moved to Colborne Twp.

More About DAVID LAWRENCE STIRLING:

Source:: John Holden²³

Children of DAVID STIRLING and ELIZABETH COUTTS are:

- i. JAMES⁶ STIRLING, b. October 29, 1853, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. 1938; m. SARAH COLWELL; b. Kentville, Nova Scotia.
- ii. ELIZABETH "LIZZIE" STIRLING, b. 1856, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; m. TOM HARRISON.

Notes for ELIZABETH "LIZZIE" STIRLING:

Maxine Kennedy has a possible spouse for Elizabeth; ???Harrison

iii. ANN STIRLING, b. 1858, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; m. CAMPBELL.

Notes for ANN STIRLING:

Maxine Kennedy has possible spouse for Ann: ???Campbell

iv. LOUISA STIRLING, b. 1861, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario²⁴; m. TILFORD.

Notes for LOUISA STIRLING:

Maxine Kennedy has possible spouse name for Louisa: ???Tilford

Notes for TILFORD:

Surname may be "Fulford"?

- v. WILLIAM STIRLING, b. 1863.
- vi. AGNES STIRLING, b. 1868, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario²⁵; m. HUGH THURLOW, June 16, 1897, Goderich Township²⁶; b. Abt. 1865, Colborne Twp. Huron County, Ontario.

Notes for HUGH THURLOW:

Srname may be Thintow per GTF.

- vii. ALEXANDER STIRLING, b. January 1871; d. 1942; m. MABEL DEMPSEY; b. 1882; d. 1951.
- viii. JANE STIRLING, m. HORTON.
- **12.** ALEXANDER "SANDY"⁵ STIRLING (*JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1832. He married MARY ANN WATT CLARK MORGAN 1856.

Notes for ALEXANDER "SANDY" STIRLING:

This family also moved to Colborne Twp, per GTF.

More About ALEXANDER "SANDY" STIRLING:

Note: Christina Gray is descended from this brother.

Children of ALEXANDER STIRLING and MARY MORGAN are:

- 30. i. JOHN⁶ STIRLING, b. 1856; d. 1901, Manitoba.
 - ii. ELIZABETH "LIZZIE" STIRLING, b. 1859; m. JOHN BLACK; b. 1850; d. 1909.
- 31. iii. EMILY SARAH STIRLING, b. 1864.
 - iv. Matilda "Tillie" Stirling, b. 1870; d. 1945; m. William Strachan.

13. WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"⁵ STIRLING (*JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born May 29, 1835 in Panbride Parish, Scotland, and died June 04, 1910. He married REBECCA JANE COLWELL Abt. 1862, daughter of JOHN COLWELL and MARY BROWNING. She was born July 12, 1845 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario.

Notes for WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE" STIRLING:

Picture given by Keyes Family are the 13 children of William and Rebecca. The Keyes are cousins of Carol Simons who is also descended from William and Rebecca.

More About WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE" STIRLING:

Burial: Bayfield Cemetary Ontario

Notes for REBECCA JANE COLWELL:

[Stirling Backup.FTW]

Rebecca was "Long Willie"'s first wife, and either birth or death notes are wrong, for it is said she died young and William married again, to Margaret Russell in 1857

More About REBECCA JANE COLWELL:

Burial: Bayfield Cemetary

Children of WILLIAM STIRLING and REBECCA COLWELL are:

- i. JAMES LAWRENCE⁶ STIRLING, b. January 30, 1864, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. Abt. 1940, Pickford, Michigan.
- 33. ii. MARY ELIZABETH STIRLING, b. March 28, 1866, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. October 07, 1958, Bayfield, Huron County, Ontario.
- 34. iii. JOHN BROWNING STIRLING, b. January 20, 1868; d. Abt. 1954, Pickford, Michigan.
- 35. iv. GEORGE STIRLING, b. October 18, 1871, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. Abt. 1954, Pickford, Michigan.
 - v. WILLIAM COLWELL STIRLING, b. September 11, 1873; d. 1950, Hanna, Alberta, Canada; m. (1) KATHERINE MCLEOD, January 11, 1906; m. (2) ANNE WILLISON, Aft. 1907.

Notes for WILLIAM COLWELL STIRLING: William was Postmaster at Hanna, Alberta. (GTF)

vi. REBECCA JANE STIRLING, b. November 02, 1876²⁷; m. FREDERICH H. JOHNSON, September 19, 1900²⁸; b. Abt. 1868.

Notes for Frederich H. Johnson:

GTF states name spelled Johnston, and that they lived in Michigan.

vii. MAUD STIRLING, b. November 10, 1877, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. 1964.

Notes for MAUD STIRLING:

Maud Stirling served in the Canadian Nurse Corps in WWI in Europe, and visited the

McRobbies in 1917 in Carnoustie (descendants of Robert Stirling). She took a photograph of the Stirling home in Carnoustie which has since been torn down photograph in possession of Earl Close.

Goderich Twp. Families states Maud's first name was Annie, and confirms that she was "a nurse who served overseas in WWI; also that she spent two years in Greece, and time in France and ALTA and was given special mention and a decoration by King George V. Queen Alexandra gave her a book and photograph signed by her own hand. Maude lived in Bayfield."

More About MAUD STIRLING:

Occupation: Nurse

viii. SARAH MARIA "SADIE" STIRLING, b. September 10, 1879, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. January 14, 1967, Pickford, Michigan; m. "JACK" JOHN H. CRAWFORD, September 24, 1902, Bayfield, Ontario²⁹; b. Abt. 1872, Fordwich, Huron County, Ontario.

Notes for "JACK" JOHN H. CRAWFORD: This couple settled in Pickford Michigan also, per GTF.

- ix. Jessie May Stirling, b. May 26, 1881, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. Abt. 1962, Nanton, Alberta; m. Leslie Loree, December 20, 1907.
- x. EDITH JOSEPHINE STIRLING, b. June 17, 1883, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. August 08, 1975.
- 36. xi. LUELLA ALBERTA STIRLING, b. March 16, 1885, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. December 08, 1969, D'Arcy, Saskatchewan, Canada.
- 37. xii. DAVID ALEXANDER "SANDY" STIRLING, b. March 20, 1887; d. 1972.
- 38. xiii. CHARLOTTE STIRLING, b. July 30, 1888, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario.
- **14.** ROBERT⁵ STIRLING (*GEORGE*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1829 in Scotland, and died 1909. He married CHRISTINA GARDINER. She was born 1833, and died 1901.

Notes for ROBERT STIRLING:

Emigrated with his father George from Scotland in 1840. From GTF: "Robert was a farmer and is shown in the 1861 and 1871 census in a log home on L38 /C8. Robert later built a brick house there."

Children of ROBERT STIRLING and CHRISTINA GARDINER are:

- 39. i. George⁶ Stirling, b. 1856; d. 1912.
- 40. ii. Alexander Gardner Stirling, b. 1858.
- 41. iii. Albert Edward Stirling, b. 1860; d. 1918.
 - iv. "ANNIE" AGNES STIRLING, b. 1862; d. 1925.

Notes for "ANNIE" AGNES STIRLING: Remained single and lived in Detroit Michigan - GTF.

v. Clara Emily Stirling, b. 1865.

vi. ROBERT ISAAC "IKE" STIRLING, b. 1867; d. 1935.

Notes for ROBERT ISAAC "IKE" STIRLING: Went west to Consul, Saskatchewan - GTF.

- 42. vii. CAROLINE "CARRIE" ELIZABETH STIRLING, b. 1870; d. 1949.
- 43. viii. Charles Mason Stirling, b. 1872.
 - ix. AGNES BLANCHE STIRLING, b. 1874.
- 44. x. Mary Sophia Stirling, b. 1876; d. 1945.
- **15.** JANET "JESSIE"⁵ STIRLING (*ALEXANDER*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1824, and died 1916. She married JAMES MACGREGOR Abt. 1842, son of ANDREW MACGREGOR and JANE MCKIRDY. He was born Abt. 1821.

Children of JANET STIRLING and JAMES MACGREGOR are:

- i. ISABELLA⁶ MACGREGOR, b. Abt. 1843; d. 1932; m. MORGAN.
- ii. WILLIAM MACGREGOR, b. Abt. 1844.
- iii. MARGARET MACGREGOR, b. Abt. 1845.
- iv. Charles MacGregor, b. Abt. 1850; m. Mary Currie.
- v. ALEXANDER MACGREGOR, b. Abt. 1851.
- vi. Andrew MacGregor, b. 1852; d. 1945; m. Margaret Currie.
- vii. JAMES MACGREGOR, b. Abt. 1854.
- viii. JANET "JENNIE" MACGREGOR, b. Abt. 1856; m. McDonald.
- ix. Peter MacGregor, b. Abt. 1859.
- x. JOHN MACGREGOR, b. Abt. 1861.
- xi. ANGUS MACGREGOR, b. Abt. 1863.
- xii. Elma MacGregor, b. Abt. 1865.
- **16.** WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE"⁵ STIRLING (*ALEXANDER*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1826, and died 1902. He married (1) ISOBELLA MCDONALD Abt. 1848, daughter of WILLIAM MCDONALD. He married (2) MARGARET "MEG" RUSSELL 1857, daughter of ROBERT RUSSELL and MARION. She was born Abt. 1833, and died May 04, 1914 in Bayfield Cemetary.

Notes for WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE" STIRLING:

Per Goderich Township Families: "As Black Willie's moniker indicates, he was of dark complexion and colouring".

Per Carol Simons: Alexander "Sandy" Stirling, brother of James b 1795, married Margaret Mannie, had four children, one of whom was William aka "Black Willie". Black Willie first married Isabella McDonald and had four children. Isabella died and Black Willie married Margaret Meg Russell. They had 8 children. One of these eight was James Russell Stirling who became father to Grant Stirling (still living on the old Stirling farm) and Robert Stirling, whom I met in 2000 (now deceased).

Children of WILLIAM STIRLING and ISOBELLA MCDONALD are:

- 45. i. ISOBELLA⁶ STIRLING, b. 1850.
 - ii. MARGARET "MAGGIE" STIRLING, b. Abt. 1852; m. ROBERT ALEXANDER.

Notes for MARGARET "MAGGIE" STIRLING:

Maggie and Robert lived on C6 until moving to the Wiarton area with several other local families, then on to BC circa 1883: per Goderich Township Families.

- 46. iii. ALEXANDER STIRLING, b. 1854; d. 1912.
- 47. iv. WILLIAM McDonald Stirling, b. 1855; d. 1893.

Children of WILLIAM STIRLING and MARGARET RUSSELL are:

- 48. v. ROBERT⁶ STIRLING, b. Abt. 1858.
 - vi. ELIZABETH MARY STIRLING, b. 1860; m. JONATHAN BURTON.

Notes for JONATHAN BURTON:

John and Elizabeth lived on L29 / C5. No children.

- vii. MARION STIRLING, b. Abt. 1862.
- 49. viii. Janet "Jessie" Stirling, b. 1865.
 - ix. Jane B. Stirling, b. Abt. 1867.

Notes for JANE B. STIRLING:

Died young.

x. SARAH STIRLING, b. Abt. 1868; m. FRANK CROSS.

Notes for FRANK CROSS:

Frank and Sarah moved to Manitoba.

- 50. xi. Alfred Stirling, b. Abt. 1871.
- 51. xii. James Russell Stirling, b. 1874; d. 1960.
- **17.** MARGARET⁵ STIRLING (*ALEXANDER*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born Abt. 1829. She married JOHN MCDONALD.

Children of MARGARET STIRLING and JOHN McDonald are:

- i. WILLY⁶ MCDONALD.
- ii. ALEXANDER MCDONALD.
- iii. JOHN MCDONALD.
- iv. BELLE MCDONALD, m. BURNETT.
- v. JAMES MCDONALD.
- vi. NELL MCDONALD, m. ELLIOTT.
- vii. MAGGIE MCDONALD.
- viii. JESSIE MCDONALD, m. HANLEY.
- ix. THOMAS MCDONALD.
- x. George McDonald.
- xi. FLORA MCDONALD, m. WHITELY.
- **18.** JAMES MACDONALD⁵ STIRLING (WILLIAM⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born

Abt. 1852.

Notes for JAMES MACDONALD STIRLING:

May have gone to Michigan after living in Goderich for some time.

Children of JAMES MACDONALD STIRLING are:

- i. JAMES⁶ STIRLING.
- ii. HUGH STIRLING.
- iii. JACK STIRLING.

Generation No. 6

19. JAMES⁶ STIRLING (*JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born September 20, 1851, and died August 05, 1917 in Sanilac County Michigan. He married ANN COLLINS December 26, 1877 in Bruce County, Huron Township, Ontario³⁰. She was born January 29, 1851 in Carleton County, Ontario, and died May 21, 1928 in Sanilac County Michigan.

More About JAMES STIRLING:

Burial: Marlette, Michigan

More About ANN COLLINS:

Burial: Marlette, Michigan

Children of JAMES STIRLING and ANN COLLINS are:

- 52. i. KATHRYN BLANCHE⁷ STIRLING, b. May 19, 1880, Lamotte Township, Sanilac County, Michigan; d. April 06, 1909, Erskine, Alberta.
- 53. ii. Lulu Annette Stirling, b. September 27, 1883; d. April 16, 1922.
 - iii. Francis Collins Stirling, b. Abt. 1878; d. Abt. 1878.

More About Francis Collins Stirling:

Burial: Mosher Cemetary, Lamotte Township, Michigan

20. JOHN COLWELL⁶ STIRLING (*JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born January 03, 1852 in Clinton, Huron County, Ontario, and died December 29, 1934 in Clinton, Huron County, Ontario. He married SUSANNE DEMPSEY November 01, 1877 in Ontario³¹, daughter of JOHN DEMPSEY and MARGARET CHURCHILL. She was born June 09, 1857 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario, and died June 09, 1920 in Goderich Ontario.

Notes for JOHN COLWELL STIRLING:

These are the author's, and her cousin's, GREAT GRANDPARENTS through the children of Howard Alexander Stirling. See scrapbook for photograph of Lloyd Stirling, Howard's brother and John's grandson, in front of the Clinton home.

More About JOHN COLWELL STIRLING:

Burial: Clinton Public Cemetary, Hullet Twp. Huron Cty, ON

Occupation: carpenter³²

Residence: Clinton, near RR tracks.

Notes for SUSANNE DEMPSEY:

Alternate spelling of first name as Susan, from Angus Cline.

More About SUSANNE DEMPSEY:

Burial: Clinton Public Cemetary, Hullet Twp. Huron Cty, ON

Children of JOHN STIRLING and SUSANNE DEMPSEY are:

- i. George⁷ Stirling.
- 54. ii. MARGUERITE F.A."MINNIE" STIRLING, b. September 08, 1879, Bervie, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario; d. June 09, 1920.
- 55. iii. SADIE STIRLING, b. February 02, 1880; d. December 10, 1948, Battle Creek, Michigan.
- 56. iv. WILLIAM STIRLING, b. March 15, 1884; d. March 17, 1965, Lansing, Michigan.
- 57. v. SUSAN "PEARL" STIRLING, b. September 25, 1886, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. November 28, 1954.
 - vi. REUBEN SAMUEL STIRLING, b. December 29, 1889; d. September 29, 1949, Detroit Michigan US; m. (1) MABEL BROWN; d. Bef. 1915; m. (2) ELIZABETH.

Notes for REUBEN SAMUEL STIRLING:

From US census 1930: "18969 Woodbine Avenue, Stirling, Reuben S., owns, worth 6700, has radio, 39, first married at 27, born Can E, parents born Can E, came to US in 1912, machinist in Auto factor. Elizabeth, 35, first married at 23, CanE, Can E, NY US in 1918; John T, son, 15, MI CanE Can E; Kenneth, son, 12, MI Can E Can E". Source: Census 1930, Michigan, Wayne County, Detroit, District 879, sheet 24A, April 14, 1930.

More About REUBEN SAMUEL STIRLING:

Relationship: twin of Ruby³²

vii. RUBY STIRLING.

More About RUBY STIRLING:

Marriages: Gordon/Griffes/Olseen - unknown

Relationship: twin of Reuben³²

- 58. viii. HOWARD ALEXANDER STIRLING, b. August 30, 1893, Clinton, Ontario; d. January 19, 1929, Toronto, Ontario.
 - ix. JOHN STIRLING.

21. MARY ANN⁶ STIRLING (*JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹)³³ was born July 23, 1855³⁴, and died Abt. 1935. She married (1) SYLVESTER OSTROM. He was born Abt. 1853 in Hastings County Ontario, and died November 02, 1892 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario³⁵. She married (2) DONALD LAST Abt. 1912. He was born Abt. 1840, and died Abt. 1921.

More About MARY ANN STIRLING:

Burial: Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario

Children of MARY STIRLING and SYLVESTER OSTROM are:

i. VIDA⁷ OSTROM, b. April 21, 1881; d. Abt. 1962; m. DAN MACLEAN, December 27, 1905, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario; b. Abt. 1860; d. Abt. 1939.

More About VIDA OSTROM: Burial: Kincardine Cemetary

- ii. MAE EDITH OSTROM, b. January 29, 1882.
- iii. LULU OSTROM, b. January 31, 1887; m. McLAREN.
- iv. SAMUEL OSTROM, b. April 27, 1889.
- v. Charlotte Ostrom, b. July 04, 1891.
- vi. JOHN SYLVESTER OSTROM, b. August 27, 1892.

22. ELIZABETH LAWRENCE⁶ STIRLING (*JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹)³⁶ was born December 21, 1857, and died October 14, 1923. She met JOHN HENRY DEMPSEY³⁷, son of JOHN DEMPSEY and MARGARET CHURCHILL. He was born April 27, 1855 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario³⁸, and died January 30, 1927.

Notes for ELIZABETH LAWRENCE STIRLING:

Angus Cline has Elizabeth's middle name as Lavinia; however, the custom of giving children old family surnames as such has precedent.

More About ELIZABETH LAWRENCE STIRLING:

Burial: Clinton Public Cemetary, Hullet Twp. Huron Cty, ON

More About JOHN HENRY DEMPSEY:

Burial: Clinton Public Cemetary, Hullet Twp. Huron Cty, ON

Children of ELIZABETH STIRLING and JOHN DEMPSEY are:

- 59. i. MARGARET VICTORIA⁷ DEMPSEY, b. December 06, 1878; d. February 23, 1928.
 - ii. Annie Gertrude Maude Dempsey, b. July 06, 1880; d. June 27, 1945.
 - iii. MABEL LORETTA DEMPSEY, b. November 05, 1883, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. Abt. 1951.
 - iv. ELIZABETH DEMPSEY, b. June 09, 1884, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario.
 - v. ROSETTA DEMPSEY, b. July 11, 1886, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. Abt. 1964.
 - vi. JOHN ALEXANDER DEMPSEY, b. August 02, 1889, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. July 29, 1959.
 - vii. STIRLING DEMPSEY, b. April 24, 1894, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; d. March 13, 1930.
- **23.** SARAH JANE⁶ STIRLING (*JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born August 20, 1858 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario, and died February 22, 1927 in Coronation, Paintearth County, Alberta Canada. She married DANIEL FRANCIS KENNEDY February 25, 1884 in Bervie, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario, son of MICHAEL

KENNEDY and MARY PIPPEN. He was born November 06, 1861 in Ontario, and died October 1927 in Alberta, Canada.

Notes for SARAH JANE STIRLING:

Angus Cline states Sarah's place of death as Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MinnesotaMaxine Kennedy has possible spouse name for Jane: ? Horton

Notes for DANIEL FRANCIS KENNEDY:

Daniel Kennedy and Sarah Jane Stirling are Bonnie Petee's grandparents, and Maxine Kennedy's parents.

Children of SARAH STIRLING and DANIEL KENNEDY are:

i. LOUIS CHARLES⁷ KENNEDY, b. March 01, 1891, Lamotte Township, Sanilac County, Michigan; d. June 24, 1950, Alberta, Canada; m. ZELPHA CREIG.

More About Louis Charles Kennedy:

Military service: veteran

- ii. MARY ANN KENNEDY, b. December 03, 1884, Bervie, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario; d. April 27, 1952, Mt. Clemens, Macomb County, Michigan; m. ARTHUR HEEMER, October 12, 1905, Hemans, Sanilac County, Michigan.
- iii. JOHN STIRLING KENNEDY, b. November 11, 1886, Kinloss Township, Bruce County, Ontario; d. September 05, 1958, Evergreen Township, Sanilac County, Michigan; m. CECILE AUSLANDER, July 31, 1912, Evergreen Township, Sanilac County, Michigan.
- iv. Francis Walter Kennedy, b. December 14, 1888, Lamotte Township, Sanilac County, Michigan; d. October 23, 1947, Tuscola County, Michigan; m. Beulah Victoria Agar, December 11, 1912, Evergreen Township, Sanilac County, Michigan.
- v. EDITH BLANCHE KENNEDY, b. September 1893; d. August 20, 1968, Coronation, Paintearth County, Alberta Canada; m. (1) JOHN YACK; m. (2) JOHN GWILLIAM, 1917.
- vi. EDNA MAY KENNEDY, b. January 18, 1896, Lamotte Township, Sanilac County, Michigan; d. November 16, 1984; m. ALEX GREY MCLEAN, 1929, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.
- vii. WALLACE KENNEDY, b. December 1899, Lamotte Township, Sanilac County, Michigan; d. November 03, 1950; m. MARGARET PEARL UNA MCINTOSH, February 20, 1924.
- **24.** CATHERINE⁶ STIRLING (*JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born October 01, 1859, and died November 17, 1946. She married ANDREW EMERSON October 26, 1883 in Bervie, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario. He was born July 17, 1857, and died January 16, 1950.

Notes for CATHERINE STIRLING:

Maxine Kennedy is source, but has birth year as 1858.

Children of CATHERINE STIRLING and ANDREW EMERSON are:

i. JOHN BERNARD⁷ EMERSON, b. April 29, 1884; d. September 10, 1969; m. MINNIE NIXON, April 1921; b. Abt. 1890; d. August 17, 1986.

- ii. Annie Margaret Emerson, b. October 1886; d. September 1970; m. Angus Graham, June 06, 1917; b. Abt. 1865; d. January 21, 1950.
- iii. Frances Elizabeth Emerson, b. August 26, 1889, Ripley, Ontario; d. April 24, 1983.
- iv. SAMUEL HERBERT EMERSON, b. May 23, 1891; d. March 10, 1981, Wingham & District Hospital, Wingham, Ontario.

25. DAVID⁶ STIRLING (*JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹)³⁹ was born January 06, 1861, and died May 16, 1937 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario. He married NORA LOUISE LUELLA TYERMAN⁴⁰ April 21, 1886 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario. She was born April 09, 1862 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario, and died July 22, 1941 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario.

Notes for DAVID STIRLING:

Angus Cline, fellow genealogy researcher for our line, is descended from this David Stirling, who was brother of our John Colwell Stirling, and has considerable information on John Stirling and Phoebe Ann Colwell.

More About DAVID STIRLING: Burial: Kincardine Cemetary

More About NORA LOUISE LUELLA TYERMAN:

Burial: Kincardine Cemetary

Nickname: Luella

Children of DAVID STIRLING and NORA TYERMAN are:

- 60. i. NORA ELEANOR⁷ STIRLING, b. February 28, 1891, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario; d. January 10, 1982, Goderich, Huron County, Ontario.
 - ii. DAVID LAURENCE STIRLING, b. April 11, 1887, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario; d. August 03, 1959, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario; m. ANNIE JOHANN MACKENZIE, October 10, 1928, Ripley, Huron Township, Ontarion.
 - iii. WINNIFRED ANN STIRLING, b. February 28, 1888; d. November 17, 1967.
 - iv. ELIZABETH "BESSIE" STIRLING, b. September 10, 1892; d. May 19, 1978, Hillcrest Place, Hamiota, MB.
 - v. LYLA STIRLING⁴¹, b. September 07, 1899, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario; d. September 26, 1981, St. Mary's Hospital, London, Ontario.

More About LYLA STIRLING:

Burial: Mount Pleasant Cemetary, London, Ontario

26. GEORGE⁶ STIRLING (*JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹)⁴² was born March 21, 1864, and died January 28, 1904 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario. He married JANE "JENNIE" WOODS October 16, 1889 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario⁴³. She was born December 25, 1868 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario, and died April 21, 1949 in Woodstock, Ontario.

More About GEORGE STIRLING: Burial: Kincardine Cemetary

More About JANE "JENNIE" WOODS:

Burial: Kincardine Cemetary

Children of GEORGE STIRLING and JANE WOODS are:

i. JOHN WILMER⁷ STIRLING, b. July 18, 1890, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario; d. Abt. 1968.

Notes for JOHN WILMER STIRLING:

John Wilmer Stirling, never married, moved to Peace River District, Alberta, where he farmed.

- ii. JAMES HOWARD STIRLING, b. September 13, 1894, Hancock, Michigan.
- iii. GEORGE LAWRENCE STIRLING, b. November 23, 1896, Hancock, Michigan; d. Abt. 1963.
- iv. LLOYD ALEXANDER STIRLING, b. June 16, 1899, Hancock, Michigan.
- v. OLIVE ANNIE STIRLING⁴⁴, b. February 11, 1901.

Notes for OLIVE ANNIE STIRLING:

Reported to have died while attending High School in Kincardine.

- vi. LUELLA BLANCHE STIRLING, b. Abt. 1902, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario.
- **27.** MARIAH FLORENCE⁶ STIRLING (*JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ SKIRLING III, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹)⁴⁵ was born June 25, 1865, and died May 29, 1940 in Marlette, Michigan (Burlington Township, Lapeer County). She married ROBERT NELSON MCMANN⁴⁶ March 11, 1884 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario⁴⁷. He was born June 25, 1856 in Kinloss Township, Bruce County, Ontario, and died May 29, 1940 in Marlette, Michigan.

Notes for MARIAH FLORENCE STIRLING:

PER GTF birth year may be 1866.

More About MARIAH FLORENCE STIRLING:

Burial: Marlette, Michigan

Notes for ROBERT NELSON MCMANN:

His name is recorded as McMann on marriage registration #1484, despite family showing name of McMahon in 1891 census of Kincardine Township.

More About ROBERT NELSON MCMANN:

Burial: Marlette, Michigan

Children of MARIAH STIRLING and ROBERT MCMANN are:

i. JOHN SAMUEL STIRLING⁷ MCMANN, b. December 07, 1898, Kinloss, Kincardine

Township, Bruce County, Ontario; d. December 12, 1981, Zephyr Hills, Florida, US; m. MABEL MAIN.

- ii. ANNA BLANCH MCMANN, b. January 24, 1887.
- iii. ROBERT NELSON MCMANN MCMANN, b. January 24, 1890.
- iv. EVA MARY MCMANN, b. June 25, 1892, Bruce County, Ontario.
- v. QUEEN ELIZABETH MCMANN, b. April 12, 1895, Kinloss, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario.
- vi. WILLIAM ALEXANDER MCMANN, b. June 14, 1900, Decker, Michigan.
- vii. DAVID EDGAR MCMANN, b. July 02, 1903.
- viii. JAMES L. MCMANN, b. September 07, 1905, Decker, Michigan; d. January 24, 1907, Decker, Michigan.
- ix. GEORGE RAYMOND MCMANN, b. July 04, 1910, Michigan.
- **28.** FRANCES ALEXANDER⁶ STIRLING (*JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born April 14, 1872 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario⁴⁸, and died in Alberta. He married HARRIET "HATTIE" MCKENZIE.

Notes for FRANCES ALEXANDER STIRLING: Family moved to ALTA.

More About HARRIET "HATTIE" MCKENZIE:

Note: Angus Cline lists surname as McDonald

Children of FRANCES STIRLING and HARRIET MCKENZIE are:

- i. JOHN M.⁷ STIRLING, b. November 25, 1903.
- ii. Frances Stirling, m. Phyliss.
- iii. Annie Stirling, m. Surname Sparr.
- iv. SAMUEL STIRLING.
- v. MARIAM STIRLING.
- vi. Tom Stirling.
- vii. WILLIE STIRLING.
- viii. DOUGLAS STIRLING, b. Abt. 1902; d. June 1991.
- **29.** EDITH BLANCHE⁶ STIRLING (*JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹)⁴⁹ was born Abt. 1874, and died December 29, 1963 in Salt Lake City, Utah. She married GEORGE HEWITT July 13, 1898 in Presbyterian Manse, Arnow, Bruce County, Ontario. He was born Abt. 1871 in Bervie, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario, and died in Washington.

Notes for EDITH BLANCHE STIRLING:

Letter from Rose (Dempsey) Miller to Bessie (Stirling) Emerson, dated January 7,1964: "Aunt Blanche died November 30 at her son George's at Salt Lake City, buried at Seattle, where George was buried". Rose was a niece of Blanche.

More About EDITH BLANCHE STIRLING:

Burial: Seattle Washington

Children of EDITH STIRLING and GEORGE HEWITT are:

- i. Annie Jane "Jean" Hewitt⁵⁰, b. November 19, 1899, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario; d. January 1983, Billings, Montana⁵¹; m. Frank Houle; d. February 1964, Billings, Montana.
- ii. JOHN HEWITT.
- iii. GEORGE HEWITT.
- **30.** JOHN⁶ STIRLING (*ALEXANDER "SANDY"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1856, and died 1901 in Manitoba. He married JESSIE EDWARD. She was born 1867, and died 1916.

Children of JOHN STIRLING and JESSIE EDWARD are:

- i. JOHN ALEXANDER⁷ STIRLING, b. 1890.
- ii. Bessie Elizabeth Stirling, b. 1892.
- iii. WILLIAM EDWARD STIRLING, b. 1894.
- **31.** EMILY SARAH⁶ STIRLING (*ALEXANDER "SANDY"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1864. She married LT. COL WILLIAM YOUNG. He was born 1859, and died 1917.

Children of EMILY STIRLING and LT. YOUNG are:

- i. Christina Myrtle⁷ Young, b. 1891; m. Drinkwater / Jones.
- ii. CLARIBEL GORDON YOUNG, b. 1893; m. GERTSCH.
- iii. ALEXANDER MURRAY YOUNG, b. 1895.
- iv. MARY MORGAN YOUNG, b. 1897; m. UNDERWOOD.
- v. Colin Moir Young, b. 1900.
- **32.** JAMES LAWRENCE⁶ STIRLING (*WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born January 30, 1864 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario, and died Abt. 1940 in Pickford, Michigan. He married JANE JENNIE BEACOM July 20, 1887 in Goderich Township⁵². She was born Abt. 1864 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario.

Notes for JAMES LAWRENCE STIRLING:

This family was among the earliest settlers in Pickford Michigan. (Per GTF)

Children of JAMES STIRLING and JANE BEACOM are:

- i. GERTRUDE⁷ STIRLING, b. 1894.
- ii. GRACE LUELLA STIRLING, b. 1895; d. 1968; m. ROE.
- **33.** MARY ELIZABETH⁶ STIRLING (*WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born March 28, 1866 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario, and died October 07, 1958 in Bayfield, Huron County, Ontario. She married DONALD MACKENZIE February 25, 1896. He was born 1866, and died December 15, 1908.

Notes for MARY ELIZABETH STIRLING:

(Mary Elizabeth Stirling MacKenzie is Carol Simons grandmother. Photograph in scrapbook is of "13 Stirling Siblings", sent by Ken Keyes, 58 Fitzgibbon Avenue, Scarborough, Ontario, N1K 4A2. Ken wrote in 1999 " A few months ago you visited our brother George Keyes at his farm at Varna, Ontario. I hope you were able to be in contact with Carol Simons (our cousin). We are enclosing a photograph for you of the Stirling family we are most familiar with. Our grandmother is Mary (lower right corner). She married Donald Mckenzie and had 3 children (Jessie Keyes, our mother, Dondald, and Jean Campbell (Carol's mother)."

More About MARY ELIZABETH STIRLING:

Burial: Bayfield Cemetary

Children: Mary is Carol Simons grandmother.

More About DONALD MACKENZIE:

Burial: Bayfield Cemetary

Children of MARY STIRLING and DONALD MACKENZIE are:

- 61. i. JESSIE⁷ MACKENZIE, b. 1897; d. 1983.
- 62. ii. Donald William MacKenzie, b. 1900.
- 63. iii. MARY CAROLINE "JEAN" MACKENZIE, b. 1902; d. 1989.
- **34.** JOHN BROWNING⁶ STIRLING (*WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born January 20, 1868, and died Abt. 1954 in Pickford, Michigan. He married RUTH RYE July 14, 1897. She was born 1867, and died 1918.

Notes for JOHN BROWNING STIRLING:

Family lived in Pickford Michigan, per GTF.

Children of JOHN STIRLING and RUTH RYE are:

- 64. i. WILLIAM RYE⁷ STIRLING, b. 1898; d. 1953.
- 65. ii. James Audrey Stirling, b. 1902; d. 1986.
- **35.** GEORGE⁶ STIRLING (*WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹)⁵³ was born October 18, 1871 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario, and died Abt. 1954 in Pickford, Michigan. He married ELIZA SMITH October 21, 1903.

Notes for GEORGE STIRLING:

This family also had two daughters, names unknown. The family moved to Pickford Michigan. (Per GTF)

Child of GEORGE STIRLING and ELIZA SMITH is:

- i. HERMAN⁷ STIRLING.
- **36.** LUELLA ALBERTA⁶ STIRLING (WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III,

*JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born March 16, 1885 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario, and died December 08, 1969 in D'Arcy, Saskatchewan, Canada. She married HERBERT MANLEY WALLIS December 27, 1911 in Bayfield, Huron County, Ontario⁵⁴. He was born Abt. 1875.

Children of LUELLA STIRLING and HERBERT WALLIS are:

- i. LAWRENCE⁷ WALLIS.
- ii. STIRLING WALLIS.
- iii. RUSSELL WALLIS.
- iv. KEN WALLIS.
- v. JACK WALLIS.
- vi. DONALD WALLIS.
- vii. JEAN WALLIS, m. WHITE.
- **37.** DAVID ALEXANDER "SANDY" STIRLING (WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE", JAMES, JOHN SKIRLING III, JOHN, JOHN was born March 20, 1887, and died 1972. He married PEARL LINDSEY December 01, 1909. She died May 01, 1951 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario.

Children of DAVID STIRLING and PEARL LINDSEY are:

- i. MARY⁷ STIRLING, b. Abt. 1913; d. December 31, 1968; m. JOHN WATSON.
- ii. FLORENCE STIRLING, b. Abt. 1915; d. March 25, 1958.
- iii. WILLIAM STIRLING, m. MYRTLE GOOD.
- 66. iv. MARGARET STIRLING.
- **38.** CHARLOTTE⁶ STIRLING (WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born July 30, 1888 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario. She married HUGH MCLAREN October 20, 1915. He was born Abt. 1888.

Notes for HUGH MCLAREN:

GTF: surname may be McLean: also, they lived in Port Elgin.

Child of CHARLOTTE STIRLING and HUGH MCLAREN is:

- 67. i. MARION STIRLING⁷ MCLAREN.
- **39.** GEORGE⁶ STIRLING (*ROBERT*⁵, *GEORGE*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1856, and died 1912. He married ELIZABETH STONEHOUSE.

Children of GEORGE STIRLING and ELIZABETH STONEHOUSE are:

- i. Fred⁷ Stirling.
- ii. LESLIE STIRLING.
- **40.** ALEXANDER GARDNER⁶ STIRLING (*ROBERT*⁵, *GEORGE*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1858.

Notes for ALEXANDER GARDNER STIRLING:

Married unknown and went west with his brother, Ike, per GTF.

Children of ALEXANDER GARDNER STIRLING are:

- i. ALBERT⁷ STIRLING.
- ii. ROBERT STIRLING.
- **41.** ALBERT EDWARD⁶ STIRLING (*ROBERT*⁵, *GEORGE*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1860, and died 1918.

Child of ALBERT EDWARD STIRLING is:

- i. WILDA⁷ STIRLING, m. MULLMEY.
- **42.** CAROLINE "CARRIE" ELIZABETH⁶ STIRLING (*ROBERT*⁵, *GEORGE*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1870, and died 1949. She married JOSEPH JERVIS.

Children of CAROLINE STIRLING and JOSEPH JERVIS are:

- i. VERNA⁷ JERVIS, m. HEARD.
- ii. LESLIE JERVIS.
- iii. DOROTHY JERVIS, m. MCELWAIN.
- iv. ROBERT JERVIS.
- **43.** CHARLES MASON⁶ STIRLING (*ROBERT*⁵, *GEORGE*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1872. He married LILLIAN COLE.

Children of CHARLES STIRLING and LILLIAN COLE are:

- 68. i. WILLIAM HUDIE "SUNDAY BILL" STIRLING, b. 1902; d. 1969.
 - ii. DOROTHY STIRLING.
- 69. iii. Muriel Stirling, b. 1901; d. 1947.
- **44.** MARY SOPHIA⁶ STIRLING (*ROBERT*⁵, *GEORGE*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1876, and died 1945. She married ANDREW CURRIE.

Notes for ANDREW CURRIE:

Family lived in Vascoy, Saskatchewan. (GTF)

Child of MARY STIRLING and ANDREW CURRIE is:

- i. Bruce⁷ Currie.
- **45.** ISOBELLA⁶ STIRLING (WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE"⁵, ALEXANDER⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1850. She married ARCHIBALD MACDOUGALL.

Children of ISOBELLA STIRLING and ARCHIBALD MACDOUGALL are:

- i. GRACE⁷ MACDOUGALL, m. THOMPSON.
- ii. JOHN NORMAN MACDOUGALL, b. Abt. 1882.
- **46.** ALEXANDER⁶ STIRLING (WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE"⁵, ALEXANDER⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1854, and died 1912. He married MARGARET ANN RUSSELL. She was born 1853, and died 1932.

Notes for ALEXANDER STIRLING:

Alexander and Margaret accompanied his brother William to the Red River Basin area of Dakota Territory in 1883.

Children of ALEXANDER STIRLING and MARGARET RUSSELL are:

- i. NETTIE⁷ STIRLING, b. 1880; d. 1902, North Dakota.
- ii. MINNIE STIRLING, b. 1883; d. 1945, Oregon; m. BEARDSLEY.
- iii. ROBERT ALEXANDER STIRLING, b. 1889; d. 1958, North Dakota.
- iv. WILLIAM "WINDY WILLIE" STIRLING, b. 1895; d. 1967.
- **47.** WILLIAM MCDONALD⁶ STIRLING (WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE"⁵, ALEXANDER⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1855, and died 1893. He married MARGARET MACDOUGALL.

Notes for WILLIAM MCDONALD STIRLING:

William and Margaret occupied first the farm of Williams sister, Margaret, after she moved to Wiarton, then emigrated west - first to Devil's Lake, then Gardner, ND. William died of pneumonia following typhoid fever and Margaret returned to Goderich, William's remains, shipped back to Bayfield Cemetary by train, were accompanied by Alexander and a cousin, Alexander McDonald. Outside Battle Creek Michigan, the train was held up and the men relieved of their watches and money. (Per Goderich Township Families)

Children of WILLIAM STIRLING and MARGARET MACDOUGALL are:

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- i. ANNE ISABELL⁷ STIRLING, b. 1880; d. 1962.
- ii. CATHERINE "KATIE" VIRTUE STIRLING, b. 1886.
- iii. JOHN STIRLING.
- iv. RUBY GRACE STIRLING, m. THOMAS MORGAN.

Notes for THOMAS MORGAN:

Thomas was brother to Ruby's sister Anne's husband Fred Morgan. This Morgan family, as well as one line of the Stirlings, are the ancestors of family historian Earl Close, whose mother was Myrtle Morgan.

48. ROBERT⁶ STIRLING (WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE"⁵, ALEXANDER⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born Abt. 1858. He married HELEN BLACK.

Notes for ROBERT STIRLING:

Family moved to Manitoba.

Children of ROBERT STIRLING and HELEN BLACK are:

- i. ETHEL⁷ STIRLING.
- ii. Fred Stirling.
- **49.** JANET "JESSIE" STIRLING (WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE", ALEXANDER, JOHN SKIRLING III, JOHN, JOHN) was born 1865. She married PETER MACDOUGALL.

Children of JANET STIRLING and PETER MACDOUGALL are:

- i. Murray⁷ MacDougall.
- ii. MARION MACDOUGALL, m. HARRIS.
- **50.** ALFRED⁶ STIRLING (WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE"⁵, ALEXANDER⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born Abt. 1871. He married AGNES HALLIDAY.

Notes for ALFRED STIRLING:

Alfred and Agnes also lived in Manitoba.

Children of ALFRED STIRLING and AGNES HALLIDAY are:

- i. GORDON⁷ STIRLING.
- ii. EARL STIRLING.
- iii. LIB STIRLING, m. LAWRENCE.
- iv. Eleanor Stirling, m. Battershell.
- **51.** JAMES RUSSELL⁶ STIRLING (WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE"⁵, ALEXANDER⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1874, and died 1960. He married MARGARET TORRANCE.

Notes for JAMES RUSSELL STIRLING:

Per GTF: "James was a farmer and fruit grower on L34/C6, also Township Councillor 1940-1946, Reeve 1949, and for 40 years, trustee of SS#8.

Children of JAMES STIRLING and MARGARET TORRANCE are:

i. Robert⁷ Stirling.

Notes for ROBERT STIRLING:

I was privileged to meet Robert at the time of my first visit to Varna in 2000, introduced by Carol Simons, another descendent of our line, from William Stirling born 1835. Robert was friendly and cheerful, and showed me the Earl Close book which researches our line.

- 71. ii. Grant Hunter Stirling, b. 1921.
 - iii. RANDALL STIRLING, b. 1903.
 - iv. FRIEDA STIRLING.
 - v. Fraser Stirling.
 - vi. KEITH STIRLING.

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52. KATHRYN BLANCHE⁷ STIRLING (*JAMES*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born May 19, 1880 in Lamotte Township, Sanilac County, Michigan, and died April 06, 1909 in Erskine, Alberta. She married WILLIAM TURNBULL THOM July 12, 1898 in St. Clair County Michigan. He was born April 03, 1868 in Dalhousie, Ontario, and died October 1957 in Erskine, Alberta.

More About KATHRYN BLANCHE STIRLING: Burial: Marlette Cemetary, Marlette Michigan

More About WILLIAM TURNBULL THOM:

Burial: Erskine, Alberta

Children of KATHRYN STIRLING and WILLIAM THOM are:

- i. JAMES ROBERT⁸ THOM, b. September 21, 1903, Lamotte Township, Sanilac County, Michigan; m. HELEN TIFFANY.
- ii. WILLIAM HENRY THOM, b. March 07, 1906, Lamotte Township, Sanilac County, Michigan; m. GLADYS KNUDSON, June 1930; b. May 10, 1908.
- iii. Alberta Blanche Thom, b. 1909; m. Donald Maurice Mullen, January 20, 1939, Lowell Michigan; b. May 25, 1907, Lowell, Michigan; d. July 03, 1966.

More About DONALD MAURICE MULLEN: Burial: Lowell, Cemetary, Lowell Michigan

53. LULU ANNETTE⁷ STIRLING (*JAMES*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born September 27, 1883, and died April 16, 1922. She married AUSTIN NEIL STEPHENSON June 28, 1911 in Marlette, Michigan. He was born May 24, 1879 in Ontario, and died Abt. 1926.

More About AUSTIN NEIL STEPHENSON:

Burial: Lowell, Cemetary, Lowell Michigan

Children of LULU STIRLING and AUSTIN STEPHENSON are:

- i. Lulu May⁸ Stephenson, b. Abt. 1916; d. Abt. 1916.
- ii. NINA BLANCHE STEPHENSON, b. June 18, 1917, Marlette, Michigan; m. REUBEN TURNER; b. December 21, 1914.

Notes for NINA BLANCHE STEPHENSON:

After the death of both parents, at 9 years of age, Nina was adopted by Alex and Agnes Stephenson Wylie, a first cousin of Austin, her father. (information from Blanche Mullen, as reported by Angus Cline)

- iii. REX JAMES STEPHENSON, b. 1922, Marlette, Michigan; d. 1927, Lapeer, Michigan.
- **54.** MARGUERITE F.A."MINNIE" STIRLING (JOHN COLWELL⁶, JOHN⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³

SKIRLING III, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born September 08, 1879 in Bervie, Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario, and died June 09, 1920. She married JAMES ALVIN FRITZ August 10, 1904 in Clinton, Ontario⁵⁵. He was born Abt. 1878 in Albion, Michigan.

Notes for MARGUERITE F.A. "MINNIE" STIRLING: Angus Cline has a death date of December 2, 1952 for "Minnie".

Child of MARGUERITE STIRLING and JAMES FRITZ is:

i. VIRGINIA⁸ FRITZ, m. BOB BAKER.

More About VIRGINIA FRITZ: Adoption: Birthdate unknown

55. SADIE⁷ STIRLING (*JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born February 02, 1880, and died December 10, 1948 in Battle Creek, Michigan. She married (1) WALTER SMITH Bef. 1910. She married (2) PETER HIGGINS Aft. 1916.

Children of SADIE STIRLING and WALTER SMITH are:

- i. HOWARD "PETE" SMITH, b. 1910, Battle Creek, Michigan; m. RUTH, Abt. 1930.
- ii. JACK HERALD SMITH, b. 1914, Battle Creek, Michigan; m. MARIAN PRIES, Abt. 1935.
- iii. DOROTHY SMITH, b. May 12, 1916, Battle Creek, Michigan; m. DON WALES, Abt. 1937; b. Abt. 1908; d. Abt. 1967.
- **56.** WILLIAM⁷ STIRLING (*JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born March 15, 1884, and died March 17, 1965 in Lansing, Michigan. He married MARIE GOETZ. She was born September 17, 1885.

Children of WILLIAM STIRLING and MARIE GOETZ are:

- i. BRUCE WELLINGTON⁸ STIRLING, b. 1911, Lansing, Michigan; m. BEA SAXTON.
- ii. ELIZABETH MARGEURITE STIRLING, b. 1914; m. CHARLES MAUTZ.
- **57.** SUSAN "PEARL" STIRLING (*JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born September 25, 1886 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario, and died November 28, 1954. She married (1) WILLIAM JAMES MARSHALL June 24, 1908⁵⁶. He was born Abt. 1880 in Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario, and died June 13, 1914. She married (2) WILLIAM HAMILTON ELLIOT Abt. 1915. He died March 31, 1952.

Children of SUSAN STIRLING and WILLIAM MARSHALL are:

- i. EILEEN WILHAMENA⁸ MARSHALL, b. 1909, Clinton, Huron County, Ontario; m. LOUIS VENA: b. Portugal.
- ii. Ernest Wilmer Marshall, b. 1911; m. (1) Isabel Thornton; b. 1918; m. (2) Audrey Coulter.
- iii. HAZEL BLANCHE MARSHALL, b. 1912, Clinton, Huron County, Ontario; m. HERMAN HARE; b. September 14, 1901; d. March 21, 1970.
- iv. HOWARD STUART "BILL" MARSHALL, b. May 17, 1914, Goderich, Huron County,

Ontario; d. April 24, 1983; m. DAWN MARGO RAE; b. 1921.

Children of SUSAN STIRLING and WILLIAM ELLIOT are:

- v. LORNE HAMILTON⁸ ELLIOT, b. 1916, Goderich Twp., Huron County, Ontario; m. LUELLA GLENDYNE SNIDER; b. 1924, Niagara Falls, Ontario.
- vi. ARTHUR BENSON ELLIOT, b. July 25, 1918, Goderich, Huron County, Ontario; d. September 08, 1980, Sussex Corners, NB (New Brunswick); m. ANNIE HENRY; b. July 25, 1917; d. September 08, 1980, Sussex Corners, NB (New Brunswick).
- vii. ALVIN ELLIOT, b. 1920.
- viii. LLOYD GEORGE ELLIOT, b. 1923, Goderich, Huron County, Ontario; m. DORIS ELIZABETH WADGE; b. 1920.
- ix. CARL VINSON ELLIOT, b. 1926, Goderich, Huron County, Ontario; m. GERTRUDE VANSCHAK, 1948; b. 1924.

58. HOWARD ALEXANDER⁷ STIRLING (*JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born August 30, 1893 in Clinton, Ontario⁵⁷, and died January 19, 1929 in Toronto, Ontario. He married HILDA HELEN MABEL SOUTH October 11, 1916 in Christ Church, Deer Park, Toronto, Ontario, daughter of ALBERT SOUTH and HELEN SHEARMAN. She was born October 11, 1900 in Bristol, England, and died 1983 in Toronto, Ontario.

Notes for HOWARD ALEXANDER STIRLING:

Howard John Stirling, Catherine's father, told her that his father sustained a severe blow to the abdomen from an appendage of a passing streetcar he was trying to get on, and related this injury to his father's diagnosis of abdominal cancer within a few years. Howard Alexander died at age 34, in Toronto General Hospital. See scrapbook for letter written by Howard Alexander Stirling from hospital. Howard is buried next to his parents in Clinton Cemetary, with a small horizontal headstone reading "Howard", and was added to his parents vertical headstone later by his daughter Shirley.

More About HOWARD ALEXANDER STIRLING:

Burial: Clinton Public Cemetary, Hullet Twp. Huron Cty, ON

Cause of Death: Abdominal Cancer

Medical Information: Returned to barracks 48 hours after marriage. Developed pneumonia then rheumatic fever and was given a medical discharge.

Notes for HILDA HELEN MABEL SOUTH:

Hilda wrote an autobiography from childhood to birth of first daughter, entitled "A Journey of Life". (See appendix for copy.) She notes that she was working for Bedford Hotel in Goderich Ontario, having come down from Toronto for the position at the age of 14, when she met Howard Alexander Stirling on a day trip to Clinton, where he resided with his parents. He was 7 years older, and the story was told by her son Howard John, that Hilda's fiance (his Dad, Howard Alexander Stirling) poured good Scots whiskey for Albert South, the father-in-law-to-be, until he signed permission for them to marry.

More About HILDA HELEN MABEL SOUTH:

Burial: Toronto Prospect Cemetary

Note: Angus Cline has death date as January 14, 1984

Second Marriage: To Morris VanDerHart

Marriage Notes for HOWARD STIRLING and HILDA SOUTH:

Hilda notes in her autobiography "A Journey of Life", that October 11 was her birthday and the date of her first marriage. She met her husband when she was 14 and he 21, when working in Goderich at the Bedford Hotel. She commented, "The weather was perfect... Rose Sturgis, my school chum from 9 years old was my bridesmaid. We were married at seven o'clock in the evening and had a very nice reception aftereward with about 50 guests."

Children of HOWARD STIRLING and HILDA SOUTH are:

- 72. i. HOWARD JOHN⁸ STIRLING, b. October 03, 1917, Toronto Ontario Canada; d. June 04, 2002, Westland, Michgian, US.
- 73. ii. LLOYD GEORGE STIRLING, b. March 03, 1919; d. July 21, 1993, Toronto, Ontario.
- 74. iii. GWENDOLYN HILDA STIRLING, b. December 20, 1922.
- 75. iv. SHIRLEY MARGUERITE STIRLING, b. February 03, 1925.
 - v. Susan And Patricia, b. 1926; d. 1926.
- **59.** MARGARET VICTORIA⁷ DEMPSEY (*ELIZABETH LAWRENCE*⁶ *STIRLING, JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born December 06, 1878, and died February 23, 1928. She married THOMAS WEBSTER.

Children of MARGARET DEMPSEY and THOMAS WEBSTER are:

- i. THOMAS⁸ WEBSTER.
- ii. HARVEY WEBSTER.
- iii. Blanche Webster.
- **60.** NORA ELEANOR⁷ STIRLING (*DAVID*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born February 28, 1891 in Kincardine Township, Bruce County, Ontario, and died January 10, 1982 in Goderich, Huron County, Ontario. She married JOHN DAHMER.

Child of NORA STIRLING and JOHN DAHMER is:

- 76. i. MARGARET EVELYN⁸ DAHMER, b. 1915, Huron Township, Bruce County, Ontario.
- **61.** JESSIE⁷ MACKENZIE (*MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ *STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1897, and died 1983. She met SHERLOCK KEYES. He was born 1894, and died 1970.

Children of JESSIE MACKENZIE and SHERLOCK KEYES are:

- 77. i. DONALD MACKENZIE⁸ KEYES, b. 1922.
- 78. ii. MARY MINERVA MAUD KEYES, b. 1925.
 - iii. George Stanley Keyes, b. 1930.
 - iv. Jessie Jean Keyes, b. 1931.
- 79. v. Kenneth Keyes, b. 1935.

62. DONALD WILLIAM⁷ MACKENZIE (MARY ELIZABETH⁶ STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1900. He married NOT KNOWN.

Child of DONALD MACKENZIE and NOT KNOWN is:

- i. JEAN⁸ MACKENZIE, m. SURNAME CAMPBELL.
- **63.** MARY CAROLINE "JEAN" MACKENZIE (*MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE" JAMES, JOHN SKIRLING III, JOHN Was born 1902, and died 1989. She married COLIN CAMPBELL. He was born 1887, and died 1960.

Notes for MARY CAROLINE "JEAN" MACKENZIE: Mother of Carol Simons, resident of Varna Ontario.

More About MARY CAROLINE "JEAN" MACKENZIE:

Nickname: Jean

Children of MARY MACKENZIE and COLIN CAMPBELL are:

- 80. i. JOHN MACKENZIE⁸ CAMPBELL, b. 1929.
- 81. ii. (MARY CAROLYN) CAROL CAMPBELL, b. 1931.
- 82. iii. Donald Colin Campbell, b. 1934.
- **64.** WILLIAM RYE⁷ STIRLING (*JOHN BROWNING*⁶, *WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1898, and died 1953. He married CORA SMITH. She was born 1901.

Children of WILLIAM STIRLING and CORA SMITH are:

- 83. i. EULINE⁸ STIRLING.
- 84. ii. ROBERT WILLIAM STIRLING, b. 1935.
- 85. iii. GERALD JOHN STIRLING, b. 1938.
- **65.** JAMES AUDREY⁷ STIRLING (*JOHN BROWNING*⁶, *WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1902, and died 1986. He married EVA MCDONALD. She was born 1908, and died 1983.

Child of JAMES STIRLING and EVA McDonald is:

- i. Donald⁸ Stirling, b. 1930.
- **66.** MARGARET⁷ STIRLING (*DAVID ALEXANDER "SANDY"*⁶, *WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) She married RALPH JEWELL.

Children of MARGARET STIRLING and RALPH JEWELL are:

i. WILLIAM⁸ JEWELL, m. CLARA ANN FULLER.

- ii. FLORENCE JEWELL, m. BRUCE SOWERBY.
- **67.** MARION STIRLING⁷ MCLAREN (*CHARLOTTE*⁶ *STIRLING*, *WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) She married HARLEY MASON.

Child of MARION MCLAREN and HARLEY MASON is:

86. i. JANET⁸ MASON.

68. WILLIAM HUDIE "SUNDAY BILL" STIRLING (CHARLES MASON⁶, ROBERT⁵, GEORGE⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1902, and died 1969. He married GWENDOLYN ACKERT. She was born 1917.

Notes for WILLIAM HUDIE "SUNDAY BILL" STIRLING:

William and Gwen farmed on L38 / C8 - GTF.

Children of WILLIAM STIRLING and GWENDOLYN ACKERT are:

- 87. i. NANCY ANNE MELINDA⁸ STIRLING, b. 1945.
- 88. ii. Linda Elizabeth Stirling, b. 1950.
- 89. iii. WILLIAM ACKERT STIRLING, b. 1952.
 - iv. ROBERT JOHN STIRLING, b. 1955.

Notes for ROBERT JOHN STIRLING:

Per GTF: living in Okanagan Valley, BC.

69. MURIEL⁷ STIRLING (*CHARLES MASON*⁶, *ROBERT*⁵, *GEORGE*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1901, and died 1947. She married (1) JOHN WATSON. She married (2) JACK WATSON.

Children of MURIEL STIRLING and JOHN WATSON are:

- i. Bob⁸ Watson.
- ii. BARBARA WATSON.

Children of MURIEL STIRLING and JACK WATSON are:

- 90. iii. ROBERT JOHN⁸ WATSON, b. 1943.
- 91. iv. BARBARA ANN WATSON, b. 1945.
- **70.** ANNE ISABELL⁷ STIRLING (WILLIAM MCDONALD⁶, WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE"⁵, ALEXANDER⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1880, and died 1962. She married FRED MORGAN, son of WILLIAM MORGAN.

Notes for ANNE ISABELL STIRLING:

Anne became a dressmaker after public school. She and Fred Morgan, son of William of Porter's Hill farmed on C5 for some years.

Children of ANNE STIRLING and FRED MORGAN are:

- i. WILLIAM⁸ MORGAN.
- ii. NINA MORGAN, m. SPERIAN.
- iii. RUBENA MORGAN, m. MARTIN.
- iv. ALBERT MORGAN.

71. GRANT HUNTER⁷ STIRLING (*JAMES RUSSELL*⁶, *WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE"*⁵, *ALEXANDER*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1921. He married ANNA COLE.

Notes for GRANT HUNTER STIRLING:

I visited Grant and Anna Stirling in August of 2003, and discussed family history. They live in Bayfield (Country Road 13, Second Concession) but mailing address is 77610 Porter Hill Line, which is half a mile north of Bayfield Road. Their phone number is 519 482 7931, and email is: ana19m@yahoo.com.

Grant has been a member of the Bayfield Lions Club for 38 years and is a member of the Bayfield Agricultural Society. Grant holds the record of the most years served in Goderich Township by an elected member as: Councillor (1955-1960), Deputy-Reeve (1961-1963), Reeve (1964-1968,1979-1986) and Warden (1983). (Per GTF)

Children of GRANT STIRLING and ANNA COLE are:

- 92. i. Brenda⁸ Stirling.
 - ii. CLAYTON STIRLING.

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72. HOWARD JOHN⁸ STIRLING (*HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born October 03, 1917 in Toronto Ontario Canada, and died June 04, 2002 in Westland, Michgian, US. He married VIVIAN SHILLUM November 25, 1946 in Millgrove, Ontario ⁵⁸, daughter of FREDERICK SHILLUM and JANE MILLER. She was born December 30, 1916 in Moosejaw, Saskatchewan, Canada ⁵⁹, and died November 20, 2002 in Westland, MI.

Notes for HOWARD JOHN STIRLING:

From Catherine, Howard's daughter: Dad loved to tell stories, particularly of the good old days. One of his most memorable stories concerned a transport of several people, including mother and child to join husband in Vancouver and a hopeful cowboy on his way to Alberta. The TransCanada highway was still a dirt road during the Forties, and when the Model T's tire blew, Dad was changing it when he caught sight of a bear in the distance. He said he never changed a tire faster in his life.

During WWII, Howard entered the First Canadian Paratroop Battalion being trained at Fort Benning, Columbus, Georgia, where he sustained a skull fracture severe enough to qualify for a medical discharge. Before this, Dad had lived at 124 McGill Ave, Toronto, and working with the county circulation department of the Toronto Evening Telegram.

More About HOWARD JOHN STIRLING: Interrment: August 2002, Clinton Cemetary

Notes for VIVIAN SHILLUM:

Howard John Stirling, my father, loved to tell the story of meeting my mother Vivian. He was in the bus station in Detroit, traveling back from western Canada after a job, and my mother was in the bus station also, though I cannot remember why: might have been returning from nursing service in World War II. My Dad said that he had one thin dime left, and asked Mom if she wanted to have a cup of coffee with him. Three months later they were married.

Vivian Shillum Stirling served in the Army Nurse Corps of the US from March 1944 to March 1946. She trained in LaCrosse Wisconsin, and traveled to her hospital assignment in Hereford England by train, after disembarking in Edinburgh Scotland. The transport ship had taken the northern route above Scotland to evade Uboats. She was highly competent, according to the other nurses she served with, and was nicknamed "Shilly". My mother Vivian told interesting stories of nursing in "the old days", including changing dressings on wounds filled with maggots which were later found to be beneficial. She went to see the moving film, "Saving Private Ryan", though never otherwise chose to see sad movies, "because it is important to me." In a theatre still as death during the brutal and bloody opening battle of D-Day, Mother cried out tremulously: "Someone made such a terrible mistake. . .". We both wept through the whole movie.

Though born in Canada, Vivian became a US citizen "through the naturalization of her father, Frederick Charles Shillum, on May 21, 1934, by the United Sates District Court at Detroit Michigan, applicant being then a minor and having resided permanently in the United States since August 8, 1919." Source: Certificate of Citizenship No. A - 57788, Application #8-A-8119.

More About VIVIAN SHILLUM:

Burial: August 2003, Clinton Cemetary

Marriage Notes for HOWARD STIRLING and VIVIAN SHILLUM:

Per newspaper clipping: "Millgrove, Ont., Dec.9 - Millgrove United Church was the scene of the wedding, Nov. 25, of Vivian Woolford [Shillum: Vivian's stepfather's surname was Woolford], daughter of Mrs. Jane Woolford, Detroit, to Howard John Stirling, son of Mrs. Hilda Vanderhart and the late Howard Stirling, Clinton, Ont. Rev. Ross R. Hare officiated. The bride wore a brown gabardine tailored suit with matching accessories. Her corsage was of tea roses and baby's breath. She was attended by Shirley Stirling as bridesmaid, and the best man was Delmar Duffin. The bride was given in marriage by Lloyd Stirling. Following a reception at the Brant Inn, Burlington, where the groom's mother, attired in a navy blue sheer gown and wearing a corsage of red roses, received."

Children of HOWARD STIRLING and VIVIAN SHILLUM are:

- 93. i. CATHERINE JEAN⁹ STIRLING, b. December 28, 1947, Highland Park Michigan.
- 94. ii. DAVID JOHN STIRLING, b. July 02, 1949, Highland Park, Michigan.
- 95. iii. MARY ANN HILDA STIRLING, b. December 24, 1951, Highland Park Michigan.

- 96. iv. Patricia Ann Stirling, b. March 21, 1955, Detroit Michigan US.
- 97. v. MICHAEL JOSEPH STIRLING, b. March 24, 1957.

73. LLOYD GEORGE⁸ STIRLING (HOWARD ALEXANDER⁷, JOHN COLWELL⁶, JOHN⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born March 03, 1919, and died July 21, 1993 in Toronto, Ontario. He married DORIS MAY CAINES March 04, 1944 in Littlehampton, England, daughter of ARTHUR CAINES and DOROTHY COX. She was born 1928 in Plymouth, Devonshire, England, and died April 26, 2004 in Toronto, Ontario.

Notes for LLOYD GEORGE STIRLING:

Lloyd served five years (1939 to Autumn 1945) with the Royal Regiment of Canada in Iceland and England. Met future wife, Dorie Caines, in England.

From Pam: My Mum came to Canada before the war had ended on the ship "Britannic", which arrived in Halifax, Nova Scotia on April 11, 1945. She then travelled to Toronto by train and lived with Grandma Hilda Vanderhart at 35 Heath Street East in Toronto. Dorie's nickname for Dad was "Lud", and Lloyd's nickname for Doris was "Skipper".

For about a year before we moved to Richmond Hill in 1957, we lived in an apartment on Bathurst Street, Toronto. At Christmas time, Mom and Dad told Wayne and Pam that Christmas trees were not allowed in the apartment building due to fire regulations. You can imagine our surprise Christmas morning when they came out to the living rom and there was a real Christmas tree, all decorated, with a note from Santa - 'To Wayne and Pam - Merry Christmas'. Another warm Christmas memory - Dad had his 3 granddaughters, Devon, Bridget and Rebecca, sit on the couch. He went down the hall and came back with something behind his back. One at a time, he brought a beautifl Teddy Bear from behind his back and spoke to the bear saying "I love you, Devon". When Devon squeezed the bear's paw, the bear repeated in Grandpa's voice "I love you, Devon". Then another bear appeared, for Bridget, and one for Rebecca - "I love you, Bridget, "I love you, Rebecca" the bears said with the girls beloved Grandpa's voice."

In Uncle Conrad Bourgeois' eulogy to our father, he said, referring to our parent's marriage: 'To Wayne, Pamela and Howard, may you be proud to be born of such a union' - we absolutely are proud. We have many, many happy memories of growing up in a loving home."

More About LLOYD GEORGE STIRLING:

Burial: May 01, 2004, Elgin Mills Cemetary near Richmond Hill

More About DORIS MAY CAINES:

Burial: May 01, 2004, Elgin Mills Cemetary near Richmond Hill

Nickname: Dorie

Children of LLOYD STIRLING and DORIS CAINES are:

- 98. i. WAYNE LLOYD⁹ STIRLING, b. January 03, 1947, Toronto, Ontario.
- 99. ii. PAMELA DOROTHY STIRLING, b. July 26, 1950, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
 - iii. HOWARD "HOWIE" ARTHUR STIRLING, b. April 05, 1961, Toronto, Ontario.
- 74. GWENDOLYN HILDA⁸ STIRLING (HOWARD ALEXANDER⁷, JOHN COLWELL⁶, JOHN⁵,

*JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born December 20, 1922. She married DELMAR DUFFIN May 04, 1940 in Horning Mills, United Church Parsonage at 7p.m.. He was born November 02, 1918 in Mulmer, Ontario, Canada, and died December 18, 2002 in Collingwood, Ontario.

Notes for GWENDOLYN HILDA STIRLING:

Some of Gwen's memories of her mother Hilda's family:

"The family lived in Toronto but during desperate times, Grampa South moved the family 15 miles north to Richmond Hill. It wasn't like today with nephews and nieces being like family members. I don't remember spending any time with the South aunts and uncles, and there weren't many family get - togethers. I remember Grampa [Albert South] and Ernie used to sell wood, and I used to ride along. I guess Grampa South go quite desperate one time and sold the wagon (not his) and spent a little quality time - three months - courtesy of the province. After Howard and Lloyd were born, I remember spending a lot of time with Gramma South. My father, Howard Stirling was away a lot looking for work. My mother [Hilda] worked all over Ontario, even in a munitions factory.

My Dad worked for Belle Ewart, driving an ice wagon, and at that time lived on Margaretta Street. I remember Dad saying to Mother "Okay darling, you go upstairs and I'll give the dishes a bath". He carried his daily take in a pouch, and I would help him count the pennies. I also remember my Grampa South and Dad [Howard Stirling] liked to tipple a little in one of the upstairs bedrooms. They would do this in the guise of papering the bedroom, and whre finally, every piece of wallpaper got hung, but upside down. They liked their bit of wine.

I remember Gramma South taking me to the show in a stroller, and when I was older, she gave me money to go buy black pudding, Humbugs and The Telly (the Toronto Telegram). She always called me 'Grenny'."

Children of GWENDOLYN STIRLING and DELMAR DUFFIN are:

- i. JUDITH ANN⁹ DUFFIN, b. June 25, 1943, Alliston, Ontario.
- ii. JOHN ROBERT DUFFIN, b. November 13, 1947.
- 102. iii. Susan Leah Duffin, b. November 09, 1952.
- 103. iv. CYNTHIA MAY DUFFIN, b. January 27, 1957, Collingwood, Ontario.
- 104. v. BILL ALLEN DUFFIN, b. May 20, 1960.
 - vi. MARK ALEXANDER DUFFIN, b. July 17, 1961; m. JENNIFER SHAW, July 06, 2002, Creemore, Ontario; b. September 07, 1972, North York, Ontario.

75. SHIRLEY MARGUERITE⁸ STIRLING (HOWARD ALEXANDER⁷, JOHN COLWELL⁶, JOHN⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born February 03, 1925. She married CONRAD JOSEPH BOURGEOIS June 23, 1951.

Child of SHIRLEY STIRLING and CONRAD BOURGEOIS is:

i. DAVID CONRAD JOSEPH⁹ BOURGEOIS, b. April 09, 1952; d. October 11, 2001, Toronto, Ontario.

76. MARGARET EVELYN⁸ DAHMER (*NORA ELEANOR*⁷ *STIRLING, DAVID*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1915 in Huron Township, Bruce County,

Ontario. She married LLOYD ANGUS CLINE July 1940 in Inverhuron, Bruce County, Ontario. He was born January 09, 1913 in Maidstone Township, Essex County, Ontario, and died March 18, 1998 in Goderich, Huron County, Ontario.

More About LLOYD ANGUS CLINE:

Burial: Maitland Cemetary, Huron County, Ontario

Child of MARGARET DAHMER and LLOYD CLINE is:

i. ANGUS JOHN⁹ CLINE, b. October 23, 1941, Maidstone Township, Essex County, Ontario.

77. DONALD MACKENZIE⁸ KEYES (*JESSIE*⁷ *MACKENZIE*, *MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ *STIRLING*, *WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1922. He married JEAN AGAR. She was born 1929.

Children of DONALD KEYES and JEAN AGAR are:

- 107. i. SANDRA⁹ KEYES, b. 1954.
- 108. ii. Douglas Keyes, b. 1956.
- 109. iii. Beth Keyes, b. 1958.
- **78.** MARY MINERVA MAUD⁸ KEYES (*JESSIE*⁷ *MACKENZIE*, *MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ *STIRLING*, *WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1925. She married CHESTER MALLOCH. He was born 1921, and died 2002.

Children of MARY KEYES and CHESTER MALLOCH are:

- 110. i. STEVEN RIDGEWAY⁹ MALLOCH, b. 1953.
- 111. ii. Patricia Ann Maud Malloch, b. 1955.
- 112. iii. WILLIAM GEORGE MALLOCH, b. 1963.
- **79.** KENNETH⁸ KEYES (*JESSIE*⁷ *MACKENZIE*, *MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ *STIRLING*, *WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1935. He married SANDRA MCCLUSKEY. She was born 1945.

Children of KENNETH KEYES and SANDRA MCCLUSKEY are:

- i. RAY⁹ KEYES, b. 1972.
- ii. Brian Keyes, b. 1973.
- **80.** JOHN MACKENZIE⁸ CAMPBELL (*MARY CAROLINE "JEAN"*⁷ *MACKENZIE, MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ *STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1929. He married MILDRED YVONNE SHEARDOWN. She was born 1928.

Children of JOHN CAMPBELL and MILDRED SHEARDOWN are:

- i. JOHN MALCOM⁹ CAMPBELL, b. 1952; m. SHARON BUNN; b. 1959.
- ii. MARGARET HELEN CAMPBELL, b. 1955.

- 114. iii. WILLIAM COLIN MARK CAMPBELL, b. 1959.
- **81.** (MARY CAROLYN) CAROL⁸ CAMPBELL (MARY CAROLINE "JEAN" MACKENZIE, MARY ELIZABETH⁶ STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE", JAMES, JOHN SKIRLING III, JOHN, JOHN) was born 1931. She married GEORGE DUGLAS SIMONS. He was born 1931.

More About (MARY CAROLYN) CAROL CAMPBELL:

Nickname: Carol

Residence: Varna, Ontario

Children of (MARY CAMPBELL and GEORGE SIMONS are:

- i. DAWN CAROL⁹ SIMONS.
- ii. DALE MELODY SIMONS.
- **82.** DONALD COLIN⁸ CAMPBELL (MARY CAROLINE "JEAN"⁷ MACKENZIE, MARY ELIZABETH⁶ STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1934. He married PHYLLIS JOHNSTON. She was born 1935.

Children of DONALD CAMPBELL and PHYLLIS JOHNSTON are:

- i. GARY DONALD⁹ CAMPBELL.
- ii. LINDA ELEANOR CAMPBELL.
- iii. NANCY CAMPBELL, b. 1963; d. 1963.
- iv. BARBARA CAMPBELL.
- **83.** EULINE⁸ STIRLING (*WILLIAM RYE*⁷, *JOHN BROWNING*⁶, *WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) She married HERMAN CAMPBELL. He was born 1925.

Children of EULINE STIRLING and HERMAN CAMPBELL are:

- i. JUDY⁹ CAMPBELL, b. 1948.
- ii. JANET CAMPBELL, b. 1953.
- iii. JAMES CAMPBELL, b. 1954.
- **84.** ROBERT WILLIAM⁸ STIRLING (WILLIAM RYE⁷, JOHN BROWNING⁶, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1935. He married AUDREY LINTULA. She was born 1932.

Child of ROBERT STIRLING and AUDREY LINTULA is:

- i. Wendy Lee⁹ Stirling, b. 1963.
- **85.** GERALD JOHN⁸ STIRLING (WILLIAM RYE⁷, JOHN BROWNING⁶, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1938. He married ELEANOR AMES. She was born 1938.

Children of GERALD STIRLING and ELEANOR AMES are:

- i. Julie⁹ Stirling, b. 1961.
- ii. DAVID STIRLING, b. 1963.
- iii. KEVIN STIRLING, b. 1966.
- **86.** JANET⁸ MASON (*MARION STIRLING*⁷ *MCLAREN, CHARLOTTE*⁶ *STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) She married JOSEPH HOUGH.

Children of JANET MASON and JOSEPH HOUGH are:

- i. Christopher⁹ Hough, b. 1965.
- ii. SEAN HOUGH.
- **87.** NANCY ANNE MELINDA⁸ STIRLING (WILLIAM HUDIE "SUNDAY BILL"⁷, CHARLES MASON⁶, ROBERT⁵, GEORGE⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1945. She married BRIAN ROWE.

Notes for NANCY ANNE MELINDA STIRLING: Lives in Toronto and is a secretary with Imperial Life. (GTF

Child of NANCY STIRLING and BRIAN ROWE is:

- i. Fraser Thomas⁹ Rowe, b. 1973.
- **88.** LINDA ELIZABETH⁸ STIRLING (WILLIAM HUDIE "SUNDAY BILL"⁷, CHARLES MASON⁶, ROBERT⁵, GEORGE⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1950. She married RICHARD MACLEOD.

Notes for LINDA ELIZABETH STIRLING:

GTF: Linda is supervisor of Special Education in Hamilton Ontario.

Child of LINDA STIRLING and RICHARD MACLEOD is:

- i. STIRLING ANGUS⁹ MACLEOD, b. 1985.
- **89.** WILLIAM ACKERT⁸ STIRLING (WILLIAM HUDIE "SUNDAY BILL"⁷, CHARLES MASON⁶, ROBERT⁵, GEORGE⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1952. He married CATHERINE GRIGG.

Notes for WILLIAM ACKERT STIRLING:

Lives in Richmond Hill Ontario, works as salesman for American Hospital Supplies - GTF.

Children of WILLIAM STIRLING and CATHERINE GRIGG are:

- i. ASHLEY ELISA⁹ STIRLING, b. 1982.
- ii. MATTHEW WILLIAM STIRLING, b. 1984.
- iii. Kristen Emily Stirling, b. 1986.

90. ROBERT JOHN⁸ WATSON (MURIEL⁷ STIRLING, CHARLES MASON⁶, ROBERT⁵, GEORGE⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1943. He married JUDY RABB.

Notes for ROBERT JOHN WATSON: Robert is with the Royal Bank - GTF

Children of ROBERT WATSON and JUDY RABB are:

- i. ROBERT JOHN⁹ WATSON, b. 1970.
- ii. HEATHER WATSON, b. 1972.
- iii. JENNIFER WATSON, b. 1974.
- **91.** BARBARA ANN⁸ WATSON (MURIEL⁷ STIRLING, CHARLES MASON⁶, ROBERT⁵, GEORGE⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1945. She married FRED SCHUCK.

Children of BARBARA WATSON and FRED SCHUCK are:

- i. MARGHITA⁹ SCHUCK, b. 1970.
- ii. ANGELA SCHUCK, b. 1972.
- **92.** BRENDA⁸ STIRLING (*GRANT HUNTER*⁷, *JAMES RUSSELL*⁶, *WILLIAM "BLACK WILLIE"*⁵, *ALEXANDER*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) She married WILLIAM VANDERLAND.

Children of BRENDA STIRLING and WILLIAM VANDERLAND are:

- i. Christine⁹ Vanderland.
- ii. JOHN VANDERLAND.
- iii. ROBERT VANDERLAND.

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93. CATHERINE JEAN⁹ STIRLING (HOWARD JOHN⁸, HOWARD ALEXANDER⁷, JOHN COLWELL⁶, JOHN⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born December 28, 1947 in Highland Park Michigan. She married (1) HOWARD GREGORY FAUST August 08, 1976 in Pecos National Monument, Pecos, New Mexico, son of HOWARD FAUST and MARIAN MUSGRAVE. He was born March 05, 1948 in St. Louis, Missouri. She married (2) CHRISTOPHER EDWARD GOULD May 22, 1999 in Farmington Hills, Michigan, son of TED GOULD and AGNES REDGRAVE. He was born August 19, 1940 in Coventry, Britain.

More About CATHERINE JEAN STIRLING:

Nickname: Cate, Cathy

More About HOWARD GREGORY FAUST:

Nickname: Greg, also "Faust"

Marriage Notes for CATHERINE STIRLING and HOWARD FAUST:

Marriage ceremony took place in ruins of 12th century Spanish mission built by missionaries

for native Americans. Pecos National Monument.

Child of CATHERINE STIRLING and HOWARD FAUST is:

- i. FREEMAN CALIEN "MIKE" ¹⁰ FAUST, b. February 01, 1978, Columbus, Muscogie County, Georgia.
- **94.** DAVID JOHN⁹ STIRLING (HOWARD JOHN⁸, HOWARD ALEXANDER⁷, JOHN COLWELL⁶, JOHN⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born July 02, 1949 in Highland Park, Michigan. He married DIANE KNOY May 09, 1970 in Redford United Methodist Church, Detroit, Michigan, daughter of HARRY KNOY and ESTELLE JONES. She was born September 02, 1949.

Children of DAVID STIRLING and DIANE KNOY are:

- i. JONATHAN DAVID¹⁰ STIRLING, b. October 27, 1973, Southfield, Michigan.
- ii. JASON LEE STIRLING, b. October 06, 1977, Southfield, Michigan; m. NICOLE ANN MEAD, June 06, 2002, Michigan; b. May 10, 1977.
- **95.** MARY ANN HILDA⁹ STIRLING (*HOWARD JOHN*⁸, *HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born December 24, 1951 in Highland Park Michigan. She married CHRISTOPHER DOHERTY October 19, 1984 in St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Detroit, Michigan.

Children of MARY STIRLING and CHRISTOPHER DOHERTY are:

- i. COLLEEN ELIZABETH¹⁰ DOHERTY, b. March 22, 1986.
- ii. PATRICK CHRISTOPHER DOHERTY, b. January 26, 1989.
- **96.** PATRICIA ANN⁹ STIRLING (HOWARD JOHN⁸, HOWARD ALEXANDER⁷, JOHN COLWELL⁶, JOHN⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born March 21, 1955 in Detroit Michigan US. She married MICHAEL DEMSKY February 09, 1980 in Plymouth, Michigan, son of MIKE DEMSKY and JOSEPHINE. He was born February 10, 1955 in Detroit.

More About PATRICIA ANN STIRLING:

Burial: Served with the Royal Regiment of Canada in Iceland and England

Children of PATRICIA STIRLING and MICHAEL DEMSKY are:

i. Jennifer Marie¹⁰ Demsky, b. July 25, 1980, Detroit Michigan US; m. Joseph Thomas Foltz, May 30, 2003, East Lansing, Michigan.

Notes for JENNIFER MARIE DEMSKY:

Jennifer and Joseph went to Ghana, West Africa as Peace Corps volunteers September 2003, about 3 months after their marriage. Jenni is working in the medical clinic as a health educator, and Joe is working as an agricultural advisor.

Marriage Notes for JENNIFER DEMSKY and JOSEPH FOLTZ: Wedding held outside in the Michigan State University Botanical Gardens.

- ii. RACHEL ANDREA DEMSKY, b. September 21, 1982.
- iii. ASHLEY JESSICA DEMSKY, b. January 24, 1986.
- **97.** MICHAEL JOSEPH⁹ STIRLING (HOWARD JOHN⁸, HOWARD ALEXANDER⁷, JOHN COLWELL⁶, JOHN⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born March 24, 1957. He married PAULETTE DOMINICK October 09, 1987.

Children of MICHAEL STIRLING and PAULETTE DOMINICK are:

- i. LEAH GENEVIEVE¹⁰ STIRLING, b. September 18, 1988.
- ii. Erin Vivian Stirling, b. April 24, 1990.
- iii. TAYLOR ANASTASIA STIRLING, b. April 21, 1995.
- iv. Luke Michael Stirling, b. July 08, 1997.
- **98.** WAYNE LLOYD⁹ STIRLING (*LLOYD GEORGE*⁸, *HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born January 03, 1947 in Toronto, Ontario. He married (1) JOYCE HENDRIKA HELMERS September 05, 1977. She was born July 04, 1955. He met (2) SARAH JANET KOMANISKI May 08, 1998. She was born May 23, 1955.

Notes for WAYNE LLOYD STIRLING:

From Wayne's sister Pam:" The nickname 'WaWa' was given to him by his adorable younger sister. As a toddler, Pam would be in her playpen and throw all her toys out onto the floor. Wayne would come by and put them back in the playpen. As soon as he left the room Pam would throw the toys back out and call WaWay, and back Wayne would come - time and time again! Howard calls Wayne 'Bro' or 'My Stinking Brother'.

Note written by Wayne to author re: DNA genealogy testing -

Hi Cath: I can't count the number of times I tried to find out if we have relatives in Scotland. And

you remember the stories we use to get from our Dads. Lloyd had me thinking that we owned Stirling Castle when I was a young tot. I was 35 years of age before I realized I had been taken and I unpacked my bags and cancelled my trip to Scotland. Anyways it is a job well done. I look forward to

contacting John and Feltus in Scotland. I am so excited I doubt if I will get any sleep tonight. I kept wondering if my DNA ever got down to the states and if the sample I gave had been good (almost tore half of the inside of my cheek off making sure it was an excellent sample) and then all

of your e-mails came in today. See you soon, lots of love & hugs, Wayne

Children of WAYNE STIRLING and JOYCE HELMERS are:

- i. BRIDGET REBECCA ANNE¹⁰ STIRLING, b. March 10, 1980, Hamilton, Ontario.
- ii. REBECCA ABIGAIL STIRLING, b. October 22, 1981, An ambulance on the way to McMaster's Hospital, delivery assisted by her Dad!.
- **99.** PAMELA DOROTHY⁹ STIRLING (*LLOYD GEORGE*⁸, *HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born July 26, 1950 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. She married BILL LAW September 18, 1971 in Toronto, Ontario.

Notes for PAMELA DOROTHY STIRLING:

Pam says her dad, Lloyd Stirling, liked to tease her and say that actually she was found in a basket on the doorstep on July 28th. She also notes that her brothers call her "Sis" or "Seester".

More About PAMELA DOROTHY STIRLING:

Divorced: Abt. 1989⁶⁰

Child of PAMELA STIRLING and BILL LAW is:

i. DEVON MICHELLE¹⁰ LAW, b. May 11, 1978, Richmond Hill, Ontario.

Notes for DEVON MICHELLE LAW:

Devon was named for her grandmother Doris Stirling's birthplace; she is now in her second year of teaching elementary school.

100. JUDITH ANN⁹ DUFFIN (*GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁸ *STIRLING*, *HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born June 25, 1943 in Alliston, Ontario. She married FRASER MAIN July 27, 1968 in Trinity United Church, Collingwood, Ontario. He was born January 19, 1942 in Nairn, Scotland.

Children of JUDITH DUFFIN and FRASER MAIN are:

- i. STEPHEN ROSS¹⁰ MAIN, b. October 21, 1970, Brampton, Ontario.
- 116. ii. ANDREA ELIZABETH MAIN, b. March 20, 1973, Brampton, Ontario.
 - iii. JEFFREY MAIN, b. October 17, 1974, Brampton, Ontario; m. BUFFY Ho, October 16, 2004, St. Andrews Presbyterian, Ottawa, Ontario; b. May 21, 1975, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
- **101.** JOHN ROBERT⁹ DUFFIN (*GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁸ *STIRLING, HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born November 13, 1947. He married BARBARA JEAN FERGUSON October 09, 1971 in Eggermont Township.

Notes for JOHN ROBERT DUFFIN:

John served in the Volunteer Firefighter company of Orangeville for thirty years.

Children of JOHN DUFFIN and BARBARA FERGUSON are:

- i. Shawn Robert¹⁰ Duffin, b. April 25, 1974⁶⁰.
- ii. MICHAEL ALLEN DUFFIN, b. May 02, 1976⁶⁰.

Notes for MICHAEL ALLEN DUFFIN:

Link to Michael Duffin's Delicious Recipes:

http://www.cktimes.ca/archives/view_archive_section.php?resultpage=1§ion=51

More About MICHAEL ALLEN DUFFIN:

Occupation: Executive Chef at Stargazer on the Thames in Chatham-Kent

117. iii. Timothy Gordon Duffin, b. May 27, 1978.

iv. CRAIG ALEXANDER DUFFIN, b. April 13, 1983⁶⁰.

102. SUSAN LEAH⁹ DUFFIN (*GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁸ *STIRLING, HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born November 09, 1952. She married (1) ALAN NOBLE CAMPBELL GLASGOW October 22, 1976 in Singhampton, Simcoe Coounty, Ontario. He was born October 27, 1950 in Gosforth, Northumberland County, England. She married (2) BILL BUCHANAN⁶⁰ November 09, 1992.

Notes for SUSAN LEAH DUFFIN:

When asked by email for any memorabilia or memories to add to our family book, Sue replied: "Do you mean, for example: Uncle Bill, shown here with his pet pig, gave up pork for lent? SB". The editor feels the response exemplifies Susan's free spirit and humor. By the way, Susan married Bill on her fortieth birthday - what a good way to always remember your anniversary.

More About ALAN NOBLE CAMPBELL GLASGOW:

Nickname: Bert

Child of SUSAN DUFFIN and ALAN GLASGOW is:

i. Matthew Alan Stirling¹⁰ Glasgow, b. April 15, 1977.

103. CYNTHIA MAY⁹ DUFFIN (*GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁸ *STIRLING*, *HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born January 27, 1957 in Collingwood, Ontario. She married (1) DOUG JOHN MCKECHNIE September 20, 1980 in Nottawa, Simcoe County. He was born October 06, 1955 in Collingwood, Ontario. She married (2) THOMAS JOHN MCAULEY⁶⁰ July 10, 1992 in Collingwood, Ontario⁶⁰. He was born December 1950 in Sarnia, Ontario.

More About CYNTHIA MAY DUFFIN:

Nickname: Cindy⁶⁰

Children of CYNTHIA DUFFIN and DOUG MCKECHNIE are:

- i. ANDREW DAVID DONALD¹⁰ MCKECHNIE, b. September 25, 1981, Collingwood, Ontario.
- ii. DAVID JONATHAN DANIEL MCKECHNIE, b. December 06, 1985, Collingwood, Ontario.

104. BILL ALLEN⁹ DUFFIN (GWENDOLYN HILDA⁸ STIRLING, HOWARD ALEXANDER⁷, JOHN COLWELL⁶, JOHN⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born May 20, 1960. He married CINDY May 23, 1992.

Children of BILL DUFFIN and CINDY are:

- i. CHRISTOPHER ALAN¹⁰ DUFFIN, b. October 10, 1991.
- ii. MACKENZIE DUFFIN.
- iii. PATRICK DUFFIN.

105. DAVID CONRAD JOSEPH⁹ BOURGEOIS (*SHIRLEY MARGUERITE*⁸ *STIRLING, HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born April 09, 1952, and died October 11, 2001 in Toronto, Ontario. He met CAROLE-ANN FACEY September 12, 1981.

Notes for DAVID CONRAD JOSEPH BOURGEOIS:

David succumbed within six months of diagnosis of leukemia.

Children of DAVID BOURGEOIS and CAROLE-ANN FACEY are:

- i. DYLAN CARTER¹⁰ BOURGEOIS, b. July 01, 1982.
- ii. ASHLEY- JUNE ROBERTA BOURGEOIS, b. April 22, 1985.

106. ANGUS JOHN⁹ CLINE (*MARGARET EVELYN*⁸ *DAHMER, NORA ELEANOR*⁷ *STIRLING*, *DAVID*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born October 23, 1941 in Maidstone Township, Essex County, Ontario. He married CORRINE REDMOND 1966 in St. Augustine, W. Wawanosh Township, Huron County Ontario. She was born 1942 in Goderich, Huron County, Ontario.

Notes for ANGUS JOHN CLINE:

Angus and Corinne live in Dundas Ontario, near Toronto. Have corresponded with him re: family lines.

Children of ANGUS CLINE and CORRINE REDMOND are:

- i. ANGELA JOAN¹⁰ CLINE, b. 1967, Wingham, Huron County, Ontario.
 - ii. MELISSA ANNE CLINE, b. 1972, Burlington, Halton County, Ontario; m. DAVID J. MURPHY, 2000; b. 1966.
- **107.** SANDRA⁹ KEYES (*DONALD MACKENZIE*⁸, *JESSIE*⁷ *MACKENZIE*, *MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ *STIRLING*, *WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1954. She married MICHAEL KILBREATH. He was born 1953.

Children of SANDRA KEYES and MICHAEL KILBREATH are:

- i. JOYCE¹⁰ KILBREATH, b. 1979.
- 120. ii. JIM KILBREATH, b. 1981.

108. DOUGLAS⁹ KEYES (*DONALD MACKENZIE*⁸, *JESSIE*⁷ *MACKENZIE*, *MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ *STIRLING*, *WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1956. He married DEBBIE MONTICELLO. She was born 1964.

Child of DOUGLAS KEYES and DEBBIE MONTICELLO is:

- i. DONALD¹⁰ KEYES, b. 1994.
- **109.** BETH⁹ KEYES (*DONALD MACKENZIE*⁸, *JESSIE*⁷ *MACKENZIE*, *MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ *STIRLING*, *WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1958. She married RICHARD BECKETT. He was born 1951.

Children of BETH KEYES and RICHARD BECKETT are:

- i. ASHLEY¹⁰ BECKETT, b. 1985.
- ii. ADAM BECKETT, b. 1987.
- **110.** STEVEN RIDGEWAY⁹ MALLOCH (MARY MINERVA MAUD⁸ KEYES, JESSIE⁷ MACKENZIE, MARY ELIZABETH⁶ STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1953. He married BRENDA MAUREEN NAUMAN. She was born 1956.

Children of STEVEN MALLOCH and BRENDA NAUMAN are:

- i. Jeffrey Ridgeway¹⁰ Malloch, b. 1989.
- ii. SCOTT ANDREW MALLOCH, b. 1991.
- **111.** PATRICIA ANN MAUD⁹ MALLOCH (MARY MINERVA MAUD⁸ KEYES, JESSIE⁷ MACKENZIE, MARY ELIZABETH⁶ STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1955. She married JOHN MALCOLM CUNNINGHAM. He was born 1951.

Children of PATRICIA MALLOCH and JOHN CUNNINGHAM are:

- i. Jessie Leigh¹⁰ Cunningham, b. 1986.
- ii. DYLAN MALCOLM CUNNINGHAM, b. 1989.
- iii. EMILY MAUDE CUNNINGHAM, b. 1991.
- **112.** WILLIAM GEORGE⁹ MALLOCH (*MARY MINERVA MAUD*⁸ *KEYES, JESSIE*⁷ *MACKENZIE, MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ *STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1963. He married DIANE LE FEBYRE. She was born 1961.

Child of WILLIAM MALLOCH and DIANE LE FEBYRE is:

- i. Peter James¹⁰ Malloch, b. 1992.
- **113.** MARGARET HELEN⁹ CAMPBELL (*JOHN MACKENZIE*⁸, *MARY CAROLINE "JEAN"*⁷ *MACKENZIE, MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ *STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1955. She married DONALD MCILWAIN. He was born 1953.

Children of MARGARET CAMPBELL and DONALD MCILWAIN are:

- i. B.J.¹⁰ McIlwain, b. 1980.
- ii. Jeffrey McIlwain, b. 1983.
- **114.** WILLIAM COLIN MARK⁹ CAMPBELL (*JOHN MACKENZIE*⁸, *MARY CAROLINE "JEAN"*⁷ *MACKENZIE, MARY ELIZABETH*⁶ *STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born 1959. He married JANE HASKELL. She was born 1968.

Children of WILLIAM CAMPBELL and JANE HASKELL are:

- i. MEGAN¹⁰ CAMPBELL, b. 1994.
- ii. MACKENZIE CAMPBELL, b. 1998.

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115. STEPHEN ROSS¹⁰ MAIN (*JUDITH ANN*⁹ *DUFFIN, GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁸ *STIRLING, HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born October 21, 1970 in Brampton, Ontario. He married MARIJA BACIC May 14, 1994 in St. Andrews Presbyterian, Brampton, Ontario. She was born May 15, 1969 in Croatia / Yugoslavia.

Children of STEPHEN MAIN and MARIJA BACIC are:

- i. FIONA BACIC MAYA¹¹ MAIN, b. October 12, 1999, Toronto, Ontario.
- ii. JACKLYN TAMARA MAIN, b. August 01, 2001, Toronto, Ontario.
- **116.** ANDREA ELIZABETH¹⁰ MAIN (*JUDITH ANN*⁹ *DUFFIN, GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁸ *STIRLING, HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III, JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born March 20, 1973 in Brampton, Ontario. She married JOHN CLELLAND May 02, 1998 in St. Andrews Presbyterian, Brampton, Ontario. He was born July 01, 1969.

Children of ANDREA MAIN and JOHN CLELLAND are:

- i. JUSTIN THOMAS JAMES¹¹ CLELLAND, b. March 08, 2002, Barrie, Ontario.
- ii. RYAN WILLIAM CLELLAND, b. August 28, 2003, Barrie, Ontario.
- **117.** TIMOTHY GORDON¹⁰ DUFFIN (*JOHN ROBERT*⁹, *GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁸ *STIRLING*, *HOWARD ALEXANDER*⁷, *JOHN COLWELL*⁶, *JOHN*⁵, *JAMES*⁴, *JOHN*³ *SKIRLING III*, *JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born May 27, 1978⁶⁰. He met TONYA KREMAR.

Child of TIMOTHY DUFFIN and TONYA KREMAR is:

- i. ZOE ELIZABETH¹¹ KREMAR, b. June 09, 1999.
- **118.** MATTHEW ALAN STIRLING¹⁰ GLASGOW (SUSAN LEAH⁹ DUFFIN, GWENDOLYN HILDA⁸ STIRLING, HOWARD ALEXANDER⁷, JOHN COLWELL⁶, JOHN⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III,

*JOHN*², *JOHN*¹) was born April 15, 1977. He married SHAUNA LYNN MACLEOD February 14, 2004 in Barrie, Simcoe County, Ontario. She was born November 10, 1972 in North York, Ontario.

More About MATTHEW ALAN STIRLING GLASGOW:

Nickname: Matty

Marriage Notes for MATTHEW GLASGOW and SHAUNA MACLEOD:

Matty and Shauna were married with 107 other couples either renewing or exchanging their vows that Valentine's Day.

Child of MATTHEW GLASGOW and SHAUNA MACLEOD is:

i. TEAGON GEORGIE LIA¹¹ GLASGOW, b. May 31, 2003, Barrie, Ontario.

119. ANGELA JOAN¹⁰ CLINE (ANGUS JOHN⁹, MARGARET EVELYN⁸ DAHMER, NORA ELEANOR⁷ STIRLING, DAVID⁶, JOHN⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1967 in Wingham, Huron County, Ontario. She married WILLIAM DALE STEVENS 1997 in Dundas, Hamilton-Wentworth Region, Ontario. He was born 1963.

Children of ANGELA CLINE and WILLIAM STEVENS are:

i. LIAM DYLAN CHRISTOPHER¹¹ STEVENS, b. April 27, 1999, Hamilton, Ontario; d. 2001, Hamilton, Ontario.

More About LIAM DYLAN CHRISTOPHER STEVENS: Burial: White Chapel Memorial Gardens, Hamilton, Ontario

ii. Kayla Justine Stevens, b. 2000.

120. JIM¹⁰ KILBREATH (SANDRA⁹ KEYES, DONALD MACKENZIE⁸, JESSIE⁷ MACKENZIE, MARY ELIZABETH⁶ STIRLING, WILLIAM "LONG WILLIE"⁵, JAMES⁴, JOHN³ SKIRLING III, JOHN², JOHN¹) was born 1981. He married RENE SAUNDERS.

Child of JIM KILBREATH and RENE SAUNDERS is:

i. AUSIN JAMES¹¹ KILBREATH, b. 2001.

Endnotes

- 1. Mortcloth Dues and Memorial Inscription, First entry i the Panbride Mrtcloth entries for 1784.
- 2. Old Parochial Register of Banns and Marriages, Parish of Barry, County of Forfar, 77743, "John Skirling, Weaver and Elizabeth Lowson, both in this parish, were married August 14, 1759."
- 3. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 4. Memorial Inscription.
- 5. Barry Government Record Office of Statistics 274/000001, John Skirling born 1760 to John Skirling / Elizabeth Lowson.
- 6. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 7. Old Parochial Register of Banns and Marriages, Parish of Monikie, County of Forfar, 77485, "John Stirling in Panbride to Jannt Patry in this parish."
- 8. Panbride Parish Churchyard Register, Also Death Certificate #1, 1855, indicateds place of burial as Panbride Burial

Ground.

- 9. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 10. Old Parochial Register of Banns and Marriages Parish of Panbride, County of Forfar, 77484, "James Stirling in this Parish and Elizabeth Lawrence the Parish of Arbroath were proclaimed and after wards married." Dates 27 March, 1825.
- 11. "Goderich Township Families", 286.
- 12. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 13. *Panbride Forfar OPR*, 316 P. 7/20, "Robert Stirling died 74 years. Carcinoma of Omentum 4 months. Seaman Merchant Service. Married to Margaret Clark, Gallowlaw Panbride. Son of John Stirling, Seaman (dec'd) and Janet Stirling M.S. Petrie (dec'd). Info: Jessie Stirling Daughter (Present)."
- 14. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 15. Panbride Forfar OPR, Proc: Feb 21, 28, and March 7, "7 Mar 1836, Robert Stirling weaver, Gallowlaw in this Parish and Margaret Clark in the parish of Berry. Married at Carnoustie."
- 16. Panbride Forfar Old Parish Record, 316 P1/1, "Margaret Stirling died 84 years. Diarrhoea 7 days. Failure of Heart 3 days. Widow of Robert Stirling, Seaman. Gallowlaw, Panbride Parish. Daughter of George Clark, Hand Loom Weaver (dec'd) and Isabella Clark M.S. Nicoll (dec'd). Info: George Stirling Son. Anchorage, Blairgowrie."
- 17. Blairgowrie Perth Records, 335, P.15/45, "George Stirling died 61 years. Rheaumatic Joint about 10 years Nephritis and Cardiac Disease, coma about 1 day. Married to Cecilia Hogg. The Anchorage Carsie, Blairgowre. Son of Robert Stirling, Seaman (dec'd) and Margaret Stirling M.S. Clark (dec'd). Info: Alexr. Hogg Brother-in -law. Bonetla Street, Carnoustie."
- 18. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Cemetary records for Maitland Cemetary, marker # A212.
- 19. "Goderich Township Families" p. 287.
- 20. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 21. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Cemetary Records for Maitland Cemetary, marker #A212;Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 22. Death Reg.#015391, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 23. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 24. Maxine Kennedy.
- 25. reference number 25512.
- 26. Huron County Marriage Registry#006912.
- 27. Ontario Birth Registrations, #010962-76 Huron County, "Stirling, Rebecca Jane, f, b. 2 Nov. 1876, father-William Stirling, farmer; mother-Rebecca Jane Colwell, infm Hugh Davidson, Goderich Twp."
- 28. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Marriage Registry # 17591 for 1900.
- 29. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Marriage resgistration: PAO, MS 932, reel 107, #8828.
- 30. Provincial Archives of Ontario, MS 932, Reel 23, #2677
- 31. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Marriage registration#4429, for date of Nov.1, 1877, MS 932, reel 24.
- 32. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 33. *Provincial Archives of Ontario*, Date of birth recorded on 1901 census of Kincardine Twp. Bruce County, Reel T6461 at C-2, page 16.
- 34. *Provincial Archives of Ontario*, Date of birth recorded on 1901 census of Kincardine Twp., Bruce County, Reel T6461 at C-2, page 16. Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 35. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Death Registration #1986, MS 935, reel 67, for date of Nov. 2, 1892, PAO.
- 36. *Provincial Archives of Ontario*, Date of birth 21 Dec. 1858 and age 43 recorded on 1901 census, Goderich Township, D-6, page1, family #5. Marriage registration #4427, for November 7, 1877, MS 932, reel 24, PAO. (Her parents recorded as John Sterling, Ann Colwell) Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 37. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 38. Provincial Archives of Ontario, 27 April 1855, and age 46, recorded on 1901 census, Goderich Township, D-6, page 1, family#5. Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 39. *Provincial Archives of Ontario*, Date of birth recorded on 901 census of Kincardine Twp. Bruce Co.,reel #T6461, C-2, page 7. Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 40. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Date of birth recorded on 1901 census of Kincardine Twp., Bruce Co., Reel#T6461, C-2, page 7.
- 41. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Name recorded as "Lillian" on birth registration #7925, MS 929, Reel 149, PAO.
- 42. *Provincial Archives of Ontario*, Date of birth recorded on 1901 census of Kincardine Twp. Bruce County, Reel 6461 at C-4, page 7. Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 43. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Marriage registration #1669 for date of Oct. 16, 1889, MS 932, reel 63, PAO.
- 44. *Provincial Archives of Ontario*, Date of birth recorded as "Feb. 11, 1901", rather than January, in Birth Registration #7897, MS 929, reel 153, PAO.
- 45. *Provincial Archives of Ontario*, Her name is recorded as "Mariah" on 1871 census, Goderich Twp. Huron Co. and on 1881 census of Kincardine Twp. Bruce Co. Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 46. *Provincial Archives of Ontario*, Family appears on 1891 Census of Kincardine Twp. Bruce Co. Reel T6329 at page 18, family #82, listed as followsRobert McMahon, 31, b. ON, father b. Ire, mother b. Scotland; Maria 24, b. ON, father b. Scotland, mother b. N.S. (Nova Scotia), Annie R.3, Robert 1.
- 47. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Name recorded as "Maria", and age as 18, on Marriage Registry #1484, date of March
- 11, 1884. Parents recorded as John Sterling and Phoebe Ann Colwell.
- 48. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Ontario Birth Registry #10324/1872. Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.

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- 49. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Marriage Registry #3372, for July 13, 1898n BS 932m reel 95, PAO. Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 50. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Name recorded as "annie Jane" in birth registry #7945, MS 929, reel 149 PAO.
- 51. US SS Death Index, Information in US SSDI as follows: Jean Houle, born 19 Dec 1899, died January 1983l resudebce 59101 Billings, Yellowstone MT, SSN 516 26 6883.
- 52. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Marriage registration, PAO, MS 932, reel 57, #5282.
- 53. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Ontario Birth Registry #10311/1871.
- 54. Provincial Archives of Ontario, Marriage Registration, PAO, MS 932, Reel 164, #6240.
- 55. Provincial Archives of Ontario, MS 932, Reel 114, PAO, marriage registry # 9708 shows spelling as "Fritts".
- 56. Provincial Archives of Ontario, MS 932, reel 135, #10605.
- 57. Ontario Birth Registrations, #003114-93 Bruce County, "Stirling, Howard Alexander, m, born 30 August 1893, father John Stirling, carpenter; mother Susan Demsey -infm-John Sterling, Bervie."
- 58. Certificate of Marriage, license #M82693, Issued November 21, 1946, Registration Certificate #9306.
- 59. Ontario Birth Registrations, Registration number 17513, registered on January 12, 1917 in Moosejaw, Saskatchewan.
- 60. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.

Quick Reference: The South Family Descendency

Generation 1

William South (1750) and Martha Alfrick (1757)



Generation 2 Samuel South (1794 - 1841) and Mary Wells (1802)



Generation 3William South (1829) and Charlotte (1829)



Generation 4William Henry South (1855 - 1929) and Elizabeth



<u>Generation 5</u> Albert H. South (1877 - 1965) and Helen Mabel Shearman (1873 - 1945)



<u>Generation 6</u> <u>Hilda Helen Mabel South (1900-1983) and Howard Alexander Stirling (1893-1929)</u>



Generation 7

Howard John Stirling Lloyd Stirling Gwen Stirling Duffin Shirley Stirling Bourgeois

Descendants of William South

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1 William South 1749/50 -
+Martha Alfrick 1757 -
2 Susannah South 1779 -
2 Ann South 1780 -
2 William South 1781 -
2 John South 1782 -
2 Thomas South 1784 -
2 James South 1786 -
2 Mary South 1787 -
2 Kezia South 1789 -
2 Thomas South 1790 -
2 Joseph South 1792 -
2 Samuel South 1794 - 1841
+Mary Wells 1802 -
+Charlotte 1829 -
+ Elizabeth
+[2] Helen "Ellen" Mabel Shearman 1873 - 1945
6 [3] Hilda Helen Mabel South 1900 - 1983
+[4] Howard Alexander Stirling 1893 - 1929
7 [5] Howard John Stirling 1917 - 2002
+[6] Vivian Shillum 1916 - 2002
8 [7] Catherine Jean Stirling 1947 -
+[8] Howard Gregory Faust 1948 -
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*2nd Husband of [7] Catherine Jean Stirling:
+[10] Christopher Edward Gould 1940 -
+[12] Diane Knoy 1949 -
+[17] Christopher Doherty
9 [19] Patrick Christopher Doherty 1989 -
+[21] Michael Demsky 1955 -
9 [22] Jennifer Marie Demsky 1980 -
+[23] Joseph Thomas Foltz
9 [24] Rachel Andrea Demsky 1982 -
9 [25] Ashley Jessica Demsky 1986 -
8 [26] Michael Joseph Stirling 1957 -
+[27] Paulette Dominick
9 [28] Leah Genevieve Stirling 1988 -
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+[33] Doris May Caines 1928 - 2004
*2nd Wife of [34] Wayne Lloyd Stirling:
+[38] Sarah Janet Komaniski 1955 -
+[40] Bill Law
8 [42] Howard "Howie" Arthur Stirling 1961 -
+[44] Delmar Duffin 1918 - 2002
8 [45] Judith Ann Duffin 1943 -
+[46] Fraser Main 1942 -
9 [47] Stephen Ross Main 1970 -
+[48] Marija Bacic 1969 -
9 [51] Andrea Elizabeth Main 1973 -
+[52] John Clelland 1969 -
10 [53] Justin Thomas James Clelland 2002 -
9 [55] Jeffrey Main 1974 -
+[56] Buffy Ho 1975 -
8 [57] John Robert Duffin 1947 -
+[58] Barbara Jean Ferguson
9 [59] Shawn Robert Duffin 1974 -
9 [60] Michael Allen Duffin 1976 -
+[62] Tonya Kremar
+[68] Shauna Lynn MacLeod 1972 -
*2nd Husband of [65] Susan Leah Duffin:
+[70] Bill Buchanan
9 [73] Andrew David Donald McKechnie 1981 -

*2nd Husband of [71] Cynthia May Duffin:
+[75] Thomas John McAuley 1950 -
+[77] Cindy
+[82] Jennifer Shaw 1972 -
+[84] Conrad Joseph Bourgeois
+[86] Carole-Ann Facey
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+[90] Morris Vanderhart
+[92] Robert "Bob" Henderson 1925 -
8 [93] Thomas Robert Henderson 1953 -
+[94] Fran Hilger 1963 -
9 [95] David James Henderson 1979 -
9 [96] Ryan Thomas Henderson 1982 -
9 [97] Mark Alexander Henderson 1991 -
8 [98] Scott Alexander Henderson 1955 -
+[99] Samantha Berry
9 [100] Daniel Philip Henderson 1997 -
*2nd Wife of [98] Scott Alexander Henderson:
+[101] Nancy Smith 1955 -
+[105] Kimberly Downs 1957 -
+[108] Peter Schneider
9 [110] Luke Schneider 1987 -
9 [111] Krystal Schneider 1989 -
+[113] Frederick Charles Bell 1932 -
9 [114] Frederick Charles Bell II 1989 -
9 [115] Jason Robert Bell 1990 -
9 [116] Jack Garnett Bell 2001 -
7 [117] Rita Rose Vanderhart 1934 -
+[118] Edward Ambrose Doyle

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+[120] David Caverly
9 [121] Andrea Louise Caverly
9 [122] Karli Danielle Caverly
8 [123] Daniel Anthony Doyle 1957 - 1998
+[124] Donna Reid
9 [125] Sarah Danielle Doyle
9 [126] Jacob Reid Doyle
9 [127] Julie Ann Doyle
8 [128] Darlene Angela Doyle 1959 -
+[129] Philip Rauzon
9 [130] Steven Christopher Rauzon
8 [131] Denise "Buttons" Adele Doyle 1961 - +[132] Paul Devereau
9 [133] Jonah Edward Devereau
9 [133] Johan Edward Develeau 9 [134] Brittany Rose Devereau
8 [135] Dawn Anita Doyle 1962 -
+[136] Dale Park
9 [137] Katie Sue Park
9 [138] Kelly Dawn Park
8 [139] Deanne Annette Doyle 1966 -
*2nd Husband of [117] Rita Rose Vanderhart:
+[140] Thomas Henry Harris
+[142] Kate Costello
+[147] James Patrick Kennedy
*2nd Husband of [146] Edith Jane South:
+[148] James Raymond Gamble
+[150] Edward Hill 1932 - 1987
+[152] Tina
*2nd Wife of [151] James William Hill:
+[153] Tina Woodruff
+[155] William J. Burrows 1906 - 1994
+[157] Stanley Roberts - 1974
8 [158] Katherine Ann Roberts 1965 -
+[159] Peter Paul Bujna
9 [160] Michael Stanley Bujna 1990 -
9 [161] Christopher Anthony Bujna 1994 -
7 [162] Robert "Bob" Burrows 1932 - 2002
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+[166] Valerie Fagan
8 [170] Ivonne Burrows 1967 -
8 [171] Robert "Bobby" Burrows 1971 -
6 [172] Rose South 1911 -
+[173] Leo Bonnin
+[175] Surname Bunn
8 [177] Rick Bunn
8 [178] Kathy Rose Bunn
6 [179] Dorothy 1913 - 1915
5 Charlotte Grace South 1881 - 1956
+Albert William Poynter Moody 1876 - 1978
6 Leslie Moody 1904 -
+Doris
6 Rosa Moody 1907 -
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+[108] Peter Schneider
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9 [111] Krystal Schneider 1989 -
8 [112] Catherine Diane Henderson 1965 -
+[113] Frederick Charles Bell 1932 -
9 [114] Frederick Charles Bell II 1989 -
+[118] Edward Ambrose Doyle
+[120] David Caverly
+[124] Donna Reid
8 [128] Darlene Angela Doyle 1959 -
+[129] Philip Rauzon
8 [131] Denise "Buttons" Adele Doyle 1961 -
+[132] Paul Devereau
9 [133] Jonah Edward Devereau
9 [134] Brittany Rose Devereau
8 [135] Dawn Anita Doyle 1962 -
+[136] Dale Park
9 [137] Katie Sue Park
8 [139] Deanne Annette Doyle 1966 -
*2nd Husband of [117] Rita Rose Vanderhart:
+[140] Thomas Henry Harris
+[142] Kate Costello
6 [146] Edith Jane South 1908 -
*2nd Husband of [146] Edith Jane South:
+[148] James Raymond Gamble
7 [149] Donna June Gamble 1939 -
+[150] Edward Hill 1932 - 1987
8 [151] James William Hill 1969 -
+[152] Tina
*2nd Wife of [151] James William Hill:
+[153] Tina Woodruff
+[155] William J. Burrows 1906 - 1994

+[157] Stanley Roberts - 1974
8 [158] Katherine Ann Roberts 1965 -
+[159] Peter Paul Bujna
9 [161] Christopher Anthony Bujna 1994 -
8 [163] Robert Burrows 1979 -
+[166] Valerie Fagan
8 [167] Laurie Ann Burrows 1961 -
8 [168] Eric Burrows 1964 -
8 [170] Ivonne Burrows 1967 -
+[173] Leo Bonnin
+[175] Surname Bunn
3 Martha South 1836 -
2 Elizabeth South 1795 -
2 Elizabeth South 1796 -
2 Robert South 1799 -
2 Benjamin South 1800 -

Descendants of William South

Generation No. 1

1. WILLIAM¹ SOUTH was born February 20, 1749/50 in Worcester England. He married MARTHA ALFRICK. She was born February 17, 1757¹.

Notes for WILLIAM SOUTH:

per South family bible, William was an Officer of His Majesty Excise for 32 years. The birth month is not very legible.

Notes for MARTHA ALFRICK:

South family bible shows birth year as 1757 or 1759; not very clear.

Children of WILLIAM SOUTH and MARTHA ALFRICK are:

- i. SUSANNAH² SOUTH, b. June 20, 1779.
- ii. ANN SOUTH, b. September 18, 1780, Worcester.

Notes for ANN SOUTH:

Year of birth unclear in South Bible: probably 1780.

iii. WILLIAM SOUTH, b. May 02, 1781.

Notes for WILLIAM SOUTH:

Month of birth hard to read - probably May. Also place of birth unclear: looks like Kingsmere

- iv. JOHN SOUTH, b. April 06, 1782.
- v. THOMAS SOUTH, b. June 12, 1784.
- vi. JAMES SOUTH, b. March 10, 1786.
- vii. MARY SOUTH, b. September 22, 1787.
- viii. KEZIA SOUTH, b. February 28, 1789.

Notes for KEZIA SOUTH:

sex is not listed in family bible.

- ix. THOMAS SOUTH, b. December 20, 1790.
- x. JOSEPH SOUTH, b. August 25, 1792.
- 2. xi. SAMUEL SOUTH, b. February 27, 1794, Bristol, England; d. October 1841.
 - xii. ELIZABETH SOUTH, b. August 21, 1795.
 - xiii. ELIZABETH SOUTH, b. December 24, 1796.
 - xiv. ROBERT SOUTH, b. September 04, 1799.
 - xv. BENJAMIN SOUTH, b. December 26, 1800.

Generation No. 2

2. SAMUEL² SOUTH (*WILLIAM*¹) was born February 27, 1794 in Bristol, England, and died October 1841. He married MARY WELLS. She was born December 31, 1802 in Wales¹.

Notes for SAMUEL SOUTH:

According to the William Henry South family bible, Samuel died at age 48 at the "bar of the Mesurado River, Africa; five hands perished." Samuel was Boatswain of the Barque "Vigra" (sp?) per Wm. South's above mentioned family bible. A letter from Lloyd's Register of Shipping in response to inquiry re records of this ship states "I was able to find one called 'Niger' which appeared as 'wrecked' in our 1841 Register Book. Unfortunately, our casualty returns only date back to 1890, so we have no more information on the wreck. The reason I believe that this could be the right ship is that her destined boyage for 1841 was Bristol to Africa. The 'Niger' was a barque which was sheathed with yellow metal in 1841. She was built in 1837, her port of registry was Bristol and her tonnage was 171. In the year 1841, she was owned by R. & W. King and her masters were Capt. Ratcliffe and Capt. Meritt." Written by Information Officer.

Children of SAMUEL SOUTH and MARY WELLS are:

- i. WILLIAM³ SOUTH, b. September 19, 1829.
 - ii. MARY ANN SOUTH, b. October 30, 1832.
 - iii. MARTHA SOUTH, b. January 27, 1836.
 - iv. MATILDA SOUTH, b. July 26, 1841.

Notes for MATILDA SOUTH:

Uncertain of birth year, bible transcription not very legible.

Generation No. 3

3. WILLIAM³ SOUTH (*SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born September 19, 1829. He married CHARLOTTE. She was born October 22, 1829.

Notes for WILLIAM SOUTH:

From 1881 British Census:

Dwelling: 2 Osborne Villas

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Census Place: Bristol St Michael, Gloucester, England

Source: FHL film 1341596 PRO Ref RG11 Piece 2476 Folio 36 Page 35

Marr Age Sex Birthplace

William SOUTH M 51 M Bristol

Charlotte South M 51 F Bristol

Charles A. South U 17 M Bristol

Children of WILLIAM SOUTH and CHARLOTTE are:

- i. WILLIAM HENRY⁴ SOUTH, b. March 21, 1855, Worcester; d. 1929.
 - ii. Charlotte Matilda South, b. July 11, 1860.
- iii. CHARLES ALBERT SOUTH, b. September 25, 1863.
- iv. HARIET SOUTH, b. February 10, 1866.

Generation No. 4

4. WILLIAM HENRY⁴ SOUTH (*WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born March 21, 1855 in Worcester, and died 1929. He married (1) ELIZABETH.

Notes for WILLIAM HENRY SOUTH:

Birthplace of "from Worcester" is taken from Family Bible held by Moody family (son of Charlotte South Moody) or Charlotte's grandaughter Christine Moody Pierce.

1881 British Census:

Dwelling: 2 Clare Rd Belmont St

Census Place: Bristol St George, Gloucester, England

Source: FHL Film 1341599 PRO Ref RG11 Piece 2489 Folio 87 Page 6

	Marr	Age	Sex	Birthplace
William H. SOUTH	M	23	M	Bristol
Elizabeth South	M	23	F	Cardiff, Glamorgan, Wales
Albert H. South		3	M	Bristol
Florence M. South		1	F	Bristol

More About WILLIAM HENRY SOUTH:

Burial: Green Bank Cemetary, Bristol England

Christening: April 11, 1858, St. Phillips and St. Jacob's Church - Anglican - Central Bristol¹

Children of WILLIAM SOUTH and ELIZABETH are:

- 5. i. ALBERT H.⁵ SOUTH, b. December 28, 1877, Bristol, England; d. August 12, 1965, Toronto, Ontario.
- 6. ii. Charlotte Grace South, b. December 1881, Barton Regis; d. December 1956.
 - iii. MABEL SOUTH, m. REDSTONE.
 - iv. Nellie South.

Generation No. 5

5. ALBERT H.⁵ SOUTH (*WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born December 28, 1877 in Bristol, England, and died August 12, 1965 in Toronto, Ontario. He married HELEN "ELLEN" MABEL SHEARMAN December 1899 in Bristol, Gloucestershire, England, daughter of SURNAME SHEARMAN and ELIZABETH PARTRIDGE. She was born September 1873 in Garndiffaith, near Pontypool, South Wales, and died February 09, 1945 in Toronto.

Notes for ALBERT H. SOUTH:

According to his daughter's "Journey of Life" (Hilda South Stirling), "Dad had come from a very good family, the only son, with 5 sisters. . . We left Bristol England Temple Mead's Station (Editor: one of the great Victorian 'train sheds' built in 1840) March 27th, 1907 in a real old tub of a boat called Lake Champlain and arrived in St. John N.B. on April 11th and in Toronto on the morning of April 12th 1907. . . One of my Dad's ancestors is buried in Westminster Abbey, and the family had the Court of Arms ever since King Charles the II of England Reign." I have since heard that some of the South daughters saw the memorial

inscription in the floor of Westminster Abbey, and the South there is shown as a "scholar".

From family members, Albert did not reconnect with his family after emigration, seldom (or never) writing or visiting. Hilda went to visit the family in England at the time of the coronation of Elizabeth, 1953, and met some of her father Albert's family then. A letter to Hilda from her father-in-law William Henry South in 1917 is included in the main book.

In 1881 British census, Albert is shown as age 3, so birth year may be 1878, per Reg Moody, grandson of Albert's sister Charlotte South.

Notes for HELEN "ELLEN" MABEL SHEARMAN:

Ellen's daughter, Hilda South Stirling, notes in her autobiography: "my mother was the only daughter, with two brothers, of a very ordinary family. Her father died when she was young. Ellen's mother being a nurse and very independent boarded out her three children and worked. . . ".

From Donna Hill (Edie South Stirling's daughter): Helen Shearman was born in Garndiffaith, close to Pontypool. This is also where her brother Frank lived, and Donna and her mother visited that family several times.

Children of ALBERT SOUTH and HELEN SHEARMAN are:

- 7. i. HILDA HELEN MABEL⁶ SOUTH, b. October 11, 1900, Bristol, England; d. 1983, Toronto, Ontario.
- 8. ii. Ernest South, b. 1903.
 - iii. ADELAIDE SOUTH, b. Abt. 1905; d. Abt. 1908.
 - iv. RUTH SOUTH, b. 1907; d. 1907.
- 9. v. EDITH JANE SOUTH, b. 1908.
- 10. vi. Nellie South, b. October 24, 1909, Toronto, Ontario; d. September 08, 1993.
- 11. vii. ROSE SOUTH, b. February 13, 1911.
 - viii. DOROTHY, b. May 1913; d. December 28, 1915¹.

Notes for DOROTHY:

According to Hilda South Stirling's Journey of Life, her little sister Dorothy "caught measles at 2 years, 6 months and 28 days. . . which turned into pneumonia."

More About DOROTHY:

Nickname: Doris¹

6. CHARLOTTE GRACE⁵ SOUTH (WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born December 1881 in Barton Regis, and died December 1956¹. She married ALBERT WILLIAM POYNTER MOODY¹ December 1902. He was born May 12, 1876, and died 1978.

Children of CHARLOTTE SOUTH and ALBERT MOODY are:

i. Leslie $MOODY^{1}$, b. 1904^{1} ; m. Doris 1 .

More About LESLIE MOODY:

Note: no children of this union¹

ii. Rosa Moody¹, b. 1907¹.

- iii. ESME MOODY¹, b. 1913¹.
- 12. iv. REG MOODY, b. 1919.

Generation No. 6

7. HILDA HELEN MABEL⁶ SOUTH (*ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born October 11, 1900 in Bristol, England, and died 1983 in Toronto, Ontario. She married (1) HOWARD ALEXANDER STIRLING October 11, 1916 in Christ Church, Deer Park, Toronto, Ontario, son of JOHN STIRLING and SUSANNE DEMPSEY. He was born August 30, 1893 in Clinton, Ontario², and died January 19, 1929 in Toronto, Ontario. She married (2) MORRIS VANDERHART³ Abt. 1931.

Notes for HILDA HELEN MABEL SOUTH:

Hilda wrote an autobiography from childhood to birth of first daughter, entitled "A Journey of Life". (See appendix for copy.) She notes that she was working for Bedford Hotel in Goderich Ontario, having come down from Toronto for the position at the age of 14, when she met Howard Alexander Stirling on a day trip to Clinton, where he resided with his parents. He was 7 years older, and the story was told by her son Howard John, that Hilda's fiance (his Dad, Howard Alexander Stirling) poured good Scots whiskey for Albert South, the father-in-law-to-be, until he signed permission for them to marry.

More About HILDA HELEN MABEL SOUTH:

Burial: Toronto Prospect Cemetary

Note: Angus Cline has death date as January 14, 1984

Second Marriage: To Morris VanDerHart

Notes for HOWARD ALEXANDER STIRLING:

Howard John Stirling, Catherine's father, told her that his father sustained a severe blow to the abdomen from an appendage of a passing streetcar he was trying to get on, and related this injury to his father's diagnosis of abdominal cancer within a few years. Howard Alexander died at age 34, in Toronto General Hospital. See scrapbook for letter written by Howard Alexander Stirling from hospital. Howard is buried next to his parents in Clinton Cemetary, with a small horizontal headstone reading "Howard", and was added to his parents vertical headstone later by his daughter Shirley.

More About HOWARD ALEXANDER STIRLING:

Burial: Clinton Public Cemetary, Hullet Twp. Huron Cty, ON

Cause of Death: Abdominal Cancer

Medical Information: Returned to barracks 48 hours after marriage. Developed pneumonia then rheumatic fever and was given a medical discharge.

Marriage Notes for HILDA SOUTH and HOWARD STIRLING:

Hilda notes in her autobiography "A Journey of Life", that October 11 was her birthday and the date of her first marriage. She met her husband when she was 14 and he 21, when working in Goderich at the Bedford Hotel. She commented, "The weather was perfect. . . Rose

Sturgis, my school chum from 9 years old was my bridesmaid. We were married at seven o'clock in the evening and had a very nice reception aftereward with about 50 guests."

Children of HILDA SOUTH and HOWARD STIRLING are:

- i. HOWARD JOHN⁷ STIRLING, b. October 03, 1917, Toronto Ontario Canada; d. June 04, 2002, Westland, Michgian, US.
- 14. ii. LLOYD GEORGE STIRLING, b. March 03, 1919; d. July 21, 1993, Toronto, Ontario.
- 15. iii. GWENDOLYN HILDA STIRLING, b. December 20, 1922.
- 16. iv. SHIRLEY MARGUERITE STIRLING, b. February 03, 1925.
 - v. Susan And Patricia, b. 1926; d. 1926.

Children of HILDA SOUTH and MORRIS VANDERHART are:

- 17. vi. MAUREEN⁷ VANDERHART, b. August 28, 1932.
- 18. vii. RITA ROSE VANDERHART, b. October 09, 1934.
- **8.** ERNEST⁶ SOUTH (ALBERT H.⁵, WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born 1903. He married KATE COSTELLO.

Notes for ERNEST SOUTH:

Family oral history: Apparently Kate, Ernie's wife, had a child before Ernie was in the picture and her name is Lorraine. Lorraine has two children. Nothing is known about them.

Gwen remembers that her Uncle Ernie painted their toilet seat white without informing Aunt Kate that it was still wet. Kate, who was a large woman, took her seat unknowingly. As Gwen's daughter Sue said, "Wouldn't we love to be a fly on the wall at that moment!"

Child of ERNEST SOUTH and KATE COSTELLO is:

- i. LORRAINE⁷.
- **9.** EDITH JANE⁶ SOUTH (*ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born 1908. She married (1) JAMES PATRICK KENNEDY. She married (2) JAMES RAYMOND GAMBLE Abt. 1924.

Notes for EDITH JANE SOUTH:

Edith was lost to her family at a young age, and Hilda, her sister, tells the story in her autobiography: ". . . my Sister Edith was born that was July 1908 then in Oct 1909 my Sister Nellie was born and Feb 1911 my Sister Rose was born. Needless to say with all these children being born and as I was the eldest I had to help Mother with a lot of the work and there was always children to mind when Mother had to go to help Dad clean at the Church and also when Mother had to got out I had to be the little Mother by 1913 My Dad was finding it very hard to find light suitable work in Toronto and Mother was expecting another child so Dad decided to go to Port Hope where he heard of a good job.

While he was gone my Sister Dorothy was bom that was in May 1913 Dad was still away and had not found anything steady.

A well meaning neighbour told a friend of hers about my Mother being in bed with a new

baby and having so many children and my Dad away this friend in turn, told some one else and a Mr & Mrs James Kane got to hear about it they were an elderly couple (childless) Mrs Kane could not have any children they came and offered to take as many of the children as Mother would let them have they said they would keep them until she was feeling stronger none of the children would go only Edith who was five after they promised her a new Doll carriage and Doll etc. Edith who was just 5 years old said she would go.

She was my eldest Sister of the four Sisters I had and I was heart Broken at her going away even if it was only suppose to be for a short time My dear trusting Mother even signed a paper giving them the right to keep Edith and look after her with their promise that Mother could visit Edith any time and have her back when she wished.

I remember the Sunday that Edith went to live with the Kanes, I knelt by the couch and asked God not to let them take her but she went and my heart was sad at the parting. About a week afterwards I went to the house where Kanes lived on my own and rang the bell got no answer so I knocked real hard still no answer I had a strong feeling that some one was in but that they would not answer, as I walked away I looked back and up at the upstairs front window and there was my Sister Edith looking out with tears streaming down her face just then a hand pulled her away from the window I went back to the door and tried again but they would not answer. I raced back home and told my Mother all that had happened and trusting soul that she was she just said, you must be mistaken or else they thought you were some one else, but when we went back a few days later Mother and I they had moved away and no one seemed to know where But Mother still insisted they would get in touch with us as soon as they were settled. Dad came back from port Hope and Mother even convinced him that Mr & Mrs Kane would surely get in touch with us. But I had a strong feeling they would not Dad got work at Richmond Hill right after that, so we moved there Richmond Hill being about fifteen miles from Toronto.

All this time I prayed that Edith would come back home to us and I never doubted but she would.

One day that fall a friend came to see us in Richmond Hill and asked Mother if I could come back with her for a couple of days as she was looking for a house and thought I knew the city better than she did

So I came to Toronto with Mrs. Harker and next day while we were house hunting believe it or not we went into a new house just being finished next to a comer of a street and I looked out of one of the upstairs window and there was my dear Sister Edith playing in the yard of a house that faced the other way.

My first impulse was to just climb the fence and take Edith but Mrs. Harker said I had better let my Dad attend to it. I went right home to Richmond Hill and told Dad and Mom. Dad went down that night and took a friend down with him he really must have taken Mr. Kane by surprise when Dad said he had come to take Edith home he ordered Dad off the veranda and accused Dad of deserting his family, I guess they had words and Dad left to call a policeman when Dad went back with the policeman Mr. Kane said my Mother had signed a paper giving them custody of Edith so the policeman advised Dad to go and talk with Mother then if necessary take it to court. When Mother heard about this she said there must be some thing wrong that she would go down and talk with Mr & Mrs Kane But when Mother and I got down from Richmond Hill to Kane's house it was empty.

Their landlord who lived next door told us they had moved in the middle of the night, he said he had heard some noise during the night and had got up to look out and saw a dray and Horses like the railways use but thought it was one of Mrs. Kanes Boarders moving as he

worked for the railway. We went to the railway station near by to inquire but they had no record of any Kanes moving

Mother could hardly believe They had done this but now we had no trace of where Edith was it was a great worry (heart ache) to us all, but through all the years that passed I never once gave up hope that some day we would find her and have her with us once more. I prayed always that God would help us find her and my prayers and my faith were finally rewarded One thing I am thankful for is that I found her four years before Mother passed away.

For the end of the story, see appendix article by Edie's daughter, Donna Gamble Hill, which was published in

Child of EDITH SOUTH and JAMES KENNEDY is:

i. JAMES MICHAEL⁷ KENNEDY, b. April 09, 1926.

Child of EDITH SOUTH and JAMES GAMBLE is:

19. ii. DONNA JUNE⁷ GAMBLE, b. June 13, 1939; Stepchild.

10. NELLIE⁶ SOUTH (*ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born October 24, 1909 in Toronto, Ontario, and died September 08, 1993. She married WILLIAM J. BURROWS August 30, 1930. He was born January 26, 1906 in Ireland, and died February 26, 1994.

Children of NELLIE SOUTH and WILLIAM BURROWS are:

- 20. i. EDITH MAY⁷ BURROWS, b. December 28, 1933.
- 21. ii. ROBERT "BOB" BURROWS, b. October 01, 1932; d. May 08, 2002.
 - iii. WILLIAM "BILL" BURROWS, b. May 31, 1931; d. May 13, 1988.

Notes for WILLIAM "BILL" BURROWS:

William, called Bill Junior, was a cook in the Korean War. He wrote to his sister Edie that he had celebrated her birthday by burning down his cook tent.

- 22. iv. GEORGE BURROWS, b. September 23, 1943.
- **11.** ROSE⁶ SOUTH (*ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born February 13, 1911. She married LEO BONNIN. He was born in Penitanguishene, Ontario.

Child of ROSE SOUTH and LEO BONNIN is:

- 23. i. CORINNE YVONNE⁷ BONNIN, b. April 10, 1936.
- **12.** REG⁶ MOODY (*CHARLOTTE GRACE*⁵ *SOUTH, WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born 1919. He married MARGARET.

Notes for REG MOODY:

I corresponded and visted Reg Moody in 2000. He shared old family photos (I was amazed at the resemblance of his mother, Albert South's sister, to my grandmother Hilda South Stirling.) Reg told us of Hilda's visit to England for Queen Elizabeth's coronation, when she met Reg and other family. He said he was still amazed that Hilda wangled an invitation to a garden party with royalty at that time.

Child of REG MOODY and MARGARET is:

i. CHRISTINE⁷ MOODY, m. PIERCE.

Generation No. 7

13. HOWARD JOHN⁷ STIRLING (*HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born October 03, 1917 in Toronto Ontario Canada, and died June 04, 2002 in Westland, Michgian, US. He married VIVIAN SHILLUM November 25, 1946 in Millgrove, Ontario⁴, daughter of FREDERICK SHILLUM and JANE MILLER. She was born December 30, 1916 in Moosejaw, Saskatchewan, Canada⁵, and died November 20, 2002 in Westland, MI.

Notes for HOWARD JOHN STIRLING:

From Catherine, Howard's daughter: Dad loved to tell stories, particularly of the good old days. One of his most memorable stories concerned a transport of several people, including mother and child to join husband in Vancouver and a hopeful cowboy on his way to Alberta. The TransCanada highway was still a dirt road during the Forties, and when the Model T's tire blew, Dad was changing it when he caught sight of a bear in the distance. He said he never changed a tire faster in his life.

During WWII, Howard entered the First Canadian Paratroop Battalion being trained at Fort Benning, Columbus, Georgia, where he sustained a skull fracture severe enough to qualify for a medical discharge. Before this, Dad had lived at 124 McGill Ave, Toronto, and working with the county circulation department of the Toronto Evening Telegram.

More About HOWARD JOHN STIRLING:

Interrment: August 2002, Clinton Cemetary

Notes for VIVIAN SHILLUM:

Howard John Stirling, my father, loved to tell the story of meeting my mother Vivian. He was in the bus station in Detroit, traveling back from western Canada after a job, and my mother was in the bus station also, though I cannot remember why: might have been returning from nursing service in World War II. My Dad said that he had one thin dime left, and asked Mom if she wanted to have a cup of coffee with him. Three months later they were married.

Vivian Shillum Stirling served in the Army Nurse Corps of the US from March 1944 to March 1946. She trained in LaCrosse Wisconsin, and traveled to her hospital assignment in Hereford England by train, after disembarking in Edinburgh Scotland. The transport ship had taken the northern route above Scotland to evade Uboats. She was highly competent, according to the other nurses she served with, and was nicknamed "Shilly". My mother Vivian told interesting

stories of nursing in "the old days", including changing dressings on wounds filled with maggots which were later found to be beneficial. She went to see the moving film, "Saving Private Ryan", though never otherwise chose to see sad movies, "because it is important to me." In a theatre still as death during the brutal and bloody opening battle of D-Day, Mother cried out tremulously: "Someone made such a terrible mistake. . .". We both wept through the whole movie.

Though born in Canada, Vivian became a US citizen "through the naturalization of her father, Frederick Charles Shillum, on May 21, 1934, by the United Sates District Court at Detroit Michigan, applicant being then a minor and having resided permanently in the United States since August 8, 1919." Source: Certificate of Citizenship No. A - 57788, Application #8-A-8119.

More About VIVIAN SHILLUM:

Burial: August 2003, Clinton Cemetary

Marriage Notes for HOWARD STIRLING and VIVIAN SHILLUM:

Per newspaper clipping: "Millgrove, Ont., Dec.9 - Millgrove United Church was the scene of the wedding, Nov. 25, of Vivian Woolford [Shillum: Vivian's stepfather's surname was Woolford], daughter of Mrs. Jane Woolford, Detroit, to Howard John Stirling, son of Mrs. Hilda Vanderhart and the late Howard Stirling, Clinton, Ont. Rev. Ross R. Hare officiated. The bride wore a brown gabardine tailored suit with matching accessories. Her corsage was of tea roses and baby's breath. She was attended by Shirley Stirling as bridesmaid, and the best man was Delmar Duffin. The bride was given in marriage by Lloyd Stirling. Following a reception at the Brant Inn, Burlington, where the groom's mother, attired in a navy blue sheer gown and wearing a corsage of red roses, received."

Children of HOWARD STIRLING and VIVIAN SHILLUM are:

- i. Catherine Jean⁸ Stirling, b. December 28, 1947, Highland Park Michigan.
- 25. ii. DAVID JOHN STIRLING, b. July 02, 1949, Highland Park, Michigan.
- 26. iii. MARY ANN HILDA STIRLING, b. December 24, 1951, Highland Park Michigan.
- 27. iv. PATRICIA ANN STIRLING, b. March 21, 1955, Detroit Michigan US.
- 28. v. MICHAEL JOSEPH STIRLING, b. March 24, 1957.

14. LLOYD GEORGE⁷ STIRLING (*HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born March 03, 1919, and died July 21, 1993 in Toronto, Ontario. He married DORIS MAY CAINES March 04, 1944 in Littlehampton, England, daughter of ARTHUR CAINES and DOROTHY COX. She was born 1928 in Plymouth, Devonshire, England, and died April 26, 2004 in Toronto, Ontario.

Notes for LLOYD GEORGE STIRLING:

Lloyd served five years (1939 to Autumn 1945) with the Royal Regiment of Canada in Iceland and England. Met future wife, Dorie Caines, in England.

From Pam: My Mum came to Canada before the war had ended on the ship "Britannic", which arrived in Halifax, Nova Scotia on April 11, 1945. She then travelled to Toronto by train and lived with Grandma Hilda Vanderhart at 35 Heath Street East in Toronto. Dorie's nickname

for Dad was "Lud", and Lloyd's nickname for Doris was "Skipper".

For about a year before we moved to Richmond Hill in 1957, we lived in an apartment on Bathurst Street, Toronto. At Christmas time, Mom and Dad told Wayne and Pam that Christmas trees were not allowed in the apartment building due to fire regulations. You can imagine our surprise Christmas morning when they came out to the living rom and there was a real Christmas tree, all decorated, with a note from Santa - 'To Wayne and Pam - Merry Christmas'. Another warm Christmas memory - Dad had his 3 granddaughters, Devon, Bridget and Rebecca, sit on the couch. He went down the hall and came back with something behind his back. One at a time, he brought a beautifl Teddy Bear from behind his back and spoke to the bear saying "I love you, Devon". When Devon squeezed the bear's paw, the bear repeated in Grandpa's voice "I love you, Devon". Then another bear appeared, for Bridget, and one for Rebecca - "I love you, Bridget, "I love you, Rebecca" the bears said with the girls beloved Grandpa's voice."

In Uncle Conrad Bourgeois' eulogy to our father, he said, referring to our parent's marriage: 'To Wayne, Pamela and Howard, may you be proud to be born of such a union' - we absolutely are proud. We have many, many happy memories of growing up in a loving home."

More About LLOYD GEORGE STIRLING:

Burial: May 01, 2004, Elgin Mills Cemetary near Richmond Hill

More About DORIS MAY CAINES:

Burial: May 01, 2004, Elgin Mills Cemetary near Richmond Hill

Nickname: Dorie

Children of LLOYD STIRLING and DORIS CAINES are:

- 29. i. WAYNE LLOYD⁸ STIRLING, b. January 03, 1947, Toronto, Ontario.
- 30. ii. PAMELA DOROTHY STIRLING, b. July 26, 1950, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
 - iii. HOWARD "HOWIE" ARTHUR STIRLING, b. April 05, 1961, Toronto, Ontario.

15. GWENDOLYN HILDA⁷ STIRLING (*HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born December 20, 1922. She married DELMAR DUFFIN May 04, 1940 in Horning Mills, United Church Parsonage at 7p.m.. He was born November 02, 1918 in Mulmer, Ontario, Canada, and died December 18, 2002 in Collingwood, Ontario.

Notes for GWENDOLYN HILDA STIRLING:

Some of Gwen's memories of her mother Hilda's family:

"The family lived in Toronto but during desperate times, Grampa South moved the family 15 miles north to Richmond Hill. It wasn't like today with nephews and nieces being like family members. I don't remember spending any time with the South aunts and uncles, and there weren't many family get - togethers. I remember Grampa [Albert South] and Ernie used to sell wood, and I used to ride along. I guess Grampa South go quite desperate one time and sold the wagon (not his) and spent a little quality time - three months - courtesy of the province. After Howard and Lloyd were born, I remember spending a lot of time with Gramma South. My father, Howard Stirling was away a lot looking for work. My mother [Hilda] worked all over Ontario, even in a munitions factory.

My Dad worked for Belle Ewart, driving an ice wagon, and at that time lived on Margaretta Street. I remember Dad saying to Mother "Okay darling, you go upstairs and I'll give the dishes a bath". He carried his daily take in a pouch, and I would help him count the pennies. I also remember my Grampa South and Dad [Howard Stirling] liked to tipple a little in one of the upstairs bedrooms. They would do this in the guise of papering the bedroom, and whre finally, every piece of wallpaper got hung, but upside down. They liked their bit of wine.

I remember Gramma South taking me to the show in a stroller, and when I was older, she gave me money to go buy black pudding, Humbugs and The Telly (the Toronto Telegram). She always called me 'Grenny'."

Children of GWENDOLYN STIRLING and DELMAR DUFFIN are:

- 31. i. JUDITH ANN⁸ DUFFIN, b. June 25, 1943, Alliston, Ontario.
- 32. ii. JOHN ROBERT DUFFIN, b. November 13, 1947.
- 33. iii. Susan Leah Duffin, b. November 09, 1952.
- 34. iv. CYNTHIA MAY DUFFIN, b. January 27, 1957, Collingwood, Ontario.
- 35. v. BILL ALLEN DUFFIN, b. May 20, 1960.
 - vi. MARK ALEXANDER DUFFIN, b. July 17, 1961; m. JENNIFER SHAW, July 06, 2002, Creemore, Ontario; b. September 07, 1972, North York, Ontario.
- **16.** SHIRLEY MARGUERITE⁷ STIRLING (*HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ SOUTH, ALBERT H.⁵, WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born February 03, 1925. She married CONRAD JOSEPH BOURGEOIS June 23, 1951.

Child of SHIRLEY STIRLING and CONRAD BOURGEOIS is:

- 36. i. DAVID CONRAD JOSEPH⁸ BOURGEOIS, b. April 09, 1952; d. October 11, 2001, Toronto, Ontario.
- **17.** MAUREEN⁷ VANDERHART (*HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born August 28, 1932. She married ROBERT "BOB" HENDERSON November 10, 1951. He was born January 11, 1925.

Children of MAUREEN VANDERHART and ROBERT HENDERSON are:

- 37. i. THOMAS ROBERT⁸ HENDERSON, b. January 26, 1953.
- 38. ii. SCOTT ALEXANDER HENDERSON, b. December 08, 1955.
- 39. iii. Kenneth John Henderson, b. April 10, 1957.
- 40. iv. LISA MAUREEN HENDERSON, b. June 23, 1965.
- 41. v. CATHERINE DIANE HENDERSON, b. January 12, 1965.
- **18.** RITA ROSE⁷ VANDERHART (*HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born October 09, 1934. She married (1) EDWARD AMBROSE DOYLE July 31, 1954. She married (2) THOMAS HENRY HARRIS July 14, 1977.

Notes for RITA ROSE VANDERHART:

Rita's second marriage to Tom Harris in 1997 brought together a family with 9 children, 5 of

them teenagers! Tom's children were 16, 14, and 7 at the time of their union.

Children of RITA VANDERHART and EDWARD DOYLE are:

- 42. i. DEBORAH ANN⁸ DOYLE, b. January 30, 1955.
- 43. ii. DANIEL ANTHONY DOYLE, b. January 05, 1957; d. 1998.
- 44. iii. DARLENE ANGELA DOYLE, b. November 20, 1959.
- 45. iv. Denise "Buttons" Adele Doyle, b. July 26, 1961.
- 46. v. DAWN ANITA DOYLE, b. December 17, 1962.
 - vi. DEANNE ANNETTE DOYLE, b. July 03, 1966.
- **19.** DONNA JUNE⁷ GAMBLE (*EDITH JANE*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born June 13, 1939. She married EDWARD HILL June 17, 1961 in Church of the Nazarene, St. Catharine's Ontario. He was born October 07, 1932, and died February 02, 1987.

Child of DONNA GAMBLE and EDWARD HILL is:

- i. JAMES WILLIAM⁸ HILL, b. May 28, 1969; m. (1) TINA, St. Catharines, Ontario; m. (2) TINA WOODRUFF, September 11, 1999, Church of the Nazarene, St. Catharine's Ontario.
- **20.** EDITH MAY⁷ BURROWS (*NELLIE*⁶ *SOUTH*, *ALBERT H*.⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born December 28, 1933. She married STANLEY ROBERTS May 20, 1961. He was born in North Wales, and died January 20, 1974.

Child of EDITH BURROWS and STANLEY ROBERTS is:

- 47. i. KATHERINE ANN⁸ ROBERTS, b. January 24, 1965.
- **21.** ROBERT "BOB" BURROWS (*NELLIE*⁶ *SOUTH*, *ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born October 01, 1932, and died May 08, 2002.

Child of ROBERT "BOB" BURROWS is:

- i. ROBERT⁸ BURROWS, b. October 24, 1979.
- **22.** GEORGE⁷ BURROWS (*NELLIE*⁶ *SOUTH*, *ALBERT H*.⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born September 23, 1943. He married VALERIE FAGAN 1969.

Children of GEORGE BURROWS and VALERIE FAGAN are:

- i. LAURIE ANN⁸ BURROWS, b. January 24, 1961.
- ii. ERIC BURROWS, b. October 23, 1964.
- iii. RAY BURROWS, b. October 23, 1965.
- iv. IVONNE BURROWS, b. July 06, 1967.
- v. ROBERT "BOBBY" BURROWS, b. January 11, 1971.

23. CORINNE YVONNE⁷ BONNIN (*ROSE*⁶ *SOUTH*, *ALBERT H*.⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born April 10, 1936. She married SURNAME BUNN.

Children of CORINNE BONNIN and SURNAME BUNN are:

- i. Terry⁸ Bunn.
- ii. RICK BUNN.
- iii. KATHY ROSE BUNN.

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24. CATHERINE JEAN⁸ STIRLING (*Howard John*⁷, *Hilda Helen Mabel*⁶ *South, Albert H.*⁵, *William Henry*⁴, *William*³, *Samuel*², *William*¹) was born December 28, 1947 in Highland Park Michigan. She married (1) Howard Gregory Faust August 08, 1976 in Pecos National Monument, Pecos, New Mexico, son of Howard Faust and Marian Musgrave. He was born March 05, 1948 in St. Louis, Missouri. She married (2) Christopher Edward Gould May 22, 1999 in Farmington Hills, Michigan, son of Ted Gould and Agnes Redgrave. He was born August 19, 1940 in Coventry, Britain.

More About CATHERINE JEAN STIRLING:

Nickname: Cate, Cathy

More About HOWARD GREGORY FAUST:

Nickname: Greg, also "Faust"

Marriage Notes for CATHERINE STIRLING and HOWARD FAUST:

Marriage ceremony took place in ruins of 12th century Spanish mission built by missionaries for native Americans, Pecos National Monument.

Child of CATHERINE STIRLING and HOWARD FAUST is:

- i. FreeMan Calien "Mike" Faust, b. February 01, 1978, Columbus, Muscogie County, Georgia.
- **25.** DAVID JOHN⁸ STIRLING (HOWARD JOHN⁷, HILDA HELEN MABEL⁶ SOUTH, ALBERT H.⁵, WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born July 02, 1949 in Highland Park, Michigan. He married DIANE KNOY May 09, 1970 in Redford United Methodist Church, Detroit, Michigan, daughter of HARRY KNOY and ESTELLE JONES. She was born September 02, 1949.

Children of DAVID STIRLING and DIANE KNOY are:

- i. JONATHAN DAVID⁹ STIRLING, b. October 27, 1973, Southfield, Michigan.
- ii. JASON LEE STIRLING, b. October 06, 1977, Southfield, Michigan; m. NICOLE ANN MEAD, June 06, 2002, Michigan; b. May 10, 1977.
- **26.** MARY ANN HILDA⁸ STIRLING (HOWARD JOHN⁷, HILDA HELEN MABEL⁶ SOUTH, ALBERT H.⁵, WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born December 24, 1951 in

Highland Park Michigan. She married CHRISTOPHER DOHERTY October 19, 1984 in St. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Detroit, Michigan.

Children of MARY STIRLING and CHRISTOPHER DOHERTY are:

- i. COLLEEN ELIZABETH⁹ DOHERTY, b. March 22, 1986.
- ii. PATRICK CHRISTOPHER DOHERTY, b. January 26, 1989.
- **27.** PATRICIA ANN⁸ STIRLING (*HOWARD JOHN*⁷, *HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born March 21, 1955 in Detroit Michigan US. She married MICHAEL DEMSKY February 09, 1980 in Plymouth, Michigan, son of MIKE DEMSKY and JOSEPHINE. He was born February 10, 1955 in Detroit.

More About PATRICIA ANN STIRLING:

Burial: Served with the Royal Regiment of Canada in Iceland and England

Children of PATRICIA STIRLING and MICHAEL DEMSKY are:

i. Jennifer Marie⁹ Demsky, b. July 25, 1980, Detroit Michigan US; m. Joseph Thomas Foltz, May 30, 2003, East Lansing, Michigan.

Notes for JENNIFER MARIE DEMSKY:

Jennifer and Joseph went to Ghana, West Africa as Peace Corps volunteers September 2003, about 3 months after their marriage. Jenni is working in the medical clinic as a health educator, and Joe is working as an agricultural advisor.

Marriage Notes for JENNIFER DEMSKY and JOSEPH FOLTZ: Wedding held outside in the Michigan State University Botanical Gardens.

- ii. RACHEL ANDREA DEMSKY, b. September 21, 1982.
- iii. ASHLEY JESSICA DEMSKY, b. January 24, 1986.
- **28.** MICHAEL JOSEPH⁸ STIRLING (HOWARD JOHN⁷, HILDA HELEN MABEL⁶ SOUTH, ALBERT H.⁵, WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born March 24, 1957. He married PAULETTE DOMINICK October 09, 1987.

Children of MICHAEL STIRLING and PAULETTE DOMINICK are:

- i. LEAH GENEVIEVE⁹ STIRLING, b. September 18, 1988.
- ii. ERIN VIVIAN STIRLING, b. April 24, 1990.
- iii. TAYLOR ANASTASIA STIRLING, b. April 21, 1995.
- iv. Luke Michael Stirling, b. July 08, 1997.
- **29.** WAYNE LLOYD⁸ STIRLING (*LLOYD GEORGE*⁷, *HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH*, *ALBERT H*.⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born January 03, 1947 in Toronto, Ontario. He married (1) JOYCE HENDRIKA HELMERS September 05, 1977. She was born July 04, 1955. He met (2) SARAH JANET KOMANISKI May 08, 1998. She was born May 23, 1955.

Notes for WAYNE LLOYD STIRLING:

From Wayne's sister Pam:" The nickname 'WaWa' was given to him by his adorable younger sister. As a toddler, Pam would be in her playpen and throw all her toys out onto the floor. Wayne would come by and put them back in the playpen. As soon as he left the room Pam would throw the toys back out and call WaWay, and back Wayne would come - time and time again! Howard calls Wayne 'Bro' or 'My Stinking Brother'.

Note written by Wayne to author re: DNA genealogy testing -

Hi Cath: I can't count the number of times I tried to find out if we have relatives in Scotland. And

you remember the stories we use to get from our Dads. Lloyd had me thinking that we owned Stirling Castle when I was a young tot. I was 35 years of age before I realized I had been taken and I unpacked my bags and cancelled my trip to Scotland. Anyways it is a job well done. I look forward to

contacting John and Feltus in Scotland. I am so excited I doubt if I will get any sleep tonight. I kept wondering if my DNA ever got down to the states and if the sample I gave had been good (almost tore half of the inside of my cheek off making sure it was an excellent sample) and then all

of your e-mails came in today. See you soon, lots of love & hugs, Wayne

Children of WAYNE STIRLING and JOYCE HELMERS are:

- i. BRIDGET REBECCA ANNE⁹ STIRLING, b. March 10, 1980, Hamilton, Ontario.
- ii. REBECCA ABIGAIL STIRLING, b. October 22, 1981, An ambulance on the way to McMaster's Hospital, delivery assisted by her Dad!.

30. PAMELA DOROTHY⁸ STIRLING (*LLOYD GEORGE*⁷, *HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ SOUTH, *ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born July 26, 1950 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. She married BILL LAW September 18, 1971 in Toronto, Ontario.

Notes for PAMELA DOROTHY STIRLING:

Pam says her dad, Lloyd Stirling, liked to tease her and say that actually she was found in a basket on the doorstep on July 28th. She also notes that her brothers call her "Sis" or "Seester".

More About PAMELA DOROTHY STIRLING:

Divorced: Abt. 19896

Child of PAMELA STIRLING and BILL LAW is:

i. DEVON MICHELLE⁹ LAW, b. May 11, 1978, Richmond Hill, Ontario.

Notes for DEVON MICHELLE LAW:

Devon was named for her grandmother Doris Stirling's birthplace; she is now in her second year of teaching elementary school.

31. JUDITH ANN⁸ DUFFIN (*GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁷ STIRLING, HILDA HELEN MABEL⁶ SOUTH, ALBERT H.⁵, WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born June 25, 1943 in Alliston, Ontario. She married FRASER MAIN July 27, 1968 in Trinity United Church, Collingwood, Ontario. He was born January 19, 1942 in Nairn, Scotland.

Children of JUDITH DUFFIN and FRASER MAIN are:

- STEPHEN ROSS⁹ MAIN, b. October 21, 1970, Brampton, Ontario; m. MARIJA BACIC, May 14, 1994, St. Andrews Presbyterian, Brampton, Ontario; b. May 15, 1969, Croatia / Yugoslavia.
- ii. Andrea Elizabeth Main, b. March 20, 1973, Brampton, Ontario; m. John Clelland, May 02, 1998, St. Andrews Presbyterian, Brampton, Ontario; b. July 01, 1969.
- iii. JEFFREY MAIN, b. October 17, 1974, Brampton, Ontario; m. BUFFY Ho, October 16, 2004, St. Andrews Presbyterian, Ottawa, Ontario; b. May 21, 1975, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
- **32.** JOHN ROBERT⁸ DUFFIN (*GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁷ STIRLING, HILDA HELEN MABEL⁶ SOUTH, ALBERT H.⁵, WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born November 13, 1947. He married BARBARA JEAN FERGUSON October 09, 1971 in Eggermont Township.

Notes for JOHN ROBERT DUFFIN:

John served in the Volunteer Firefighter company of Orangeville for thirty years.

Children of JOHN DUFFIN and BARBARA FERGUSON are:

- i. Shawn Robert⁹ Duffin, b. April 25, 1974⁶.
- ii. MICHAEL ALLEN DUFFIN, b. May 02, 1976⁶.

Notes for MICHAEL ALLEN DUFFIN:

Link to Michael Duffin's Delicious Recipes:

http://www.cktimes.ca/archives/view archive section.php?resultpage=1§ion=51

More About MICHAEL ALLEN DUFFIN:

Occupation: Executive Chef at Stargazer on the Thames in Chatham-Kent

- iii. TIMOTHY GORDON DUFFIN, b. May 27, 1978⁶; m. TONYA KREMAR.
- iv. CRAIG ALEXANDER DUFFIN, b. April 13, 19836.
- **33.** SUSAN LEAH⁸ DUFFIN (*GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁷ *STIRLING*, *HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH*, *ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born November 09, 1952. She married (1) ALAN NOBLE CAMPBELL GLASGOW October 22, 1976 in Singhampton, Simcoe Coounty, Ontario. He was born October 27, 1950 in Gosforth, Northumberland County, England. She married (2) BILL BUCHANAN⁶ November 09, 1992.

Notes for SUSAN LEAH DUFFIN:

When asked by email for any memorabilia or memories to add to our family book, Sue replied: "Do you mean, for example: Uncle Bill, shown here with his pet pig, gave up pork for lent? SB". The editor feels the response exemplifies Susan's free spirit and humor. By the way, Susan married Bill on her fortieth birthday - what a good way to always remember your anniversary.

More About ALAN NOBLE CAMPBELL GLASGOW:

Nickname: Bert

Child of SUSAN DUFFIN and ALAN GLASGOW is:

i. MATTHEW ALAN STIRLING⁹ GLASGOW, b. April 15, 1977; m. SHAUNA LYNN MACLEOD, February 14, 2004, Barrie, Simcoe County, Ontario; b. November 10, 1972, North York, Ontario.

More About MATTHEW ALAN STIRLING GLASGOW:

Nickname: Matty

Marriage Notes for MATTHEW GLASGOW and SHAUNA MACLEOD:

Matty and Shauna were married with 107 other couples either renewing or exchanging their vows that Valentine's Day.

34. CYNTHIA MAY⁸ DUFFIN (*GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁷ *STIRLING*, *HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH*, *ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born January 27, 1957 in Collingwood, Ontario. She married (1) DOUG JOHN MCKECHNIE September 20, 1980 in Nottawa, Simcoe County. He was born October 06, 1955 in Collingwood, Ontario. She married (2) THOMAS JOHN MCAULEY⁶ July 10, 1992 in Collingwood, Ontario⁶. He was born December 1950 in Sarnia, Ontario.

More About CYNTHIA MAY DUFFIN:

Nickname: Cindy⁶

Children of CYNTHIA DUFFIN and DOUG MCKECHNIE are:

- i. ANDREW DAVID DONALD⁹ MCKECHNIE, b. September 25, 1981, Collingwood, Ontario.
- ii. DAVID JONATHAN DANIEL MCKECHNIE, b. December 06, 1985, Collingwood, Ontario.
- **35.** BILL ALLEN⁸ DUFFIN (*GWENDOLYN HILDA*⁷ *STIRLING*, *HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH*, *ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born May 20, 1960. He married CINDY May 23, 1992.

Children of BILL DUFFIN and CINDY are:

- i. Christopher Alan⁹ Duffin, b. October 10, 1991.
- ii. MACKENZIE DUFFIN.
- iii. PATRICK DUFFIN.

36. DAVID CONRAD JOSEPH⁸ BOURGEOIS (*SHIRLEY MARGUERITE*⁷ *STIRLING, HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born April 09, 1952, and died October 11, 2001 in Toronto, Ontario. He met CAROLE-ANN FACEY September 12, 1981.

Notes for DAVID CONRAD JOSEPH BOURGEOIS: David succumbed within six months of diagnosis of leukemia.

Children of DAVID BOURGEOIS and CAROLE-ANN FACEY are:

- i. DYLAN CARTER⁹ BOURGEOIS, b. July 01, 1982.
- ii. ASHLEY- JUNE ROBERTA BOURGEOIS, b. April 22, 1985.
- **37.** THOMAS ROBERT⁸ HENDERSON (MAUREEN⁷ VANDERHART, HILDA HELEN MABEL⁶ SOUTH, ALBERT H.⁵, WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born January 26, 1953. He married FRAN HILGER May 12, 1989. She was born March 23, 1963.

Children of THOMAS HENDERSON and FRAN HILGER are:

- i. DAVID JAMES⁹ HENDERSON, b. May 03, 1979.
- ii. RYAN THOMAS HENDERSON, b. March 01, 1982.
- iii. MARK ALEXANDER HENDERSON, b. January 22, 1991.
- **38.** SCOTT ALEXANDER⁸ HENDERSON (*MAUREEN*⁷ *VANDERHART*, *HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH*, *ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born December 08, 1955. He married (1) SAMANTHA BERRY. He married (2) NANCY SMITH. She was born January 21, 1955.

Child of SCOTT HENDERSON and SAMANTHA BERRY is:

i. DANIEL PHILIP⁹ HENDERSON, b. August 29, 1997.

Children of SCOTT HENDERSON and NANCY SMITH are:

- ii. BRIAN ALEXANDER⁹ HENDERSON, b. August 30, 1976.
- iii. RACHEL LOUISE HENDERSON, b. May 09, 1986.
- **39.** KENNETH JOHN⁸ HENDERSON (MAUREEN⁷ VANDERHART, HILDA HELEN MABEL⁶ SOUTH, ALBERT H.⁵, WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born April 10, 1957. He married KIMBERLY DOWNS September 06, 1985. She was born October 08, 1957.

Child of KENNETH HENDERSON and KIMBERLY DOWNS is:

- i. CODY CLAYTON⁹ HENDERSON, b. May 11, 1986.
- **40.** LISA MAUREEN⁸ HENDERSON (MAUREEN⁷ VANDERHART, HILDA HELEN MABEL⁶ SOUTH,

ALBERT H.⁵, WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born June 23, 1965. She married PETER SCHNEIDER.

Children of LISA HENDERSON and PETER SCHNEIDER are:

- i. JENNIFER MAUREEN⁹ SCHNEIDER, b. November 17, 1982.
- ii. LUKE SCHNEIDER, b. February 23, 1987.
- iii. KRYSTAL SCHNEIDER, b. February 05, 1989.
- **41.** CATHERINE DIANE⁸ HENDERSON (MAUREEN⁷ VANDERHART, HILDA HELEN MABEL⁶ SOUTH, ALBERT H.⁵, WILLIAM HENRY⁴, WILLIAM³, SAMUEL², WILLIAM¹) was born January 12, 1965. She married FREDERICK CHARLES BELL April 15, 1989. He was born March 05, 1932.

Children of CATHERINE HENDERSON and FREDERICK BELL are:

- i. Frederick Charles⁹ Bell II, b. September 04, 1989.
- ii. JASON ROBERT BELL, b. December 04, 1990.
- iii. JACK GARNETT BELL, b. April 03, 2001.
- **42.** DEBORAH ANN⁸ DOYLE (*RITA ROSE*⁷ *VANDERHART, HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born January 30, 1955. She married DAVID CAVERLY.

Children of DEBORAH DOYLE and DAVID CAVERLY are:

- i. Andrea Louise⁹ Caverly.
- ii. KARLI DANIELLE CAVERLY.
- **43.** DANIEL ANTHONY⁸ DOYLE (*RITA ROSE*⁷ *VANDERHART, HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born January 05, 1957, and died 1998. He married DONNA REID.

Children of DANIEL DOYLE and DONNA REID are:

- i. SARAH DANIELLE⁹ DOYLE.
- ii. JACOB REID DOYLE.
- iii. JULIE ANN DOYLE.
- **44.** DARLENE ANGELA⁸ DOYLE (*RITA ROSE*⁷ *VANDERHART, HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born November 20, 1959. She married PHILIP RAUZON.

Child of DARLENE DOYLE and PHILIP RAUZON is:

- i. Steven Christopher⁹ Rauzon.
- **45.** DENISE "BUTTONS" ADELE⁸ DOYLE (*RITA ROSE⁷ VANDERHART, HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born July 26,

1961. She married PAUL DEVEREAU.

Children of DENISE DOYLE and PAUL DEVEREAU are:

- i. JONAH EDWARD⁹ DEVEREAU.
- ii. Brittany Rose Devereau.
- **46.** DAWN ANITA⁸ DOYLE (*RITA ROSE*⁷ *VANDERHART, HILDA HELEN MABEL*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born December 17, 1962. She married DALE PARK.

Children of DAWN DOYLE and DALE PARK are:

- i. KATIE SUE⁹ PARK.
- ii. KELLY DAWN PARK.
- **47.** KATHERINE ANN⁸ ROBERTS (*EDITH MAY*⁷ *BURROWS, NELLIE*⁶ *SOUTH, ALBERT H.*⁵, *WILLIAM HENRY*⁴, *WILLIAM*³, *SAMUEL*², *WILLIAM*¹) was born January 24, 1965. She married PETER PAUL BUJNA June 01, 1985.

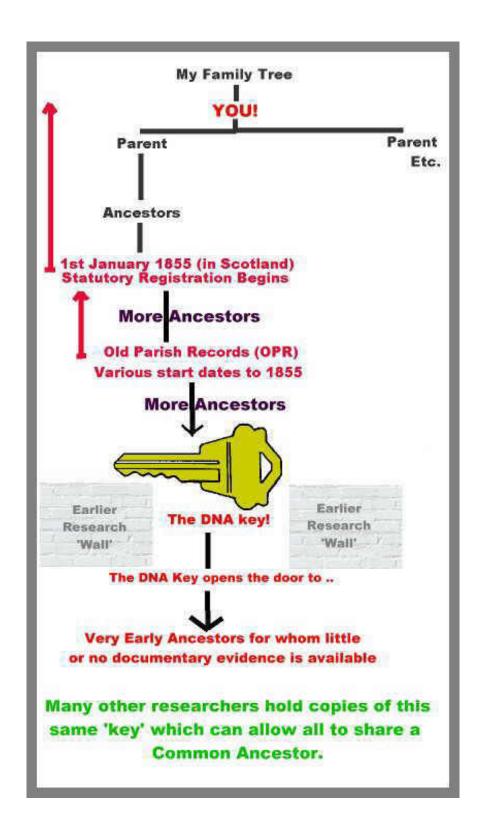
Children of KATHERINE ROBERTS and PETER BUJNA are:

- i. MICHAEL STANLEY⁹ BUJNA, b. March 13, 1990.
- ii. CHRISTOPHER ANTHONY BUJNA, b. November 17, 1994.

Endnotes

- 1. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 2. Ontario Birth Registrations, #003114-93 Bruce County, "Stirling, Howard Alexander, m, born 30 August 1893, father John Stirling, carpenter; mother Susan Demsey -infm-John Sterling, Bervie."
- 3. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.
- 4. Certificate of Marriage, license #M82693, Issued November 21, 1946, Registration Certificate #9306.
- 5. Ontario Birth Registrations, Registration number 17513, registered on January 12, 1917 in Moosejaw, Saskatchewan.
- 6. Stirling Backup.FTW, Date of Import: Feb 26, 2002.

Overview of Genealogy Research



Historical and Genetic Information for Understanding Scots and Our Ancestors:

From Christina Gray, the primary researcher of our family, and a formerly professional historian (BA Vassar 78):

A clan, while the word comes from the gaelic and loosely means "family", was actually more of a "neighborhood". From the Celtic perspective, there was little difference. To us, however, the two are distinct. It is very important to understand the notion of "clan" prior to Culloden was distinctly different from our modern notion of the word. Clan tartans,

badges, mottoes and the like were actually inventions of Victorian England and have absolutely nothing to do with the reality of the clans prior to 1745. The modern symbols of clan would have most "real" clansmen scratching their heads in wonder.

The families that are most associated with the Skirlings in the documents of the time as their feudal superiors or co-witnesses: Strachan - without a doubt the #1 name associated with Skirlings in Angus. Ogilvie - right up there with Strachan, but following second, and more involved with Skirlings in Perthshire (especially the Ogilvies of Inchmartine); often involved with the Strachans via marriage. Lindsay - clearly third, but involved with the "Skirling" estates, usually with the Strachans via feudal titles and the Ogilvies via marriage. Douglas (there always seems to be a Douglas present prior to 1700!) These are the "big four" -- there's scarcely a document that doesn't have one (if not more, or all) of them in it.

The families that are most associated with the Skirlings in older documents (as feudal superiors, co-witnesses, debtors or creditors) are: Strachan - the Strachans of Carmyllie and Kinnettles without a doubt are the most associated family, especially prior to 1700.

Ogilivie - especially with the Skirlings in Perthshire, the Ogilvies are also associated with the Strachans (probably because of the proximity of their respective holdings).

Lyon - this family fades in and out of Skirling records, however, when they do appear, the are almost always from the immediate family of the Earls of Strathmore (earlier the Earls of Kinghorne, and prior to that Lords Glamis). Douglas - especially the Earls of Morton and the Earls of Angus (separate lines of Douglases, an immense and - until the 17th century - extremely powerful family).

On the Dalraida Celts (probably our ancient ancestors): You have the three general "royal" lines of Dalraida in "Dark Ages" Scotland. Many of the names are transliterated from Gaelic into English, and without the benefit of certain accent marks, may be confusing. Only two of the lines figure prominently:

Cenel nGabrain

Cenel Comgaill

Cenel Loarn

There was also a smaller line: Cenel n'Oengusa (Cenel 'Angus')

Cenel nGabrain and Cenel Loarn were usually the two most prominent of the families. By the 8th century, their rivalry included battles which Cenel nGabrain usually won, due to their larger following. The power of the two families did wax and wane, though, so occasionally members of Cenel Loarn would have the high kingship. At the end of the 7th century, a member of Cenel Loarn, Ferchar (Farquhar) Fota (the Tall) was High King. A few years later, one of the Cenel nGabrain had the title.

A member of the Cenel Loarn family, known as Ferchar (Farquhar) Fota (the tall), had, at the end of the 7th century (the 600's ad) the power. A few years later, a member of Cenel nGabrain was in charge. And so on, and so on. This was a time when kings (or more correctly, "high kings") were selected by a system of tannistry (best and most available of the right position ELECTED). Patrilineal primogeniture was not part of the equation. So a king could come from the nGabrain or the Loarn - whomsoever was best for the job GOT the job.

A branch of Cenel nGabrain would be the ancestors of the celebrated Kenneth MacAlpin (Cinaed mac Alpin), in Kintyre. The bickering between the 'royal' families caused Cenel n'Gabrain to move out of central Perthshire into the Grampians and the Forth -- even into Angus and the Mearns, where they were the first to build a fortress at Dunnottar. Cenel Loarn held lands to the north of Dunnottar (ie, over the "Mounth" the high ridge of the Grampian highlands that would figure prominently later in the feudalization of Scotland). Angus and the Mearns were, of course, strongholds of the PICTS, making it especially difficult for the Scots to control the area. The bickering and civil strife between Cenel Loarn and Cenel nGabrian (And the PICTS!) continued until the death of Angus of Cenel Loarn in the battle of Stracathro in 1130.

In the 10th century, a Cenel nGabrain king called Mael Coluim (Malcolm) made forays into Northumbria, very near to the Roxburghshire area from which the Stirlings of Glenesk seem to have come from. Mael Coluim encouraged intermarriage with the Northumbrian aristocracy and his clan. One of his sons-in-law, Crinain (Maldred mac Crinain) had a son, Donnchad (Duncan) I, who married a daughter of the Danish aristocracy put into Northumbria by Cnut -- showing clearly that the state of

affairs between the Borders of Scotland and England has always been complicated.

The Earls of Fife, traditionally Gael, descend from this Mael Coluim. The castle at Glamis, interestingly for us, is traditionally regarded as a fortress originally built by this same Mael Coluim. It has been suggested that the standing stone in front of the manse at Glamis, sometimes called "King Malcolm's gravestone" depicts scenes of his murder.

More importantly, a daughter of this dynasty, a woman known as Gruoch, would be married to two of her Cenel Loarn cousins. The first was Coemagaain, and the second was MacBethad, better known today as "MacBeth".

Donnchad (Duncan) I was a military failure having slight hereditary claims to the Grown. In 1040, he led an ill-fated attack on Northumbria, and was defeated at Durham. After his return to Scotland Duncan returned to Moray, and, on 16 Aug 1040, was challenged, near Elgin, by Macbethad, the leader of Cenel Loarn. Duncan was defeated, and for the next 18 years, Cenel Loarn, and MacBeth, would be the leaders of Scotland. MacBeth, contrary to Shakespeare, was a fairly good king during his tenure, and, no, he did not die when Dunsinane Wood moved.

This was an unsettled time for the Gaels of Alba. The "Normanization" of Scotland was

beginning. The rivalries for the crown took on new meaning as issues like tannistry vs. primogenture were coming to the fore in the succession of the crown.

And then came the Canmore's and the Normanization (feudilization) of Scotland.

It is a tangled story and I am only beginning to be able to follow it with the DNA evidence. Cenel Loarn or nGabrain? It is very difficult to say right now.

You are kin to the Gregorich, and no less, to their first chiefs. I rather like the notion of a royal descent as I outlined above -- NOT royal as in the current Windsors, but royal as in CARVED out a place, and followed a tradition.

The Macgregor motto is "My Race is Royal" -- and everyone from the 15th century onwards guffawed over that one. They were NOT far off. I think I should probably go dust off my tiara, now.

What I think we're seeing (being extremely conservative) is a connection to the Dalraida Celts, and likely the very same that gave David I and William the Lion such difficulties in the late 1100's/early 1200's.

The consequences of the "Normanization" of Scotland were far more subtle than in England. Prior to the reign of Malcom and Margaret, succession was pretty much as it had been all the way back prior to Kenneth MacAlpin - namely eligible men were "elected" from one of the three main "royal" lines of Dalraida. Succession was not a direct, patrilineal thing of father to son. The "ursurped reign" of Macbeth and the "rebellions" of his son and kinsmen was an illustration of how these old Celtic royal lines felt about the changes Scotland was undergoing. They didn't like it, felt left out. These were the "Mormaers" or "old Celtic earls" you may have read about. The Macgregors, for example, still today have as their motto "My Race is Royal" - an allusion to their descent from these very old and decidedly NOT Norman families. The Macleays, Mactaggarts, and Macduffs (and a few others) all can make the same claims -- they were the remnants of the families that once held the power. Interestingly, some of the more powerful "hielan' clan names", such as the Macdonalds, are actually of Norse descent, and there are even a few (Cumming in particular) who were obviously Norman (Cumming = Comyn). Very, very few of what we know today as "clan" names were actually CELTIC and actually descended from Dalraida. Most of the clans that did not have the Dalraidic heritage invented genealogies in the 15th and 16th centuries in an attempt to "prove" their descent from Kenneth MacAlpin and his antecedents.

In the few hundred years after the Wars of Independence, many of these old Celtic families (you

could say the "genuine" clansmen) continued to carry on in their ancestral homelands; and occasionally, these families (some traditions die slowly) continued to cause "trouble" for the incomer-families. The feuds of the Campbells and the Macgregors could well be remnants of very, very old disagreements, if you follow my argument.

Now, most of the 'royal' families (namely those from whom the Dalraidic kings were chosen) were all closely related. So I would fully expect to see some closeness of the DNA between some of these families - and, to make matters worse, remember that the concept of "surname" didn't really exist, as the Celts used patronymics. So, again, the original Macleays and original Macgregors likely all shared common ancestors back in Ireland -- further making a mess of things. Only long after the Normanization of Scotland did these names become fixed as surnames and clan names.

The "surprise" for us is precisely that ancient CELTIC origin, not necessarily WHICH particular line from which the Skirlings descend (if that can ever be proven). Here we'd been thinking for years that the Borders parish was the probable source (which would indicate a very different mix of DNA, notably that of Northumbrian, Danish and Saxon, and perhaps a bit of Welsh). This "Borders" descent can be seen in other Borders surnames, and the same "sharing" we see in our own can be seen in theirs, if the family is old enough to pre-date 1066. The difference between THEM and US is rather striking when you compare the Y-chromosome DNA.

Interestingly, there are, in Argyll and Ayrshire, a large group of people surnamed "Skilling". Put the Skirlings, Skirvings and Skillings together and you start to have a map, I think. Its pretty clear now that we are looking for Dalraidic KIN to the Macgregors, but NOT Macgregors per se. The lines probably split before there were "Gregorich" (about 1000 years ago, right where my research is going on when I can get to it), but when there was a whole LOT of very Interesting Stuff going on in Scotland that involves not only the Celts of Dalraida, but also the Stirlings of Glenesk. [Part of our Family Line]

It is pretty clear from the 12 and 25 marker tests that the Macgregors (and occasional individuals from related surnames like Stewart, Steven, MacLeay, Livingstone) and the Skirlings share a LINE, probably from the days of the three great lines of the Dalraidic kings (about 1000-1200 years ago). I can say that with confidence because all the lines Felt's 25 marker test share a 'kinship' with, within a 2 marker mismatch, ALSO PROBABLY come from those same Dalraidic lines. And there are LOTS of 25 marker tests to pick from.

However, there are also a LOT of Scots descendants (notably from the Moray clans, and I cannot

tell you how much I would LOVE to see the results of the chief of the CUMMINGS (Comyn) clan!) that have not initiated tests like these, so until that happens, we have little to go on.

On comparison from what one might expect from so many "hits" on the Macgregors (however, remember that Clan Macgregor has had an aggressive DNA campaign for a while -- the other clans have not), things start to become more confused -- which suggests that the common ancestor was earlier on than the historical records of the clan.

The trick now is to figure out WHICH of the three Dalraidic lines results suggest, and compare that with the documentary evidence I have. There is so MUCH strong data in the documents that suggests a relationship (NOT KIN, but a relationship by association) to both the Stirlings of Glenesk (and later the Lindsays, who got Glenesk via marriage). The Stirlings of Glenesk came to Glenesk from Moray, and do NOT apparently belong to the larger family of the Stirlings of Cadder & Keir. The STirlings of Angus came from

ROXBURGHSHIRE AND BERWICKSHIRE -- NOT Stirling -- then a branch went to MORAY. Once "settled" (if you can call it that) in Moray, they married daughters of the EXISTING Celtic cheiftans (mormaers, later known as 'earls'), and thus brought into their households the families and retinues of those daughters. Their interrelationships in Angus after they moved their prove their connections back to both the Borders and Moray.

And its MORAY that is interesting. The DNA suggestions and the documentary data point to a place in Strathnairn called DRUMNAGLASS, which points in turn to Clan Chattan and theur subclan, the MacGillivrays. AND IT IS DRUMNAGLASS THAT WAS THE LAND IN THE SHERIFFDOM OF INVERNESS THAT KATHERINE DE STRIVELYN DE GLENESK, one of the heirs of SIR JOHN DE STRIVELYN DE GLENESK, LAIRD OF EDZELL, passed to her son, DAVID LINDSAY, 1ST EARL OF CRAWFORD. While we know the Tillydovie Stirlings (in Glenesk) were probably kin to the de Strivelyns of Edzell, it is VERY interesting to find, right in the heart of the territory we are talking about in MORAY, a wee place, on the Findhorn, in Cumyn lands in the 13th century, a place called. . .Tillydovie.

Furthermore, one of the families that were related by marriage to and shared territory with the de Strivelyns in Moray, the Fentons, who were also kin via marriage to the Frasers who owned Easter Braikie [This place name is mentioned in and connected to our family history] the Lords of Lovat, and they feuded [bestowed] Easter Braikie for over 300 years to the 'de Strivelyns' of Easter Braikie), and who were ALSO kin to the de Strivelyns de MORAVIA owned a big chunk of a Barony in the Borders known as

Ta DA. Skirling.

The Fentons ALSO had extensive holdings in Angus. More retinues and hangers-on to add to the possibilites. Even more interesting is the fact that the FENTON holdings (including those in Skirling) went to the RUTHVENS (as in Gowrie Conspiracy Ruthvens) via marriage, and, after the Gowrie Conspiracy, were forfeited to the crown. And, yes, the Ruthvens were in pretty tight with the Lindsays of Glenesk (who were, of course, descended, maternally, from the de Strivelyns of MORAY).

The Skirlings appear, in Angus, at least at first, on Strachan lands. The Strachans were subordinate to the Earls of Mar (again CLAN CHATTAN) in many of their lands, and to the Lindsays of Edzell in the Angus lands they held. The Lindsays, of course, inherited the de Strivelyn lands in Moray through Katherine de Srivelyn, daughter of John De Strivelyn de Glenesk -- (again CLAN CHATTAN).

So I think it is the descendants of those STirling retinues that I think we are looking at as SKIRLINGS. Who likely still have genetic kin in MORAY, in the guise of Clan Chattan. The DNA is finally starting to agree with the documentary evidence -- all are on "fast moving alleles" - but it is still a notable distance.

I think Felt's only close matches would come from John and Cathy's cousin, Wayne. And *perhaps* that Stevens family Felt and I have talked about, but whose "DNA leader" has little information on her family (there was a family of Stevens at Kinnettles at the same time as the Skirlings). Or the Stirlings in Utah.

We are starting to look like a rather unique 'family'.

Wayne's test corroborated that you, me (and Wayne) are related to John Stirling and Felt Stirling within about 500 years (which fits with the documentary data). So, the Dunnichen Skirlings, the Kinnettles Skirlings and the 'seacoast' Skirlings (ours) are all of the same stock

Monifieth adjoins all of the following: Dundee, Barry, Monikie and additional records from those parishes might confuse things even more. Cathy's and my family, for example, appear irritatingly in both Barry and Panbride (and possibly Monifieth, Carmyllie and St. Vigeans), and we have a "multiplicity of John's" to sort out.

By Hilda South Stirling

Journey of Life

The Journey started for me October the Eleventh 1900 in Bristol England, Ellen and Albert South my parents joyfully welcomed my arrival, their first-born.

I have been told many times by my Father that the Dr, who brought me into the world was a good natured jolly Irish man Dr. Obrien with bushy hair, a devout catholic and I have often thought since he must have said a good prayer over me as he ushered me into this world to start my Journey of Life.

No one could have foretold how very eventful my life would be as the Years unfolded. Dad had come from a very good family the only son, he had five sisters one of my Dad's Ancestors is buried in Westminster Abbey I tell you this now so my readers will understand when I mention it later on in my book. Dad's family had the court of arms ever since King Charles the 11 of England.

Mother was the only Daughter with two Brothers of a very ordinary family her father died when she was very young, and her mother being a nurse and very independent boarded out her three children and worked hard to pay for Their Education and keep, she must have worked too hard because she died rather young when I was very little I don't really remember her at all only from pictures I have seen of her.

The first five years of my life I don't remember much about, I am told I was always the little Mother type looking out for the other children in the district where we lived once in a store with my mother at the corner of our street, I used the corner of my mothers clean large white apron to wipe a little child's dirty face and nose.

Another time I picked up some money on the table and gathered up several children and took them to the corner store to buy them all some thing I believe my mother found me just in time. My only brother Ernest was Born when I was three years old after that my Mother seemed to have a new baby every 2 years. I was sent to stay with two great Aunts, my Grandfathers South's Sisters. Aunt Mary a widow with no children and Aunt Martha a spinster, they had a lovely comfortable home that I remember well. I was to stay with them until after the birth of my Mothers third child.

One thing I remember so well about Aunt Mary and Aunt Martha is How strict and how punctual they were. I was put to bed on the dot of 6:30 PM and as my visit lengthened I was allowed to stay up until seven o'clock in the

summer. Every night we always had prayers just before I went to bed I think when I read that sweet story of old.

When my sister Adelaide was born Aunt Mary & Aunt Martha suggested they keep me with them they had grown so fond of me and liked having me with them, they had started me at a private school, and had some one take me there and fetch me home each day, I was taught to be very tidy and clean and to do little chores like, dusting setting the table, making my bed etc.. for which I received a farthing in payment each Saturday and I could spend that at the little shop down the street. I can remember that little shop well, I would ask the lady for a farthing's worth of sweets she would take a little piece of paper twist it around her two fingers and make a cone shaped container and drop about 5 or 6 sweets in for my farthing. I also was taught the habit of saving, I had a red round post box style bank, that was kept on the mantle over the fire place in the dinning room. And any pennies or other money that was given to me, like when my Grandfather South called every week, he would usually give me a shilling that and all other money I had to put religiously in my bank.

One day in February 1907 my Dad called to inform my Aunts he had decided to immigrate to Canada with Mother and his three children.

Aunt Mary and Aunt Martha were just heart broken they begged him to leave me with them and they would leave me all their Money Houses etc. Of which they had considerable but my Dad was very firm he would not leave me behind.

I have wondered many times since, if it would have been much better for me had they left me in England.

How different My Journey of Life might have been.

Although I was only six and a half years old when we sailed for Canada, I remember it all so well.

My darling Aunts having my clothes all made by a dress maker who came to the house each day. The beautiful red wool petticoats they made by hand for me to wear in that awful cold country Canada as they had heard it was. My post office box bank was opened and I had saved enough for them to buy a beautiful scotch all wool plaid traveling rug and a very large tin box of several pounds of pal a cake B iscuits for us children to eat on the boat.

I remember very vividly the farewell gathering that was held at grandfather South's home the day we were leaving Bristol for Canada. I remember my beloved Aunt Edith(the youngest of my Dad's sisters) playing the piano and

everyone singing "God be with you till we meet again" and my Grandmother looking so sad and crying.

My Dad promised he would try and come back for a visit in two years and strange as it may seem, Grandmother lived just a little over two years from that time and then died very suddenly with a heart attack. My dad never did get back for his promised visit and he is now in his eighty third year.

We left Bristol England Temple Mead's Station March 27th 1907 in a real old tub of a boat called Lake Champlain and arrived in St. John N.B. on April llth and in Toronto on the morning of April 12th 1907.

of the journey across the Atlantic I remember very little other than my Mother had a very bad fall on the boat but I was never sea sick they tell me and seemed to enjoy every minute of the crossing.

My Dad was slated to go to Port Hope to work but someone on the boat advised him to settle in Toronto Ontario so that is where we landed on the morning of April 12th 1907.

Strange as it seems that day I was to meet the man that years later after many trials would become my husband.

Here is how it happened. My Dad left my Mother and us children Ernest, Adelaide and myself at the station while he went out to look for a place for us to live, he came back saying he had found a furnished apartment out in West Toronto Junction he wanted Mother to see it before he would rent it so we all started out to see it. While we were on the old Dundas street car a lady sitting opposite kept looking and smiling at My Mother (who was holding Adalaide on her knee) finally she came over and asked Mother if she had just came to Canada of course Mother said yes, just landed, they talked awhile and Mother said they were going to look at a place to live and told her where it was, evidently Mrs. Vanderhart (that was her name) didn't think much of the district so she said to my mother my dear, I will come with you to see it and if you do not like it, I want you to come and stay with my Husband and I until you can find a suitable place to live so we all went to Mrs. Vanderharts I often think what a surprise Maurice Vanderhart must of had when he arrived home that night from work to find five strangers staying in his home a small five roomed house at that Mr. and Mrs. Vanderhart were very kind and helpful to us we moved into a small house on St.Clair Ave West that same week that we arrived and a week later my Sister Ruth was born Adelaide was taken ill that same week, and died within the week, then Ruth died shortly afterwards My Mother told me once that the fall she had on the boat was the cause of Ruth's death it must have been a terrific strain on My Dad & Mom, those first weeks in Canada a birth and then two deaths but they still had more trouble shortly afterwards My Brother Ernest was taken ill with Scarlet

fever and was so very ill that one day the Dr came on & said to my Father I am sorry Mr. S. There seems to be no hope for the little fellow

That day Dad took Ernie in his arms and was walking up and down in the garden with him when all of a sudden Ernie said Daddy I hear the Church bells ringing that night he passed the crisis.

Next morning when the Dr came he said I think there is a chance he might pull through I will always believe it was only the hand of God that saved him. Dad was working very hard at this time doing a night shift at a foundry with a lot of heavy lifting that he was not really strong enough for and caretaker of a church during day & Sunday

The outcome of this hard work was Dad having to have a serious rupture operation and being told he would have to find lighter work

But before this happened my Sister Edith was born that was July 1908 then in Oct 1909 my Sister Nellie was born and Feb 1911 my Sister Rose was born

Needless to say with all these children being born and as I was the eldest I had to help Mother with a lot of the work and there was always children to mind when Mother had to go to help Dad clean at the Church and also when Mother had to got out I had to be the little Mother by 1913 My Dad was finding it very hard to find light suitable work in Toronto and Mother was expecting another child so Dad decided to go to Port Hope where he heard of a good job

While he was gone my Sister Dorothy was born that was in May 1913 Dad was still away and had not found anything steady.

A well meaning neighbor told a friend of hers about my Mother being in bed with a new baby and having so many children and my Dad away this friend in turn, told some one else and a Mr. & Mrs. James Kane got to hear about it they were an elderly couple (childless) Mrs. Kane could not have any children they came and offered to take as many of the children as Mother would let them have they said they would keep them until she was feeling stronger none of the children would go only Edith who was five after they promised her a new Doll carriage and Doll etc. Edith who was just 5 years old said she would go.

She was my eldest Sister of the four Sisters I had and I was heart Broken at her going away even if it was only suppose to be for a short time My dear trusting Mother even signed a paper giving them the right to keep Edith and look after her with their promise that Mother could visit Edith any time and have her back when she wished.

I remember the Sunday that Edith went to live with the Kanes, I knelt by the couch and asked God not to let them take her but she went and my heart was sad at the parting

About a week afterwards I went to the house where Kanes lived on my own and rang the bell got

no answer so I knocked real hard still no answer I had a strong feeling that some one was in but that they would not answer, as I walked away I looked back and up at the upstairs front window and there was my Sister Edith looking out with tears streaming down her face just then a hand pulled her away from the window I went back to the door and tried again but they would not answer. I raced back home and told my Mother all that had happened and trusting soul that she was she just said, you must be mistaken or else they thought you were some one else, but when we went back a few days later Mother and I they had moved away and no one seemed to know where But Mother still insisted they would get in touch with us as soon as they were settled. Dad came back from Port Hope and Mother even convinced him that Mr. & Mrs. Kane would surely get in touch with us.

But I had a strong feeling they would not

Dad got work at Richmond Hill right after that, so we moved there Richmond Hill being about fifteen miles from Toronto

All this time I prayed that Edith would come back home to us and I never doubted but she would.

One day that fall a friend came to see us in Richmond hill and asked Mother if I could come back with her for a couple of days as she was looking for a house and thought I knew the city better than she did

So I came to Toronto with Mrs. Harker and next day while we were house hunting believe it or not we went into a new house just being finished next to a. corner of a street and I looked out of one of the upstairs window and there was my dear Sister Edith playing in the yard of a house that faced the other way.

My first impulse was to just climb the fence and take Edith but Mrs. Harker said I had better let my Dad attend to it

I went right home to Richmond Hill and told Dad and Mom

Dad went down that night and took a friend down with him he really must have taken Mr. Kane by surprise when Dad said he had come to take Edith home he ordered Dad off the Verandah and accused Dad of deserting his family, I guess they had words and Dad left to call a policeman when Dad

went back with the policeman Mr. Kane said my Mother had signed a paper giving them custody of Edith so the policeman advised Dad to go and talk with Mother then if necessary take it to court When Mother heard about this she said there must be some thing wrong that she would go down

and talk with Mr. & Mrs. Kane But when Mother and I got down from Richmond Hill to Kane's house it was empty.

Their landlord who lived next door told us they had moved in the middle of the night, he said he had heard some noise during the night and had got up to look out and saw a dray and Horses like the railways use but thought it was one of Mrs. Kanes Boarders moving as he worked for the railway we went to the railway station near by to inquire but they had no record of any Kanes moving

Mother could hardly believe They had done this but now we had no trace of where Edith was it was a great worry(heart ache) to us all, but through all the years that passed I never once gave up hope that some day we would find her and have her with us once more

I prayed always that God would help us find her. and my prayers and my faith were finally rewarded. One thing I am thankful for is that I found her four years before Mother passed away. at this time fourteen was the age a child was allowed to quit school and go to work, but Mother got me a special permit at 13 years old to go to work as I could help with the expenses which they seemed to find getting harder to meet all the time.

My first job was in a large Dept store, as parcel girl I was there a few months, when I heard through a girl friend of a job for the summer in Campbellford. Our railway fare paid and \$20.00 a month, I persuaded Mother and Dad to let me go much against Their will the job was in a large Hotel my job was pantry work, and to help with other work when needed of course I lied about my age I was suppose to be fourteen past while I was really only thirteen a man and wife ran the Hotel, he was very kind and nice to the help but she was like a wild cat, it seems she was extremely jealous of her husband and they were fighting most of the time about some thing then she would take it out on the help this atmosphere upset me and I got home sick after two weeks so one day during my afternoon off I waked down to the railway station to find out the fare etc back to Toronto, I had very little money not near enough for my fare home unless I could collect my wages to date

on my way back from the station, I walked along the tracks and it was a very hot day I saw a lady pumping some water so I went over and asked her for a drink of water the house was right near the station she was a very kind soul and asked me to come and sit on the porch for awhile, I like her from the start and confided my troubles to her she readily understood as she has heard

about the lady at the Hotel and said they never were able to keep their help long she advised me to ask for my wages and said I could come and stay at her place until I went home so I went back to the Hotel and told the lady I wanted to leave and go home could I please have my money and Oh my goodness she went into a rage said I had to give her a months notice or no money.

I packed my few tings quietly and went down to Mrs. Bayes near the station, when I told her what happened she said I think I can get you a job in the Wollen Mills and we would like to have you stay with us Mr. & Mrs. Bayes had a Boy and a girl and were a very happy family with a nice comfortable home so that night Mrs. Bayes took me up to see a friend of theirs a Mr. Shaw who was a foreman of the handling room at the mill, Mrs. Bayes told him myneed of a job, and he

agreed to give me one I started next morning at seven o'clock in the handing in room it was a sit down job I handed different strands into a girl who would draw them through getting them ready for weaving.

I caught on to the work fine and liked my job very much I worked from seven A:M to six P:M and until noon Saturday My wage was seven dollars a week I then got a part time job at Longs ice cream parlor Wednesday and Friday nights and Saturday all day For which I received 3.00 a week so that made 10.00 a week I was earning and at that time a man Laborer only made \$10.00 a week so I felt sort of elated and Mrs. Bayes only charged me 2.50 for my room & board and she did all my washing and ironing for me of course I helped her with the dishes and other little jobs and stayed with the children when she needed me to.

Mrs. Bayes was good at sewing and made me two nice dresses and other things so I was very happy there and I worked hard all that summer.

About September I think it was I got a letter from my folks saying they had moved and how much they all missed me and wished I would come home so I talked it over with Mrs. Bayes and we decided I should go home by this time I had saved up almost forty five dollars needless to say it was a great help to my mom & Dad when I gave it to them when I got home, I remember one thing they bought for me out of it a nice new single bed

All the time I had been away I had thought about my Sister Edith and hoped that by this time mother would have had some news of her, but no, not a clue of any kind, but I still prayed every night that God would send her back To us some day

Now I had to find another job so I went to work at Cowan's Chocolate Factory and stayed there all winter but I never did like factory work so by spring I got the wanderlust feeling that I would like to get away from the city I was

fourteen now and would be fifteen the coming October so in the spring of 1915 I went to work for the summer in Goderich Ontario at the Bedford Hotel My job was to dish up all the desserts, Butter patties, bread rolls etc wash all glasses silverware etc but many times when they were short of help I would have to wash all the dishes for over seventy five people but I liked it there very much Mr. & Mrs. Bedford were very nice to work for so I was happy doing my work

Little did I know when I went to Goderich to work that it would be there I would meet the man that would change my life and become my husband in less than six months time

There were two Irish girls Julia and Lillie just out from Ireland working at the Hotel as chamber maids and two sisters Emma and Carrie from Goderich both Waitresses and one girl Nettie from Toronto we all ate together in the large pantry

One day they got talking about a jitney (like a taxi really) that this Bill MacDonald ran and that if we all paid \$1.50 each we could go down to the town of Clinton (which was thirteen miles away) some Thursday night (Band night there) Carrie and Emma had an Auto there they wanted to see they said so we all agreed. We would go this was in June 1915 I would not be 15 until October that year but the people at the Hotel thought I was older, I had told them so to get the job

I will never forget that Thursday night the weather was perfect we left Goderich about eight o'clock and arrived in Clinton about eight thirty there were quite a few people on the main St, Carrie told our driver to stop in front of the town Hall, when we stepped out there were a group of young fellows standing in front of the town Hall Carrie & Emma knew them and started talking feeling sort of shy I walked over to the large Window of the Town Hall which had a reward sign, for a Wanted Man, I was reading it when I felt a tap on my shoulder and a very nice voice said pardon me, But are you thinking of trying to get the reward

I turned around to face a tall slim good looking Fellow with the kindest looking eyes and smile, I found out afterwards that Carrie had put him up to speaking to me and he didn't need much prompting as he had a wonderful sense of humor and was full of fun

Carrie introduced us then his name was Howard Stirling and he lived in Clinton

We talked for awhile and then the girls started pairing off with the fellows and walking down the Main street away from the town, Howard asked me if I would care to go for a walk, I looked down towards where the others were

going and I looked pretty dark a little farther down no street lights so I said we would walk up the other way as it was lighted this was one of the main Sts in Clinton

We walked and talked for awhile and came to a house set back from the road with Beautiful lawns a there was a garden swing two seater kind on the lawn,

Howard asked me if I would like to sit down when I hesitated he said Oh its alright this is where I live so we sat in the swing him on one side and me on the other

He asked me where my home was and how I happened to come to Clinton so of course I told him and he told me all about his family and that his father was a builder and he was learning the carpenter trade from his Dad for whom he worked.

Just then the front door opened and some people came out of the house they looked at us as they passed and I wondered why they didn't speak to Howard.

I found out later he did not live there at all but his home was on the edge of town down the opposite way but he figured I wouldn't sit there unless I thought he lived there

We finally decided to go and look for the others and found them down at the station sitting on one of the baggage flat cars on the platform one fellow was playing a mouth organ and they were all singing we joined in the fun, and it lasted until almost twelve o'clock we were to meet our driver at twelve so we all walked up to the meeting place

Howard said he would be up on Sunday to Goderich to see me if it was alright with me, I liked him very much so I said yes.

On Sunday he drove up from Clinton in a horse and buggy and brought another fellow with him

for Nellie the girl from Toronto that worked with me

That evening the four of us walked down to Sunset Point a beautiful Park at Lake Huron even the night Howard talked of marriage he thought I was seventeen I had told him that the night we met he was in his twenty first year and seemed to have fallen madly in love with me he talked of coming to Toronto to see my folks so when I left the Hotel in August to go home I never told him I was going, I was afraid of what my father would say about the whole affair

But I hadn't counted on the Bedford's giving him my address so to my surprise I received a letter a week later then a telegram saying he would arrive in Toronto such a day and time, I told Mother who was very understanding and Dad was at Niagara on the Lake with the Home Guards training so it was not too bad when Howard arrived. I was working at the Canadian National Exhibition when Howard arrived Mother told him where to find me, so that is where he came to meet me that day.

He also had joined the armed Forces the 36th Peel Battalion on the following Sunday Dad came home on leave and right from the start Dad and Howard got along fine Dad really liked him

Howard of course still thought I was seventeen so when he heard his Batt would soon be going overseas he asked me to marry him then I had to tell him that I was not yet fifteen , of course I had a hard time convincing him that this was true but when my Dad assured him that I wouldn't be fifteen until Oct the 11th Howard asked Dad if he would consent to our marriage and Dad said no

But later on when Howard pointed out that he would be going overseas soon and that he would have me and a home to look forward to when and if he was lucky enough to return my Father finally consented

We were married in Christ Church Deer park on October the eleventh 1915 my fifteenth Birthday

Howard's Mother, Mrs. Stirling came down by train for the Wedding. The weather was perfect on our Wedding day We had a very pretty wedding Rose Sturgess my school chum when I was nine years old was my Bridesmaid, her Mother made most of the clothes we wore and helped to arrange the reception.

We were married at seven o'clock in the evening and had a very nice reception afterwards with about fifty guests.

Howard was only able to get a 48 hour pass so the day after the wedding his mother went home to Clinton and he went back to the Barracks.

Howard was stricken with pneumonia and it later developed into Rheumatic fever poor Darling he was gravely ill when his Battalion went overseas two weeks later. His commanding officer had him transferred to the 75th? 123? and later when he was convalescing he was allowed to go up to Clinton on leave, I had been working in a store so I asked for time off and went up to Clinton with him.

Howard was the youngest of nine children and his Mother just idolized him. He was always her Baby, so his Mother and Dad were very happy to have us there.

When his leave was up and he reported back for duty, he was examined by the Army Dr and was told he was no longer fit for the Army and they would forward his discharge papers.

Strange as it may seen we never did receive those discharge papers but more about that later. On my Fathers Birthday Dec 28th 1915 My Beloved youngest Sister Doris died she was two years six months and 28 days old, she had the measles and caught cold and it developed into pneumonia. I was heartbroken as I had looked after her so much she was a lovely child it was a very sad time for us all.

Early in 1916 Howard still not too well, and certainly not very strong, decided to go up to Clinton and perhaps work for his Father who was a building contractor. I said I would stay in Toronto and work at the store, as I did not want to be a burden on his folks, he was only there a short time when I received a telegram please come at once urgent, so thinking Howard was worse I went right up to Clinton, to find Howard would not stay unless I was there and they did not want him to leave until he was stronger.

So I decided to stay for awhile, but it didn't work out very well.

Howard's Mother had a heart condition and was not able to do very much and I seem to have two invalids on my hands Riverview their house was large and heated by coal, stove and heater no electric in the house just lamps, and it seemed I was head cook and bottle washer always carrying coal or water, fixing fires cooking washing ironing, going up town which was a good mile each day for the mail and groceries etc, Grandpa Stirling Howard's Father would be away from very early in the morning until about six thirty at night the eldest Son jack (not married) had gone overseas so there was just the four of us, but there seemed to be no end to the work and of course I was so young, I resented working so hard for board and room as it seemed to me I was doing just that.

So one day I confided in a neighbor that I wanted to go home but did not know how to tell them as I knew Howard would not want to stay without me.

Mrs. Manahan suggested I just pack a bag and take it with me to her place, and her Daughter Ruby would drive me up to the station to catch the Toronto train she even loaned me the train fare which I sent her when I got home.

So the day I left I did the work all up left plenty of coal and water and set my suitcase out on the porch and left as usual to go for the mail etc. But instead went to the Manahan's.

Ruby drove me around in the horse and culler until train time so I wouldn't have to wait around the station she brought me a nice lunch to eat on the train. I felt sort of guilty as the train pulled out and I felt still worse as the train crossed the main street and I saw Howard standing watching the windows of the train. I found out afterwards that Howard got worried when I was so long coming back then he looked and found my suitcase gone so he figured I had gone home. But just got up street in time to see the train pass by.

That same week he landed back in Toronto and we stayed at my Mothers, then we rented some rooms from a friend and Howard got work in a munitions plant and of course I was working so at last we thought we were going to get along fine.

I had still received a government cheque (separation allowance I think the army called it) ever since we were married and was still receiving it now in 1916 I did not think anything about it while Howard was unable to work but when he started to work 1wrote to them explaining my Husband was out of the army now but had not received his discharge as yet and that I was still receiving the 20.00 a month.

To my surprise they wrote back telling me to send all money I had received since my husband was out of uniform and the army I was just frantic as we had used every penny of it so I went to a Lawyer a Mr. Robinette and explained everything to him, he wrote then a letter and I never heard another word from them neither did we ever receive the discharge papers.

Just after this time I started working night work in a munitions factory Inspecting shells it was much better pay than I got in the store but I found working the night shift very hard as I could not sleep very good during the day.

Feb 1917 I found out I was going to have my first child so in May we rented a nice six roomed house on Earlscourt Ave near St Clair I gave up my work in the Munitions plant and went back to the store and worked right up until about 2 months before my Son Howard was born he arrived Oct. 3. 1917 we called him Howard John we were so proud of him and so Happy we had managed to buy some nice furniture for our first real home then early in 1918 Howard was laid off and our troubles seem to start all over again.

It was in May that we decided we would have to give up the house our Baby was Just seven months old and we were in debt for rent fuel etc. Howard was still out of work so we looked for a place with less rent to pay and found a three roomed flat in North Toronto, a few days before we moved there Howard found a job in an airplane factory in Leaside so we were happy once more.

The job lasted about two months and he was laid off I will never forget how sad he was about it all and sort of disgusted he decided we would sell our furniture and he would go to the states and look for work and then send for me and the baby

We sold our furniture to a second hand dealer for a lot less than half of what we paid for it and I cried as I saw loading it on the truck.

The baby and me went to board with my good friend Mrs. Sturgess and she minded Howard for me while I went to work, I knew at this time that I was going to have my second child some time in March.

Howard did find a job in the states but he did not like the job so he came back to Toronto late in September and in October we rented a stove heated four roomed house on Westmoreland Ave. and bought just enough second hand furniture for our kitchen and bedrooms no living room furniture at that time Howard had started work in a coal yard real heavy work too heavy for him

really but he was desperate about 2 weeks before Christmas we furnished our small living room with an inexpensive rug two easy chairs Bookcase and desk, one more we thought everything was going to be all right for us.

But that was not to be Christmas Eve, Howard came home looking sadder that I had ever seen him he had been laid off, he had been given a goose for a Christmas gift, but our whole Christmas was just spoiled with him being laid off work again.

In January we sent the living room furniture back where we bought it, they were kind enough to take it back and went to live in two rooms at my mothers house. A friend got Howard a job at the Infants Home Lloyd my second son was born there Monday March 3rd ¹⁹¹⁹ I will always remember that day well.

I was up real early to get Howard off to work I let my stove out so I could clean it, I went down and did my washing then came upstairs to feed Howard in his crib for his afternoon nap when it happened I knew I was starting to have my baby not wanting to worry my mother I went ahead and cleaned my stove lit the fire washed the floor made my bed up ready for my confinement had a bath then told my mother to call my husband she had to go to a pay phone to phone as we did not have one.

The midwife that nursed me when Howard was Born was to have looked after me but when my hus

A Happy Ending: Edie is reunited with her family

(Short summary of story so far: Edith was so young when the Cain's took her away, she is not sure if Mrs. Cain is her mother or not, has some vague memories of other people. She had to leave school to work in Cain's boarding house in Welland Ontario, but met and married James Kennedy at 16, and their son was born a year later. Just before the baby's first birthday, her husband was killed in a car accident. She had to return to Mrs. Cain, and stayed to raise her son until Mrs. Cain and then her stepfather died. She then went to work as a housekeeper for "Pat" Gamble, who had two young daughters. They married a year later. . .

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. . . For two and a half years after Donna was born, things went along pretty smoothly and I was really happy and satisfied. I had a husband who loved me, four wonderful children and a home and even though I still had to work quite hard, I didn't mind in the least for I don't think I would have known what to do with myself if I didn't have lots of work to do.

It was a warm day in November. We had gotten our Indian summer and so Pat had decided that while we had some warm weather, he would put the shingles on the roof which he had been going to do for some time as it was badly in need of repair. He wasn't working at the factory just then and so he asked a neighbour. Bill Coon, if he would come over and help him. Donna was playing outside and Betty and Jim had gone off some place. Ruth had been working at the canning factory nearby all summer and was still working there as they had some things to finish up before they closed down for the winter. I was getting supper ready when Ruth came running into the house, which was strange for her as she was usually on the quiet side.

"Mom, you're to write to the Welland Tribune right away," she blurted out as she came in the door, "you might be able to find your mother."

For heaven's sake, Ruth, what are you talking about?" I exclaimed, "Start from the beginning and tell me what you mean so that I can understand what on earth you're talking about."

"Well, it's a long story," she began. "As you know, Mrs. Barwell works down to the factory with me. You know her, she's kind of a stout woman and she lives over to Fenwick. They grow some things and she goes on the market quite a bit..."

"Yes, I know who you mean," I said impatiently. "Please get on with your story."

"Well, it seems Mrs. Barwell was on the market last Saturday morning and a woman came along and stopped at their stand. She said that her name was Gladys Cook and she wondered if Mrs. Barwell knew Edith Gamble and whether or not she was on the market that day, as she was looking for her and it was important. Mrs. Barwell said that she didn't think she was but if Miss Cook had something important to tell her, well maybe she could get the message to her as she worked with her daughter at the canning factory. Well, Miss Cook told her that she had gone to school with you and that you used to be quite good friends ..."

"Were we ever! She was always so nice to me even when the other kids would make fun of my clothes. We used to be together all the time and I missed her so much when we moved away. I can remember one time ..."

"Mother, will you please let me finish! Now, as I was saying, she said that she knew that you had always wondered about Mrs. Cain being your real mother. Well, the other day she was reading the Tribune when all of a sudden a notice in the Personal column caught her eye. It was asking for information as to the whereabouts of a girl that was taken from her parents when she was only five years old and that it was twenty-eight years ago. She told Mrs. Barwell to tell me to tell you to write to the Tribune and find out the address of the woman and to write to her just on the chance that it might be you. Oh, why don't you write and find out, Mom!"

"But it's just a chance in a million that it could mean me and besides that's just a silly notion that I had of the old lady not being my mother. I don't know for sure. Maybe it's just something I always hoped because she never seemed like a real mother to me," but all the time I was saying this, I was thinking, "Oh, if only it could be me! If only my dream that I've had all these years could come true! Maybe it is me they're trying to find."

Just then Pat and Bill came in for supper and I told them what Ruth had just told me. As soon as I finished, Bill spoke up, "I remember reading that in the paper just the other night and thinking how wonderful it would be if they could find that woman after all these years. I've still got the paper over there somewhere. I'll go over and get it right after supper and then you can write to the address that's given personally instead of writing to the Tribune and having to wait longer for an answer."

After supper, Bill went home and came back with the paper. The name given was Mrs. Hilda Vanderhart and as much as I tried, the name didn't seem to ring a bell.

"You can't expect to remember names after twenty-eight years," Pat said, "after all you were only five years old at the time."

I knew that was true but I had still kept hoping that maybe I could have remembered the name so that I wouldn't have had to wait until I got an answer back from my letter to know for sure.

The very next day which was a Wednesday, I sat down and wrote the letter. It seemed to take me ages to write it and I tore up so many before I finally wrote one that satisfied me and which I though would explain to them just why I thought it might be me that they were looking for. All the time I wrote, I kept praying, "Oh, dear God, let it be me that they're looking for. Let me find my real mother and father and may this letter be going to my real family and don't let it be a false lead." I realized that I had gotten my hopes up too high for I knew that I would really be let down if I found out that it wasn't me they were looking for but I just couldn't help myself. I tried not to let it show to Pat and the kids but I think he realized just how anxious I was but he never said anything to me. I know that he too was hoping that it could be true but I know that he didn't have as much faith as I did and he hadn't gotten his hopes up very much. After all it was one chance in a million that after all these years that anything like this could happen.

Those next few days were the hardest that I think I ever spent. I was on edge all the time and would snap at the kids over the least little thing. Donna seemed to get on my nerves more than she ever had before and the poor little thing didn't know why she was getting bawled out half the time. When Pat brought the mail on the Friday, I literally pounced on it to see if there was any letter but there wasn't and so I had to wait another day until the next mail delivery to find out.

On Saturday morning as soon as Pat came in the door and I seen the big smile on his face, I knew that my letter had come. When he handed it to me I was shaking so that I was all thumbs it seemed and I practically tore the envelope apart trying to get the letter out. It was just a short note

saying that they had received my letter and were praying that I was the one. They said that they would be over on Sunday, the next day, to find out for sure whether or not I was the right one. Pat read it over my shoulder and when he got through, he turned me around to look at him and said, "Now don't go getting your hopes up too much. They're just coming over to see if your the girl and it's only once chance in a million that you are so you might just as well get yourself ready for a let down or you might be hurt awfully bad. Promise me that you won't get your hopes up too high."

"Okay, I promise," I told him but all the time my heart was singing, "Maybe tomorrow at this time you'll be with your Mother, your real Mother! Just think of it!"

I told the kids when they came in for lunch and they were so excited when I told them that they might have a Grandma and Grandpa and aunts and uncles and cousins and I seen Pat frowning at me as I told them but I just couldn't help myself. Donna of course, couldn't quite figure out just

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why we were all so happy but she was laughing and trying to get a word in now and then right along with us.

That night I couldn't sleep. I lay awake imagining all sorts of things but I tried not to think of what I would do if it was all a mistake. I just kept thinking of what I would do if it were true and so I tossed and turned all night, thinking that morning would never come and that time seemed to be standing still. At last, just as it was beginning to get light, I dropped off into a fitful sleep where I kept waking up every little while and then dropping off again.

Finally, it was time to get up. I didn't bother waking the kids up to go to Sunday School as I figured they would be so excited that they wouldn't pay any attention anyway and besides I didn't know what time they would be here and so I wanted the kids to be here when they came. I had cleaned the house the day before until it shone but I still went over it that morning giving it a last dusting and straightening up and then I took great pains getting myself ready. I put on my best dress and Ruth had done my hair up the night before and so she took it out and combed it for me. When I got ready, I set to work on Donna and got her all fixed up in her best dress and brushed her hair until it shone. I then made sure that the other kids were all clean and dressed in their best and all the while Pat kept frowning at me because he was so afraid that I was setting myself up for an awful fall but he couldn't put a damper on my high spirits. I kept busy all that morning for I knew that if I stopped, I would go crazy with the waiting.

At last about 2:30 a car pulled into the driveway. My heart started pounding so hard and my knees went weak so that I had to sit down. All the time the thought kept going through my mind, "This is it! This is it!"

The kids were all looking out the window and Betty yelled, as she was always doing, "There's a young guy getting out and there's some other people still in the car. He's cute. I wonder what relation he is to us."

A knock sounded and Pat went to the door. I managed to make it out to the kitchen but my knees were shaking so that I could hardly stand up. The young man said, "Is this Gamble's?"

"Yes," Pat replied, 'won't you come in?"

The young man came slowly in and then he seen me. He just stood there for I don't know how long, just looking at me, with a look on his face that I shall never forget.

"It's her!" he shouted, "It's her!" and the tears started streaming down his face as though they would never stop. He suddenly turned and went running out to the car, shouting at the top of his voice, "It's her! It's her!"

I just stood there dumbfounded, wondering how he could know I was the right one by just looking at me. As we all stood there wondering what was going to happen next, they all got out of the car and came in. First there was a large, tall woman, with greying hair, behind her was a little short woman with snow white hair and such a kindly face, behind her came a younger woman but short and stout, behind her was a man in his forties, of medium height with greying black hair and behind him, of course, was the young man whom we had seen before.

The tall woman spoke first, "Oh, Edith, it is you, I know it is. I'm your sister, Hilda," and then she couldn't say any more for she was crying too hard.

I looked at her while she was talking but then I looked at the little, short woman with the snow white hair and I knew, without a doubt that this must be my Mother. The woman who had given birth to me but whom I had only known for five years. There was no need for words between us and I know I couldn't have gotten any out anyway. We just stood looking at each other with tears in our eyes and the next thing we knew, we were in each other's arms, sobbing as though we would never stop and I kept thinking over and over again, "This is my Mother! This is my Mother!"

At last we tore apart and stood looking at each other and it was then that I heard the first words spoken by my Mother to me in over twenty-eight years, "Thank God, we've found you at last. I don't need any proof that you're my daughter for all I have to do is look at you and I know. Thank God!" and then she couldn't get any more out for she started crying again.

I looked around and the only dry eye in the place was Donna for she couldn't figure out what was going on and she looked frightened. Then the others put their arms around me and kissed me and I found out who they were. The man was my brother, Ernie, the short stout woman was his wife, Kate, and the tall young man who had come in first was Hilda's oldest son, Howard. This was my family!

We all went into the living room then and I sat beside my Mother, holding her hand for I felt that I never wanted to be separated from her again. It was then that I heard the story which they had to tell of those long years. They told of the many false leads which they had, how Hilda had traveled all the way to Windsor, a matter of about three hundred miles from Toronto to see a woman who had answered one of their ads as she had been adopted and never knew where her parents were. How disappointed both she and Hilda had been when they found out that she wasn't the right one! Her age was wrong and the description of the people that raised her and her name and even her looks were all wrong. They had many false leads in Toronto and the outlying districts but of course none of them had panned out but they had never given up hope.

When Hilda got finished telling of how they had searched for me, Mother turned to me and said, with tears in her eyes, "I prayed, Edie, that God would spare me until we found you and I never gave up that we would. I've prayed all these years that He would protect you and take care of you until He seen fit that we should be together again and now He has answered my prayers."

It was then that the thought came to me of that day so long ago when I woke up in a hospital bed to find out that by some miracle my life had been spared and how I wondered then why God had seen fit to save me. Now I knew the answer. It was because my Mother had prayed! The rest of the family gave up hope after a few years but she and Hilda had never given up. I found out that my father was alive and well and that he was in Toronto. He hadn't come because

he thought that after all these years, that it was just another wild goose chase like all the others. Oh, how I longed to see him too! I also had two sisters who were married and had children, whom I would meet. My youngest sister, Doris, had died when she was only two so there were only five of us now. It all seemed too good to be true and I felt as though I were in a trance and that this was just another one of my dreams that I had so long about finding my Mother. It still didn't seem real but then I turned and looked at the woman beside me and I knew it was real and I was the happiest person in the whole world!

Howard spoke up then, "All the way over, I kept warning them to not get their hopes up. I said it was probably just another false lead so to save an embarrassing situation, I would go in first and find out for sure and then go out and tell them. I told them not to go off their rockers and I went and did it myself but just as soon as I looked at you, Aunt Edie, and seen how much you looked like Aunt Rose, Aunt Nellie and Mother. I knew that you had to be the right one."

We sat there all afternoon talking because we had twenty-eight years to catch up on. They wanted to hear all about my life and I of course, wanted to hear all about my family for I didn't know anything about them. I forgot all about getting supper ready until Ruth went out to the kitchen and started preparing it. I then got up and went out and Hilda did too and we kept on talking while she helped me get it ready. Mother was all taken up with Donna and so she played with her and it was such a nice feeling to know that she would know her Grandmother.

As we were preparing supper, Hilda said to me, "Of course, if Pat and the kids can spare you, we want you to go back with us tonight for a week or so and you can meet Dad and the rest of the family and get acquainted. How about it?"

"I'd, of course, love to and I'm sure that Pat and the kids won't mind. Ruth and Jim are both old enough to take care of the house and of course, I'll take Donna with me."

"Fine, then it's all arranged. Oh, it will be so wonderful to visit with you and to have you with us! Our family hasn't been complete until now."

Pat, or course, didn't mind when I spoke to him about it, so after we had supper and got everything put away, I packed and got Donna ready and we left for Toronto. We got there around 10:00 but they were all at Mother's place as they had all gathered there to wait and find out what had happened. We cried all over again and I was introduced to my sisters and their husbands and all the children and I think everyone had their arms around me and kissed me and for about a half an hour there was so much noise and questions asked that you couldn't hear yourself think. Everyone of course, made a fuss over Donna and it was all so wonderful to look around at this crowd of people and think, "This is my family!"

The best part of all was meeting my Father. As he stood there looking at me with tears in his eyes and then put his arms around me and kissed me, I knew that I really belonged. This was the greatest moment of my life to stand there looking at my Mother and Father and to realize that they were really mine and that there were no doubts whatsoever.

The rest of that week was really hectic. We stayed at Mother's and my sister, Rose, her husband Leo and their daughter, Corinne, all lived there too. Corinne was just a couple of years older than Donna and so they had a great time playing together. They were constantly getting into fights though, because they were both spoiled and used to having their own way and didn't like to give in and Mother would sit there laughing at them when they would get into a fight and she got a great kick out of it. rose would get so mad at her and tell her that she was just encouraging them by laughing at them. Oh, it was such a happy time! Best of all, I got to know my Mother! I learned

that she was a very kind and gentle woman with a wonderful sense of humor. She was also quite a devout woman who loved God and who had never given up her faith in Him even though it had looked as if He would never answer her prayer. It was also wonderful getting to know my sisters and learning about their lives. Hilda too had suffered sorrow for her first husband had died when she was quite young leaving her four children to take care of. She too had remarried and had two more children. Nellie had three children and Ernie had one and Rose one. It took me quite a while to get their names all figured out and to figure out which one they belonged to. In a way I hated to go home and be separated from them all but it was only about seventy miles so I knew that I would see a great deal of them. When I went home, it was with a wonderful feeling of peace and contentment and the future looked so bright and wonderful for me.

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The next three years went by so rapidly! I look back on them with nostalgia, remembering every little thing my Mother said and did. We were always going over to Toronto on weekends whenever we could get away and they were always coming over to our place. During the summer, some of them would be over practically every weekend and during the winter I would usually try to get over at least twice for a week or two each time. I got Mother to come over for a week or so every summer and I just loved having her there and being around her for it still seemed like a dream at times and oh, how I would hate to see her go back! I've wished so many times since that I would have talked her into staying for the whole summer every year and then I could have been with her more.

Nellie had a baby boy the September after we met them and that made three boys and one girl for them, just the opposite to what we had. We were all so happy for her. The kids just loved having cousins their own age and Jim thought that there wasn't anyone like Howard because he was a few years older and seemed like a real man of the world to him. Both Jim and Ruth were out of school so they both went to Toronto and got a job and stayed at Hilda's. Jim, of course, worked with Howard delivering ice and he just loved it. Not the work, just working with Howard. It made me so happy to see how the kids took to my new family right away and how Pat got along with them so good. He really liked my Mother and Father for which I was so thankful. Yes, my cup of happiness was truly full and running over!

It was a cold dreary day hi February when I happened to look out the window and seen our neighbour running up the road as fast as he could. He turned into our place and I met him at the door.

"You are to call Toronto as soon as possible," he gasped, "Your Mother is ill."

Pat was home so he grabbed my coat and helped me on with it for I just stood there no fully comprehending what he had said. Mother hadn't had a sick day since I'd known her, at least nothing serious. She had a few colds and was in bed once or twice with the flu but nothing serious, especially not serious enough to call me. As it hit me that it must be bad for them to call our neighbours to get in touch with us, as we didn't have a telephone, I prayed all the way down the street, "Oh, dear God, don't let her die so soon after I've found her. Let me have her for a little while longer."

That walk seemed like it would never end. Pat called for I was shaking so that I couldn't have talked to them. He got Rose on the telephone and she was crying so that he could hardly hear her.

"You had better come over right away, Pat," she sobbed. "Mother has had a brain hemorrhage and she is in a coma. The doctor doesn't hold out much hope for her. If Edie doesn't get over right away, she might never see her again," and then she started crying again and couldn't talk.

"We'll be over right away, just as soon as we can get packed and get in the truck," Pat told her and then hung up.

We hurried home and I started getting Donna ready and Pat started packing. We were just about all ready to go when a knock came to the door. Pat went and it was our neighbour again. As soon as I seen that he was crying, I knew, without him even speaking, that it was all over. I would never see my Mother alive again. I could vaguely hear him telling Pat that they had called back a few minutes ago and said that she had passed away a short time before. I was just numb and I kept thinking, "Oh, dear God, why did you let it happen? Why?" I knew that I was being selfish thinking that way but I couldn't help myself. After all, hadn't He let me find her after all those years? Hadn't He given me three wonderful years with her? Hadn't He worked a miracle in answer to her prayer? It was just so hard to lose her for I had loved her so very much!

Pat had to hire someone to take the mail as Jim was working in Toronto so he decided since there wasn't anything he could do, that he would wait and come over just for the funeral. We called them and told them that Donna and I would be over on the next train and we packed and Pat took us over to the station. That train ride seemed so long and I kept thinking of the times that Donna and I had traveled on the train to Toronto and how happy we always were other times. I just couldn't imagine going to Mother's and not having her there to put her arms around me and kiss me and make a fuss over Donna. It just wouldn't seem right without her bustling around getting supper ready and not letting me do anything.

At last we got to the station and Howard was there to meet us. Usually he had a big smile for us when he had met us other times but this time there was no smile and you could tell that he had been crying. They were all at the house when we got there and we all seemed to be crying at once and Donna couldn't figure out where her Grandma was. They had taken Mother to a funeral home and so when we had all calmed down, we decided on all the arrangements that had to be made and I found out just how it had happened. She had always said that when she went, she wanted to go quickly and God had mercifully granted her wish. She had just finished her lunch and had done the dishes and sat down at the table to listen to one of her favorite stories on the radio. Rose went to Mother's kitchen to talk to her about something and found her slumped on the table with the radio still on beside her. At first Rose thought she was just resting her head so she called to her but when she didn't answer, she got frightened so she called the old gentleman from downstairs and together they got her to her bedroom and then called the Doctor. He said that she had suffered a brain hemorrhage and that there wasn't much chance for her. He tried everything he could but within two hours after she had fainted, she was dead. It had been so quick and so merciful but so hard on those of us who were left and who had loved her so. It was such an awful shock and none of us could fully accept it yet. Dad took it so hard and it helped me in my sorrow to try to comfort him and help him through this terrible time. We got him to lie down and then everyone went home and Rose started getting supper ready even though none of us felt like eating. She wouldn't let me help and told me to go and rest but everywhere I looked, things reminded me of Mother. I forgot for a few minutes what had happened and expected to hear her call me or hear her laugh at something on the radio. I could almost hear her singing the hymn that was a favorite of hers, "Count Your Many Blessings", as she went about her work but I knew that I would never hear it again and such a feeling of loneliness and desolation seemed to sweep over me.

Those next few days are just a blur to me for there seemed to be so much to do and I tried to keep busy so I wouldn't have time to think. Pat came over the morning of the funeral and brought Betty with him and it was so good to have him here and it comforted me a little. The service seemed so long and I can't remember a thing the minister said for all I could do was stare at that still figure in the casket that once had been so full of life.

Now I stand here by her grave and see the last shovel full of earth being placed. These have been the thoughts going through my head as I stand here and my sorrow is eased as I think of her going home to be with the Lord for I know she is truly happy now. I know that someday if I make it through that I will be with my Mother again up there.

Some people may doubt this story and say that it could never happen but nothing is impossible with God! When people scoff and say that miracles just don't happen in this day and age, I tell them my story and they change their way of thinking. I can't help but believe in miracles for I saw one performed right before my eyes after twenty-eight years of prayer. Yes, if we never give up and keep on having faith, prayers are answered no matter how long you may have to wait.

The End

Three Generations - Judy, Gwen Duffin, Andrea and Jeff Main



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Note: Will and Maude were brother and sister, born of William (the original immigrant) and Rebecca Jane Colwell Stirling.

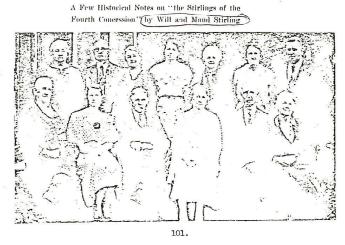
Reunion Photograph from 1937, sent by Ken Keyes of Scarborough, Sherlock Keyes son.



Stirling Siblings

APPENDIX A

The Stirling Family



Title Page of Stirling Story by Will and Maude Stirling

history of their fathers who came from Scotland and pioneered in Ontario, this history has been compiled.

On the fourth of April 1840, James Stirling his wife and five sons; Sandy Stirling with his wife and four children; George Stirling, his wife and five children; left Carnoustie, Scotland, for Canada. A brother Robert with his family, remained in Carnoustie. They sailed from Dundee and it was six weeks and three days before the ship reached Quebec. A sad incident of the voyage was the burial at sea of James, aged 7 years, son of James Stirling.

After four days at Quebec, where the party must have rejoiced to be on land after the trying voyage, they proceeded to Montreal and there remained a week. On Durham boats they then traveled to Kingston and after four days embarked on a steamboat for Toronto, spent three weeks there, then sailed to Hamilton. There their baggage was shipped in schooners for Goderich and as the schooners would carry no passengers, the party traveled in two wagons to Stratford. There they changed wagons and rode to Mitchell but from there could procure no vehicles and had to journey on foot to Goderich, carrying two sick members of the party. The roads were terrible. A blacksmith from Goderich overtook the party with a wagon laden with iron from Hamilton, and kindly carried the two sick ones part of the way. Although the travelers had money to buy food, sometimes for a day or two they were without food and when they reached Uncle Willie's shanty, guided there the last part of the trip by Nannie McKenzie, their disappointment was very great. This Uncle Willie was a brother of the three men of the party and had gone to Canada earlier to "spy out the land". He sent to Scotland such glowing reports that his three brothers with their families decided to find homes in this new country.

"This account was told me by Mrs. McGregor, daughter of Sandy Stirling. She was sixteen years of age when her family came to Canada."

The brothers with their families settled in Goderich township, Huron County. They paid \$3.00 per acre for their farms.

From now on this narrative related the story of James the oldest of the four brothers.

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