

## CLARKE FAMILY

*NB: The following is prepared from Falkland Islands Registers and files – there may be other family born outside the Falklands. Unless stated otherwise, all dated births, deaths and marriages occurred in the Falklands and all numbered graves are in Stanley Cemetery. Any variations which may occur in the spellings of names are recorded as written in the records at the time.*

**George Henry CLARKE** was born circa 1862 in St Helena and came to the Falkland Islands prior to July 1890.

George, age 28 & a shepherd living in Stanley, was married to **Margaret HALLIDAY**, age 18 and living in Stanley & from St Helena, 14 July 1890 in the house of Andrew Halliday according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by Licence by Lowther E Brandon MA Colonial Chaplain. The witnesses were A Halliday and Juan Echandi. George's father was recorded as George Henry Clarke a butcher and Margaret's father as Andrew Halliday a shepherd.

George and Margaret were prohibited from liquor for one year from 10 July 1897. Margaret was sent as a prisoner to England August 1903. [FIC/EG/5#2] George and Margaret were prohibited from liquor for another year from 4 June 1910 and again 24 August 1911.

George, age 64, died in Stanley 29 September 1925 and was buried 2 October 1925 in Grave K930. Margaret, age 63, died 11 August 1934 and was buried 14 August 1934 in Grave K1069.

## FIRST GENERATION:

### Children of George and Margaret CLARKE:

1. **Thomas CLARKE** born 20 June 1891. Died 20 June 1891 at 3 ½ hours old of inanition (*no burial record*).
2. **John Henry Archibald "Archie" CLARKE** born 18 August 1892 at Douglas Station and baptised 20 September 1892 by Christ Church Cathedral. Started work for the Public Works Department as a blacksmith's apprentice 1 June 1907 and finished in 1909. John, a cutterman, was married to **Mary Louisa Jane MARTIN** 23 April 1919 in the Office of the Registrar General, Stanley by Governor's Licence by M Craigie-Halkett, Registrar General. The witnesses were E Kelway and Mary Isabel Clarke. Mary's father was recorded as Thomas Martin, a deceased shepherd. In May 1920 Archie was hit on the side of the head while working the Admiralty collier *Franz Wilkes* and knocked unconscious. This accident resulted in him being off work for 3-4 months and permanently deaf in his right ear. [DEF/NST/1#6] John worked as assistant gardener at Government House from 1938 and as acting head gardener from 1 January 1947. His employment was terminated due to poor health 30 June 1956. John, age 66, died 27 May 1959 in Stanley and was buried 30 May 1959 in Grave S1631. Mary died 22 February 1963 in Stanley, age 69, and is buried in Grave S1734.
3. **Margaret CLARKE** born 1 July 1894 and baptised 6 February 1900 by Christ Church Cathedral. Margaret was married to **Anders OLSEN**, a shepherd from Sweden, 5 February 1912 in the House of George Henry Clarke, Stanley by Special Licence by Robert Johnson, Nonconformist Minister. The witnesses were Teresa Mary Buse and Lilian Mary Buse. Anders father was recorded as Oloff Martin Olsen, a mariner, and Margaret's father was recorded as George Henry Clarke, shepherd.
4. **Andrew James "James" CLARKE** born 10 October 1895 at Two Sisters and baptised 31 December 1895 by Christ Church Cathedral. Andrew, a carter, was married to **Jane Lucasia MARTIN** (*sister of Mary*), a domestic servant, 23 January 1919 in the Office of the Registrar General, Stanley by Governor's Licence by M Craigie-Halkett, Registrar General. The witnesses were John Henry Archibald Clarke and Mary Louisa Martin. Jane's father was recorded as Thomas Martin, deceased. James started work as a carter for the Public Works Department 1 September 1919 but had left work by 1920. Andrew drowned in Stanley Harbour 8 March 1937 when he was lost overboard from the schooner "Shamrock" and was buried in Grave K1106. Jane, age 96, died 10 September 1995 and was buried 14 December 1995 in Grave V3236.
5. **Elizabeth Isabella CLARKE** born 24 September 1896. Elizabeth died in Stanley 6 October 1901 and was buried 8 October 1901 in Grave A52.
6. **William Martin Thomas CLARKE** born 10 May 1898 in Stanley and baptised 6 February 1900. William, a trimmer, went to the UK in 1922 to find work.
7. **Mabel Isabella CLARKE** born 5 March 1906 in Stanley. Mabel was married to **Alfred May BIGGS**, a labourer, 13 June 1922 at the Office of the Registrar General, Stanley by Special Licence by M Craigie-Halkett, Registrar General. The witnesses were John Henry Archibald Clarke and Jane Lucasia Clarke. Alfred's father was recorded as James Thomas Biggs, shepherd. Mabel died 18 July 1925 from pulmonary tuberculosis and is buried in Grave K924. Alfred died 28 August 1941, age 51, from post operative peritonitis, and is buried in Grave L1193.

## DESCENDANTS OF GEORGE & MARGARET STILL IN THE FALKLAND ISLANDS