

McGILLOWAY 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. Various spellings of names are recorded as written at the time.

Robert MacGILLOWAY was born ? (*not in Falkland Islands*). He was married to **Elizabeth DUNCAN**.

Robert, a private in the 18th company of Royal Marines, his wife Elizabeth and son Robert, arrived in the Falkland Islands 8 January 1864 on board the 268 ton English Barque *Velocidade* under Captain James BOYD. There were 43 passengers on board and the voyage took 63 days from London, leaving the Thames 29 October 1863. The *Velocidade* was a Troop Ship sent with a Detachment of Royal Marines to relieve the Falkland Island Garrison Company. The detachment on board consisted of 1 officer (G H ELLIOT RM) and his wife, 20 men, 6 women, 8 children, RN surgeon wife, child & female servant and 1 army surgeon.

Robert and his family most likely returned to England 11 May 1869 on board the *Megeera* which had brought down the relieving detachment. By the 1871 Census they were recorded as living in Portsmouth.

FIRST GENERATION:

Children of Robert and Elizabeth McGILLAWAY:

1. **Robert Duncan McGILAWAY** born 7 December 1863 on board the *Velocidade* on route to the Falkland Islands and baptised **Robert MacGILLOWAY** 11 March 1864 by Holy Trinity Church.
2. **Elizabeth MacGILLAWAY** born 12 July 1865 in Stanley and baptised 4 October 1865 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as Private in 18th Company of Royal Marines.
3. **Sarah Ann McGILLAWAY** born 16 December 1866 in Stanley and baptised 13 January 1867 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as Private in 18th Company of Royal Marines.
4. **Matilda MacGILLOWAY** born 16 May 1868 in Stanley and baptised 19 June 1868 by Holy Trinity Church. Her father's occupation was recorded as Private in 18th Company of Royal Marines