

# Book 5:

## Eliza Elliott and Charles Wilson and Family

**Preface:** Eliza was the fourth oldest daughter of John and Mary Elliott. To review their lives in Devon, the trip to Canada and their life here, refer to Book 1

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**The Devonshire Elliott/Seldon/Prouse/Hamlyn/Wilson Families of 1843 Ingersoll and surrounding townships**

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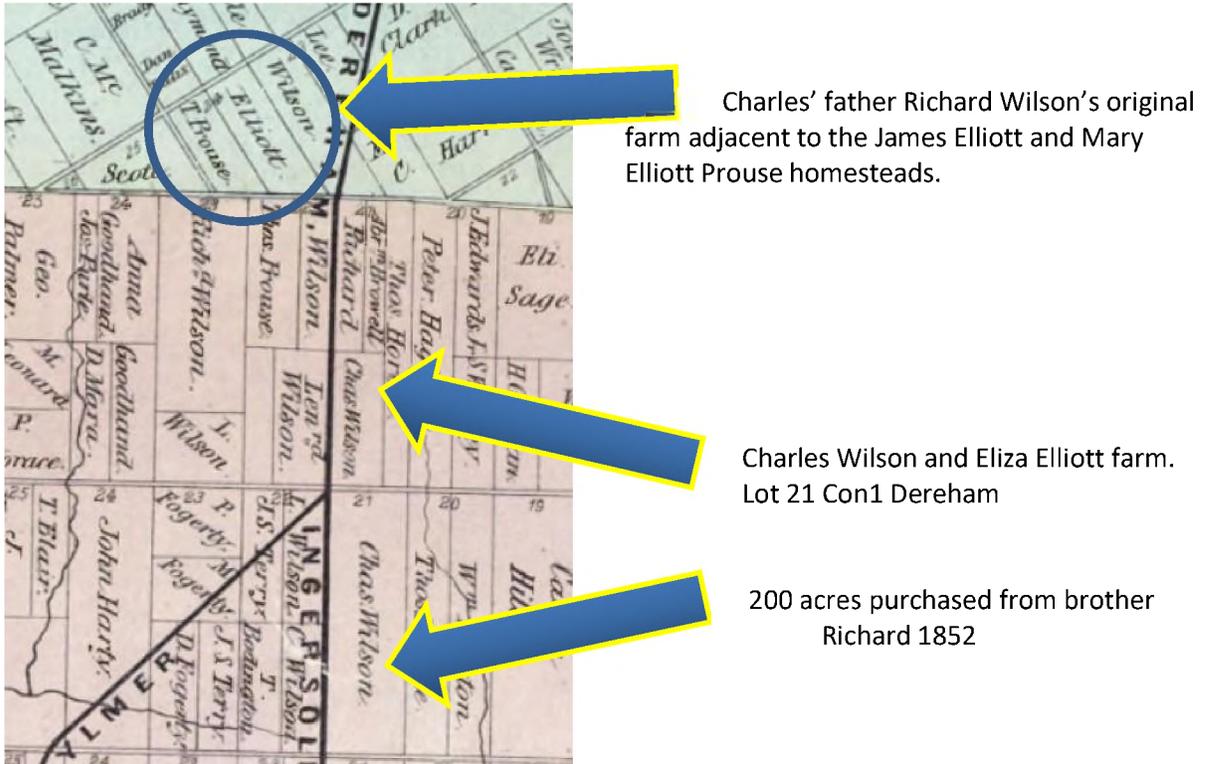
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IRC – Ingersoll Rural Cemetery  
Con – township road concession



Fourth son Robert was located in W Oxford to the east of the other farms. Charles would also own Lot 21 Con 2 named Broadview farm and Lot 26 Con 1 Dereham. Charles and Eliza Elliott did business at the adjacent Lot 21 Con 1 Dereham farm as cheesemakers. Some of these properties stayed in the family for many generations with multiple changes of hands and mortgages engaged within the expanding family membership.

Tremaine Map 1857 of Wilson, Prouse and James Elliott properties



Having the multiple relatives and families working together in close proximity would make the heavy chores easier with the large contingent of labour available to share the work.

Marriage records show Charles and Eliza were married 29 Oct 1845 in Woodstock, Ontario.

Type of Notice	Marriage Notice
Name	Wilson, Charles
Associated Name	Elliott, Eliza
Date	October 29, 1845
Place of Origin	Dereham; Zorra
Source	Brock District Marriage Register
Witnesses	George Harris; Joseph Tyson
Note	by Matthias Holtby (Wesleyan Methodist) Woodstock
Ingersoll Chronicle Newspaper	

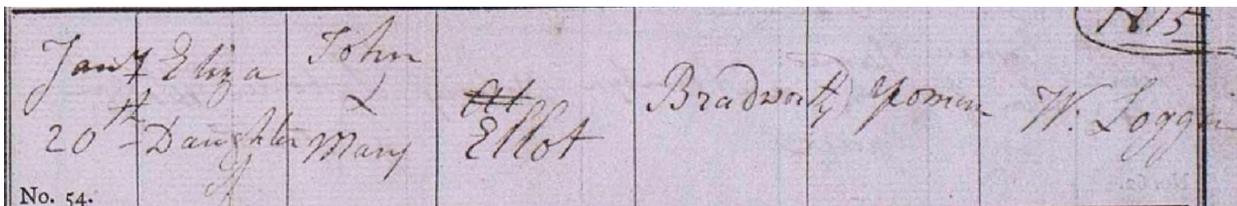


**Charles Wilson**

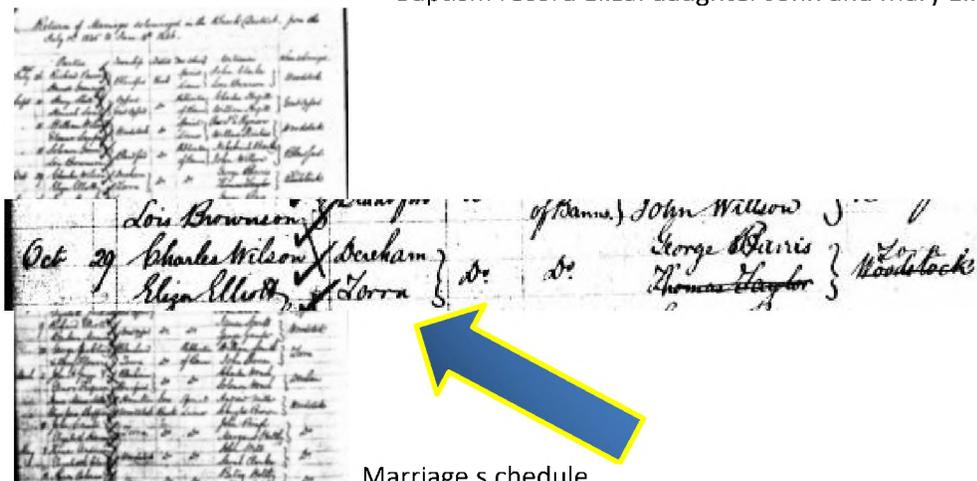
B 20 Dec 1815, Lavening, Yorkshire, England  
D 23 Dec 1890, Dereham  
M 29 Oct 1845, Dereham  
Both Buried in IRC.

**Eliza (Elliott) Wilson**

B 01 Jan 1815 Bradworthy, Hartland, Devon  
D 14 Mar 1892 Dereham Township



Baptism record Eliza: daughter John and Mary Elliot, Jan 20, 1815



Marriage s chedule

**Eliza Elliott**

Eliza Elliott arrived in Canada in the early summer of 1843. She and her younger siblings spent that winter in Durham Co. east of York (Toronto) likely with cousins or close relatives, while her brothers and father purchased property in W Zorra about 8 km. north of Ingersoll at Lot 7 Con 1 of W Zorra township and proceeded to enlarge an existing log cabin or build a house in the fall of 1843. The rest of the family arrived at the property the following spring of 1844. At some point within the next year, Eliza and

Charles Wilson met and were married. Marriage records show they were married 29 Oct 1845 in Woodstock, Ontario. They were both about 30 years of age. The Wilson clan purchased several farms in the W. Oxford and Dereham township area just south west of Ingersoll in the following years. Eliza was not far from her Elliott family as her married sister Mary Prouse and her younger brother James Elliott purchased farms that were close to Charles and Eliza Wilson properties. The Wilsons were an ambitious bunch, as you needed to be to survive in the area at the time. Eliza was known as being headstrong and a take charge person. Because she and the Elliott family had knowledge of the cheese making process, she and her husband decided to start a cheese factory on their property. Gradually they worked the dairy herd up to 40 head, a large number in that era. Eliza's sister's family, the Prouses and younger brother Samuel Elliott both started cheese factories as well in Oxford County. Although the Wilson cheese factory was in Charles' name, Eliza was the cheesemaker and boss. A verbal account of Eliza is noted in the following excerpt.

..... written about 1945

Following is a hand-written account of Cheese Making written by William Wilson Nancekivell, grand-son of Richard Wilson and Sarah Foster Wilson of York, Yorkshire who arrived here in 1831 and settled on the farm now occupied by R.H. Wilson, Lot 23, on the 1st Concession, Dereham.

The Wilsons had five sons; William, who conducted a tannery in Woodstock; Leonard, who conducted Lot 22, 1st concession of Dereham; Robert, of West Oxford; Charles, who settled on Lot 21, Concession 1 Dereham; and Richard on the home farm.

Charles married Eliza Elliott whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Elliott, of Bideford, Devon, settled on the 1st concession of West Zorra in 1833. The Red Star Cheese Factory was later built on this farm by a son Samuel Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wilson were married October 29th, 1845 and went to their home in Dereham. There was supposed to be a log house and barn but when the concession was surveyed they were on another man's property. This they were able to buy.

They started dairying the following spring with four two-year heifers but found that butter only could be exchanged in trade. They had cash commitments to make on the farm so had to look for a source of cash income. The Elliotts were dairymen in Devonshire and made their milk into cheese in the home where Mrs. Wilson learned the art. /~~s~~ Cheese was a cash product so they decided to make their milk into cheese. This was in the Spring of 1846.

First she had to have equipment and there was none to hand so she went to a cooper, Cord Lewis, of Salford who made her a large tub  $3\frac{1}{2}$  or 4 ft across and some hoops. She also had a small vat made to cover the top of the stove for heating the milk and whey. The hoops were set on stands outside. The curd was pressed by putting a cleat the proper height and using a long pole over the hoop or set and under the cleat. On the outer end of the pole she hung a ten-gallon kettle with some stones in it. and as the curd was pressed down she added more stones. The calves stomachs were all saved in those days for use in coagulating the milk as there was no prepared rennet. She made cheese with this equipment in my day. I used to be a source of worry to her as she was afraid I would fall into the tub. They sold the cheese to Frank Connor, provision merchant and hotel keeper, London, later Senator. It was a two day trip with oxen.

\* the Elliott family arrive 1843 and not 1833.

The selling of cheese had become a competitive business in the late 1860s. The American Civil War was over and the American cheesemakers were infringing on what had been an exclusive market in England for Canadian cheese. To promote the cheese makers of Oxford Co, Charles and several other cheesemakers met to find a way to generate more sales. A decision was made to make a "big cheese wheel". This cheese would set a world record in weight and would tour England and Europe to promote Oxford Co. cheese products.



“Lydia Chase Ranney and her assistant Robert Facey began making cheese locally in the mid-19th century. Ranney shared her knowledge of cheese making with her son-in-law James Harris, and in 1865 he established Ingersoll's first co-operative cheese factory on this property. To stimulate international interest, specifically in the lucrative British market, local cheese factory owners and entrepreneurs created the Ingersoll Cheese Manufacturing Company of Oxford to produce a mammoth wheel of cheddar cheese, here in 1866.

Facey, the head cheesemaker, used 7,778 imperial gallons (35 metric tonnes) of milk to

make the 7,300-pound (3,311-kilogram) round of cheese. It was made in eight days and cured for three months in a specially built shed. In August 1866, the "Big Cheese" was transported on a modified wagon by six horses to the train station in Ingersoll. It was exhibited at the New York State Fair in Saratoga and then shipped to England, where it was bought by a Liverpool merchant. The "Big Cheese" helped establish Oxford County as the birthplace of Canada's commercial cheese industry.”

Arguments can be made that Eliza Elliott was the first cheesemaker in the region as she and her husband had a cheese factory set up in the 1850s.

An excerpt from a story by grandson William Nancekivell about Charles Wilson is an interesting window into the times.

There is another incident that might be related here. One nice June morning a nephew of Charles Wilson, another Charles, commonly known as "Lawyer" ran his horse from the corner to the factory. This lad was about 9 years old at the time and just wanted to see the old horse gallop. The wagon contained one can of milk about half full. On arrival at the factory his uncle gave him a severe lecture about the risk of losing the milk and that he should be more careful to save all he could. (I think he remembered that lecture). The Wilson factory operated until the early 1880's when it was sold to the Independent Oxford Cheese Company. h.A. Simister, Ingersoll was one of the company.

## Charles Wilson Factory

While this cheese factory was always a small operation it never-the-less has a most interesting history. The following account is based on accounts written by W.W. Nancekivell, a great nephew of Charles Wilson and an account written by Byron Jenvey from stories told him by W.W. Nancekivell.

In 1832 one William Barker obtained 900 acres in Concession 1 and 2 of Dereham near the Culloden Road. About the same time a Wilson family from Yorkshire settled on Lot 21, Concession 1 of Dereham. About 1845 one of the Wilson sons, named Charles, learned that Mr. Barker was offering land for sale so he agreed to purchase 200 acres. The terms of the purchase were \$100 down and \$100 of the principle owing to be paid each year until the mortgage was paid off. Charles Wilson then married Elizabeth (or Eliza) Elliott whose family had come from Bideford, Devon and settled on Concession 1, West Zorra in 1833. They were married, October 29, 1845, and went to Charles' newly purchased farm in Dereham.

There was supposed to be a log house and barn on the property but when the concession was surveyed they were found to be on another man's property. The Wilsons were able to purchase the buildings however. It was not long before they learned that their farm had been sold and repossessed three times before they bought it. Money was scarce and when the previous purchasers had been unable to come up with the first payment Barker had foreclosed, kept the down payment and re-sold the farm.

Mrs. Wilson was a very determined young woman and resolved that they would not be caught in this manner. She had been given 2 heifers by her father, and her husband had also been given 2 heifers by his father. They obtained 3 more, making a herd of 7. They learned that butter could only be traded for merchandise at local stores, but there was no cash market for it, so Eliza Wilson resolved to make cheese and market it in London. The Elliotts had brought a knowledge of cheese making from Devon.

Just before one of Eliza's heifers was about to freshen her father came to see them and as the heifer had developed into a very promising animal he announced that she was much too good a beast for a Wilson to own and started to drive the heifer home. Not to be outdone Eliza ran ahead, turned the heifer back and locked the gate.

Apparently Mrs. Wilson made excellent cheese for soon one buyer contracted for all she could produce. When the time came to make the payment on the mortgage they took the \$100 plus interest to Mr. Barker's home but he refused to take the money. He had fully expected to take the farm back and re-sell it. The Wilsons placed the money on his table and left. So against his will, Barker was forced to accept. They continued to meet their payments and eventually owned the farm.

Mrs. Wilson continued to make cheese for many years and after a time her neighbours asked her to make cheese from their milk also. In response to their request the Wilsons built a small factory on their farm not far from the farm buildings and made cheese for a number of years. Mrs. Wilson either made or supervised the cheese making. She must have been a big powerful woman, as well as determined and energetic, for the story is told that on one occasion she became exasperated with a rather indolent helper and seized him by the collar and tossed him into the whey vat.

The equipment in the beginning was very modest. Mrs. Wilson located a Salford cooper and had him make her wooden buckets, tubs and a vat. The press consisted of a long pole with one end caught under a cleat close to the cheese hoop and a bucket of rocks hung on the distant end to apply pressure as a lever. More stones were added as more pressure was required.

This factory operated until the early 1880's when it was sold to the Independent Oxford Cheese Company. The new management increased the price of cheese making which led to much dissatisfaction. As a result the farmers of the area built a new factory on the Culloden road about ¼ of a mile farther north and on the west side of the road. This was known as the "Dereham and West Oxford Cheese and Butter Manufacturing Co. Ltd."

For many years it was also known as the Nancekivell Cheese Factory. It continued in operation until 1914.

It is interesting to note that Eliza (Elliott) Wilson's brother Samuel Elliott built a cheese factory on his father's farm on the 1st Concession of West Zorra. This later was sold and renamed the Red Star Cheese factory.

There is some disagreement as to whether Lydia Ranney or Eliza Wilson was the earlier cheese maker, but they were contemporaries and these two remarkable women were true pioneers in establishing the cheese industry in Oxford County.

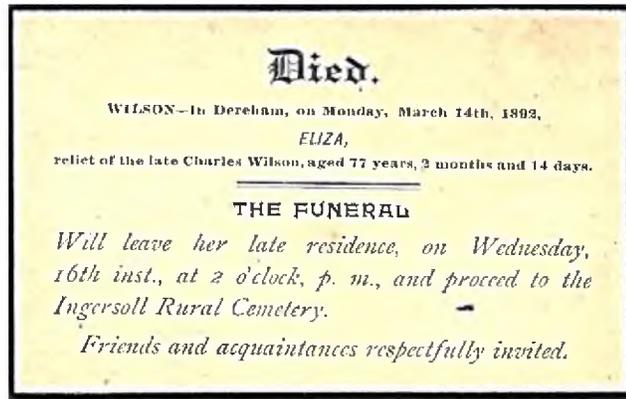
Information from accounts written by W.W. Nancekivell and Byron Jenvey; an account in *Ingersoll Times*, May 4, 1977, from information supplied by Everett Wilson.

Small notation – the Elliott family arrived in 1843 not 1833

Charles and Eliza had several children through the years, with Charles dying in 1890. Eliza passed in 1892 while living in her own home adjacent to son Foster Wilson's Dereham farm.



Lot 21 Con 1 Dereham (coloured photo)



**OBITUARY.**

**ELIZA WILSON.**

Another of the old residents of Oxford County passed away on Monday last in the person of Eliza, relict of the late Charles Wilson. Deceased was a daughter of John and Mary Elliott and was born in the parish of Broadworthy, North Devon, England, Jan. 1st, 1815, and came to this country in 1843. Two years later she was married to the late Charles Wilson and settled on the farm in Dereham township, where she resided until her death. She was widely known and very highly respected by all. The funeral took place on Wednesday to the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery and was very largely attended.

“Eliza was known for being industrious, painstaking, faithful, and a very reliable helpmate to her husband. This in spite of **being rendered deaf at some point from being struck by lightning.** In her old age she greatly missed her husband and told family members she longed to join him.”

Courtesy: Bryon Simmons – Wilson family researcher.

Transcription of Ingersoll Chronicle article about Charles Wilson’s death, Jan 1, 1893.

(Edited for brevity)

**One of Oxford’s Pioneers – A sketch of his life**

“The death of Mr. Charles Wilson which was briefly announced last week, removes from our neighbourhood one of the oldest and most highly respected residents. He was born on Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1816 in the village of Leavening, Yorkshire, England. Most of his life, however, was spent in Canada at or near the home where he died, having arrived as a 14-year-old. Mr. Wilson had been ailing for some time. Just a year ago his illness became more serious and he has been under doctor’s care ever since. He was a strong supporter of the Methodist church and was ready with his wealth to aid in the work connected therewith. He converted to God in 1837 and he and his brother William organized a church in Salford.

He was married to Miss Eliza Elliott who



survives him. He leaves as follows: Mrs. Reuben Nancekivell of Dereham, Mrs. G M Collins of Toronto, Mrs. Chas. Cook of W Oxford and Mr. Foster Wilson of Dereham. A memorial service was held on King St. Methodist church. Rev D. W. Snider preached an appropriate sermon paying high tribute to the memory of the deceased.”

“...to believe that Charles Wilson is this morning in paradise, does not lower the standard, does not defame the integrity of our belief in the demand of Almighty God that none shall enter there unclean,

impure and unwashed. We know from the testimony of his acquaintances and from certain facts gathered from his lips that he joined himself to God early in his manhood. I gather from him, in his own words that he had “tried to be loyal to the church and to stick with it, through evil report and good report.”

“His character was simple, honest, unostentatious, benevolent. We cannot fail to regard his life as a success but we cannot attribute that success to any gift he had. In him there was nothing dashing or brilliant: nothing of the aggressive or speculative. He was quietly firm, peaceably resolute, faithfully honest, religiously benevolent. His were the qualities that go to smoothen the rough places in life and to give men anchorage where so much is fickle and fraudulent. His piety was not the shining sort but the metal of solid. He was genuine and constant. He was a character that plodded steadily along, keeping pace with his neighbour. I make special mention of two other things. First Charles Wilson was punctual to his appointments and engagements. He was in his place on time - in the house of God – at the hour of worship. He started from home so that should any little thing go wrong with horse or harness he would still be on time. He started from home so that at the church his horse could be attended to and could be warm and his wrap removed – not on time for the second hymn but for the beginning of service. This is the mark of his character. He maintained in his home the family alter, the great heritage of his children today. I suppose he was as other men who had no time for family worship. But he had time.”

“I may not have touched the depth of your knowledge of his worth. It will draw you nearer him than ever before. Any further words from me of consolation or of comfort are useless and vain.”

**EXECUTORS SALE**  
—OF THE—  
**Goodhand Farm.**

The undersigned will offer for sale by public auction on  
**SATURDAY, OCT. 3rd, 1891**  
at two o'clock in the afternoon, on the market square, Ingersoll, the South Half of Lot No. Twenty-four, in the First Concession of the Township of Dereham, in the County of Oxford, containing 100 acres more or less, excepting thereout the House and Five Acres of Land of the south-west angle of the said lot.

This desirable farm is situated about four miles from the town of Ingersoll. The soil is excellent, and on the farm are a Log House with frame attachments, a good frame Bank Barn, and a good Orchard.

Possession will be given on first January next, and in the meantime the purchaser is entitled to go on and do fall ploughing.

Terms of Sale.—\$2,500 down, balance to be secured by a mortgage on the farm, as may be agreed upon, with interest at 6 per cent. per annum.

Dated at Ingersoll this 9th Sept., 1891.

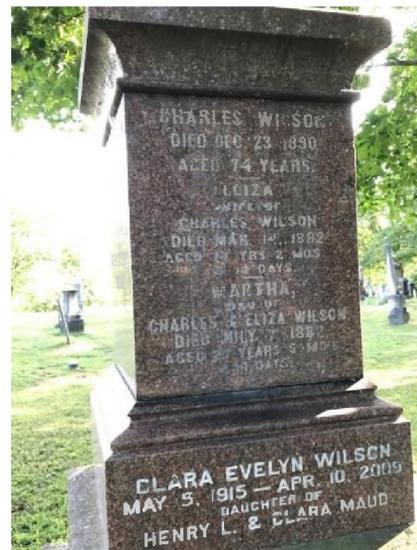
THOMAS BROWN,  
FOSTER WILSON,  
GEORGE M. COLLINS, } Executors.  
By their Solicitor, M. WALSH.

G. R. THOMSON, Auctioneer.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS.—IN**  
the matter of the estate of CHAR. WILSON, deceased. Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, executors of the above estate, that all persons and corporations having any claim against the above estate are required to send their names and addresses, with the particulars of said claims, and the nature of the security, if any, held by them to THOS. BROWN, Esq., Ingersoll, on or before the **FIRST DAY OF MARCH, NEXT**. And notice is hereby given that after the said First Day of March next, the executors will proceed to distribute the said estate among those entitled thereto, having regard to the claims of which the said executors then have notice, and they will not be liable for the proceeds of said estate or any part so distributed to any person or persons or corporations, of whose claim the said executors have not notice at the time of the distribution thereof.

THOS. BROWN,  
FOSTER WILSON,  
GEO. M. COLLINS, } Executors.  
By their Solicitor, M. WALSH.

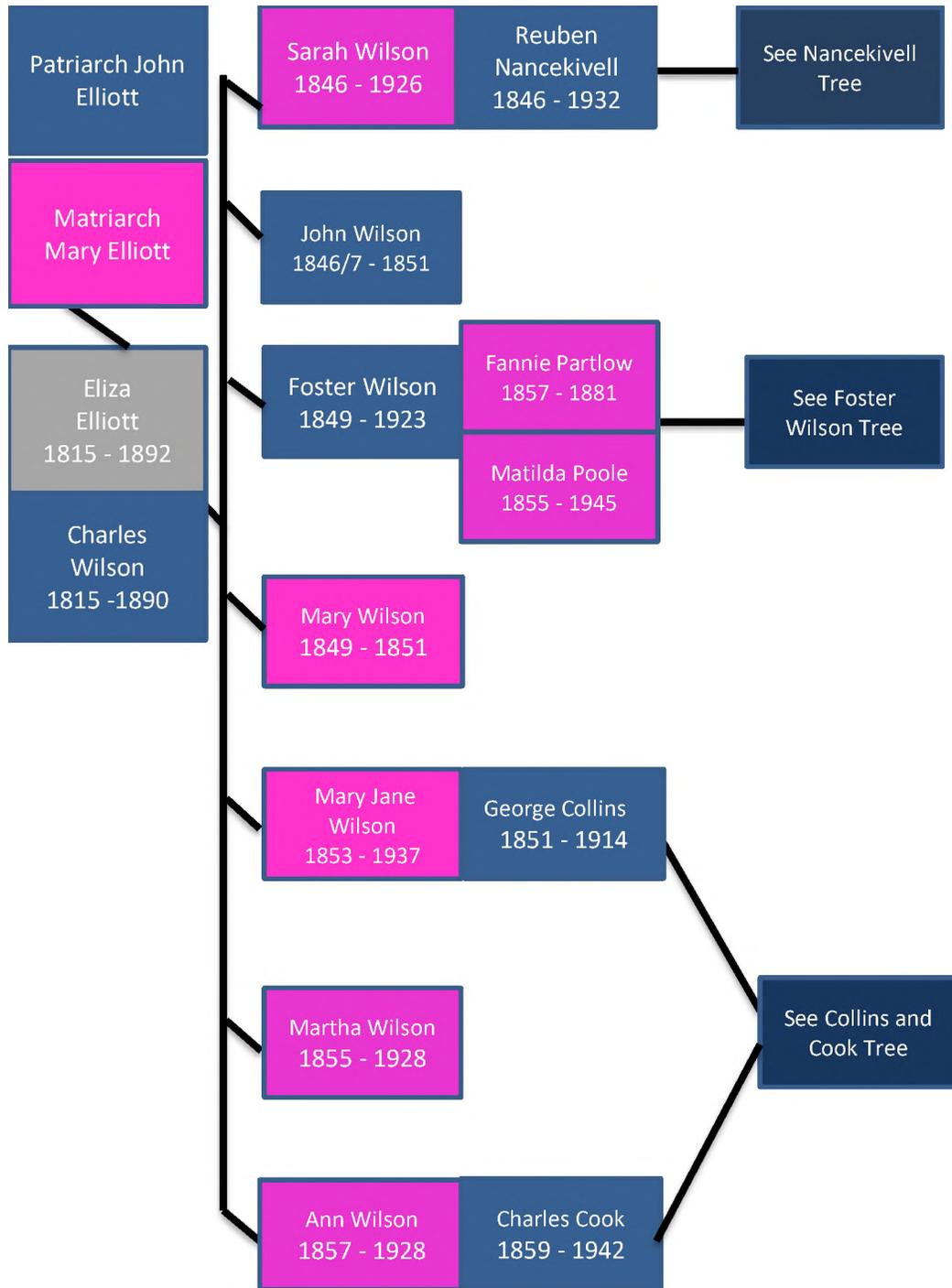
Dated at Ingersoll this 27th day of Jan., A. D. 1891.



The Charles Wilson Family Monument is located in Section H in IRC and is clustered with the other Elliott sibling's markers. The marker has various generations of names on all sides.

Children and Spouses of ...

Eliza Elliott (daughter of John Elliott and Mary Elliott) and Charles Wilson



## Grandchildren John and Mary Elliott Children of Charles and Eliza (Elliott) Wilson

First Child: Sarah

B 06 Aug 1846 Dereham township  
D 06 Aug 1926 Dereham Buried IRC  
M 06 Mar 1872 Dereham

Spouse: Reuben R Nancekivell Sr.

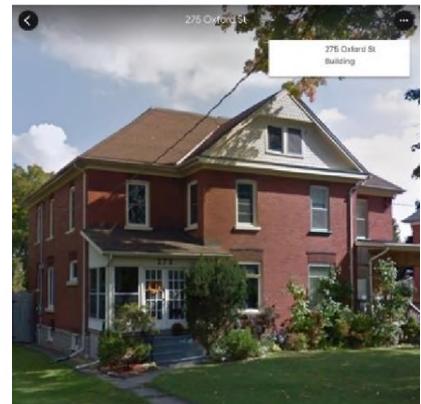
B 10 May 1847 Parkham, Devon England  
D 02 Mar 1932 Ingersoll Buried IRC



SARAH FOSTER WILSON NANCEKIVELL

Reuben arrived in Ontario from Devon in April 1852 with his father William Nancekivell and mother Ann Ford. It appears that the Nancekivells settled in E Oxford township south of Eastwood on Con7 and lots 10/11-17 when they first arrived as per the 1861 agricultural census. It is thought the couple moved to Dereham around 1870. However, first child William's 1873 birth certificate indicates he was born in E Zorra. How Reuben and Sarah Wilson met is unknown but after his marriage to Sarah, Reuben went to work as a farm labourer on the family farm at it appears that they lived there. His father had purchased Lot 21 Con 1 in Dereham in 1869 and he stepped aside and retired from farming and sold 50 acres to son Reuben. Reuben himself purchased a farm at lot 21 Con 2 in 1900 from cousin Foster Wilson. The property was 200 acres and cost \$14,000 and had been held by Sarah's father Charles Wilson's family since 1852. 50 acres of adjacent Lot 22 Con 1 was bought in 1887 as well. The Nancekivells were also involved in a Lot 27 Con 1 property in W Oxford. Sarah Wilson's father was involved in the financing of several Dereham properties. The couple raised a large brood and had a very successful farm. The 1911 census notes he had a son-in-law and three hired hands and two "ditchers" living on the property. He was involved in many township functions.

When he was 69 years old, in 1916, he and Sarah Wilson retired to 275 Oxford St. in Ingersoll. The house is a large duplex across the street from present day



275 Oxford St.

Ingersoll Chronicle Oct 20 1903

Mr. William Nancekivell of Dereham has purchased from Mr. James Stevens a beautiful home situate on the west side of Oxford street, the price paid being in the neighborhood of \$4,000. Mr. Nancekivell will become a citizen of Ingersoll about the 20th of March. He has many friends here and will be heartily welcomed by citizens generally.

Oxford Manor. Reuben died six years later. Sarah died on her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday in 1926.

Apr 26, 1884 Ingersoll Chronicle

**DEREHAM.**  
Reuben Nancekivell, of Dereham, musters a force of nine horses in the field, all driven by his own sons, something of which very few farmers can boast.  
The farmers are very busy seeding now, and if the weather continues fine the majority will be through this week.

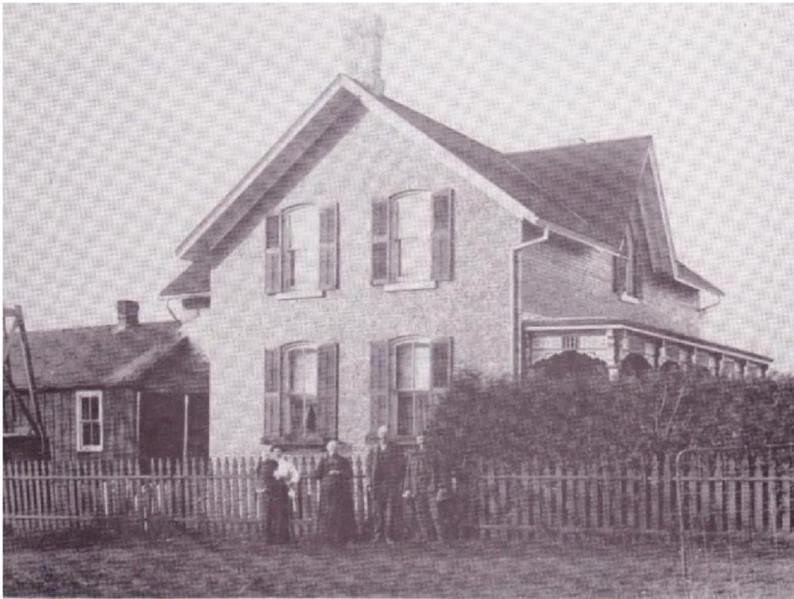
**BY PIECE OF PAPER.**  
Frightened, it is supposed by a piece of paper that was fluttering in the street, a team of horses belonging to Reuben Nancekivell, attached to a democrat wagon ran away from in front of Robinson Bros.' grocery store Tuesday night. The animals careered up King street west and when near the church collided with a post and were captured. Damage of some consequence was done to the harness and the wagon.



Reuben and son Dick (left) with Reuben's grain binders.

Photo: Axe and the Wheel

According to the sale flyer below, the farm was sold to a fur farmer but the stock and equipment was not sold until 1937.



Martha Mayberry & Ronald, Mrs. & Mr. Reuben Nancekivell Sr.  
Their Home Lot 21, Con. 2, Dereham

**AUCTION SALE**

Clearing Auction Sale of Farm Stock, Implements and Feed. The undersigned auctioneer has been instructed by the executors of the estate of the late Reuben Nancekivell, Sr., to sell by public auction on Caluden Gravel, Lot 22, Con. 2, (Known now as the Midnight Fur Farm), Dereham, 4 Miles South of Ingersoll, on Friday, October 8th, 1937, commencing at 1 o'clock, sharp, the following:

**Cattle**—32 Cows, 2 springers, balance due in Spring, and two 3-year-old springers; 5 rising 2 years, 5 spring calves, 2 pure-bred Holstein bulls, in service.

**Horses**—5 geldings, weight about 1400 lbs. each; 1 bay mare, supposed to be in foal, with foal by side; 1 colt, coming 2 years.

**Implements**—Grain binder, McCormick; Massey-Harris hay loader, side rake, McCormick mower, 3-horse spring tooth cultivator, steel land roller, two-row corn cultivator, set iron harrows, walking plows, root cutter, Chatham fanning mill, 16 ft. water tank, 2 sets of team harness, hay fork with 230 ft. rope, pump jack, International gasoline engine, wagon and flat rack, milk wagon, 18-tube fertilizer drill, snailage cutter, International; set of sleighs, forks, shovels, hoes, 14 milk cans, and numerous other articles.

**Feed**—60 tons mixed hay, 1200 bushels mixed grain, oats and barley.

Terms Cash

G. M. Nancekivell,  
W. W. Nancekivell, Executors.  
J. E. Burt, Auctioneer.

Sept 23 1937 Tribune

**Grandchildren of Charles  
Wilson and Eliza Elliott  
Children of Reuben**

**Nancekivell and Sarah Wilson**

Child birth dates as per 1911 census

William	16 Mar 1873
George	23 May 1874
Charles Foster	30 May 1876
Robert	16 June 1878
John	14 Oct 1879
Sarah	25 Aug 1881
Martha	07 July 1883
Reuben Jr.	09 May, 1887

Photo year 1914. Photos courtesy:  
Nancekivell Family History Book



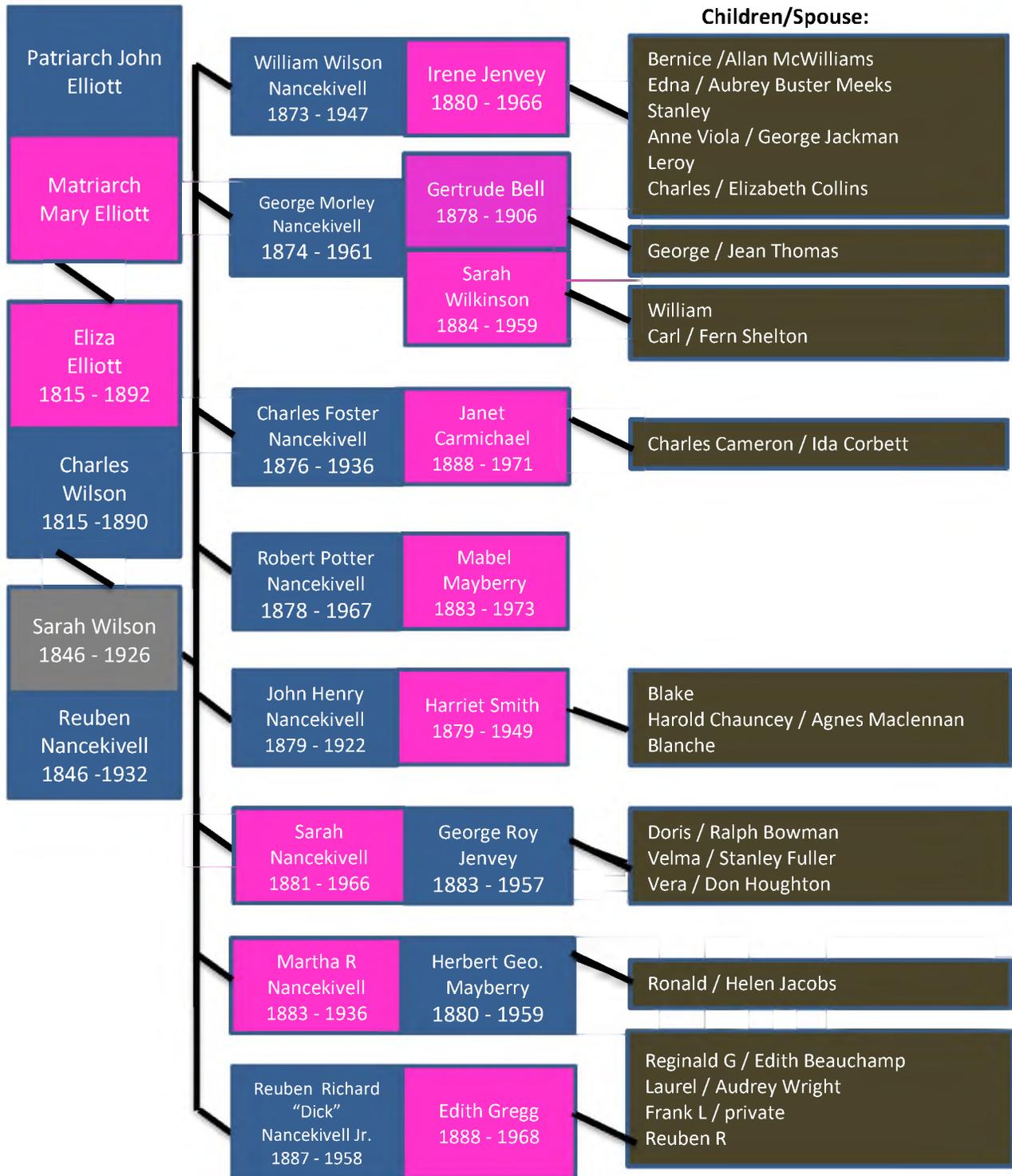
Reuben Nancekivell Sr. & Sarah Wilson's Family  
Robert (Bert), George, John, Charles, Richard (Dick)  
Martha, Reuben, Sarah N., Sarah W.

Front row: Martha, father Reuben

Sr., Daughter Sarah, mother Sarah Wilson Nancekivell      Back row: The back row lists 5 men Robert (Bert), George, John, Charles, Richard (Dick), no mention is made of William. I suspect he is the man in the middle.

**Children and Spouses of ...**

**Sarah Wilson (daughter of Charles and Eliza Wilson) and Reuben Nancekivell**



## Grandchildren of Eliza Elliott and Charles Wilson Children of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell

Oldest Child: William Wilson

B 16 Mar 1873 E Zorra

D 08 Jun 1947 N Oxford

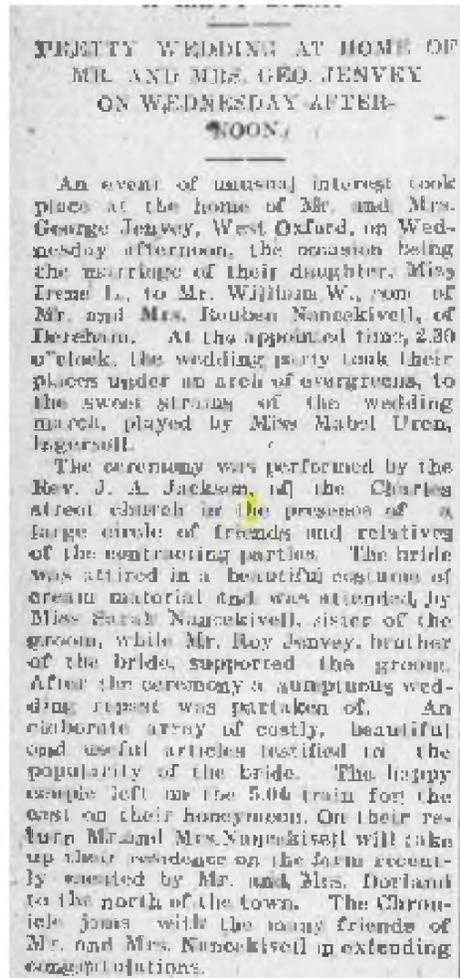
M 18 Mar 1903 Woodstock

Spouse: Irene Laetta Jenvey

B 01 Sept 1979 N Norwich township

D 19 Mar 1966 Hamilton Ont.

William is listed on his marriage schedule and obituary as being born in East Zorra, his replacement birth certificate issued in 1920 had him born at Lot 4 and 5 Con 11 of that township. This is in conflict with



onland.ca records that show the Nancekivell family in Dereham in 1870. Perhaps his parents were working with his uncle Thomas Nancekivell on his N Zorra farm in 1873 or his mother chose to have her child at a relative's home. He married Irene Jenvey on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March of 1903. Irene's second name has multiple spellings in the records. Ten days later the couple took possession of the old Dorland 160-acre farm in N Oxford at Lot 13 Con 3 that was purchased for \$12,000.00. The farm property was north of IRC and on the next concession and adjacent to what had been one of great uncle James Elliott's farms. The Dorland's sold the farm and moved to the east of Beachville on old highway #2 where their new location was eventually subdivided into the Dorland subdivision. William worked on his farm until 1943 when he retired. His estate sold it in June 1948, after his death.



Date	Buyer	Seller	Price	Property Description	Notes
JUN 20 1929	William W. Nancekivell	George Dorland wife	\$12000	160	Lot 13 Con 3
JUN 20 1929	William W. Nancekivell	George Dorland	\$12000	160	Lot 13 Con 3
JUN 20 1929	William W. Nancekivell	George Dorland wife	\$12000	160	Lot 13 Con 3
JUN 20 1929	William W. Nancekivell	George Dorland	\$12000	160	Lot 13 Con 3

Onland.ca purchase records 1903 Nancekivell \$12000

Dominion of Canada )  
 PROVINCE OF ONTARIO )  
 To Wit: )  
 1914, c. 49. )

**Declaration** REGISTRATION GENERAL OF ONTARIO

In the Matter of Registering a Birth which has not been registered in accordance with Sections 15 and 18, THE VITAL STATISTICS ACT, R.S.O. 1914, c. 49.

APR 15 1908

**Form 1 OFFICIAL RETURN OF BIRTH**  
 BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN

County Oxford Municipality East Gosra Reuben Wilson Nancekivell

Name of Child William Wilson 3. William Wilson Nancekivell  
(Name in full)

Date of Birth March 16<sup>th</sup> 1873

Where Born? Conill Lot 476 male of the Township of Dereham

Place of Parents' Marriage Woodstock in the County of Oxford Farmer  
(Occupation)

When Married March 6, 1872 DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE that:

Full name of Father Reuben Nancekivell (1). I am the father (or mother) of the person whose name appears in the Official Return of a Birth therein set forth.

Address Woodstock

Occupation Farmer (2). I have personal knowledge of the matters therein set forth, and the same are true in substance and in fact.

Maternal name of Mother Sarah Foster Wilson

If Child Legally Married or Widowed? married

Name of \_\_\_\_\_

Irene lived at Apt #2, 121 Canterbury St. Ingersoll in 1949 after the farm estate sale and William's death in 1947. William was President of the Farmer's Club of N Oxford for many years

Last Wednesday night fifty calf skins, valued at a dollar each, were stolen from Mr. Wm. Nancekivell of Dereham, being taken out of his hide house. The local and London police are working on the case.

1906 Ingersoll Chronicle

**WILLIAM NANCEKIVELL**  
 William Wilson Nancekivell, well-known North Oxford farmer, passed away Sunday in his seventy-fifth year, after four years of ill-health. Mr. Nancekivell was President of the Farmers' Club of North Oxford, and for many years was prominent in educational activities in Oxford County. Surviving

**W. W. NANCEKIVELL PASSES IN 75TH YEAR**

The death of William Wilson Nancekivell, dearly beloved husband of Irene Jenvey, occurred at his home in North Oxford [township], on Sunday evening. A son of the late Reuben and Sara Wilson Nancekivell, deceased was born north of Woodstock, on March 16th, 1873. For 30 years he lived in Dereham [township], later moving to North Oxford [township], where he had engaged in farming for the past 44 years. Although of a quiet, retiring disposition, the late Mr. Nancekivell was interested in the affairs of the community and served as secretary of School Section 4, North Oxford [township], for some years. He had been in failing health for the past 4 years, and seriously ill 3 weeks. He was a member of Trinity United Church.



121 Canterbury – Irene Jenvey Nancekivell's home after her husband's death. With failing health, she moved to her oldest daughter's home in Ancaster near Hamilton.

**MRS. W. W. NANCEKIVELL PASSES AWAY IN HAMILTON**

In failing health for a long period and seriously ill for the past 3 weeks, Mrs. W. W. Nancekivell passed away at the Chedoke Hospital, Hamilton, on Saturday, March 29th, in her 87th year. Born in North Norwich [township], Mrs. Nancekivell was the former Irene L. Jenvey, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Jenvey and when quite young her family moved to Dereham [township]. Following her marriage to the late W. W. Nancekivell they moved to North Oxford [township], where they farmed until 1948. Her husband predeceased her in 1947 and since that time she had resided in Ingersoll and Woodstock, later moving to Ancaster to reside with her daughter, Mrs. Allen McWilliam. While in North Oxford [township], Mrs. Nancekivell had attended Trinity United Church, and her kindly and unassuming manner had won for her many friends. Left to mourn the passing of a dearly loved mother are three daughters, Mrs. Allen McWilliam [Bernice] of Ancaster; Mrs. Aubrey Meek [Edna] and Mrs. George Jakeman [Anne] both of West Oxford [township] and one son, Lloyd, of Dundas.

**Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell  
Children of William Wilson Nancekivell and Irene Jenvey**

**First Child: Bernice**

B 20 Mar 1904 Lot 13, Con 3 N Oxford  
D 28 Mar 1998 Woodstock  
M 22 Feb 1930

Spouse: Allen Ross McWilliam

B 02 Jan 1905 E Nissouri Lot 7 Con 14  
D 14 Jun 1997 Woodstock



Allen was a farm boy from E Nissouri township raised at Lot 7 Con 14 by his Scottish parents who arrived in 1864 and 1880. Allen and Bernice moved to Brantford for a few decades after their 1930 marriage and later to Ancaster. When he retired the couple moved to 77 EarlsCourt Cres in Woodstock. They had three children.

**George Glenn**

B 18 Jun, 1938 – D 30 Nov, 1939

He died of bronchitis at age 17 months in 1939 in Brantford.

**Wilson Allen -**

B 07 Jan, 1931 – D 06 Jan, 2010

**McWILLIAM, Wilson Allen (Mac)**  
January 7, 1931 - January 6, 2010  
Passed away suddenly in his 79th year. Despite serious health issues he lived life on his own terms. The sound of his laugh will be missed by his family and friends at home and in cottage country. Survived by sister Margaret (Bob) Goldrick of Dundas, daughter Charlotte, Oakville, son Jim (Susan) of South Carolina and grandchildren Patricia, David (Thornley), and Elizabeth (Chris) Lindner. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, February 27, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. at the Cattel, Eaton & Chambers Funeral Home, 53 Main Street, Dundas. Cremation has taken place. In lieu of flowers, donations to a charity of your choice would be appreciated.

**Bride and Groom Honored At Party**  
A party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Angus McWilliam to honour their nephew, Wilson McWilliam, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McWilliam, Brantford, formerly of Ingersoll, and his bride, the former Ann Garrity, also of Brantford.

1963 Voters list for Ancaster, Ont.

- 114 McWilliam, Allan, shipping clerk, 30 Cameron Dr.
- 115 McWilliam, Mrs. Allan, -- 30 Cameron Dr.
- 116 McWilliam, Miss Margaret, nurse, 30 Cameron Dr.

**Margaret Anne (Goldrick)(Cosgrove)**

B 27 July, 1936 – D 03 Jun, 2018

**Daughter of Bernice and Allen Ross:** July 27, 1936 – June 3, 2018 Margaret Anne Goldrick of Dundas, Ontario, passed away peacefully at home after a short illness on Sunday, June 3, 2018. Margaret was born in Ingersoll ON, July 27, 1936. She was predeceased by her loving husband, Robert (Bob) Goldrick; her parents Allen & Bernice McWilliam, her brothers Wilson (Mac) and Glenn. She graduated from St Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, 1958, working in a variety of positions throughout her career. She enjoyed lake life on Nipissing, sailing, travel, gardening and cooking.

Anne Goldrick was a nurse, husband Bob a faculty chef at McMaster University. The had a cottage on Lake Nipissing that the spent much time at. No children were noted but her obit listed several American McWilliam nieces and nephews.

## Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell Children of William Wilson Nancekivell and Irene Jenvey

Second Child: Edna May

B 18 Sept 1906 Lot 13, Con 3 N Oxford (photo Pg 75)

D 03 May 1997 Woodstock

M 19 Jul 1933 Kitchener

Spouse: Aubrey Welford "Buster" Meek B 31 Oct 1907 Lot 9 Con 4 W Oxford

D 04 Dec 1987 Woodstock Hospital

Buster was the organizer in the Nancekivell family. He headed many of the Nancekivell and Meek family reunions and was involved in many local organizations including the Junior Farmers. He also was a good athlete competing in baseball and hockey in the local leagues.

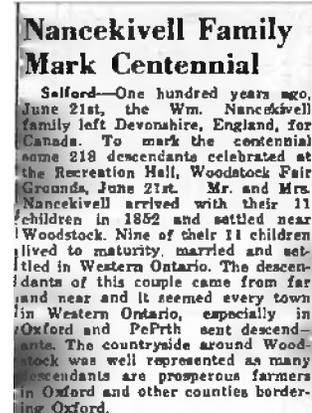


photo: The Axe and the Wheel

Aubrey was born on his dad's farm at Lot 8/9 Con 4 W Oxford near Foldens. The farm was in the Meek family since prior to the 1870s and was probate willed to father Peter Meek in 1914 and sequentially sold in 1928. Edna went to the London Ont. Normal School. Aubrey was a farmer in W Oxford and Edna was a grade school teacher at the public school in Foldens. They purchased and lived on a Lot 18 Con 1 W Oxford farm. The original barn and contents (in photo), burnt in 1944 while Aubrey and Edna were on the their 50-acre farm,

located on the south east border with Ingersoll. The farm was used in the West Oxford Plowmen competition in 1927. The organization was formed from 1922 to 1928 as a competition for local farmers after the success of the Ontario Plowing match held at the Woodstock Provincial Hospital farm in 1921.



photo: The Axe and the Wheel

The West Oxford Plowmens was organized by 3 members of Sweaburg Methodist Church Sunday school in 1922, Frank G. Murdoch, Stanley E. Allin, and James H. Bastedo, Sunday School Superintendent & Reeve of West Oxford. It followed the successful provincial International Plowing Match held at the epileptic farm north of Woodstock Oct 19-21, 1921. The week before the 1921 IPM plans for an Oxford Association were under review by Warden Johnston, Dr. Atkinson of Embro, and agriculture representative G. R. Green in his office (Sentinel Review Oct 11, 1921, page 3 Col 5). J. Lockie Wilson, secretary of the Provincial Plowmens Association & superintendent of affairs under the Dept. of Agriculture was present to open the first event held at Lot 3 Conc 3 farm of Stanton Lick West Oxford on Oct 24, 1922. W.O. Grenzbech of East Zorra, who last year Oxford. The 5th annual W. Oxford was held on Oct 27-28, 1926, on the Hyslop farm one mile south of Ingersoll, Lot 20 Conc. 2. Its rich soil has a pronounced slope to the west. An oldtimer said that plowing matches were held on this same farm 60 years previously. Sod plowing was held on the J.C. Harris farm next Lot 19 Conc 2. One more W. Oxford match was held on the Verne Meek farm south of Ingersoll Lot 18 Conc. 1 before it folded.



**MEEK - Edna Mae (nee Nancekivell) Meek of Caressant Care, Woodstock and formerly of Parkinson Road, Woodstock born September 18, 1906, died peacefully at her residence on May 3, 1997 in her 91st year. Beloved wife of the late A.W. "Buster" Meek (1987). Dear mother of William and his wife Sharon of Beachville, Peter and his wife Margaret of London. Dear grandmother of Evan and Nancy, Valerie, David and Elizabeth, Lisa and David Balsdon and Kara Meek. Dearly loved by her six great grandchildren. Dear sister of Bernice and Al McWilliam, Anna Jakeman, sister-in-law of Bess Nancekivell, predeceased by a brother Lloyd. Loved and sadly missed by several nieces and nephews. Edna lived and taught school in the Foldens area and was a loved educator by many generations of students. She was a life member of the Foldens United Church and the West Oxford Women's Institute. Friends**

Son Bill Meek 1942



Sources: History.ocl.net/Oxford Co

And below webresources.oxfordcounty.ca – 1966 History of Folden's United Church

Another pioneer farm still in the hands of direct descendants is that of A. W. MEEK and his wife Edna (Nancekivell). Their son, William and his wife Sharon (Gibbons) live on the former Gordon Sage farm. They have two small children, Evan and Valerie, who are the sixth generation of Meek's at Folden's. A second son, Peter is a laboratory technician in London and is married to Margaret Barta.

They had 2 children

William B 1939

Peter B 1942

1	Destructions	Beattie	Head	23	1	Canada	98	19	K	Can
2	Destructions	John	Wife	27	1	Canada	98	19	X	"
3	Jordan	John	Head	20	2	Canada	98	10	X	"
4	...	...	...	...	...	...	98	10	X	"
5	Nancekivell	Edna	Head	23	2	Canada	98	19	X	Ingersoll
6	Winkler	Robert	Head	40	1	Strasbourg	98	19	X	Actual
7	Blindens	Dadon	Head	63	3	Canada	98	19	X	Can
8	DID NOT REMARK	...	...	...	...	...	98	19	X	...
9	Wain	William	Head	54	1	Canada	98	19	X	Can



At age 23, Edna had an adventure sailing unaccompanied to France in 1930 via Quebec City on the R M S Megantic.

## Son of Buster Meek and Edna Nancekivell

### Bill Meek

Bill Meek's roots in Oxford County are deep. He was born in Ingersoll in 1939 and was raised on a farm where 'the title went clear back to the crown'. In the 1830s his ancestor, William Meek, a stonemason, arrived to take up 400 acres of heavily forested land in West Oxford. William kept this land, but purchased a second farm on the Old Stage Road. The family prospered. A son, Peter, developed the original land, acquired the timber rights and built a sawmill. Peter's wife Margaret set up a cheese factory.

Bill attended school at Foldens Corners where he insisted that he was 'basically a good student' but did admit to doing something mildly mischievous at least once. The bricks on the wall of the school were quite soft and it was a tradition for students to scratch their initials on the bricks. Bill found a brick that was soft enough to carve his whole name. Bill had completely forgotten about it. Guess what happened next. In Bill's words, "When the school was torn down in the 1960's, Monty Towne, came to my door one day and handed me that brick. Imagine the chances of ever finding that".

In 1960, Bill met his wife, Sharon. Last year they celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

The Meeks have three children and three grandchildren. While his children were growing up Bill was involved with cubs in Salford. From 1960 until it moved to its Southgate facility, Sharon managed the Woodstock Seniors' Centre.

After graduating from OAC, Bill joined his father's dairy operation. In 1969 they switched from dairy to hog production. Bill was a member of the Pork Producers and over the years he served on the executive in a variety of positions

In 1988 Bill changed careers, joining Ayr Tractor in Hickson, working on repairing small engines. After six months his employer enrolled him in the small engine apprenticeship program. This combined two years of on-the-job experience along with two years at Sir Stafford Fleming College in Peterborough. At the end of the program, he received his small engine licence. Since 2000 Bill continues to do small engine repairs from his home.

Sharon and Bill still live on the original family farm. However, now the land is rented out except for a couple of acres of sweet corn. According to Bill, growing the sweet corn is more of an excuse to work my antique tractors". Bill and his brother have a collection of eight machines. If you are travelling between Foldens and Sweaburg in August and September you might see Bill's little veggie stand sitting out by the road.

Music has always been a big part of Bill's life. He started learning the clarinet at age thirteen; taking lessons from Tom Brooks. In high school he took up the alto saxophone. He was part of a group (including fellow Probian, Bernard Calder) called the Double Dribble Nine. They cheered on WCI at football and basketball games. Later he played with the Norwich Musical Society Band. Bill is not only an accomplished musician but he sang with the Woodstock Choralaires for 27 years, touring in Britain and Europe.

Blair Kelner, Bruce Jakeman and Tracy Buchannan have joined Bill as part of a musical foursome. There is a music room set up in his basement complete with mikes and amplifiers. The gang brings their instruments and Bill provides the beer. In July the group played at the Canterbury Folk Festival in Ingersoll and we will all have a chance to hear Bill's group at the Probus Social.



Son of Buster Meeks and Edna Nancekivell  
Peter Meek lives in London as of 2025.

**Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell**  
**Children of William Wilson Nancekivell and Irene Jenvey**

Third Child: Stanley Wilson

B 11 Oct 1908 Lot 13, Con 3 N Oxford  
D 28 Feb 1909 N Oxford



*WILSON--In North Oxford [township], on Sunday, February 28, 1909, Stanley Wilson, only son of W. W. and Irene Nancekivell, aged 4 months and 17 days. - Ingersoll Chronicle & Canadian Dairyman, Mar 4, 1909*

The IRC death registry indicates that he had a combination of several cerebral concerns. He is buried with his two brothers.

**Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell**  
**Children of William Wilson Nancekivell and Irene Jenvey**

Fourth Child: Anne Viola

B 19 Aug 1910 Lot 7 Con 2 N Oxford (photo Pg 74)  
D 05 Jan 2005 Woodstock  
M 03 Jul 1937 Toronto  
B 17 Nov 1913 Lot 7 Con 2 N Oxford  
D 26 Feb 1984 Woodstock

Spouse: George Jakeman

George was the oldest of Ernie and May Jackmans children born Lot 7 Con2, 50 acres which were purchased by this grandfather in 1896. Father Ernest spent \$9000 in 1937 to purchase the property from his father. With the property in George's hands in 1953, a \$15,000 purchase from his father, the Dept of Highways tore the farm in half with the passage of Highway 401 through the land. The family decided to pursue full time producing maple syrup.



George Jakeman Anne Nancekivell Jakeman  
(Reeve of W Oxford from 1973 – 1974).

The Jakeman's have a storied history in the production of maple syrup in Oxford County with 142 years of family experience as of 2022.



About Jakemans



In 1876, our great grandparents, George and Betsy Anne Jakeman left Oxfordshire, England to settle the Jakeman Family in Oxford County, near Woodstock, Ontario.

The local Native Canadians taught the maple syrup making technique to the Jakeman family. They were shown how to collect sap from maple trees in the early spring and boil it down in an iron kettle over an open wood fire until it was a syrupy golden brown.

In 1919, our grandfather, Ernest Jakeman, purchased his first evaporator, setting it in a crude shelter with no roof. He hung 500 buckets.

In 1951, our father, George Jakeman, purchased a large 5 x 16 evaporator to replace the old one. In 1955, a roof was built over the shanty, but in 1969 a fire forced the abandonment of the original sugar shanty site.

In 1970, we enlarged our operation, building a new sugar shanty and purchasing a new oil-fired evaporator.

In 1976, we moved the Sweaburg General Store that was built in 1855 and used as a store and post office in the nearby village of Sweaburg. The building now functions as our maple gift shop, museum and pancake house.

The family tradition continues with Bob and Mary Jakeman and family, who maintain the production of some of the finest maple syrup from over 1000 taps. All the sap is collected by plastic pipeline and transported to our sugar shanty (next to our country store) where it is then boiled in our modern high-efficiency natural gas-fired steam evaporator and then finished on a steam finishing pan. The maple syrup is graded and then bottled for use throughout the year.



George Jakeman 1926 North Sweaburg public school

From the start of maple syrup production to today the family run company has expanded into the international market with sales world wide. The video on the attached website illustrates Jakeman's products and today's

manufacturing methods. Today, their products are sold worldwide.

<https://jakemansmaplesyrup.com/>

Anne was involved in Ingersoll Junior Farmers in her early twenties, raising to the post of Vice President in 1935. In 1935, Ingersoll Merchants held a talent contest where patrons could vote for the winner.

Anne placed fourth in the contest and won a Sparton



Radio.

1962 Windsor Star Newspaper

**JAKEMAN** - At Caressant Care Nursing Home Woodstock on January 5, 2004, Anne V. Jakeman (nee Nancekivell) in her 95th year. Beloved wife of the late George F. Jakeman (1964). Dear mother of Carol Latham and her husband Walter of Florida, Larry Jakeman and his wife Rosalyn of Parry Sound, Bob Jakeman and his wife Mary of Sweaburg and Bruce Jakeman and his wife Lynda of Sweaburg. Loved grandmother of 14 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Predeceased by two sisters Bernice and Edna and brother Lloyd. Also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. Friends may call

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Jakeman of Beachville announce the engagement of their only daughter, Carol Marie, to William Gladstone Long, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Long, of Kingsville. The wedding will take place Aug. 11 at 4:30 p.m., in Sweaburg United Church.

The couple had 4 children:

Carol Marie	B 1939
Larry Ernest	B 1940
Robert George	B 1944
Allen Bruce	B 1948



Jun 29, 2018 Woodstock Sentinel Review:

“It has been five years in the making, but the next chapter in the Jakeman family maple syrup legacy begins with a new production facility. An official ground-breaking ceremony was held Friday, June 29 for the new 17,000 square foot facility. The timeline for the new factory is short, with the outer shell to be completed by fall and the interior by December. Operations will continue in the meantime, but once construction is complete, production will shift to the new facility for the beginning of January. The design is open concept layout with bottling, packaging, and sugar lines, and an area for

maple butter production. “The idea for the expansion started after my mom, Mary came back from the International Duty-Free Show. Starbucks was looking for a maple sugar distributor,” said Chad Jakeman, who currently leads operations with his brother Devin Jakeman. Chad is vice president and sales manager. Devin is operations manager and oversees all production. “Finally, bakeries can use our pure and natural sugar,” said Mary Jakeman. Trying to stay competitive in their industry, Devin researched the best machines for the new facility that will allow the family to produce the best results in the least amount of time. He traveled to Kentucky, Minneapolis and Spain, where he found equipment for the new factory. “The maple sugar production from the old factory to the new will go from 100 pounds a

day to 40,000 pounds in a week,” said Chad.



Some of the 500 taps on maple trees at the Jakeman property. (Glenn Lawson for The Globe and Mail) For more photos, [click here](#).

“We are already SFA certified, however, with a bigger factory we are able to produce more private



labels for companies, giving us more opportunities in other food services and baked goods markets,” said Chad.

With hard work and dedication, the future for Jakeman’s Maple Products looks bright and busy.

The plan is to hire more employees and upgrade the old building by increasing its tourism space, creating product storage, and a making larger pancake breakfast location.

“As a family business, we have gone from almost closing our doors to becoming the largest maple syrup factory in Ontario. We held together and over the generations have made something special,” said Chad.

Jakeman's Maple Products began in 1876 with its first owners George and Betsy Anne Jakeman. As time went on new family members took over the business-like former owners and brothers Bob, Bruce, and Larry (late) Jakeman.

Now, 142 years and five generations later, Bob's two sons Chad and Devin still work along-side their parents Mary and Bob, with products ideas, customer service, and sales."

Robert Jackman and children in the maple sugar plant

## Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell

### Children of William Wilson Nancekivell and Irene Jenvey



#### Fifth Child: Leroy Jenvey

B 24 Jun 1914 Lot 13 Con 3 N Oxford

D 26 Jun 1914

Ontario Deaths record:

Name: Leroy Jenvey Nancekivell

Birthplace: N. Oxford

Death Place: North Oxford, Oxford, Ontario

Death Age: 2 days

Father's Name: W.W. Nancekivell

Mother's Name: Irene Jenvey

Buried with his older brother and parents, he lived two day and died of "stomach troubles" as per IRC burial records.

## Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell

### Children of William Wilson Nancekivell and Irene Jenvey

#### Sixth and Last Child: Charles Lloyd

B 02 Apr 1918 Lot 13, Con 3 N Oxford

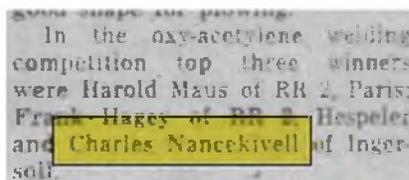
D 19 Sept 1988 Dundas

M 30 Oct 1942 Salford

B 10 Aug 1924 Ingersoll

D 21 Jul 2004 Hamilton

Spouse: Elizabeth "Bess" Mary Collins



Charles's father William purchased 160 acres of Lot 13 Con 3 from George Dorland in 1903 for \$12,000. The property was the old Dunn's farm near Dunns school. In 1910, the

#### Tour of Oxford Farms Is Planned

WOODSTOCK — A tour of Oxford farms where mow-drying equipment has been recently installed has been planned by the Oxford County Crop Improvement Association. Robert Bell, assistant agricultural representative for Oxford reports.

The tour will start at 10 a.m. Friday at the farm of Alex Muir, R3, Woodstock, followed by a visit to the farm of G. A. Hogg, Thamesford. After lunch at Ingersoll, members will visit farms of Charles Nancekivell, Ingersoll, Fred Choe, Burgessville, and G.

Tillsonburg, Lake Eric and Pacific Rail line paid \$17 for the right to run a spur line through the farm. Chas ran the farm when his father retired. The farm was sold in 1948 to a development company looking into purchases for the Lime Companies. His was not the only Elliott clan farm that was bought out by the line or cement businesses. Charles and Elizabeth were known to be

living in Ingersoll by 1953 and lived at 29 Carnegie St. (photo). He competed in the 1954 International Plowing match and finished third in the welding competition.

The voters list of 1965 has the couple living at 57 Creighton Rd. in Dundas. His occupation was labourer. They had three children:

**NANCEKIVELL, Elizabeth** -  
At McMaster Medical Centre, Hamilton on Wednesday, July 21, 2004, Elizabeth (Bess) (nee Collins) Nancekivell, of Dundas, formerly of Ingersoll, in her 80th year. Wife of the late Lloyd Nancekivell (1988). Dear mother of Mary Allen of Dundas, Donna and her husband Dale Foster of Dundas and William (Bill) and his wife Nancy of Lynden. Also survived by

**Donna Wilma** B 1946 Ingersoll  
D 2007 Dundas  
Spouse: Dale Foster B 1945  
D 2018 Hamilton

*Foster, Donna Wilma (nee Nancekivell) - Peacefully at home with family by her side on Sunday, June 3, 2007 in her*

*61st year. Beloved wife of Dale and loving mother to Robert (Audrey), Jacqueline Ward (Late Lyle) and Rosalind Gloucher (Jeremy). Predeceased by her parents Lloyd and Bess Nancekivell, daughter Patricia Munro and sister Mary Allen. Donna was a long-time member of the St. John's Therapy Dog Trainers Assoc. Husband Dale was a truck driver.*



**Mary Irene** B 1944 Ingersoll D 2006 Penniac NB  
Spouse: Allie D Allen B 1938 unknown D 1996 Penniac NB  
*The passing of Mary Irene Allen age 61 of Penniac, NB occurred in Hamilton Ont. on Wednesday, April 19, 2006. Born in Ingersoll Ont. She was a daughter of the late Charles and Elizabeth (Collins) Nancekivell and wife of the late Allie E. Allen. Mary was a retired restaurant manager as well as a member of the Olivet Wesleyan Church, Marysville. Surviving is her four children Richard Allen; Glen (Millie) Allen; Michele (David) Boyce all of Penniac and Stephen Allen (Cory) of Ontario*

**William** B 1948 – unknown

## Grandchildren of Eliza Elliott and Charles Wilson

### Children of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell

**Second Child: George Morley**

B 23 May 1874 E Zorra  
D 30 Apr 1961 Woodstock  
M 06 May 1903 Dereham

Spouse: Gertrude Emily Bell

B 03 Feb 1878 Dereham  
D 20 Mar 1906 Lot 18 Con 2 Dereham  
M June 1909 Albert St Ingersoll

Spouse: Sarah Mildred Wilkinson

B 08 Nov 1884 Ingersoll (her tombstone says B 1886)  
D 24 July 1959 Woodstock lived Lot 5 Con 3 W Oxford

### G. Nancekivell Honoured On 85th Birthday

A celebration took place on Saturday afternoon and evening for Mr. George Nancekivell at his home in West Oxford on the occasion of his 85th birthday. It was planned by his son, Mr. Wilbur Nancekivell and Mrs. Nancekivell of Woodstock, and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. Carl Nancekivell, as a complete surprise. The many relatives and friends who called to offer congratulations, were greeted with a hearty welcome. It was a source of regret to all that his wife is a patient in Alexandra Hospital, and unable to participate in the joyful occasion.

The guests were served refreshments, including a prettily decorated birthday cake, by Mr. Nancekivell's four granddaughters, Mrs. Blake, Marjion, Ruth and Margaret Nancekivell. Photos were taken of Mr. Nancekivell with his brother, Bert Nancekivell and sister, Mrs. Roy Jenvey, the remaining members of a family of eight. The guest of honour received many cards and gifts.

### SAVAGE DOG ROAMING IN OXFORD TOWNSHIP

#### Attacks Cow and Then Eludes Farmer Who Makes Search

Special to The Star

Ingersoll, Sept. 9.—A killer dog is again stalking through West Oxford township, south of here.

A cow on the farm of George Nancekivell was found so badly torn and with such gaping wounds that she was mercifully killed on Friday afternoon last. It was learned today that despite numerous searches, Mr. Nancekivell has been unable to locate the dog.

When he found the dying cow, he saw a black police dog skulking nearby. The dog growled when approached, but finally got out of sight.

This farm is next to that of George Groves where a number of sheep were attacked this summer.

### Record Ceremony As Gift Given

Mr. and Mrs. George Nancekivell, Beachville, were pleasantly surprised on their 40th anniversary by over 40 relatives. Cards and crokinole were played. A recording was made as a walnut coffee table was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Nancekivell by two of their grandchildren, Donald and Marion, children of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nancekivell. Mr. Wilbur Nancekivell, the eldest son, acted as master of ceremonies calling on different members of the family for congratulatory speeches. The replaying of the record caused much laughter. As Mr. and Mrs. Bert Nancekivell were unable to be present, the recording was taken to their place later. A message from them had been recorded earlier in the evening and came as a surprise during the replaying of the record.

Tribune  
06/09  
1949  
Sarah and  
George's 40<sup>th</sup>.

#### NANCEKIVELL-

*WILKINSON* The home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilkinson, Albert Street, was the scene of a pretty wedding at seven o'clock last night when their second daughter Mildred, was united in marriage to Mr. George M. Nancekivell of West Oxford.

George was a farmer at Lot 16 Con 2 Dereham and well known for his apple orchard. His first wife, Gertrude Bell, died one year after giving birth to son George Wilbur. She died of Hepatitis and had been ill with many ailments for several years. She was 28 years old at her death. George had a one-year-old at home and quickly made Sarah Wilkinson his second wife. Sarah was the sister of John Wilkinson of Tillsonburg. John Wilkinson's son would marry a Seldon cousin of George Nancekivell. This son later would become mayor of Tillsonburg in the 1970s. It some point in the late 1940's they lived in Beachville. George celebrated his 85<sup>th</sup> birthday as noted in the May 28<sup>th</sup> 1959 Ingersoll Times. He had a surprise birthday party at his W Oxford residence. As noted, wife Sarah was in the hospital at the time. She died two months later and George lived another two years.

#### GEORGE. NANCEKIVELL DIES IN 87TH YEAR

*A well known and highly esteemed resident of Lot 16, Concession 2, West Oxford [township], George M. Nancekivell, passed away on Sunday, April 30th, in Woodstock General Hospital. He had been in ill health for one week. He was in his 87th year. Born in East Oxford [township], Mr. Nancekivell had also lived in Dereham [township], and had been engaged in farming in West Oxford [township], since the early 90s, his home being on Highway 19, at what was known as Cook's Corners. He retired in 1952. Mr. and Mrs. Nancekivell, the former Mildred Wilkinson of Ingersoll, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1959, and Mrs. Nancekivell passed away in the same year. Keenly interested in community activities, Mr. Nancekivell had served as secretary-treasurer of School Section 2 for 43 years. He was a progressive farmer and known for the production of apples, also active in his efforts for the eradication of the barberry bush, condemned as the cause of wheat rust*

Ingersoll Tribune, on-line, Oxford County Library

#### MRS. G. NANCEKIVELL DIES AT WOODSTOCK

*The death occurred in Woodstock General Hospital on Friday morning, July 24th of a well known and very highly*

*esteemed resident of Lot 5, Concession 3, West Oxford [township], in the person of Mrs. George Nancekivell, following a long period of ill health and seriously ill for one month. Mrs. Nancekivell, who was in her 75th year, was born in Ingersoll, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Wilkinson and had spent her entire lifetime in Ingersoll and West Oxford [township]*

Ingersoll Tribune, on-line, Oxford County Library  
 Thursday, September 30, 1937  
 Pg.1, Col. 5

**Great Grandchildren of Eliza Elliott and Charles Wilson  
 Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell  
 Only Child of George Morley Nancekivell and 1<sup>st</sup> wife Gertrude Bell**

**Child: George Wilbur** B 03 Aug 1905 Lot 16 Con 2 Dereham  
 D 1995 Woodstock (Woodstock hospital)  
 M 17 Jan 1937  
 Spouse: Jean Wilhemina Thomas B 04 Sept 1915 Lot 16 Con 3 W Oxford  
 D 19 Sept 1995 Woodstock



Wilbur was a farmer/mechanic/machinist. He was 31 when he married 21-year-old Jean. She was born and raised three farms away from Wilbur. She was listed on the marriage license as a maid. He eventually purchased his own dairy farm from his father-in-law which was located at Lot 16 Con 3 W Oxford south of Beachville. Both were involved as organizers of the Ingersoll Fall Fairs in the late 1940s. Later they retired to Woodstock.

Photo: George Wilbur Nancekivell, Jean Thomas and son Dan

Daughter: **Gertrude Jean** (Hartfield) B 1940  
 Son: **Andrew Wilbur "Dan"** B 1939 D 2011 Wingham  
 Daughter: **Margaret Luella** (Crellin) B 1953

**Andrew Wilbur "Dan" Nancekivell**

At Wingham & District Hospital, on Monday, November 28, 2011, Mr. Dan Nancekivell of Braemar, Wingham age 73 years. Dear father of Chris and Barb Nancekivell of R.R. # 1, Wingham and Lorna and Steve Wilhelm of Woodstock. Also survived by six grandchildren, one great-grandson and sisters Gertrude Hartfield and Margaret Crellin. Predeceased by his son Gregory. The family will receive friends at the home of Chris and Barb Nancekivell at 41943 Howick-Turnberry Road on Saturday, December 3, from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Arrangements entrusted to Mr. Burney Funeral Home, Wingham.

**Great Grandchildren of Eliza Elliott and Charles Wilson  
 Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell  
 Children of George Morley Nancekivell and 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Sarah Wilkinson**

**First Child: William Donald** B Sept 05 1912 Lot 16 Con 2 W Oxford  
 D Sept 13 1912 Premature

**Great Grandchildren of Eliza Elliott and Charles Wilson  
 Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell  
 Children of George Morley Nancekivell and 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Sarah Wilkinson**

170 Earl St. – family home after  
 Carl's death

**Second Child: Carl Reuben** B 25 Aug 1913 Dereham  
 D 11 May 1952 Ingersoll  
 Spouse: Fern Shelton B 24 Sept 1909 Ingersoll  
 D 11 Oct 1995 Ingersoll



NANCEKIVELL-SHELTON Salford--A quiet but pretty autumn wedding was solemnized at the residence of Rev. J. F. Forsythe, Folden's on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock when Fernie Alberta, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Shelton of Salford, was united in marriage to Carl Reuben Nancekivell, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Nancekivell, of West Oxford [township]. The charming bride was gowned in blue flowered silk crepe with accessories to match and was attended by Miss Grace Mitchell as bridesmaid, while Ralph Shelton, brother of the bride, supported the groom. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. Later, Mr. and Mrs. Nancekivell, left amid showers of confetti and good wishes to spend their honeymoon at Hamilton, Muskoka Lakes and points north. On their return they will reside near Salford

*CARL NANCEKIVELL Carl Reuben Nancekivell, 38, died suddenly at his home, Lot 16, Concession three, West Oxford [township], Sunday. He was a farmer by occupation and a member of the Salford Baptist Church. Surviving is his wife, the former Fern Shelton; four sons, Donald, George, John, Robert; two daughters, Marion and Ruth, a brother, Wilbur, Woodstock; and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Nancekivell, West Oxford [township]. Rev. Date of Event: Sunday, May 11, 1952*

Carl was a farmer in W Oxford. He was helping his father at the Lot 16 Con 3 W Oxford family farm. At Carl's death, there would have been six children at home under the age of 14. After his death, his farm was sold by his soon to retire father and Carl's wife Fern. She moved to 170 Earl St. Ingersoll and was working as a waitress as per the 1965 voters list.

**Children of Carl Reuben and Fern Shelton:**

**Son: Donald Carl** B 1939 Dereham  
 Spouse: Violet Connor B 30 May 1943 Ingersoll  
 D 07 Aug 2011 Hatfield Pt NB

When Don was single and living with his mother on Earl St as per the 1963 voters list, he was listed as a tool maker by profession.



*The death of Violet Jean Nancekivell, age 68, wife of Donald Nancekivell of Hatfield Point, NB, occurred at the Saint John Regional Hospital, on Sunday, August 7, 2011. She was born on May 30, 1943, the daughter of the late Clarence and Elsie (Crane) Connor. Jean was a devoted, loving, and caring wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend. Jean enjoyed spending time with her family and friends enjoying life. She could often be found working in the yard planting flowers, mowing the lawn, or enjoying the wildlife. She knew how to shop for a bargain and could beat anyone at a game of Yahtzee. She enjoyed travelling and boating. Jean was known to help others and donated to several charities; The Heart and Stroke Foundation, Canadian Cancer Society, Diabetes Foundation and Local Food Banks. Jean will be dearly missed by all.*

*Jean is survived by her husband of 47 years, Don; daughter Brenda and Carl Lawson of Wickham, NB; sons Steven and Michelle Nancekivell of Fredericton, NB, David Nancekivell of Kars, NB; daughter-in-law Sherry Nancekivell of Lower Kars, NB; grandchildren Kyle, Bradley, Samantha, Ashley, Katelyn, Patricia, Brandy, Brody; sisters Verna*



In Oct. 9, 1889, Reuben Nancekivell and, his wife, Sarah purchased 4 fifty acre farms in Dereham Township. The barn they built was constructed from timber from the woods on the land. The barn housed purebred dairy cattle and horses.

In 1908 their son, Charles Foster Nancekivell built a house on the property, constructed from lumber from trees on the farm. The floors were hardwood, each slat was 6 inches wide. The house had three stairways, recessed doors on the lower level, maple trim throughout the house, a veranda at the front of the house and a porch at the side. There were two chimnies, the basement was of cut concrete block, the house itself was double red brick, and the roof was slate engraved with maple leaves. Several stained glass windows were purchased from Eaton's catalogue in the early 1900's and installed. The house was heated by burning wood in the milder weather and coal during the winter (the coal burning furnace would go out during the night, but the coal would burn all night) Drinking water came from the well, but for laundry and baths, they depended on the soft water cistern in the attic, fed by the evestroughs on the roof (in the days before acid rain)

In 1912, Charles F. Nancekivell married Jenny Carmichael, the school teacher at S.S.#3 and they purchased the farm from Reuben and Sarah. Jenny named the property Eldershade Farm, for the shade trees and the elderberries that grew wild along the lanes. She planted an orchard and kept geese.

Charles and Jenny had a son, Charles Cameron Nancekivell, on Nov. 19, 1919. He recalled his father said he had built the house for a large family and he (Charles Cameron) was it!

Charles Foster lived to see the farm wired for electricity in 1935, but died from pneumonia in 1936 during the harvest. The farm continued with Jenny Nancekivell and her 16 year old son.

In Nov. 1947, a fire destroyed the original barn and most of the cattle perished in the blaze. In 1948, the barn was replaced by a steel structure which included a stable cleaner. A machinery shed was added later. The herd of cattle was built up from the few survivors.

Charles married Ida Corbett in the summer of 1948. Over the years, the veranda and the porch were replaced, a milking parlour was added, an oil furnace replaced coal and wood heating. Charles Nancekivell passed away in 1993.

Although the cows are now sold and the land is rented out, the property has been in the Nancekivell name for over 112 years.

Ruth Nancekivell

Written 1995 by Ruth, granddaughter of Charles F Nancekivell – Nancekivell Family History

**Great Grandchild of Eliza Elliott and Charles Wilson**  
**Grandchild of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell**  
**Only child of Charles Foster Nancekivell and Jenny Carmichael**

Child: Charles Cameron

B 1920 Dereham Lot 22 Con 2

D 23 Oct 1993

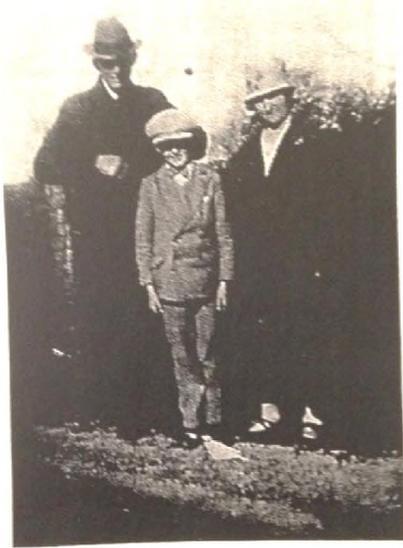
M 25 Aug 1948

Spouse: Ida Corbett

B 1921 London

D 15 Feb 2014 Ingersoll

Charles took over the family farm in Dereham township.



CHARLES FOSTER NANCEKIVELL,  
JENNY CARMICHAEL & THEIR SON  
CHARLES

“VOWS SPOKEN IN ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL  
In St. Paul's Cathedral, London, the marriage was solemnized of Ida May, younger daughter of Mrs. Corbett and the late Frederick Corbett, to Charles Cameron Nancekivell of Ingersoll, only son of Mrs. Nancekivell and the late Charles F. Nancekivell. “  
London Free Press 1948

Ida May was the daughter of Fred Corbett. He arrived in Canada in 1905. The family moved to London where it appears Ida was born. The family was found in Halifax in 1921 as her soldier father Frederick worked as a superintendent. Ida's father was a building contractor. His obituary says he was a key member of the construction of the Peace Bridge between Windsor and Detroit. Children Carol and Charles G both worked on the Nancekivell farm.

Children:	Carol Lynne (Miller)	B 1950
	Joan Ellen (Blay)	B 1952
	Charles Glen	B 1954
	Ruth Elaine	B 1959

*IDA Corbett Nancekivell*

*Peacefully with her family by her side at Alexandra Hospital, Ingersoll on Saturday, February 15, 2014 in her 94th year. Beloved wife of the late Charles Cameron Nancekivell (1993). Loving mother of Carol Miller, Joan Blay (Gary), Charles and Ruth Nancekivell. Cherished Grammie of Alycia, Chris (Paige) and Ian (Erin).*

## Grandchildren of Eliza Elliott and Charles Wilson Children of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell

**Fourth Child: Robert “Bert” Potter**

B 16 Jun 1878 Dereham (photo Pg 75)  
D 19 Jan 1967 Ingersoll (Salford home)  
M 20 Apr 1904

Spouse: Mable L Mayberry

B 21 Jun 1883 Dereham  
D 1973 Buried Harris St Cemetery,  
Ingersoll, Ont.



After the business meeting and journal reading, a program of races and contests and game of softball captained by Ross Mayberry, and Bert Nancekivell, were all greatly enjoyed by participants and spectators alike.

July 1, 1933 Mayberry family reunion Tribune

Bert was the fourth child of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell born at the homestead. According to the 1921 census his profession was cattle drover at age 42. He also lived for a time on Canterbury St. in Ingersoll. By 1962, voters record show that he had retired and was

living in Salford. Mable was the daughter of James Mayberry and Annie White. Mable and her sister Annie were married the same spring. Census and family history records indicate the couple had no children. Robert's younger sister Martha married Mable's brother Herbert Nancekivell. (pg 37)

#### BERT NANCEKIVELL PASSES IN 89TH YEAR

The death occurred in Alexandra Hospital, on Thursday, January 19th, of a well known and highly esteemed resident of Dereham [township], in the person of Bert Nancekivell. Born in Dereham [township], son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Nancekivell, he was in his 89th year and had spent most of his life in Dereham [township]. In 1904 he married the former Mabel Mayberry and farmed for a few years in Zorra [township], then until his retirement 11 years ago he farmed on the 1st concession of Dereham [township]. Later he moved to Saiford and was a member of the Saiford United Church. Possessing a genial and kindly nature he had won for himself a large circle of friends throughout the community.

### Grandchildren of Eliza Elliott and Charles Wilson

#### Children of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell

**Fifth Child: John Henry**

B 14 Oct 1879 Dereham

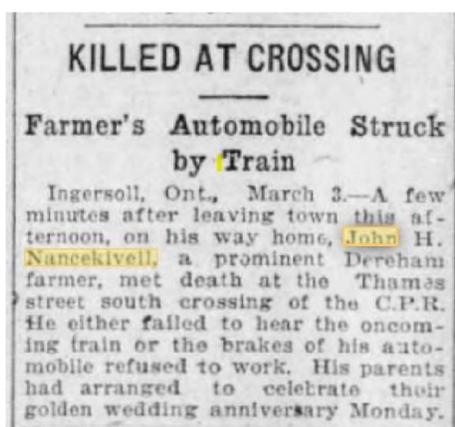
D 03 Mar 1922 Ingersoll

M 14 Feb 1906 Brownsville Oxford

Spouse: Harriet Ethel Smith

B 09 Jun 1879 Dereham

D 1949 London



Another farmer, he farmed Lot 22 Con 2 in Dereham. He met a tragic death in a car accident.

The accident left wife Harriet with 10-year-old Harold to raise. Harold's death, along with two stillborn children would have taken a toll on Harriett. She never remarried.

Montreal Gazette Mar 06, 1922

#### Children of John Henry Nancekivell and Harriet Smith

**Child: Blake** B 08 May, 1910-1910

Stillborn at family farm Lot 22 Con 2 Dereham.

**Child: Blanche** B 30 Nov, 1917-1917

Stillborn at family farm Lot 22 Con 2 Dereham

**Child: Harold Chauncey** B 12 Feb 1912 Dereham

D 10 Feb 1990 Collingwood township

Simcoe County

M 14 Sept 1936

Spouse: Agnes MacLennan B 12 Feb 1912 Massachusetts USA

D 01 May 1993, Ingersoll

“Harold tried his hand first as a druggist. In 1936 before their marriage, Harold and Agnes were listed on the voters lists as residents at a boarding house at 470 King St. in London. Within a year, they would be married. Agnes crossed the border unaccompanied, into Canada in 1928, at the age of 15. She crossed at Sarnia on her way to see her father Rev Farquhar MacLennan in Toronto. Why these circumstances existed is unknown. Harold was a London bookkeeper and Agnes a stenographer when they married.

He served in WWII with the Royal Canadian Army Service Corp. He rose to the rank of Captain and received a bravery medal. After the war he went to work as a clerk. By the 1970's he was working for the civil service. Agnes worked in the Canada Trust investment department and was involved in the London Little Theatre." (article London Free Press Jan 1956)

**CAPT Harold Chauncey NANCEKIVELL RCASC** Capt H.C. Nancekivell, 1058 Colbourne St., London, Ont. Auths-E42/6515 of 0812004 Nov 45

Ellis Island New York Service Paper.



Home at 1058 Colbourne St London

**Agnes (Mrs. Harold C.) Nancekivell**, well-known to LLT members, appears as Mrs. Larue. Last season she was seen as Lily Belle in "The Curious Savage" and will be remembered, too, for her work as Norah in "Shadow of the Tree" and as Frances Stewart in "At My Heart's Core". Agnes co-produced the Children's Theatre presentation of "Peter Pan", playing Mrs. Darling, and this, she says, was "the most fun of all". Employed in the Canada Trust Company's Investment Department 9 to 5, she turns to homemaking in the evenings, and this, she reports, involves one husband, three children and assorted pets. *L.L.T. Club, Agnes 1956*

**NANCEKIVELL** — Harold Chauncey C.D., U.E. (Captain in R.C.A.S.C.). Peacefully at his home in Collingwood Township on Saturday February 10, in his 78th year. Beloved husband and best friend of Agnes. Will be sadly missed by daughters Gail (Mrs. Kenneth Stapleton) of Dorchester, Judy (Mrs. Donald McKellar) of London, son Stephen of Toronto, and by grandchildren Laurie, Timothy (and wife Shirley), Kathleen and Arnee Stapleton, Susan (and husband Paul Faidulli), Jeffrey (and wife Lisa) and Lesley Phipps and one great granddaughter. Visitation at the McBeath Funeral Home, 246 Thomas St.

**Harold Nancekivell and Agnes MacLennan had three children:**

**Daughter: Gail** B 1937 Dereham D 2020 St Thomas



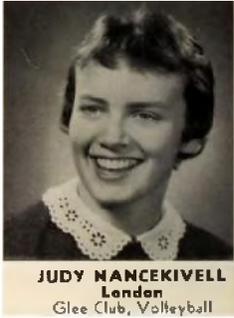
*Peacefully on Saturday, April 11, 2020, Gail Stapleton (nee Nancekivell) passed away at the age of 82 as a result of several health issues she had been diagnosed with and treated for over the past two years. She fought bravely but is now at peace.*

*Gail was very compassionate, insightful, and clever throughout her life. All who knew her were gifted with her presence and unwavering support. Gail had a special talent that gave her the ability to connect with anyone she met and make them feel as if they had known her for years. She was a very hard working and dependable woman and a kind and generous friend. Her smiles and laughs would light up a room. Gail's bright yet soothing spirit will be deeply missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing her, yet will be felt and not forgotten for years to come.*

*Gail is survived by her husband, Ken Stapleton, of 62 adventurous and cherished years, as well as her treasured daughter, Laurie Gail Stapleton, and beloved granddaughter, Miranda Laurie Gail Stapleton. Gail may be gone, but she will forever stay in the hearts and memories of those whose lives she touched.*

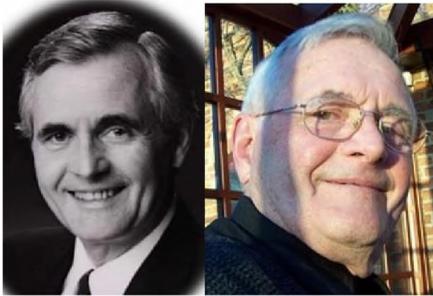
**Daughter: Judith Ellen** B 1939 Dereham D 2008 London  
 Spouse: Colin Phipps B 1931 Essex England D 2014 Brockville  
 Spouse: Don McKellar B 1926 St. Thomas D 2016 London

Judy appears to have married twice, first to Colin Phipps in 1961 then Donald McKellar. Judys first marriage took her to 331 Williams Ave in Milton where husband Colin worked in the Aviation field as a pilot based out of Pearson International Airport.



*Peacefully at Marian Villa on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 Judith (Judy) Ellen Nancekivell-McKellar. Dear wife of Donald McKellar. Dear mother of Susan Phipps, Leslie Phipps (Larry Gilpin) and Jeff Phipps. Dear grandmother of Bianca and Isabella Phipps, Grant, Jessica, and Lance Gilpin and Ashley Phipps. Dearly loved by Laura Jean McCann-McKellar, Ellar (Kathleen) McKellar, Ian McKellar, and Jean (John) Dollar. Dear sister of Gail and Ken Stapleton and Stephen Nancekivell. Dear aunt of Laurie Stapleton. Predeceased by her parents Harold and Agnes Nancekivell. A memorial service will be held at John T. Donohue Funeral Home, 362 Waterloo Street at King Street, on Thursday morning November 13, 2008 at 11 o'clock. Private interment in Ingersoll Cemetery. Donations to Multiple Sclerosis Society would be appreciated.*

**Obituary of husband Colin Phipps:**



*Peacefully entered into rest at the Kingston General Hospital on Monday December 8th, 2014. Colin will be forever remembered by his loving wife Rosemary Kennedy having shared 25 wonderful years of marriage. Beloved father of Susan Phipps and Jeffrey Phipps (Cynthia Redmond) of Ottawa, Lesley Phipps (Larry Gilpen) of London and Laura Lee Byers (Jim) of Brockville. He is survived by 8 grandchildren. Dear brother of Helen Jeffery (Bill) of Brighton, Carol Lett (David) of Victoria, Wendy Cyr (Steve) of Oshawa and the late Brian Phipps (Jean) of England (who passed earlier this year). Colin was one of the "Good Guys", well respected and loved by so many friends and family too numerous to mention. Colin was*

*a legend in aviation obtaining his Wings in 1949 as a member of the RAF, Flying Officer in the RCAF 1953-55, Licensed Aircraft Maintenance Engineer (AME) since 1955, Airline Transport Pilot Licence obtained in 1958, Production Test Pilot for The DeHavilland Aircraft of Canada LTD 1963-65, Chief Pilot Lundrigans LTD 1965-70, Chief Pilot Irving Oil 1970-73, President Air Craftsmen LTD 1973-78, Transport Canada Inspector 1978-1988, and still working in his 83rd year as an M1/M2 rated AME for all his Flying Club friends. He could be found the Zenith Aircraft Facebook Page giving advice on building personal airplanes.*



**McKELLAR, Donald A.**

*At University Hospital, London, Ontario on Sunday, August 28, 2016, Donald Andrew McKellar, MM, Mus Bac., ARCT, Amus, Professor Emeritus Don Wright Faculty of Music Western University. He was predeceased by his parents Dr. Hugh Ellar McKellar and Ellenora May McKellar (Andrews), his first wife Wesanne (nee Anderson), second wife Judy (Nancekivell), daughter Ellen Mary and brother Ian. He will be lovingly remembered by his children Laura Jean McCann (partner Allan Leitch) of Thorndale, Donald Ellar McKellar (partner Kathleen MacDonald) of Vancouver, grandchildren Wesdon McCann (husband*

*Gabe Traczuk), Laran McCann, Andrew McKellar, Colin and Kate MacDonald McKellar, and sister Jean Dollar (husband John) in London. Donald was born in St. Thomas, Ontario on May 25, 1926. His teaching career began at Nepean High School, Ottawa in 1950, continuing at Wheable High School in 1956 where he introduced the first curriculum Secondary School music program in London. At the Don Wright Faculty of Music from 1961-91, he was a Founding Chairman of the Music Education Department and Founding Associate Dean. He was President and Honorary Life Member of many Provincial, National and International Music Education organizations and was an Internationally recognized conductor and adjudicator. Don travelled the world extensively presenting in concert Canadian Youth Music organizations, Canadian music teachers, and adult music groups. He also authored articles in several noted music education journals. Don was the producer of many music productions at the National Arts Centre, Ottawa. He was the Musical Director at the London Little Theatre, now the Grand Theatre. In later years, he was conductor of the Mocha Shrine Historic Concert Band.*



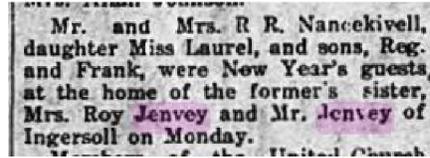
husband and father are his wife, three daughters, Mrs. Ralph Bowman [Doris], Ingersoll; Mrs. Stanley Fuller [Marion], Woodstock; and Mrs. Donald Houghton [Vera], Tillsonburg.



King St home of Roy and Sarah Jenvey

Roy was the brother of famed Ingersoll historian Byron Jenvey 1882 – 1980

Chronicle 05 Jan 1933



**Children of Sarah and Geo. Jenvey:**

**Doris Laurene**

B 1908 Dereham

D 1958 Ingersoll

Spouse: Ralph Waldo Bowman

B 1906 N Oxford

D 1988 Ingersoll

Lorne Bowman was a son of Ralph and Sarah Bowman



Lorne's 60-year pins

**BRO. LORNE BOWMAN 60 YEAR SERVICE AWARD**



Bro. Lorne Bowman is 85 years of age and was raised in Ingersoll, Ontario.

Lorne has held many occupations over the years from baker to printer and production control clerk. But he finally found his niche in Sales

when he settled in at Weatherhead in St. Thomas for 22 years and retired at the age of 55.

Lorne claims the early years his life were unsettled until he married Iris Miller in 1950. Lorne shared 43 yrs marriage with Iris until she past away from cancer. They raised 3 daughters and Lorne now has 8 Grand children and 3 Great Grand children to occupy his time.

Lorne now lives with his partner Liz and they

spend time in their Ingersoll home or the family cottage and winters in Florida with other snow birds .

Lorne 's Masonic journey began when a family friend W. Bro. Russ Stringer approached him to join the Craft Lodge and was cosigned by his Uncle whom he did not know was a member of the St. John's Lodge no. 68. And so the dye was cast on May 18, 1951.

Lorne considers his entry into Masonry and joining St. John's Lodge one of his greatest accomplishments by adhering to Masonic principals during the past 60 years.



**Children of Sarah and George Jenvey:**

**Child: Velma**

B 1912

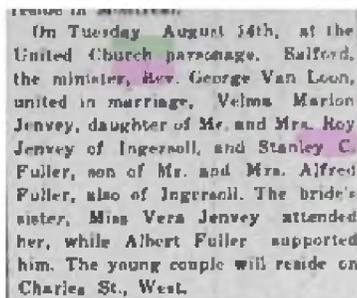
D 1994

M 14 Aug 1934

Spouse: Stanley Fuller

B 1908

D 2000



**Children of Sarah and Geo. Jenvey:**

**Child: Vera Evelyn** B 1917  
D 1978  
**Spouse: Don Houghton** B 1916  
D 2006

Stanley Fuller was born at Lot 13 Con 2 W Oxford. The 1912 birth certificate of daughter Velma shows the family as living on Lot 16/17 Con 1 W Oxford. This is the home of Velma's grandparents Sarah and Reuben Nancekivell. Stanley was a grocery salesman in his youth. Don Houghton was a tool maker when he married Vera.



Don Houghton  
Stanley Fuller  
Vera Jenvey  
(Houghton)  
Doris  
Jenvey (Bowman)  
Sarah Nancekivell Jenvey



Ralph Bowman

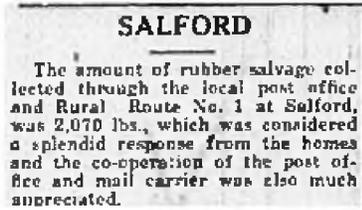
son Lorne Bowman

Wedding of Don Houghton and Vera Jenvey – Aug 29, 1939





Ingersoll Tribune 1942



“Dick” was a well-known Salford residence throughout his life. He owned the General Store, was a coal dealer and operated a local farm. Dick was the Salford Postmaster from 1938 until his death in 1956. Ironically his Prouse/George cousins, Andrew Stevens and wife Mary George were also Salford Postmasters in Salford prior to him. Edith would continue on as postmaster until death took her from the job. As well, a previous postmaster, William Wilkinson is also related to the

Elliott/Prouse family by marriage.

Name of Postmaster	Military status	Date of birth	Date of appointment	Date of vacancy	Cause of vacancy
Rev. Hy. Robinson (declined)					-
A.S. Harris			1855-11-01	1856-06-14	Resignation
Robert Nicholson			1856-11-01	1861-06-24	Resignation
William Boon			1861-10-01	1874-01-05	Resignation
John F. Snider			1874-07-01	1880-10-08	Resignation
James Dugoby			1881-01-01	1884	-
William Wilkinson			1885-03-01	1886-02-13	Resignation
Alfred Stevens			1886-04-01	1924-08-07	Death
Andrew A. Stevens			1924-09-19	1938-05-27	Death
Mrs. Margaret Nancekivell			1938-06-06	Acting	-
Reuben Richard Nancekivell			1938-07-07	1956-03-08	Death
Mrs. Edith Eloise Nancekivell		1888-05-04	1956-03-09	Acting	-

#### I. THE EDITH NANCEKIVELL MISSION CIRCLE (1952 – 1961)

In the summer of 1952 Mrs. Eleanor Wallace contacted young married women of the congregation who did not attend W.A. or W.M.S. Enough interest was aroused to form a Mission Circle for Bible Study and Mission work.

The choice of a name for this group presented a problem. Three suggestions were put forward and it was decided to choose by ballot. (Mrs. R. R.) Edith Nancekivell was overwhelmed and honoured to have her name chosen as the Mission Circle name. At this time Mrs. Edith Nancekivell had served as Oxford Presbyterial W.M.S. President.

In 1959 they changed their name to the Edith Nancekivell Evening Auxiliary rather than join W.M.S. They had regular monthly meetings until Dec. 1961 when they moved to discontinue and join the U.C.W.

*Courtesy: History of the Salford United Church*

**SALFORD POSTMASTER PASSES SUDDENLY**



Announcement of the sudden passing of Reuben Richard [Dick] Nancekivell, at his home in Saiford on Thursday morning last, came as a distinct shock to his immediate family and scores of friends. Apparently in his usual health on Wednesday, he made the usual mail delivery, and his passing was attributed to a stroke. Born in Dereham [township], son of the late Reuben and Sarah Nancekivell, he was in his 69th year, and had been a lifelong resident of Dereham [township]. He had been engaged in farming and for the past 44 years he had resided in Saiford. He had operated the general store in the village and for the past 18 years had been the genial and highly esteemed postmaster. He had always taken an active interest in the community and given of his time unstintingly to further its advancement. A member of the Saiford United Church, he had also served as an elder for many years. He was also a member of Dereham Lodge, No 624, Mount Elgin. Left to mourn the passing of a dearly loved husband and father are his wife, the former, Edith Gregg; two sons, Bert and Hagle's Corners and George of RR5 Ingersoll; 8 grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews.

**Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell Sr.  
Children of Reuben Richard "Dick" Nancekivell and Edith Gregg:**

First Child: Reginald "Reggie" Gregg	B 06 Jun 1912 Dereham D 13 Sept 1967 M 17 Jun 1944
Spouse Edith Kathleen Beauchamp	B 1912 D 06 Feb 1981

Reggie worked for a railroad company as a baggage handler before being listed as a general labourer in the 1945 and 1955 voters list census. The couple lived at 131 Wilson St in Woodstock. There is an indication in the 1962 voters list of Ingersoll that Edith and Reg were no longer living together as Edith was listed as a Mrs. Edith Nancekivell and is living with Albert Beauchamp on Dover Street in Woodstock while Reggie was living with his mother in Salford. Albert may have been Edith's brother.

**DOVER STREET**  
**21 Beauchamp, Albert, watchman** \_\_\_\_\_  
**21 Nancekivell, Mrs. Edith, housekeeper** \_\_\_\_\_

Reggie and Edith had two children:	Robert Gerald	B 1946 lives in Petawawa Ont.
	Stephen Gregg	B 1952 - D 2020 Woodstock



*NANCEKIVELL, Stephen- It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Stephen Nancekivell in his sleep on April 19, 2020, in his 69th year. Steve worked for several different firms in Woodstock and area, primarily in purchasing. Steve shared a residence and cared for Carol, his former wife until her passing June 2018. Steve loved sports and actively participated in ball, hockey, and golf in his younger days. He will be missed by his brother Bob and his wife Ursula of Petawawa*

## Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell Sr.

### Children of Reuben Richard "Dick" Nancekivell and Edith Gregg:

Second Child: Laurel Ethelwyn B 24 Dec 1914 Salford.

D 06 Aug 1983 Ingersoll

M 07 Apr 1938 Delhi

Spouse: Audrey Maxwell Wright B 01 May 1916 Dereham

D 24 Feb 2006 Woodstock

**WRIGHT:** Laurel (Nancekivell) Wright, R.R. 5, Ingersoll, died Saturday, August 6, 1983 at Alexandra Hospital at the age of 69.

Mrs. Wright is survived by her husband, Audrey M. Wright; sons Gary of St. Marys and Wayne of Thamesford, and daughter Mrs. Bob (Eloise) York of Salford. Also surviving are seven grandchildren.

She was predeceased by her son Richard in 1974, and by her brothers Frank and Reg Nancekivell.

Mrs. Wright was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nancekivell. She was a member of Trinity United Church and the church's UCW.

Audrey was born to the Oscar Wright family at Lot 14 Con 3 Dereham. After their marriage they lived in Alymer and later were found in Dereham. I have not found much information on the couple but believe she was a hair dresser in Alymer.

They had a son

Richard B 1943 D 1974,

daughter Lauren Eloise (Yoworski) B 1939 D 2005, and sons Gary and Wayne.

## Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell

Sr.

### Children of Reuben Richard "Dick" Nancekivell and Edith Gregg:

Third Child: Frank Laverne

B 30 Sept 1916 Salford

D Jan 1976 Woodstock

Spouse: Elsie Eden Robinson

B 28 Apr 1919 Lancashire, England

D 2003 Woodstock

Frank served in WWII as a private in the Army. In January 1945 an English Marriage index indicated a Frank L Nancekivell married an Elsie Robinson in Manchester, Lancashire, England. Elise was born in Lancashire and was a war bride. She came to Canada in January of 1946 as part of the Canadian Wives Bureau Repatriation Office. She arrived via Quebec City after the war. According to the 1949 voters list they lived at 141 Fyfe in Woodstock. After the war, Frank worked as a moulder and later worked for the hydro company in the 1950s. Later still he was a truck driver.

CANADIAN WIVES' BUREAU - CIVILIAN REPATRIATION SECTION				MILITARY DISTRICT NO. 1	
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SHEET NO. 2					
IMP.	COMP.	CTC	PPC	REGT. NO.	CHILDREN
19516	27533	A-9965		NANCEKIVELL, Elsie.	26, Himley Rd., Clayton, Manchester, 11, Lancs., Salford, Ont.
28038	28038				
885	DC	15888	21838	A-17150 Gr. GC.	HENRY, Irene B. Gordon A. 2y.10m. 25, Southwater Rd., St. Leonards, Sussex. Countryside, Ont.



"The term "war bride" refers to the estimated 48,000 young women who met and married Canadian servicemen during the Second World War. These war brides were mostly from Britain, but a few thousand were also from other areas of Europe: the Netherlands, Belgium, France, Italy and Germany. War brides also came to Canada after the

First World War. The official Government of Canada history of the First World War reports that an estimated 54,000 relatives accompanied the returning troops following demobilization. This remarkable group of Canadian citizens who, for love, followed their husbands. Where their returning Veterans went, these young women followed and made their new homes in their young and growing land. These women were welcomed to their new communities and new families. The contributions of these new Canadians would soon extend far beyond the walls of their homes as they entered into the life of their communities and enriched it with their many abilities and hard work. The years following the Second World War were ones of unprecedented change for Canada and our country's war brides have played an important part in the growth and development of the free and peaceful Canada that we enjoy today"

Government of Canada War Brides website

*NANCEKIVELL - At her residence on Wednesday June 18th, 2003. Elsie Nancekivell of Caressant Care, Woodstock and formerly of Pavey St., Woodstock in her 84th year. Beloved wife of the late Frank L. Nancekivell (1976). Dear mother of Rosemary Wrigglesworth and her husband Don of Woodstock and Ken Nancekivell and his wife Brenda of Thamesford. Dear sister of Ken and John Eden of England, cousin of Albert and Joan Risby of England. Elsie was involved with the Chancel Guild at Old St. Paul's Anglican Church where she had been a member for over 46 years, and was a member of the Over-Seas Club for many years. ¶*

#### **Daughter of Frank Nancekivell and Elsie Robinson:**



##### **Rosemary Laurel Wrigglesworth**

February 3, 1947 ~ November 18, 2023 (age 76)

*Rosemary Laurel Wrigglesworth (nee Nancekivell) of Woodstock in her 76th year passed away suddenly on Saturday, November 18th, 2023.*

*Beloved wife of Donald P. Wrigglesworth. Rosemary was a long-time member of Beta Sigma Phi, where she made so many cherished friends, who will miss her dearly. She was also a dedicated member of Old St Paul's Anglican Church*

*in Woodstock, where she volunteered her time and was loved by many.*

*Rosemary was kind, compassionate and caring. She had a huge heart and she wore it on her sleeve. She enjoyed a good book, made an excellent cup of tea, and loved her dog, Abbey, more than words.*

#### **Grandchildren of Sarah Wilson and Reuben Nancekivell Sr.**

##### **Children of Reuben Richard "Dick" Nancekivell and Edith Gregg:**

**Fourth and Last Child: Reuben**

B 22 Jan 1919- 25 Jan 1919

#### **Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott**

##### **Children of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott**

**Second child: John**

B 10 Aug 1846 or 1847

There is disagreement between Rootweb Baptism record and Find a Grave about birth year.

D 26 Jul 1851 Removed to IRC from family cemetery

REGISTER OF BURIALS.							
No.	NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.	WHERE BORN.	WHERE DIED.	WHEN DIED.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1	William Elliott	6		England	Dereham	July 17/58	Removal
3	John Seldon	2		England	Dereham	Mar 19/48	"
4	John Seldon	2		North Oxford	Dereham	Sept 15/4	"
	Ann Prouse	14		England	Dereham	July 5/49	"
	Sarah Prouse	6		Dereham	Dereham	Jan 29/54	"
	James Prouse	8		Dereham	Dereham	July 13/54	"
	John Wilson	4		Dereham	Dereham	July 26/57	"
	Mary Wilson	2		Dereham	Dereham	Aug 4/57	"
						July 5/58	"

### Children of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott

Third child: Foster

B 10 Mar 1849 Dereham

D 31 Aug 1923 Ingersoll

Spouse: Francis "Fannie" Partlow

B 12 Mar 1857 Ingersoll

D 22 Jan 1881 Ingersoll

Spouse: Matilda Poole

B 08 Aug 1855 Dereham

D 07 Jun 1945 Ingersoll



Foster Wilson

Fannie Partlow

Matilda Poole

Foster Wilson lived on his parent's farm in Dereham township. By age 23 his father had died and he was now the man to run the farm at Concession 1 Lot 21 Dereham township. In 1877, at age 28, he married Francis "Fannie" Partlow who was 20 years old. He purchased the 200-acre farm from his mother in June of 1878. Fannie died at age 24 during childbirth in 1881, leaving Foster with newborn son Charles Foster Wilson.

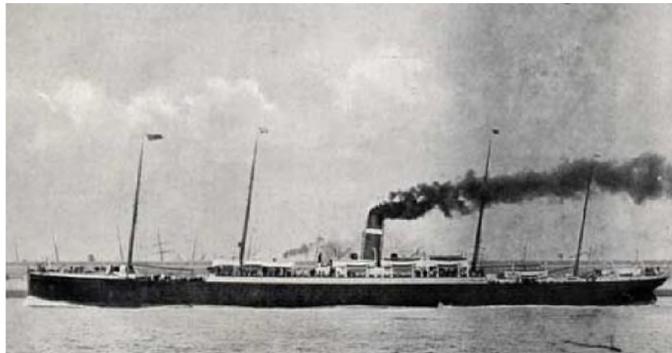


"Francis Wilson 24 yrs. Born Canada Dereham Died Jan, 22 in Childbirth"

IRC burial index 1880

Soon after Fannie's death, Foster married Matilda Poole. Matilda was a daughter of Ingersoll tailor Samuel Poole.

NAME IN FULL.	AGE	SEX	OCCUPATION	POSITION OF FATHER OR FATHER-IN-LAW AND FATHER, SHIPS OR ALL	NUMBER OF PIECES OF BAGGAGE	PORT OF EMBARKATION
JAMES MAE BELLAU	62	F	Farmer			
Foster Wilson	46	M	Farmer			
Matilda	40	F	Wife			
Robert G. McLaughlin	30	M	Physician	Canada	1	Liverpool
JAMES MAE BELLAU	62	F	Teacher	Canada	1	do
Foster Wilson	46	M	Farmer	do	do	do
Matilda	40	F	Wife	do	do	do
Samuel Bass	56	M	Doctor	do	do	do



In 1898 Foster and Matilda travelled to Liverpool, England on the Dominion Lines ship "Vancouver"—ships passenger list above. Upon their return they moved into Ingersoll to their new house on Francis St. in 1899. He retired from farming completely in 1918 and became a well-known land developer and builder in Ingersoll. The couple lived at 114 Francis St. in Ingersoll before they moved to a house that he had built at 253 Oxford St. He

lived at this address until his death in 1923. Martha continued alone in the big house as per the 1931 census but died at a Poole relative's home in Ingersoll 1945.

In the clipping: Mrs. Lyman is Foster's Prouse relative Trinity Lyman who was born at sea in the way to Oxford Co in 1846.



114 Frances St Building

Mr. Foster Wilson has purchased from Mrs. Lyman, the lot on the north side of Francis street, formerly owned by St. James' church, on which he will proceed at once to erect a modern dwelling house.

Mr. Jas. Stevens has purchased from Mr. Foster Wilson the house and lot at the corner of Albert and Ann streets.



### 253 Oxford Street

This home, built by Foster Wilson, a prominent Ingersoll builder, is similar in style to the one at 114 Frances St. by the same contractor. Chestnut woodwork, which was becoming popular, is used extensively throughout the house.

Foster Wilson with granddaughters Clara and Marion in Alberta (Est 1917)

**MONDAY, MAR. 20, NEXT**

at 3 o'clock in the afternoon the following valuable houses and lands in Ingersoll, namely:

All and singular these certain parcels or tracts of lands and premises situate, lying and being in the town of Ingersoll, in the County of Oxford and Province of Ontario, and being part of lot number twenty-one in the first and broken front subdivision in the township of West Oxford, and more particularly known and described as town lots numbers eighteen and nine in block "C" as laid down on a certain map or plan of the said town of Ingersoll, made by W. G. Worsham, Esq., P. L. S., and deposited in the registry office for the said county of Oxford.

And also being composed of lot number one on the corner of Worsham and Ann streets in McKay's survey, in the town of Ingersoll, as laid down on a map or plan of said property made by W. G. Worsham, P. L. S., for Josephine L. McKay, and registered in the registry office for the County of Oxford containing one-fifth of an acre more less.

On each of the above lots there is a comfortable residence in good condition, and the lots are in a good part of the town.

**TERMS OF SALE.**—One-fifth of the purchase money to be paid to the vendor's solicitor on day of sale, and the balance thereof within thirty days, when deed will be delivered and the purchaser let into possession or into receipt of the rents and profits thereof.

For further particulars apply to John Wilkinson on the premises, or to the undersigned.

**M. WALSH,**  
Solicitor for the Executors, Thos. Brown, Foster Wilson and Geo. M. Collins.



**FARM OF 200 ACRES, BRICK**  
house, bank barns, good orchard and fences, soil in excellent condition, well drained, good water, latest improvements, 20 acres of woods. For particulars and terms, address Foster Wilson, Ingersoll.

Sale of Wilson development lots in Ingersoll on July 21 1918

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Wilson, left to-day to spend a couple of months with their sons at Swalwell, Alta.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Wilson have returned home after spending seven months in the West.

Messrs. Thos. Poole, Foster Wilson, Geo. Sebben, A. Little, W. Agar, O. R. Patience, F. Harris and George Northmore, left this week via C. P. R., for the Northwest, where they will spend the next five or six weeks.

**Mrs. Matilda Wilson Passes in 90th Year**

A well known and esteemed resident of Ingersoll, in the person of Mrs. Matilda Wilson, widow of Foster Wilson, passed away last Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. M. A. Poole, 28 Charles street west.

Mrs. Wilson who was in her 90th year, had been in failing health for the past three years, and seriously ill for three months. She was born in Ingersoll and with the exception of 15 years spent in Dereham Township, her entire lifetime had been spent in Ingersoll, where she had endeared herself to scores of friends. Her husband predeceased her 20 years ago.

Left to mourn her passing are three sons, Theo, Swalwell, Alberta;

**THURSDAY**

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Wilson have returned home after an extended visit with their son at Vicksburg, Miss.

Harry, Victoria, B.C., and John, Memphis, Tenn.

The funeral was held from the Preston T. Walker Funeral Home on Tuesday afternoon, where service was conducted at two o'clock by Rev. R. H. Parr, assisted by Rev. R. A. Facey. There was a large attendance at the service, and the many floral tokens further testified to the esteem in which deceased was held. The

pallbearers were George Bartlett, W. H. Sutherland, Charles Christie, P. L. Smith, J. H. Banbury, all of Ingersoll and W. T. Orchard of London. Interment took place at the Ingersoll Rural Cemetery.

True belief is something more than a mere assent of the mind—ininitely more so, it is a possession of the heart.



In the Files of  
The Ingersoll Tribune  
Ingersoll - Ontario

48 YEARS AGO

Thursday, April 8th, 1900

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Wilson have retired from farming and have moved into Ingersoll to reside. On Thursday evening of last week some sixty of their former neighbours called upon them and after appointing Mr. Wm. Nancekivell master of ceremonies, an address was read to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson. As a memento of the esteem and affection of their friends, a silver tea service and basket were presented to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson by Mr. W. O. Edwards. Short speeches were made by Messrs. R. Harris, T. Seldon, S. Gregg, W. Edwards, G. Sibben, J. Markham, D. Robinson, W. Kurn and Wm. Nancekivell.

1923 Ingersoll Times

## DEATH CALLS FOSTER WILSON

**Well Known Citizen Passed  
Passed Away This Morning  
After Month's Illness.**

A four weeks' illness terminated about nine o'clock this morning in the death of Foster Wilson, at the family residence, Oxford Street. The end was not unexpected as his condition had been critical practically ever since he was stricken with paralysis four weeks ago yesterday. Up to the time that he was suddenly stricken, Mr. Wilson had enjoyed good health and seemed to be strong and robust. On the preceding Wednesday he attended the Union Sunday School picnic at Port Burwell, having made the trip by automobile, and he found the day one of extreme pleasure.

The late Foster Wilson was in his 75th year. He was a native of Oxford County, having been born in a pioneer home of log construction in Dereham Township. His boyhood

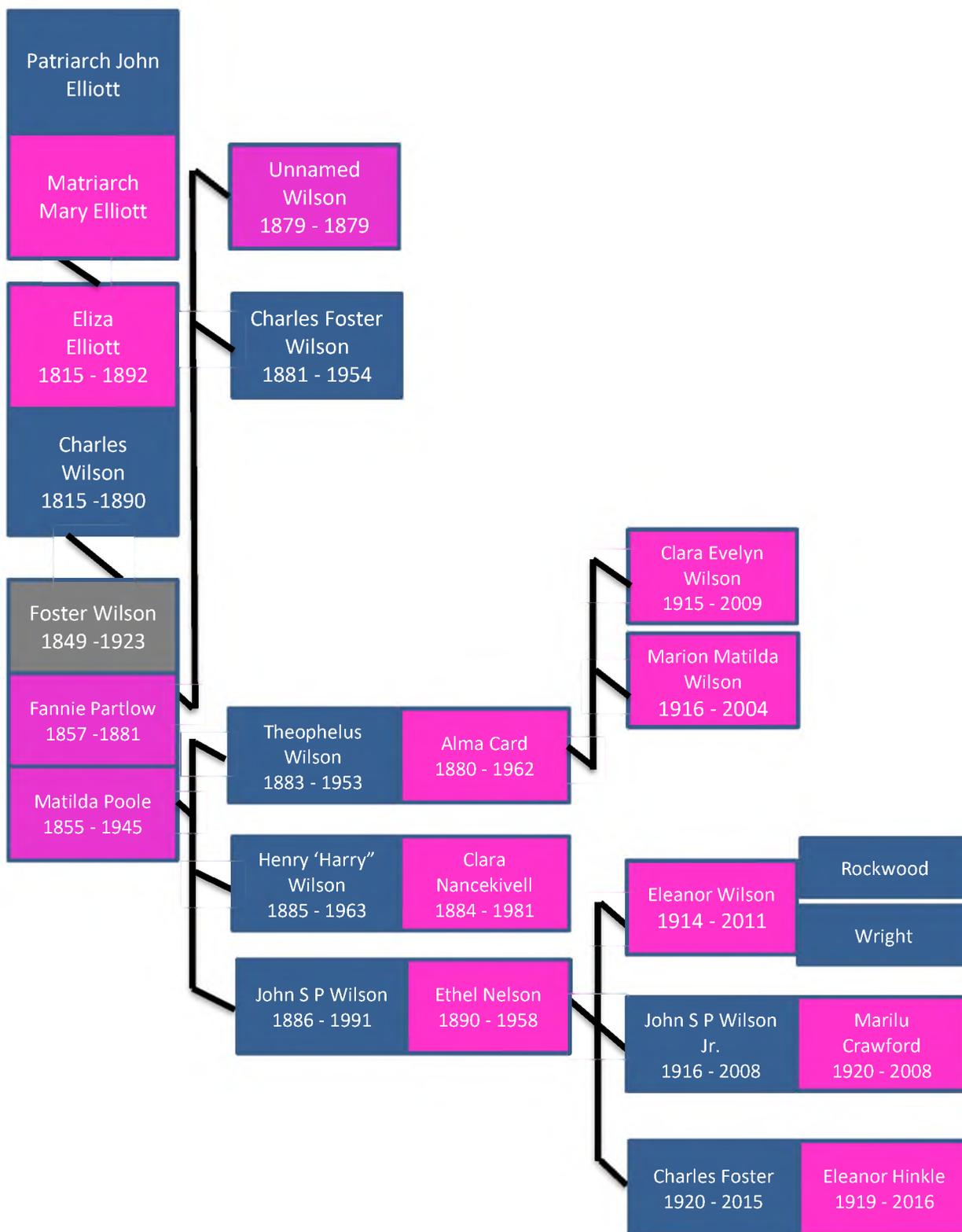
days were spent in Dereham, and it was there that he engaged in farming, which he followed most successfully. He was one of the best known men of the Township, and although of a retiring and unassuming disposition, he always manifested a keen interest in all community affairs. He had served the Township in the capacity of a School Trustee.

Some twenty-five years ago he came to Ingersoll and had since resided here. He was one of a little group of men who gathered at a convenient and hospitable place of business almost daily and looking back over years of toil and earnest activity, discussed many matters that were of deep interest to their own circle. He will be greatly missed by many of these associates.

Besides the widow, Mr. Wilson is survived by four sons, as follows: Charles, of Radisson, Sask.; Theo. L., of Swadwell, Alberta; Harry L. Victoria, H.C., and J. S. P., of Vicksburg, Miss.

The funeral (private), will be held Sunday afternoon to the Ingersoll Rural cemetery. Services at the house at 2.30 o'clock.

**Children and Spouses of ...  
Foster Wilson and wives Fanny Partlow and Matilda Pool**



**Grandchildren of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott**  
**Children of Foster Wilson and 1<sup>st</sup> wife Fannie Partlow**

First: Unnamed

B 1879 – D 1879

**Grandchildren of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott**  
**Children of Foster Wilson and 1<sup>st</sup> wife Fannie Partlow**

Second child: Charles Foster

B 19 Jan 1881 Dereham

D 05 Oct 1954 Komoka\* Alberta (IRC records)



\* There is no place called Komoka in Alberta. I suspect the paperwork is wrong regarding the town name. Charles's mother Fannie died a few days after giving birth to him on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January, 1881. He grew up on his father's farm with his step siblings and stepmother. Like many other young men in the early 1900s, he migrated west to the now opening prairie provinces. Land was cheap and the work hard but with perseverance it was possible to start a successful farm. He was 25 and single when he procured Section 13, Township 40, Range 10, Meridian W3 in the Borden/Radisson North Bend SSK

area according to the Saskatchewan 1906 census. This area is halfway between Saskatoon and North Battleford, Saskatchewan. He continued to work the land for many years but censuses indicate he never married. By his 50th year he was a farm labourer on Edward Smith's grain farm at Section 19, Township 40, Range 10 Meridian 3, NE of Radisson, where he made \$250/yr. He died 6 months after younger step brother Theo and is buried in IRC.

106	107	Wilson Charles F	40	10	3	1906	10	20
106	107	Wilson Charles F	40	10	3	Great Bend	Head of	30

1906 census – Saskatchewan

Wilson Charles	19	40	10	3	-	-	-	-	-	Judge	5	50
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1931 Census: Great Bend Saskatchewan

**Grandchildren of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott**  
**Children of Foster Wilson and 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Matilda Poole**

First Child: Theophilus Leroy B 24 Apr 1883 Dereham

D 05 Apr 1954 Bow River or Calgary Alberta as per IRC registry.

M 06 Dec 1909 Worcester Mass.

Spouse: Alma Elizabeth Card B 19 Aug 1880 Ingersoll

D 16 May 1962 Calgary

Theo was the first child born to Foster and second wife Matilda Poole. By 1903, 20-year-old Theo was working for the Ingersoll post office. The following March of 1904, he moved to the Woodstock post office.



**WILSON BROTHERS**

The hardware business now conducted by Messrs. Theo L. and Henry L. Wilson, was established by Wilson & Robertson thirty years ago. In 1868 it became Robertson & McKay, and on Mr. McKay's retirement from the firm a short time ago, Mr. R. J. Robertson took Harry L. Wilson into partnership. Recently he disposed of his interest to Theo L. Wilson and retired from the business. They occupy a fine large store well stocked with shelf and heavy hardware, mechanics tools, builders' findings, paints, brushes, cutlery, glass, etc., in fact everything that a well regulated hardware dealer is expected to keep for sale. The store is 90x27, two stories high, with a basement, fitted with elevators and all the necessary equipment for handling heavy goods.

**HE WAS SURPRISED.**

POST OFFICE STAFF HONOR MR. THEO. WILSON, WHO IS ABOUT TO LEAVE FOR WOODSTOCK.

From Saturday's Daily.

Mr. Theo. Wilson, for two and a half years money order and savings bank clerk at the post office, who severs his connection with that institution to-night to join the staff of the Woodstock post office, was very kindly remembered by his fellow members of the staff last night. On invitation of Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald the party assembled at their residence, post office building. Mr. Wilson being in ignorance as to the object of the gathering, he was most agreeably surprised when the following address was read by Postmaster Gibson and he was handed a handsome set of brushes by Miss Dundass:

(Theo. Wilson of the post office staff and Edward Francis, Brantford, left this morning to spend two weeks at Quebec City. They were ticketed through by Mr. D. G. Cuthbertson.)

Sometime around 1905, Theo and brother Henry "Harry" became owners of the Wilson Bros. hardware store in Ingersoll. Brother Harry was a part owner before Theo bought into the store by buying out part owner R J Robertson. Both brothers were in their early 20s when they became co-owners. The brothers were removed from the business by midsummer 1909 as Theo had moved to Massachusetts. Ingersoll Illustrated Souvenir Edition Chronicle 1907

When Theo was living in Worcester Mass., he married the granddaughter of his uncle Thomas Elliott in December of 1909. She was Alma Card, of Rochester, NY. Alma was the daughter of Joseph Card and Louisa Elliott of Ingersoll. Why she was living in Rochester at the time is unknown. Theo was a travelling salesman at the time of his marriage. Travelling is the key word here as the couple, like older step brother Charles Wilson, moved to Alberta soon after the wedding. It appears that Theo and Alma later divorced. The 1911 census indicated that she was no longer living with Theo but was living with her brother Clarence Card and her year-old daughter Gertrude in Swift Current, Sask. (1911 census below)

Wilson Almer.	husband.	7.	Head	H. Aug.	1891	30	Ont.
Wilson Clarence.	"	11.	Boomer	P. Aug.	1875	26	Ont.
Wilson Gertrude L.	"	7.	Daughter	O. Jan.	1910	1	USA.

She remarried in Calgary on the 21<sup>st</sup> of April, 1915 to well known Calgary clothier Harry Flumerfelt. In 1916 Theo was living in Alberta with his brother Henry and his family in Swalwell, Alberta. The following 1921 census had him as a lodger living on Main St. in Swalwell as his brother and family had moved to Victoria, BC. Swalwell is a hamlet about 100 km. northeast of Calgary and near Drumheller. Theo ran a

store in Swalwell for a number of years and then bought a gas station and co-op store in nearby Linden AB.



Swalwell Alberta 1920. (courtesy: Prairie-Towns.com)

A Historical Perspective

The Mennonite farmers that first settled in Linden in the mid 1930's brought a sense of optimism, a work ethic and a rich cultural and spiritual tradition that still exists today. It was this spirit that led to the founding of a cheese factory in the Depression era that gained national status for its quality cheese. Shortly after that venture, an equally successful trading Co-op was founded. These early experiences set the tone of co-operation, combined with hard work that is still an important part of Linden's business community today. Linden was incorporated into a village in 1964 with 264 residents. This has more than tripled today. Over the years new business and new residents have continued to move in and enjoy all the benefits and natural beauty that Linden has to offer.



Linden Co-op Store

It appears he never remarried. He died in Calgary, Alberta in 1953 a year after moving there to retire. He is buried in IRC. There is some confusion as to his death date. The tombstone and Find a Grave list 05 April 1953, IRC registry lists 05 April 1954, the Alberta Death Index has Dec 30 1953 and the Calgary Herald prior to Dec 21 1953.

**ELEVATORS FULL AND CARS NEED SWALWELL**

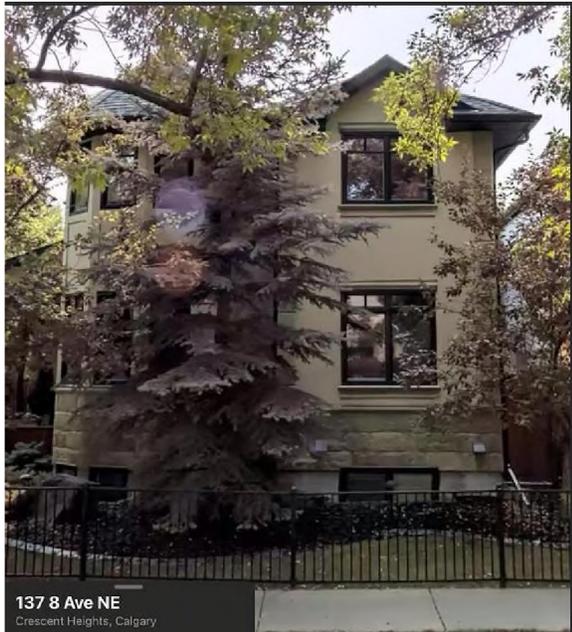
SWALWELL, Nov. 13.—**Theo. L. Wilson** has purchased the C.R. Nash general store stock here and has placed it at sale prices in order to dispose of it quickly.

**SWALWELL**  
A-1 Service Station  
Linden Trading Co-Op.  
**Theo. Wilson**

Calgary Herald 1947

Calgary Herald 1931  
Ingersoll Chronicle 1916

**Mr. and Mrs. Foster Wilson, left to-day to spend a couple of months with their sons at Swalwell, Alta.**



Calgary Herald  
 Mon, Dec 21, 1953 · Page 22

**Theo Leroy Wilson**  
 Theo Leroy Wilson, 70, an old timer in the Swalwell district until his retirement to Calgary this year, died Sunday at his home, 137 8th Ave. N.E. He was born in Ingersoll, Ont., and moved to Swalwell in 1911.  
 Surviving are two brothers, Harry, of Victoria, B.C., and John, of Memphis, Tenn.  
 Rev. R. Erskine Pow will officiate at the funeral service in Gooder Brother's funeral home Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. Cremation will follow.

Theo's resident may have been a multifamily home at the time he lived there.

**Grandchildren of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott  
 Children of Foster Wilson and 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Matilda Poole**

**Second Child: Henry Launcelot "Harry" B 1885 Dereham**  
 D 24 Jan 1963 Victoria  
 M 15 Sept 1910  
 Spouse: Clara Maude Nancekivell B 10 Dec 1884 Ingersoll  
 D 25 Sept 1981 Victoria



Harry's wife Clara was a Nancekivell relative through marriage via uncle Rubeen Nancekivell's brother William. He and Maud married in 1910.

Date of Ceremony Sept 15 1910  
 Place Ingersoll  
 County of Oxford  
 Name of Groom Henry Launcelot Wilson  
 Name of Bride Clara Maude Nancekivell  
 Name of Witness Wilhelmina M. Brown  
 Residence Dereham Pp  
 Name of Witness Theophilus Leroy Wilson  
 Residence Ingersoll  
 Name of Minister R. J. M. Perkins  
 P.O. Address Ingersoll  
 Denomination Anglican

Harry was part owner of the Wilson Bros. clothing and hardware store in Ingersoll. However, like both older brother and step-brother, Harry moved to and lived in Alberta in 1916 with his young family. For a time, his step-brother Theo boarded with them. Harry was also a born merchant and I suspect he and his brother Theo arrived in the area together to open a store in Swalwell. This venture was short lived for Harry as the 1921 census had the family, minus Theo, living at 12211 Hampshire Rd. Oak Bay, BC. Harry, who went by H L Wilson throughout his life was busy with politics as soon as he arrived in Victoria/Oak Bay. He was co-owner of a soap and pumice company.

**Glycerine and Pumice Soap, made  
 in Victoria. 4 cakes for . . . . 22¢**

**COUNCILLOR OF  
OAK BAY TENDERS  
HIS RESIGNATION**

**Nominations Will be Received  
For Seat Vacated by  
H. L. Wilson**

Councillor **H. L. Wilson** of Oak Bay tendered his resignation at the regular meeting of the Oak Bay Council held last night in the Municipal Hall with Reeve Herbert S. Anscomb presiding. His retirement was accepted by the council with regret.

The retiring councillor was elected to the governing body of the municipality two years ago, and last year he was elected again for a one year term. He has only served half of this term.

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Members of Council this year were: Reeve H. Anscombe; Councillors Thomas Ashe, H. L. N. Edwards, E. C. Hayward, W. H. Mearns, C. F. L. Money and **H. L. Wilson**.

Councillor Wilson resigned on May 21, 1926 and was replaced by T. J. Goodlake by acclamation. G Murdoch, "The History of Oak Bay 1968" "In mid-summer several complaints were received by Council about cows running at large and damaging property, and also of the noise caused by the bellowing of cows tethered on private property. These complaints were referred to the Chief of Police for attention".

By 1925 he was elected as a city councillor in Oak Bay. He was also involved in the Liberal Party organization in Victoria, was an avid lawn bowler, bridge player and an aeroplane pilot as early as 1925. Wife Clara Nancekivell, from the large Nancekivell clan of Dereham, was involved in the Canadian Daughters League throughout her lifespan and was considered the Victoria branch historian and was spearheading the adoption of an official flag for Canada as early as 1932. (Victoria Times May 13, 1932). She later was elected as President of the National Council. The couple and two daughters were noted many times in the social

circles through the 1920s to 1940s in the Victoria Newspapers. It would be interesting to know if they were aware of the number of Elliott relatives that ran in the same social circle in Victoria at that time. In the 1931 census, the family ran into hard times as Henry was unemployed as many were during the Depression. When the couple retired, they moved into a small apartment building a block from the ocean in the James Bay district of Victoria. After his death, his wife and unmarried daughters Clara and Marion lived in an apartment at 1050 Parkington St. in downtown Victoria and later for many years at the 1340 Apt #312 Stadacona Apartment complex in Victoria. (photo)



1922 Victoria Times

**OFFICERS CHOSEN**

The report also contained reference to the conference of a life membership in the post upon Mrs. J. Stuart Yates, first past-chief factor, and upon Mrs. **H. L. Wilson**, President of the National Council of Women, also to the visit of the Grand Chief Factor in November last.

**Warned Motor Driver.**—In the city police court this morning Magistrate Jay dismissed a charge of ignoring the instructions of a traffic control officer which was laid against **H. L. Wilson**. "Possibly you did not see the signal to stop, you should keep your eyes open. We are not strict in Victoria, but such an act in a large city means immediate arrest," admonished the Bench.

Building operations have also been started by H. L. Wilson, 1271 MacKenzie Street; L. A. B. King, Miss and Finlayson Streets; M. Turner, 524 Cecilia Street; R. D. Davis, 1772 Lillian Road, and F. H. O'Neil, 2201 Fernwood Road.

## WILSON'S



Kill them all, and the germs too. 10c a packet at Druggists, Grocers and General Stores.

## Annual Dinner Held By Club

Former residents of Ontario gathered in Spencer's dining-room last night for the annual dinner of the Oxford County Association.

The chair was taken by the president, E. L. Hill, who gave a summary of Oxford news published last autumn by a London, Ont., newspaper. Mr. Hill showed also a list of public school promotions in Woodstock, Ont., of 1925, showing Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Premier of British Columbia, at the head of the senior lists. C. R. E. Ferris of the government Travel Bureau, showed several reels of moving pictures.

Those present were: E. L. Hill, Miss Marjorie Hill, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Wilson, Misses Marion and Evelyn Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. R.

## WORK PROCEEDS ON AEROPLANE HANGAR

### Building For Eve Brothers Will be Completed Next Month

Work is proceeding to an advanced stage on the aeroplane hangar being constructed for Eve Brothers, at Landsdowne Road and Hillside Avenue.

Construction of the building is being supervised by H. L. Wilson, who will act as pilot for the flying school to be operated by Cecil and Ernest Eve.

The hangar was to have been completed by the first week in January, but due to the present cold weather, work may be delayed. The carpenters are at present constructing the roof.

When completed, the building will accommodate six small type planes.

During the next few weeks workmen

Victoria Daily Times > 25 Sep 1920, Sat > F

WILSON—January 24, 1963, at Victoria, Henry Launcelot Wilson, of 635 Battery Street, aged 77; born in Ingersoll, Ontario, a resident of this city since 1921. Survived by his wife, Maud; two daughters, Marion and Evelyn, at home; one brother, John S. P. Wilson, of Memphis, Tenn.

Times Colonist > 30 Dec 1927, Fri > Pa

WILSON — On September 25, 1961, at Royal Jubilee Hospital, Mrs. Clara Maude Wilson, aged 96 years, of 112-1430 Stadacona Avenue, formerly of Granite Street. Mrs. Wilson was a member of the C.N.I.B. and the Oak Bay Senior Citizens Club. Predeceased by her husband, Harry, in 1963, she is survived by two daughters, Evelyn and Marion, both at home, and one nephew, William B. P. Brown, London, Ontario.

Photo of Henry with wife Maud and daughter Marion and Clara between them.  
Ancestry member post

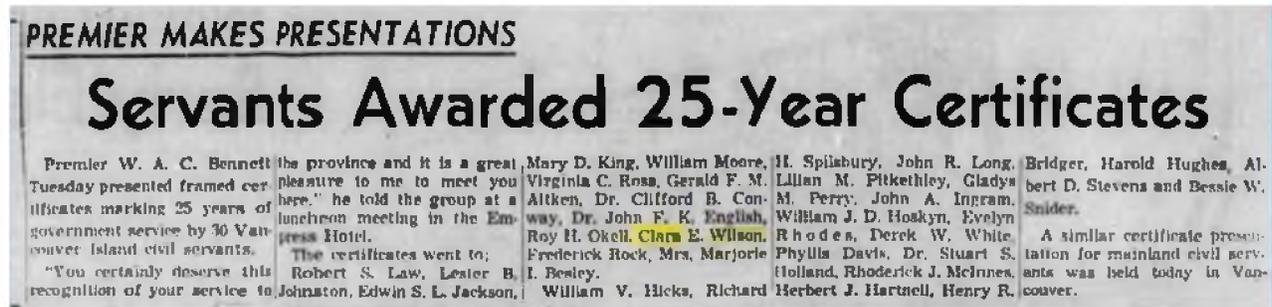


The two daughters of Harry and Clara were born in Swalwell, were close in age and inseparable in life. Educated in Victoria, Marion was a stenographer as was her sister. Clara worked for many years for the BC Government. After their father's death, the girls lived with their mother in the 1430 Stadacona Ave apartment complex in Oak Bay.

The sisters were heavily involved in the Kings Daughters relief organization during WWII and later were involved in many charities. Neither were married and the sisters were cremated and buried together in IRC in Section I.

**Daughters of Henry and Maud Wilson**

**Clara Evelyn** B 15 May 1915 Swalwell, AB  
D 10 April 2009 Victoria BC Hospital



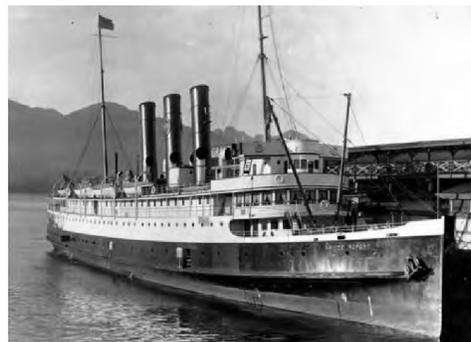
1964 Victoria Times

*WILSON, Clara Evelyn Died April 10, 2009 at VGH. She was born May 5, 1915 in Swalwell, Alberta. She was predeceased by her beloved sister, Marion in 2004. A graduate of Oak Bay High School, Victoria College and UVic; she worked as a bookkeeper for the provincial government for many years. She was a long-time member of the Oak Bay United Church, and particularly enjoyed the Friday Fellowship Group. She was also active at the Monterey Community Centre where she played crib and attended photo club meetings. Her family and friends will remember her spirited presence, her commitment and her generosity.*

**Daughters of Henry and Maud Wilson**

**Marion Matilda** B 04 Nov 1916 Swalwell, AB  
D 03 Aug 2004 Victoria BC Hospital

*WILSON Marion Matilda - Born on November 4, 1916 in Swalwell, Alberta. She lived most of her life in Victoria and died peacefully at the Central Care Home on August 3, 2004. Special thanks to the staff at Central Care Home and Dr. James Houston for their exceptional care. She will be greatly missed by her sister, Evelyn Wilson.*



The sisters vacation cruised to Alaska in 1946 aboard the SS Prince Rupert.

*"Prince Rupert's life was uninteresting or uneventful. In fact, the Prince Rupert could be thought of as either the luckiest or unluckiest ship depending on your viewpoint. This is because the Prince Rupert endured no less than seven serious accidents in the span of thirty-four years, and yet not a single person was ever killed."* BC Maritime Museum

**Grandchildren of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott  
Children of Foster Wilson and 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Matilda Poole**

Second Child: John S.P. Sr.

B 1886 Ingersoll  
D 1981 Memphis  
M 01 Sept 1913 Western Springs Ill.  
B 09 Nov 1890 Newport, Arkansas  
D 03 Mar 1958 Memphis

Spouse: Ethel Mildred Nelson

J. L. FICKETT, JONES STREET.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. P. Wilson, of Chicago, who has been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Wilson, Oxford street, for the past two weeks, have returned home.

Chronicle Jan 1 1914

**THURSDAY**  
Mr. and Mrs. Foster Wilson have returned home after an extended visit with their son at Vicksburg, Miss.

Chronicle April 15 1915

John Samuels Poole Wilson was born in Dereham in 1886. In 1903, 18-year-old John left the family farm to seek his fortune emigrating to the USA via Port Huron. US naturalization papers indicate that he applied for citizenship as early as July of 1913 when he was living in Chicago. This is likely where he met his wife Ethel Nelson who was from Western Springs, Illinois a suburb of Chicago. They married 01 Sept 1913 and moved to Vicksburg, Miss. and at age 22, he became the sales manager of the Houston Bros. Lumber Company. He became a US citizen in July 01, 1917. It appears he had a draft card for WWI but did not serve. In 1930 he was a naturalized American living with his family in Vicksburg, Miss. By 1935 he was living in a bungalow on Evergreen St. in Memphis, Tenn. and working for the Houston Bros. company in a new branch office. He left the company and started and operated his own Wilson Lumber Company in 1947. The business thrived and has been run by multiple generations in the family. He died in 1981 and is buried in Memphis.



Edith died 25 years before her husband. Her death was from pneumonia and was unexpected.

A Look At Lumber—

## New Wilson Firm Succeeds Father's Wholesale Company

By EMMETT MAUM

After being out of the hardwood lumber business 18 years, Charles F. Wilson has returned with formation of Wilson Lumber Co., wholesale firm, successor to J. S. P. Wilson, also a wholesale company, started by his father Jan. 1, 1947.

J. S. P. Wilson, one of the best-known lumbermen in the South, is still active. "Now he's my star salesman," remarked his son of the 78-year-old Mr. Wilson.

Two coincidences mark their lumber careers. Both started out as stenographers for lumber firms and each bought his first lumber from D. B. Floyd, a Sardis, Miss., sawmill operator.

The younger Mr. Wilson left Nixon Lumber Co., where he was vice president in charge of purchasing, to start his business. He had been with Nixon 15 years. Although now dealing in hardwoods, Mr. Wilson will continue being associated with softwoods and plywoods. He does business from a walnut-paneled office in his home at 1120 Audubon Drive.

Early in January, 1947, the elder Mr. Wilson drove to Sardis and bought three carloads of cypress from Mr. Floyd, whom he did not know personally at the time. The same day, Mr. Wilson sold the lumber here.

Seventeen years later, Charles F. Wilson, beginning a trip to visit Mid-South sawmills, made his first stop at Sardis. He bought a car of lumber from Mr. Floyd.

The younger Mr. Wilson started as a lumber company stenographer in 1939. During World War II, he managed the office of a Vicksburg, Miss., plant built for war production. After the war, he returned to Memphis as assistant to the president of Gates Lumber Co.

Four years later, when William P. Nixon, longtime vice president of Gates, formed Nixon Lumber Co., Mr. Wilson joined the firm.

J. S. P. Wilson, who has sold many millions of board feet of lumber, entered the industry as a stenographer for George T. Houston Co. 81 years ago in Chicago. He transferred to Vicksburg in 1907, then began covering the entire United States, Ontario and Western Canada in 1911. He moved back to Vicksburg late in 1913.

Mr. Wilson became sales manager for Houston Brothers Lumber Co., Vicksburg, in 1917, and stayed 14 years. He was named sales manager for the Anderson-Tully Co. Lumber department here in 1932, his last position until opening his wholesale business.

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LONG EXPERIENCE MERGED—Charles F. Wilson (right) has formed his own firm, Wilson Lumber Co., and his "star salesman" is J. S. P. Wilson, his father, who has been in the industry 81 years. The younger Mr. Wilson inspects a board while his father watches.

—Staff Photo

## Death Claims John Wilson At 95; Retired Lumberman

John S. P. Wilson, 95, a retired lumberman who estimated he sold more than 700 million board feet of lumber during his career, died at 4:30 p.m. yesterday at Bright Glade Convalescent Center.

The J. S. P. Wilson Trophy, given to the "Lumberman of the Year" annually by the Lumberman's Club of Memphis was named in his honor. The trophy signifies "integrity and devotion to the lumber industry and service in national and community affairs."

Mr. Wilson spent 62 years in the industry.

He was sales manager for Anderson-Tully Co. here from 1932 until 1947, and upon retirement started his own firm, J. S. P. Wilson Lumber Co., specializing in hardwoods, cypress and pine.

An associate termed him "one of the most prominent hardwood men in the nation ... a fine old gentleman."

Born in Ingersoll, Ontario, Mr. Wilson came to the United States in 1903. He began his lumber career as a stenographer in Chicago, moved to Vicksburg, Miss., in 1907 and in 1917 became sales manager for Houston Brothers Lumber Co., then considered to have the second largest hardwood sawmill in the world.

In 1967, he was one of five lumbermen selected to record career experiences for the Memphis State University oral history program.

He was a member of the Lumbermen's Club of Memphis and Bellevue Baptist Church and a former member of the Tennessee Club and Chickasaw Country Club.

His wife, the former Ethel Nelson, died about 25 years ago. He leaves a daughter, Mrs. John Rockwood of Washington; two sons, John S. P. Wilson Jr. of Dadesville, Ala., and Charles F. Wilson of Memphis; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Memorial Park Funeral Home has charge

The family asks that any memorials be sent to the National Hardwood Lumber Association Inspection School.



Mr. Wilson

### Mrs. J. S. P. Wilson Sr.

Mrs. Ethel N. Wilson, wife of J. S. P. Wilson Sr., lumberman, died at 4:30 p.m. yesterday after several years illness. She was 67.

Mrs. Wilson was born in Darlington, Wis., and, with her husband, lived in Vicksburg, Miss., about 20 years before moving to Memphis some 25 years ago. Her home was at 660 N. Hollywood and she was a member of Bellevue Baptist Church.

Her husband's firm of J. S. P. Wilson operates in Memphis and Hollywood, Miss.

She also leaves two sons, J. S. P. Wilson Jr., Akron, Ohio, and Charles F. Wilson, Memphis; her daughter, Mrs. S. H. Wright, Washington; two broth-

Memphis Commercial Appeal  
Newspaper - various dates

## Grandchildren of Foster Wilson and Matilda Poole

### Children of John S P Wilson Sr. and Ethel Nelson:

Child: Eleanor Beatrice B 05 Sept 1914 Vicksburg Miss.  
 D 14 May 2011 Memphis

Spouse: John N Rockwood B 1905 Washington DC  
 D 09 July 1982 Walter Reed Hospital Washington DC



Eleanor worked for the FBI in the 1940s based in Virginia and Washington DC. She married twice, (Wright and Rockwood). Husband John Rockwood whom she married in 1977 was a retired Air Force Colonel having served in Korea. Educated at George Washington University, he was a stockbroker in NT city from 1924 to 1937 and in 1937 returned to Washington as director of DC Works Projects Administration. He joined the army air force in 1942. He had worked in NY as a stockbroker before being hired by the US federal government as Director of Employment for the DC Public Works. He is buried in Arlington Cemetery. After the military, he founded a real estate company, retiring in 1980. The couple lived in Arlington Virginia.

### Children of John S P Wilson Sr. and Ethel Nelson

Child: John Samuel Poole Jr. B 17 May 1916 Vicksburg Miss.  
 D 18 Oct 2008 Memphis  
 M 04 Oct 1940 Des Moines, Iowa

Spouse: Marilu Crawford B 11 Aug 1920 Mississippi  
 D 17 Jun 2008 Memphis

He was in industrial relations for the B F Goodrich Tire Company of Akron, Ohio in the 1950s. Prior to that he was an FBI agent based out of Des Moines Iowa. He moved several times in his career including to Iowa, Ohio, Alabama and eventually he settled in Memphis. He also worked with the FBI as a special agent. His wife predeceased him by 4 months.

SERIAL NUMBER <b>1713</b>	1. NAME (Print) <b>JOHN SAMUEL POOLE WILSON, JR.</b>	ORDER NUMBER <b>3726</b>
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6. DATE OF BIRTH <b>MAY 17 1916</b>		7. STATE OF BIRTH <b>MISSISSIPPI</b>
8. NAME OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS <b>MR. J. S. P. WILSON</b>		9. RELATIONSHIP OF THAT PERSON <b>FATHER</b>
10. ADDRESS OF THAT PERSON <b>775 N. EVERGREEN MEMPHIS SHELBY IOWA</b>		
<b>FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION</b>		
11. ADDRESS (Print) <b>739 INS. EXCHANGE BLDG. DES MOINES POLK IOWA</b>		
12. SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <b>J.P. Wilson Jr.</b>		

### MARILU CRAWFORD WILSON, 87,

of Kirby Pines Estates passed away on June 17, 2008. She is survived by her husband of 67 years, John S. P. Wilson, her daughters Diane W. Simmons of Snellville, GA and Marilyn W. Keinath of Boulder, CO,



JOHN S. P. WILSON Jr, 92, of Kirby Pines Estates passed away Oct. 18, 2008. He was a graduate of the University of Memphis School of Law and a former Special Agent of the FBI. He retired after 33 years as an executive with the B.F. Goodrich Co. Preceded in death by his wife of 67 years, Marilu C. Wilson. He is survived by daughters, Diane W. Simmons, Snellville, GA, and Marilyn W. Keinath of Boulder, CO; brother, Charles F. Wilson and sister Eleanor W. Rockwood, both of Memphis; grandsons, Bryan and David Simmons of Georgia. Cremation rites have been accorded. Memorial donations may be made to the Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI, Inc. P. O. Box 1027, 715 Broadway, Quantico, VA 22134.

## Children of John S P Wilson Sr. and Ethel Nelson

**Child: Charles Foster** B 16 Sept 1920 Vicksburg Miss.  
D 24 Oct 2015 Germantown Tenn.  
M 26 Nov 1941

**Spouse: Eleanor Allen** B 04 Dec 1919 Arkansas  
D 2016 Germantown Tenn.

Charles Foster Wilson was a successful lumber executive taking over his father's business. He continued to expand the operation.

"Wilson Lumber Incorporated is a 3rd generation lumber operation in Memphis, Tennessee. Established in 1964 it is one of the largest distributors of yellow cypress lumber in the Western Hemisphere. Supplying rough cypress, custom cut sizes, grades, patterns, and textures of re-manufactured hardwood cypress siding, paneling, fencing, and eased edge decking."

Local.com

*Charles "Charlie" F. Wilson, 95, of Germantown, TN, died*

*October 24, 2015. Born September 16, 1920 in Vicksburg, MS, he was preceded in death by his parents, J. S. P. Wilson and Ethel Nelson Wilson; a sister, Eleanor Wilson Rockwood and brother, J. S. P. Wilson, Jr.*

*He graduated from Central High School in 1937. Charlie first worked at Kirkpatrick Coal Co. moving to Anderson Tully Lumber Co. in 1939 beginning a career in the lumber industry that would span over 75 years.*

*He married Eleanor Hinkle Allen on November 26, 1941.*

*They moved to Vicksburg MS where both were employed by Anderson Tully Co. They returned to Memphis in 1946*

*where Charlie was employed by Gates Lumber Co. In 1949 he joined Nixon Lumber Co, serving as one of its incorporators and vice president until 1964 when he left to found Wilson Lumber Co. He served as president of this business, currently located in North Memphis, through 2012 when he was succeeded by his son, Terry Wilson. Charlie and Eleanor were among the earliest members of Christ Methodist Church, joining in 1957. Charlie was widely known and admired for his service to the lumber industry in Memphis and the Mid-South. He was a member of the Lumberman's Club of Memphis, serving as its president in 1966. He was named Lumberman of the Year in 1983, an award named after his father, J. S. P. Wilson. In 1996 he received Lumberman of the century. He served on the Board of Directors of the Memphis Better Business Bureau from 1962 to 1967, National Hardwood Lumber Association, Southern Hardwood Traffic Association, International Order of Hoo-Hoo, and Southern Cypress Mfg. Association. He was president of the Memphis Chapter of the National Association of Purchasing Management. He was one of the founders of the Architectural Woodwork Institute and Lumberman's Educational Foundation of Memphis. His civic service included the Shelby County Grand Jury in 1958 and 1959 and 25 years as precinct captain for the Shelby County Republican Party.*

*An avid fisherman, Charlie joined the Horseshoe Recreation Club of Hughes, AR and served as its president for several years. Charlie and Eleanor traveled extensively through Europe, Asia, Australia, China, and were able to travel all 50 states with his lumber company's affiliations.*



**Terry Wilson runs Wilson Lumber Co. Inc. with his father Charles Wilson, not pictured. It is a third-generation, family-owned and operated business.**

### A Look At Lumber— Wilson Planning Expansion Of Newly Bought Hyde Plant

By EMMETT MAUM

Charles F. Wilson, owner of Wilson Lumber Co. since 1964, has purchased Hyde Lumber Co. at 1279 North McLean for an undisclosed sum.

Mr. Wilson, combining the businesses under the Wilson Lumber Co. name, bought the Hyde firm from Milo W. Hyde, retiring after half a century in the lumber industry. Mr. Wilson has been in the lumber business 33 years.

Hyde Lumber Co. has been a hardwood lumber distribution yard for many years. Mr. Wilson said he plans to expand the yard as soon as possible and offer a direct mill-to-customer and distribution yard service.

"I wanted a place to bring in lumber and carry inventory," he said, "to better service the trade. With many sawmills going out of business and growing farther away from Memphis, we needed such a business here."

Mr. Wilson said he plans to carry considerable quantities of quality lumber for large and small customers. He plans to install saws to cut lumber to size and expects to have some remanufacturing facilities.

Wilson Lumber Co., he said, will continue as a wholesaler of hardwoods, softwoods and plywood.

Revis Gobbell, general manager of Hyde Lumber Co. for eight years, will remain with Wilson Lumber Co. in that capacity, Mr. Wilson said.

Mr. Wilson started in the lumber industry with Anderson-Tully Co., and says he has served in every facet except logging. In 1964, he left Nixon Lumber Co., where he was vice president in charge of purchasing, to start his own firm. Mr. Wilson had been with Nixon for 15 years.

He is the son of J. S. P. Wilson, one of the best-known lumbermen in the South for many years. The elder Mr. Wilson operated a hardwood firm under his name until his son opened Wilson Lumber Co. Then J. S. P. Wilson became a salesman for the new company.

Charles F. Wilson is a former president of the Lumbermen's Club of Memphis.



Stephen B. Moser



He leaves behind his wife of 73 years, Eleanor of Germantown; his daughter, Larane Wilson McKee (Harry) of Granbury, TX; his son, Terry Allen Wilson of Germantown; grandchildren, Christopher Allen McKee (Lori) of Dallas, TX, Victoria Eleanor McKee of Dallas, TX, Monica Jane Barton (Derrick) of Bloomington, IL, Melanie Wilson Hodge (Matt) of Greenwood, MS and Noah Wilson of Germantown; and four great-grandchildren.



Share a Memory

### Obituary for Eleanor Allen Wilson

Eleanor Allen Wilson was born December 14, 1919 in Newport, Arkansas to Frank D. Allen of Jackson, Louisiana and Fanny Hinkle of Newport, Arkansas. Her grandparents were William Hinkle and Nell Foster of Newport, Arkansas and Charles Goodrich Allen and Lady Jane McLean of Jackson, Louisiana. Eleanor attended elementary school in Newport and Snowden School in Memphis, Tennessee. She graduated from Central High School in Memphis, and then attended James Lee Academy of Art in Memphis and Miller Hawkins Business School. Eleanor was employed at International Harvester before marrying Charles Foster Wilson on November 26, 1941. They moved to Vicksburg, Mississippi where both were employed by Anderson-Tully Lumber Company. They returned to Memphis in 1946. Eleanor was a member of Stage Set of Memphis Little Theatre, Green Thumb Garden Club, Athletic Club, Women's Exchange, Memphis Symphony and Dixon/Brooks Art Gallery. In addition, every year she volunteered at The Wonder Series, a traveling, cultural exhibit from all areas of the world. Eleanor's hobbies were traveling, mahjongg, tennis, gardening and party and duplicate bridge. She was an avid reader of romance novels, history and biographies. Eleanor and Charles traveled extensively

### Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott Children of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott

**Fourth child: Mary Wilson** B 1849 – D 04 Aug 1851 (age 2) Dereham Township  
She was removed with her older brother John and other ancestors to IRC in April of 1867.

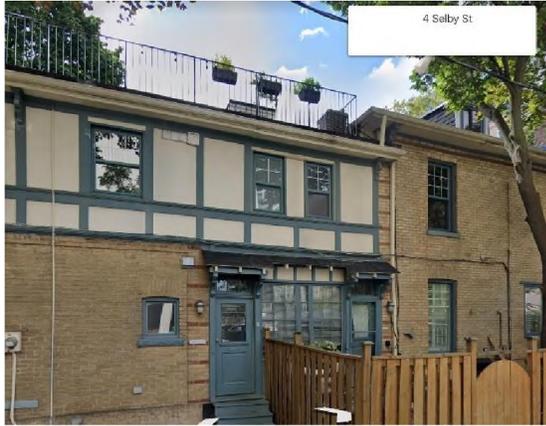
REGISTER OF BURIALS,							
No.	NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP	WHERE BORN.	WHERE DIED.	WHEN DIED.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
2	William Elliott	6		England	Dereham	July 17/58	Removal
3	John Seldon	7		England	Dereham	Jan 19/48	"
4	John Seldon	2		North Oxford	Dereham	Sept 18/44	"
	Ann Prouse	14		England	Dereham	Dec 8/49	"
	Sarah Prouse	6		Dereham	Dereham	Jan 29/41	"
	James Prouse	8		Dereham	Dereham	July 13/41	"
	John Wilson	11		Dereham	Dereham	July 26/51	"
	Mary Wilson	2		Dereham	Dereham	Aug 4/51	"

### Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott Children of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott

**Fifth child: Mary Jane** B 16 May 1853 Dereham  
D 03 Nov 1937 Toronto  
M 07 Feb 1878 at her father's farm  
Spouse: George Marten Collins B 13 Mar 1851 Mt Elgin  
D 27 Aug 1914 Toronto General Hospital

Mary Jane was likely named after her deceased sister Mary who died two years before Mary Jane's birth. She and husband George were raised in Dereham. George Collins was a store keeper in Ingersoll

in the 1881 census before moving to Toronto in 1882 where he tried his hand at being a realtor, working in a hardware store, in the paint manufacturing business and later back in the real estate business. Only oldest daughter Florence was born in Dereham, the rest of the children were born in Toronto. The couple lived at 4 Selby St in Toronto (Bloor and Mt Pleasant Rd) area for most of George's and Mary Jane's lives. Mary suffered from numerous health issues before succumbing to a heart attack in 1937



4 Selby Ave. Toronto



Mary Jane Wilson

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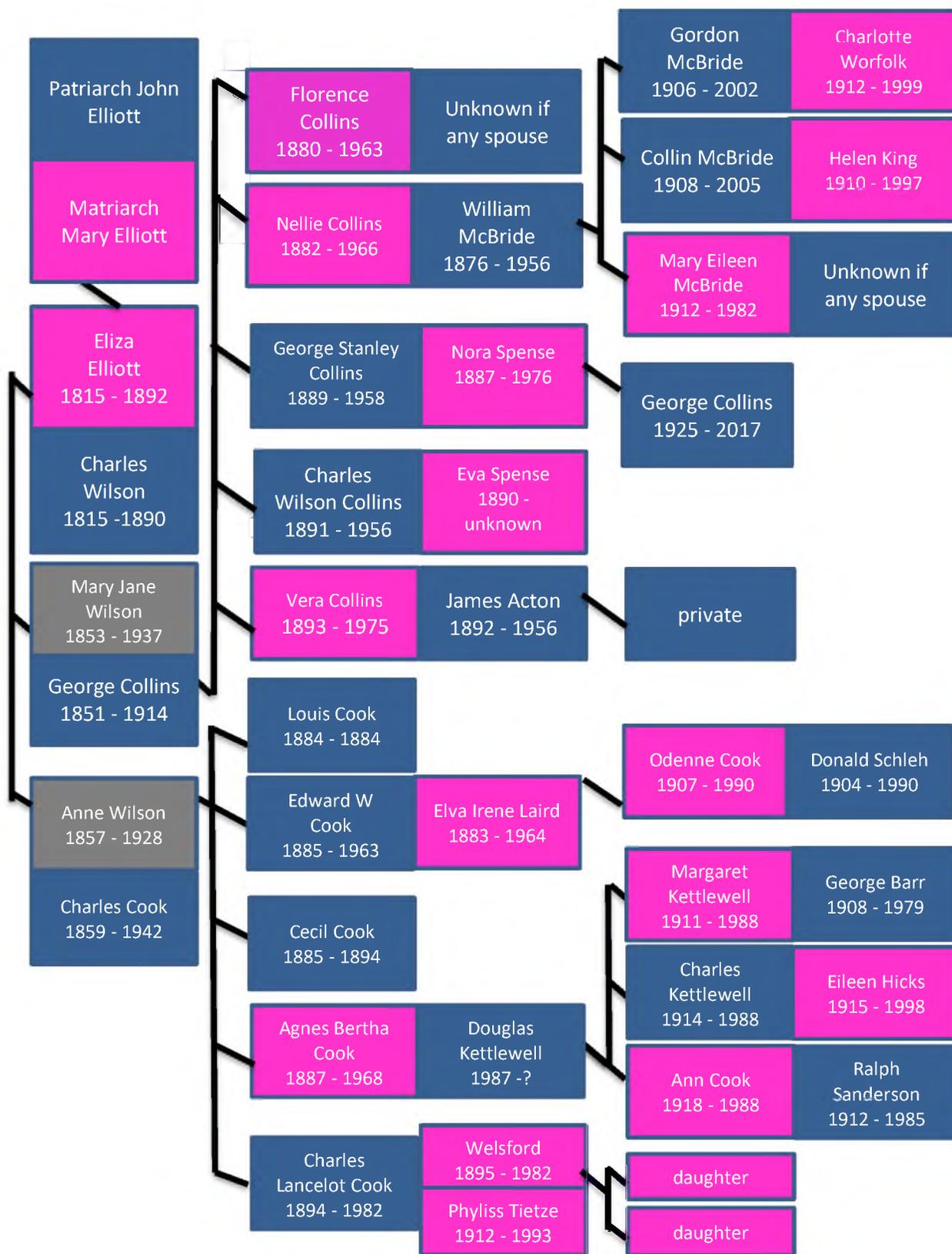
**COLLINS**—Suddenly on Thursday, Aug. 27, 1914, George M. Collins, beloved husband of Mary J. Wilson, in his 64th year. Funeral from his late residence, 4 Selby street, on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Kindly omit flowers. **G**

**COLLINS, Mary Jane**—On November 2nd, 1937, at her home, 4 Selby street, Toronto, Mary Jane Wilson, in her 85th year, widow of George M. Collins. Service at above address, Friday, November 5th at 2 p.m. Interment Mount Pleasant cemetery.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH			
23. DATE OF DEATH	Nov	2nd	1937
	(Month)	(Day)	(Year)
24. I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended deceased from	Sept 17th 1937 to Nov 2 1937		
and last saw h. <i>in</i>	alive on Nov 2 1937		
<b>CAUSE OF DEATH</b>			
I Immediate cause Give disease, injury or complication which caused death, not the mode of dying, such as heart failure, asphyxia, assthenia, etc.	(a) Coronary Thrombosis		
Morbid conditions, if any, giving rise to immediate cause (stated in order proceeding backwards from immediate cause).	(b) Coronary Sclerosis		
	(c) Hypertension August 1937		
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Children and Spouses of ...

Mary Wilson and George Collins and Anne Wilson and Charles Cook families

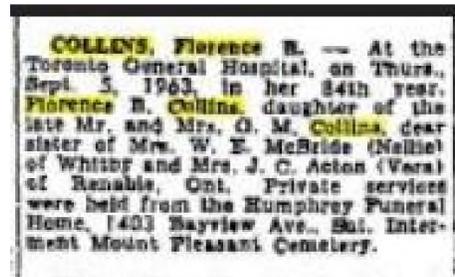


## Grandchildren of Eliza Elliott and Charles Wilson

### Child of Mary Jane Wilson and Charles Collins

**First Child: Florence Beatrice** B 06 Jan 1880 Dereham  
D 05 Sept 1963 Toronto, Ont.

The 1931 census had Florence living with her mother on Selby St. as her mother's caretaker. That is the last I have been able to locate about Florence.



### Child of Mary Jane Wilson and Charles Collins

**Second Child: Nellie Blanche** B 23 Aug 1882 Toronto  
D 12 Jan 1966 Oshawa, Ont.  
M 03 Oct 1905 Toronto  
Spouse: William "Willie" Edward McBride B 08 Sept 1876 Whitby  
D 05 Jun 1956 Whitby



The Toronto Star  
30 Sep 1905, Sat -Page 19

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Collins announce that the marriage of their daughter, Miss Nellie Blanche, to Mr. W. E. McBride, will take place at No. 4 Selby street, Toronto, on October 3.

When the couple married, William was a clerk by occupation. They lived at 121

Balsam in the Beaches area of Toronto during the late 1900s to 1914. William was a farmer in Pickering township of Durham County by the 1921 census. In 1931 they were living in Whitby where he was an insurance agent. They had three children.

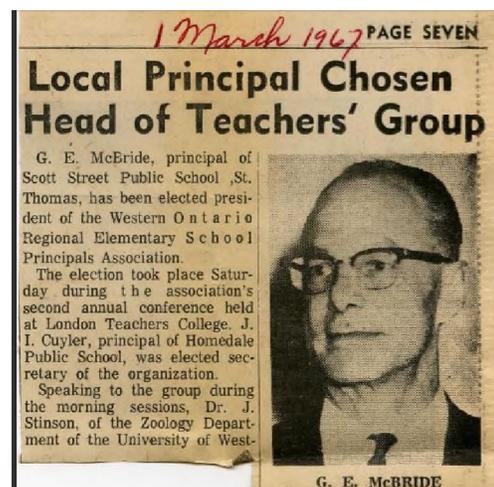
Gordon 1906 - 2002  
Collins 1908 - 2005  
Mary Eileen 1912 - 1982

### Children of Nellie Collins and William McBride

**First child: Gordon Edward** B 1906 Toronto  
D 2002 St. Thomas



In 1931, he was an insurance agent like his father at that time. Later, he was a teacher. He eventually moved to St Thomas where he was principal of Scott Street and Myrtle Street Public schools.



<https://heritagecollections.elgin.ca/link/archives165729>

### Children of Nellie Collins and William McBride

**Second Child: Collins Hillier** B 05 May 1908 Toronto  
D 23 Feb 2005 Peterborough

Spouse: Helen Robina King B 05 Dec 1910 Binbrook (now Hamilton)  
D 27 Jan 1997 Peterborough



**BRIDAL COUPLE** — The wedding of L.A.C. and Mrs. Collins Hillier McBride took place late in June at the home of the bride, with Rev. James MacFarlane officiating. The bride is the former Miss Helen Robina King, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. King, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. McBride, Whitby.

—Photo by Harkness Studio.

Collins started out as a stockroom employee working in an auto plant in Oshawa. (1931 census)

“Collins McBride was the manager of Grafton’s in Peterborough from 1954 to 1974. When Collin McBride came to Peterborough, “there were at least 15 full-time employees including two office

women, two tailors, a woman who looked after the receivables and ticketing of merchandise, three or four in furnishings, two men in the suits’ department, a chap running a large, popular, workwear department, a window-dresser and a full-time caretaker.”

Collins McBride brought considerable life experience with him. He had worked in a family manufacturing business and had served in the Royal Air Force during the war, mainly as a radar specialist. His retail career began in 1936, and he worked in Grafton stores in Hamilton, Brantford and Dundas before coming to Peterborough, then the largest of Grafton’s eight or nine stores.” Peterborough Examiner Oct 7, 2017

### Children of Nellie Collins and William McBride

**Third and Last Child: Mary Ellen (Eileen)** B 1912 Toronto  
D 1982 Whitby

Although born in Toronto, she grew up on the McBride farm in Pickering. It appears Mary Ellen did not marry. She is buried in Mt. Lawn Cemetery in Whitby. Of interest, in the 1921 census she was 8 years old but not attending school. By the 1931 census, she was a switchboard operator for Bell Telephone.

### Child of Mary Jane Wilson and Charles Collins

**Third Child: George Stanley** B 23 Mar 1889 Toronto  
D 24 Jun 1958 Toronto

Spouse: Nora Spense B 02 Jul 1887 Toronto  
D 08 Dec 1976 Toronto



George started his business life as a traveling salesman, then in 1931 a sales representative for American Express. He ended heading up the

**TORONTO—George Stanley Collins, 69, manager of the Unemployment Insurance Commission from its inception in 1940 until his retirement in 1957.**

Unemployment Insurance Commission for the Canadian government. He was based in Ottawa. He was the first Commissioner from 1947 to 1957. They had at least one son - George Jr. 1926 – 2007 who went on to become a Professor of Engineering in Toronto.

Ottawa Newspaper

“During the economic depression of 1929-39, young, unemployed men had to work in government work camps for paltry wages in isolated locations.

In pursuit of a living wage, workers in Vancouver abandoned the camps, launching a strike. After striking for two months with no relief in sight, they took their case directly to Ottawa, travelling by rail and on foot. This journey became known as the ‘On to Ottawa trek’.

The trek was stopped by the RCMP on orders from Ottawa and after rioting and arrests of union leaders, the strike ended. Mackenzie King’s Liberals won the next election and legislated against the repressive conservative government, abolishing the camps.

This epic strike and trip captured the hearts and minds of Canadians and gave birth to unemployment insurance in 1940. Canada was the last major Western country to adopt an unemployment insurance system.

Today we refer to this system as Employment insurance (EI). Research has shown that EI was the single most important economic stabilizer in the past 3 recessions.”

A short history of EI – 2009 Policy Options Magazine

### Son of Nora Spense and George Stanley Collins

**George Spense Collins**

B 1926

D 2007

Spouse: Audrey Irene MacPherson

B 22 Dec 1927

D 30 Jan 2024 Burlington

He graduated from U of T with an Engineering degree. He lived mostly in Etobicoke. When he retired, he went into the consultant business. Wife *Audrey was a musician with her ARCT in Piano, an Early Childhood Educator and a lover of nature. Her favourite place in the world was walking on the beach in PEI. Her soul burned lively and bright to all who knew her. She will be celebrated in a private family event.*



### The Toronto Star 16 Jun 1951, Sat · Page 29

**COLLINS—MACPHERSON**—On Saturday, June 16, 1951, at 2.30 o'clock, in Rosedale United church, Toronto, by Rev. G. MacGregor Grant, Audrey Irene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hume Macpherson, to George Spense Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Stanley Collins.

*His family announce with sadness the passing of George Collins. George leaves his wife Audrey Macpherson Collins, daughter Heather Emerson and her husband Greg, and son Ron and his wife Diana. He will be greatly missed by them and by his 5 grandchildren: Erika, Gecjf, Emily, Brad and Jen. A leading technology innovator, George's passion for music was the guiding melody in his life*

### Child of Mary Jane Wilson and Charles Collins

**Fourth Child: Charles Wilson**

B 17 Feb 1891 Toronto

D 11 Sept 1956 Hamilton, Ont.

Spouse: Eva Spense

B 01 Jun 1890 Toronto

D unknown

**PARTICULARS OF RECRUIT**  
DRAFTED UNDER MILITARY SERVICE ACT, 1917  
(Class One)

1. Surname	COLLINS
2. Christian name	Charles Wilson.
3. Present address	4 Selby St. Toronto, Ont.
4. Military Service Act letter and number	226414.
5. Date of birth	Feb 17th 1891.
6. Place of birth. <small>(Give town or city and country)</small>	Toronto, Ont.
7. Married, widower or single	Single.
8. Religion	Methodist.
9. Trade or calling	Sheet metal maker.
10. Name of next-of-kin	Mary Jane Collins.
11. Relationship of next-of-kin	Mother.
12. Address of next-of-kin	4 Selby St. Toronto, Ont.
13. Whether at present a member of the Active Militia	no
14. Particulars of previous military or naval service, if any	none
15. Medical Examination under Military Service Act—	
(a) Place	Toronto, Ont.
(b) Date	Oct 18/17.
(c) Category	12.

Charles married Eva Spence, younger sister of his brother's wife Nora Spence. Charles was a member of the U of T Corps and a WWI veteran. Before the war, he was a manager of a sheet metal manufacturing business. After the war he continued working in the steel making business in Hamilton.

Charles Wilson Collins Discharge Papers WWI

No children have been located.

## Child of Mary Jane Wilson and Charles Collins

**Fifth and Last Child: Vera Irene**

B 23 Jan 1893 Toronto

D 06 Feb 1975 Toronto

Spouse: James Clark Acton

B 1892 Toronto

D 28 Apr 1957 Montreal

James was a printer as per the 1931 census and had a nine-year-

old daughter, Kathryn Mary B 1922. James Acton continued with his printer occupation into the 1950s. They lived at 166 Stibbard St in Toronto. They died with months of each other.

**DEATHS**

**ACTON, James Clark**—On Saturday, April 28, 1957, at the Montreal General Hospital, James Clark Acton, beloved husband of Vera Collins, dear father of Mrs. W. A. Moore Jr. (Kathryn), youngest son of the late James Acton, Toronto. At the funeral chapel of A. W. Miles, 30 St. Clair Ave. W. Service Tuesday afternoon, 1.30 o'clock. Interment Mount Pleasant cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Canadian Cancer Society.

**ACTON, Vera Irene**—At Sunnybrook Hospital, on Thursday, February 6, 1975. Vera Irene Collins, wife of the late J. Clark Acton, and dear mother of Mrs. W. A. Moore (Kathryn), dear grandmother of Sheila, (Marion) Mrs. K. E. Johnson, of Burlington, and Alan, of Manitoba. Friends will be received at the "Humphrey Funeral Home," 1403 Bayview Ave. (at

Daughter Kathryn married mining engineer and former RCF Lieutenant William Alan Moore Jr. The 1972 voters list has them living in Don Valley Toronto with two children, Alan and Marion. William appears to have moved to Manitoba where he was the President of the Mining Association of Manitoba.



**Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott  
Children of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott**

Sixth Child: Martha Wilson

B Feb 1855 W Oxford

D 07 July 1882 W Oxford

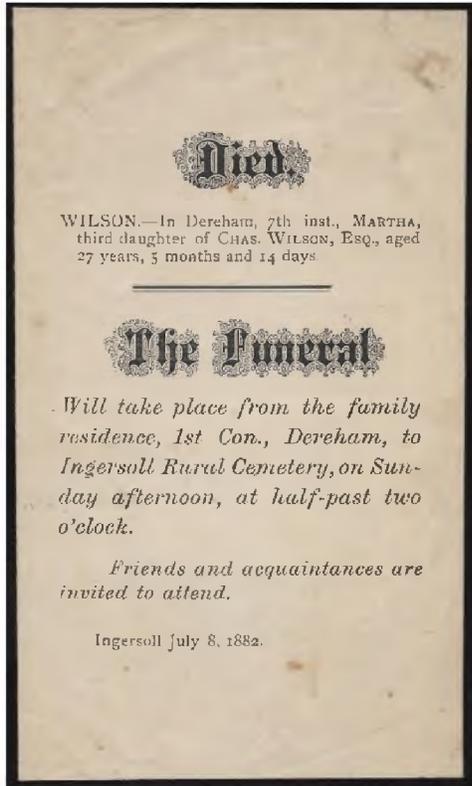
Martha died of heart disease at age 27 and is buried with her parents in IRC

**DIED.**  
Wilson—In West Oxford, 7th inst., Martha, daughter  
of Chas. Wilson, Esq., aged 27 years, 5 months and  
14 days.

Ingersoll Chronicle July 13, 1882



Photo: Charles and Eliza Wilson at the homestead Lot 23 Con 1 Dereham with daughter Martha. (the year photo was taken is unknown).



Martha's funeral card July 1882.

**Grandchildren of John and Mary Elliott  
Children of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott**

**Seventh and last child: Annie**

B 18 Jul 1857 Dereham  
 D 17 Nov 1928 Ingersoll  
 M 15 Sept 1881 at Charles Wilson's home  
 B 12 Jan 1859 W Oxford  
 D 23 Dec 1942 Toronto – lived in Ingersoll

Spouse: Charles Edward Cook

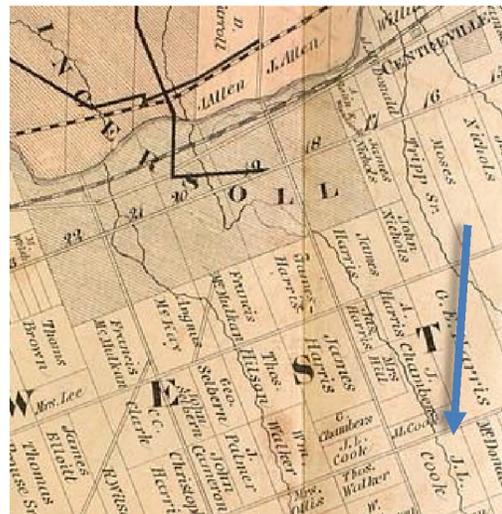
**RUNAWAYS.—On Dominion Day a horse attached to a buggy, tied to the park fence, broke loose and ran into another buggy, the concussion knocking him down, when he rolled over three times down the hill before he recovered his equilibrium. Considerable damage was done. Mr. Charles Cook, of West Oxford, owned the horse.—On Satur-**

Chronicle July 3 1884

Born at Cooks Corners in W Oxford, Charles's parents were from the US and settled at Cooks Corners. In 1894 he was a director in the Oxford Farmers Institute and lived at his family farm in W Oxford. They moved into Ingersoll as Charles worked as a "buyer" possibly of cheese according to the 1901 census.

He also was a cheese exporter in the 1911 Ingersoll Directory.

Cook Chas E, cheese exporter,  
 s s Ann 4 w Oxford



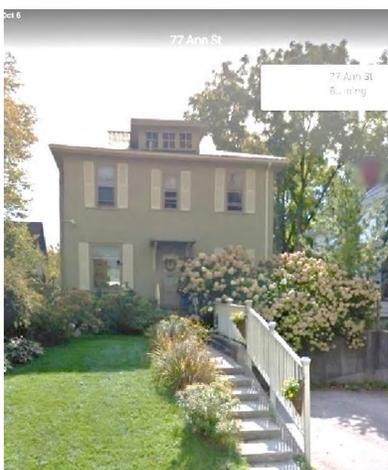
MANIFEST		Date 6/12/26	
Family name		Name	
COOK		CHARLES-EDWARD	
Age	Sex	Occupation	Place of birth
67	M	Watchman	West Oxford Ont
Color of hair	Color of eyes	Language or dialect	Amount of money
Gray	Blue	Eng	100.00
Last permanent residence	Destination		
Canada	Retroit Mich		
Country	From		
Canada	Jan 1926	date	
Place of birth	Name		
West Oxford Ont	Charles	3270 Colingwood Ave	
Relation to person	Address		
Wife	Ingersoll Ont	4C-1924	
Time remaining in U.S.	Period of stay		
30 days	5 or 8 days	They live	
Name and address of nearest relative or friend in country	Section and subsection of Act of 1914, under which issued		
Charles Cook (wife)			
5335 Dundas Ont			
Support of landing	Date of landing	Name of U.S.	
		Admitted	
Health	Previously examined	Rate	Previous disposition
✓	✓	✓	✓
U. S. Department of Labor, Immigration Service. Form 448.			

Charles and Annie travelled to Detroit in 1926 to join son Percy and according to border paperwork, Chas. was seeking permanent residence. They had \$100 with them and at this time the couple were in their late 60s. I suspect Charles was aiming at retiring from his watchman's job in Ingersoll and the couple would be near their sons.

It is not known why but the move was never made permanent. Perhaps the return was due to Annie's health as she had a chronic heart condition and died two years later. After her death, Charles lived in Ingersoll the rest of his life, spending his last few years at 77 Ann St. in Ingersoll. When his health took a turn for the worst, he moved to his daughter Bertha's home in Toronto and eventually into the Church of Ascension Nursing Home in Toronto where pulmonary edema of the lungs took his life. The couple are buried in the Harris St. Cemetery. They had 5 children.

The regular meeting of the Missionary Circle of King's Daughters will be held at the home of Mrs. Charles Cook, Ann street, on Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

1905 Chronicle



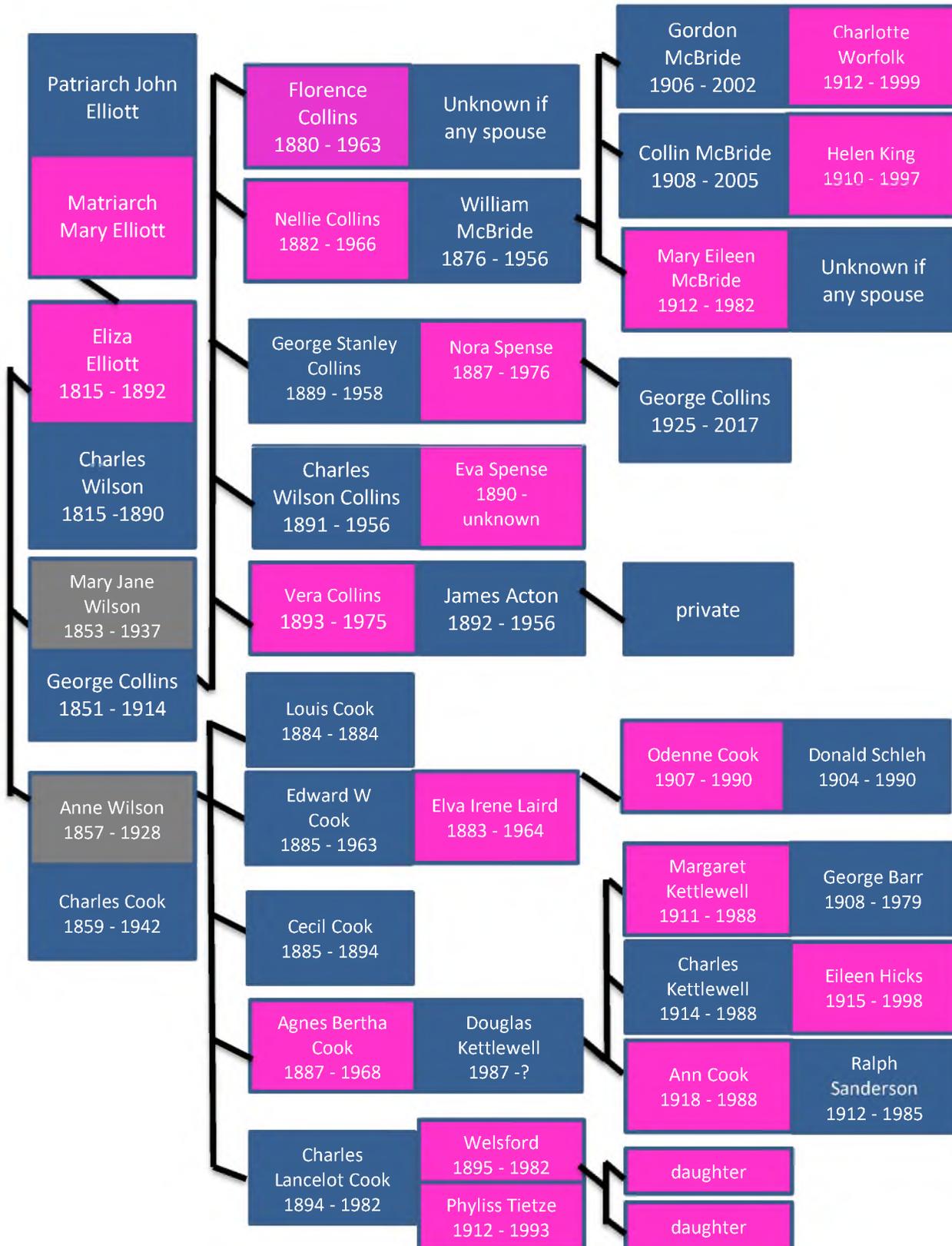
77 Ann St. home to Chas. and Annie Cook

#### CHARLES COOK

Charles Cook, a former esteemed resident of Ingersoll, died unexpectedly on Wednesday night, Dec. 23rd, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. D. W. Kettlewell, Toronto. Mr. Cook was born at Cook's Corners, West Oxford, and had lived in Ingersoll and surrounding district all his life. He passed on in his 84th year. He left Ingersoll only a year ago and will be very much missed by numerous friends who regret deeply the news of his death. For a number of years, Mr. Cook lived on Ann Street, next to the bowling green and was a very active member of the Ingersoll Lawn Bowling Club. He was a member of the Baptist Church, also a member of King Hiram Lodge, A. F. & A. M. He is survived by two sons, Percy and Charles, both of Detroit, and one daughter, Mrs. D. W. Kettlewell, of Toronto. The funeral was held at 2 o'clock on

Children and Spouses of ...

Mary Wilson and George Collins and Anne Wilson and Charles Cook families



## Grandchildren of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott Children of Annie Wilson and Charles E Cook

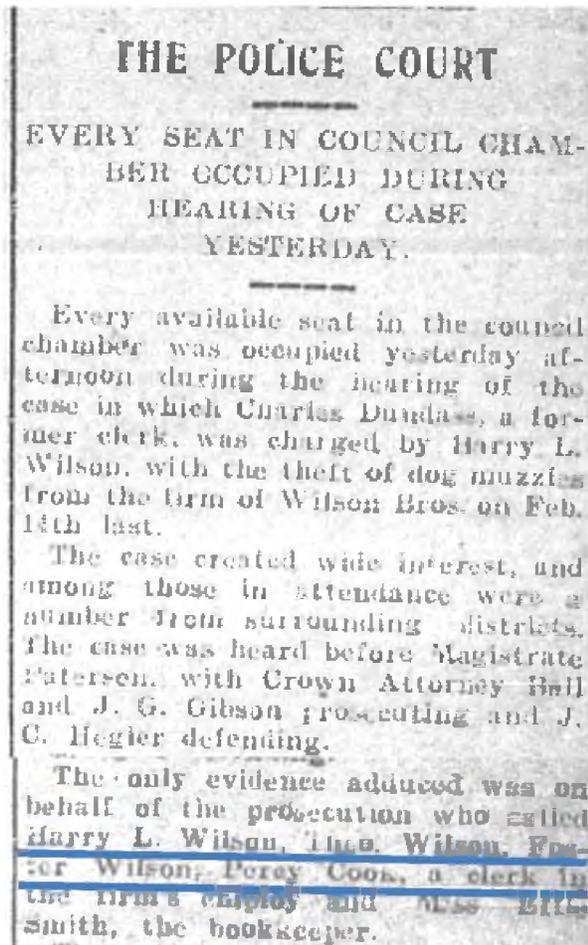
First Child: Edward "Percy"

B 13 Mar 1883 Ingersoll  
D 29 Oct 1950 Detroit  
M 1903 London

Spouse: Eliza "Elva" Irene Laird

B 03 May 1883 Huron Co.  
D 11 Jul 1964 Detroit

Percy was born in Dereham likely on the Cook Corners family farm. He completed four years of high school and at age 20 married Elva Laird. Percy and Elva lived on Thames St. just north of Canterbury in Ingersoll. The site is now an apartment building. He held a variety of jobs in Ingersoll. He worked as a clerk for his cousins Wilson Bros. store in 1905, worked for the Ingersoll Telephone Co. in 1910 and was a clerk for Nagle and Mills Tailors. He left for Edmonton to work as a salesman in a hardware store according to the 1916 Alberta census. His wife and nine-year-old daughter were with him. The western Canada experiment did not last long as the 1920 census locates them in Detroit. There is some confusion with this time line as the 1920 census reports that they emigrated to Detroit in 1915 where as the 1916 Alberta census had the family still in Edmonton. By 1920 he had worked as the hardware department manager of the Arcade Hardware Store at 4747 West Warren St in Detroit. He and wife Elva would own the store by 1930 and both would be working in it until his 1950 death. By the 1950 census he had his first papers for application for citizenship. Whether he finished the process is unknown to me.



411 W OXFORD  
Cook Percy H, clk W Nagle & Mills h e s Thames 3 n Canter-bury  
M Phone 13



Percy Cook home in Hawthorne Park Detroit

April 1905 Chronicle article regarding a charge of theft at the Wilson Bros. store in Ingersoll and Percy was called to testify.

**SCHLEH**  
**O'DEENE (COOK)** Nov. 16, 1990.  
 Mother of Mrs. Ray (Gloria)  
 Rausch of Fenton. Grandmother  
 of Brook and Kenneth Lamson,  
 Robin and George Butler, Mat-  
 thew and Charissa Rausch, and  
 John Rausch. Also survived by six  
 great-grandchildren. Dearest

The couple had one daughter Cecile Odeene B 1907 – D 1990 Detroit, who married Detroit born Donald W Schleh B 1904 – D 1990. The couple were in their forties and lived with her parents in Highland Park according to the 1950 census. At that time Donald Schleh was a pharmacy supplier salesman. Although her name was not listed in his obit, the couple are buried together in Woodland Cemetery in Detroit.

**Grandchildren of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott**

**Children of Annie Wilson and Charles E Cook**

Second Child: Lewis Charles B 21 May 1884 Ingersoll  
 D 21 Jun 1884 Ingersoll

He died of Marasmus (severely underweight) and is buried at IRC.

**Grandchildren of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott**

**Children of Annie Wilson and Charles E Cook**

Third Child: Cecil Lawrence B 04 Feb 1885 W Oxford  
 D 21 Jan 1894 Ingersoll –

He died of Diphtheria. Buried IRC

**Grandchildren of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott**

**Children of Annie Wilson and Charles E Cook**

Fourth child: Bertha Agnes B 06 Sept 1887 Ingersoll  
 D 31 May 1968 Toronto  
 M 01 Jun 1910 Ingersoll  
 Spouse: Douglas William Kettlewell B 02 Jan 1887 Ingersoll  
 D 01 Dec 1961 Toronto

Douglas Kettlewell's father, William Kettlewell Sr. was born to a Methodist Clergyman. His family moved several times throughout southern Ontario. Very soon after their Ingersoll marriage, which was performed by his father, the couple moved to Pt. Arthur, Ont. (Thunder Bay).

Douglas William Kettlewell was a jeweller. Later in 1921, they were living in Orillia and later still, in the 1931 census, the family was back in Toronto where he continued his career as a jeweller.

**KETTLEWELL, Bertha Agnes—At**  
 the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, on  
 Friday, May 31, 1968, Bertha Agnes  
 Cook, beloved wife of the late  
 Douglas William Kettlewell, dear  
 mother of Mrs. Eric Barr (Marga-  
 ret), Mrs. R. C. Sanderson (Ann)  
 of Ridgewood, N.J., and William of  
 Millford, Ontario, and beloved  
 grandmother of 10 grandchildren.

**The couple had three children.**

**Margaret (Barr)** B 1912 Port Arthur –  
 D 1988 Toronto

Her husband Eric was listed as a  
 consultant in the 1963 Voters list.



Eric Barr

**Second Child of Bertha and William Kettlewell**

**Charles William** Kettlewell (B 1914 Ingersoll-D 1988 Clinton) was a registered Canadian oil painter.

<https://artvalue.ca/artist/Charles-William-Kettlewell/value/3383427/>



## Kettlewell, Charles William (1914–1988)

“Bill” Kettlewell was an equestrian painter who also worked as an art director in Toronto.”

Art Canada Institute

<https://artvalue.ca/artist/Charles-William-Kettlewell/value/3383427/>

### Third Child of Bertha and William Kettlewell

**Ann Coyne** (Ralph Sanderson) B 1918

Ingersoll - D 1988 Lynchburg Virginia

Ann was a stenographer that went to work in New York City for the British Ministry of Supply in 1943. She was 25 years old at the time. The British office in New York handled the material and paperwork on the procurement of military supplies from North America during the Second World War,



Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Kettlewell, Manor Rd., announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Ann Coyne, to Ralph Eustice Sanderson, youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Chichester Sanderson of Trinidad, the marriage to take place at the Church of the Mediator, Spuyton Dayvil, New York, on Saturday, Oct. 16, 1943.

*The News & Advance - Lynchburg, VA*

*Tuesday, 15 Feb 2011*

*Ann Coyne Kettlewell Sanderson*

*Ann Coyne Kettlewell Sanderson, 93, of Lynchburg, died Mon., Feb. 14, 2011. She was the wife of the late Ralph Eustace Gomez Sanderson.*

*Ann was born Feb. 9, 1918, in Ingersoll, Ontario, Canada, a daughter of the late William Coyne Kettlewell and Bertha Cook Kettlewell.*

*Ann is survived by her sons, Raeph William Sanderson, of Hillsdale, N.Y. and Peter Gomez Sanderson, of Santa Monica, CA; daughters, Catharine Ann Gomez Sanderson, Mechanicsville, and Margaret Gomez Sanderson Vaughn, Lynchburg; and four grandchildren*

## Grandchildren of Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott

### Children of Annie Wilson and Charles E Cook

**Fourth Child: Charles Lancelot**

B 22 Mar 1894 W Oxford

D 26 Sept 1982 Detroit

M 21 Sept 1917 London England

Spouse: Florence Marie Welsford

B 10 Oct 1895 London England

D 16 Aug 1982 Marin Co. California

Divorce 05 Feb 1946

M 05 Oct 1946

Second Spouse: Phyliss Dorothy Tietze

B 28 Jul 1912 Michigan

D Jan 1993 Gross Point Mi.

Mr. Charles Lancelot Cook, of Chipewawa, spent the holiday in Ingersoll, the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cook, Ann street.

several other bank clerks and accountants.

Charles started work at a young age and seems to have had a natural inclination with numbers. In September of 1910, 17-year-old Charles L Cook was living in Welland, Ont. working as an accountant. He was a lodger at a home with

photo: Royal Bank Ingersoll Library



In the fall of 1911, the still single Charles L, was now working for the Royal Bank in Ingersoll and was being transferred to Toronto.

Mr. Charles Cook of the staff of the Royal Bank, Toronto, has returned to the city after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cook, Ann street.

Chronicle Sept 1, 1911

Mr. Charles Cook, of the Royal Bank staff has been transferred to Toronto.

Chronicle April 8, 1915

QUESTIONS TO BE PUT BEFORE ATTESTATION.  
(ANSWERS)

1. What is your surname?	COOKE	
1a. What are your Christian names?	Charles Lancelotte	
1b. What is your present address?	126 1/2 Glen Road	
2. In what Town, Township or Parish, and in what Country were you born?	Ingersoll Ontario Canada	
3. What is the name of your next-of-kin?	Charles Edward Cooke	Parents American Born
4. What is the address of your next-of-kin?	Ingersoll Ont Box 93	
4a. What is the relationship of your next-of-kin?	Father	
5. What is the date of your birth?	March 21 1891	
6. What is your Trade or Calling?	Banking	

Charles lived in Rosedale in Toronto while working at the Royal Bank. War duties called and he went off to war in late Dec. 1915. He had some experience as a member of the Queens Own Rifles militia in Toronto. There is some confusion in Charles' attestation papers. It is noted that his parents were American born, while in

fact, both were born in Dereham and W Oxford townships.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cook, Ann street, received official word that their son, Charles, had been wounded severely and was admitted to Boulogne Hospital. Pte. Cook went over with the 168th Battalion. His home friends will hope for encouraging news of his condition.

May 31 1917 Chronicle

Charles dark looks and 5'8" frame enticed a young English girl while stationed in England. Charles L married war bride Florence Welford on the 21<sup>st</sup> of Sept, 1917 while stationed in England. After WWI, Charles and Florence returned to Toronto. In October of 1921, Florence travelled to England with 2 year daughter Joan to visit her family on the ship Scandinavian. Ships paperwork indicated that she was planning on Canadian citizenship. By 1922 they were back in Ingersoll but only temporarily. With the birth of an Ingersoll born second daughter in 1922, the couple were on the move again.

Family name	Cooke		
Given name	Charles		
Head last station	29th St	City	Detroit
Sex	Male	Age	34
Profession	Banker		
Language or ground for exemption	yes	Wife	yes
Country of birth	Canada	State	Detroit
City	Ingersoll	State	Ont
Name and complete address of nearest relative or friend in country whence alien came	Chas & Cooke Ingersoll Ont		
Of what country a citizen before becoming a citizen of Canada	X	When	May 1921
Where	Detroit	Date last dep.	May 1921
Part of last dep.	To whom paid	Money shown	Ever in U.S.
Yes	70	yes	May 1921
Whether alien intends to return, etc.	no	Whether alien intends to reside in U.S.	no
Whether a person who believes in or advocates the overthrow, etc.	no	Whether counted by reason of offer of employment, etc.	no
Previously deported within one year	no	Reasons	Good
Debarred	no	Marked for identification	Ingersoll Ont
Height	5 ft 8 in.	Complexion	dark
Hair	dark	Eyes	brown
Sign	[Signature]		

With brother Percy in Detroit, younger brother Charles decided to emigrate for the purposes of citizenship in May of 1923 and had his citizenship by 1930. He took a job with Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit. The bank had branches throughout the Midwest of the US and later through mergers is now part of Comerica Bank. Charles worked for over 50 years for the bank before concluding his career as a vice

president. On February 5th, 1946, Florence and Charles officially divorced. She eventually moved to the San Francisco area near her daughter, never remarried and is buried in California.

Detroit Historical Past Perfect on Line: National Bank 1927



No. 55989

### PETITION FOR CITIZENSHIP

To the Honorable the District Court of the United States at Detroit, Mich

The petition of Charles Lancelot Cooke, hereby filed, respectfully shows

(1) My place of residence is 1404 Coyle Ave Detroit, Mich (2) My occupation is banker

(3) I was born in Ingersoll, Canada on March 21, 1894 My race is English

(4) I declared my intention to become a citizen of the United States on Jan 4, 1924 in the Circuit Court of Wayne Co. at Detroit, Mich

(5) I am married. The name of my wife or husband is Florence Marie we were married on Sept 21, 1917 at London, England; he was born at London England on Oct. 10, 1896; entered the United States at Detroit, Mich on June 10, 1903 for permanent residence therein, and now resides at Detroit, Mich I have 2 children, and the name, date, and place of birth of each of said children are as follows:

Joan Phyllis Nov, 21, 1920 Toronto Canada

Aileen Muriel June 21, 1922 Ingersoll Canada

both reside in Detroit, Mich

(6) My last foreign residence was Ingersoll Canada I emigrated to the United States of America from Ingersoll Canada My lawful entry for permanent residence in the United States was at Detroit, Mich under the name of Charles Cooke

The couple had two daughters: **Joan Phyllis (Jackson) 1919 -2013**  
**Eileen Muriel (Kirby)(Craig) 1923 -2016**

**DECLARATION OF PASSENGER TO CANADA**

1. NAME *Joan COOKE* Age *2 Years*  
(PRINT IN BLOCK LETTERS - GIVE NAME FIRST)

2. Sex *Female* Are you married, single, widowed or divorced?  
 If married, are you accompanied by husband or wife? If so, give name of husband or wife

3. Present occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Intended occupation \_\_\_\_\_

4. Birthplace *Toronto* Race or people *Canadian*

5. Citizenship *Canadian* Religion \_\_\_\_\_  
(IF PROTESTANT, STATE DENOMINATION)

6. Object in going to Canada *with mother*

7. Do you intend to remain permanently in Canada? *No*

8. Have you ever lived in Canada? *No*. If you have, give Canadian address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Port of previous entry \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Port of departure from Canada *Halifax* Date \_\_\_\_\_

9. Why did you leave Canada? *Holiday*

10. Money in possession belonging to passenger \_\_\_\_\_

Two-year-old Joan traveled with her pregnant mother to England in spring of 1922.

Eight months after the couple's divorce, Charles L married Phyllis Tietze of Detroit. Phyllis was working in a garment shop and was 18 years Charles junior when they married.

Phyllis Tietze



After retiring, he and Phyllis travelled extensively including trips to Cuba and to Europe for a six-week visit. They both are buried in Gross Pointe, Michigan.

**Eilene, Daughter of Chas and Florence**

**Eilene Muriel Craig**  
 was the youngest of two daughters born of Florence and Charles Cooke of Ingersoll, Ontario, Canada in 1922.  
 In 1945 she married Harold Kirby and they quickly set up a home constructed from a chicken coop in Newcastle, CA where Kirby was stationed in the Army Air Corps at Hamilton AFB. After the Army, they moved to Detroit and later Grand Rapids, Michigan and produced four children.  
 Eilene pursued her love of the arts including painting with oils and watercolor and many craft projects. She was an excellent cook and delighted in having her family and extended family, be Sunday and holiday dinners. Her specialties were a rich 7-layer choco-late cake, lemon meringue pie and homemade cream puffs with chocolate sauce.  
 In 1962, the Kirbys moved from Michigan to Staro County, CA where there was no snow. Eilene continued her painting studies at Indian Valley College where she exhibited her paintings with many of her artist friends. She was

**Charles L. Cooke, 88, retired bank manager**

Charles L. Cooke, 88, a retired bank manager, died Sunday in St. Mary's Nursing Home, St. Clair Shores.

A native of Ontario, Mr. Cooke was an office manager for Manufacturers National Bank for 50 years. He served in the Canadian Army during World War II and was an active member of the Eastern Detroit Exchange Club and the Senior Men's Club of Grosse Pointe.

Survivors include his wife, Phyllis (Tietze); two daughters, Joan Jackson and Eilene Craig; six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

**COOKE**  
**PHYLLIS D.** Beloved wife of the late Charles. Dear step-mother of Joan Jackson and Eileen Craig. Six grandchildren, seven great grandchildren and one great great grandson. Visitation after 3 p.m. Sunday at the A.H. Peters Funeral Home 20705 Mack Avenue at Vernier Rd, Grosse Pt., Wds. Instate at Iroquois Avenue Christ Lutheran Church, 2411 Iroquois Ave., Detroit (48214) from 10 a.m. Monday until time of funeral at 11 a.m. Memorials to the Church appreciated.

**Daughter of Charles Lancelot Cooke and Florence Welford**

Joan 11/21/1919 to 11/26/2013



At 94 years old, Joan was full of life and love, bringing joy to all she met up to her last moments when she died suddenly from complications from surgery.

Joan was born to Charles and Florence Cooke in Toronto, Canada and spent the first five years of life in her native country, and then she and her family migrated to Detroit, Michigan.

Joan studied at Wheaton College in Illinois. A favorite memory of those college days was sitting in the library across the table from Billy Graham. At some point in her young life, she learned to fly and received her pilot's license. After college, she enlisted in the United States Coast Guard, spending time in Florida and California. When her stint with the USCG was over, she went back to Detroit where she eventually met and married John Jackson. They settled in Farmington, Michigan and had daughter, Debbie and thirteen months later, daughter, Denise.

During her working career, she worked for several food brokers and spent quite a bit of time on the road throughout Michigan and Ohio. In 1979, Joan packed up and moved to California, eventually settling in Auburn. Joan loved her black BSA bicycle and was often seen riding every chance she had. She also had a love of nature and gardening. To the end, she was so enamored by her patio garden.

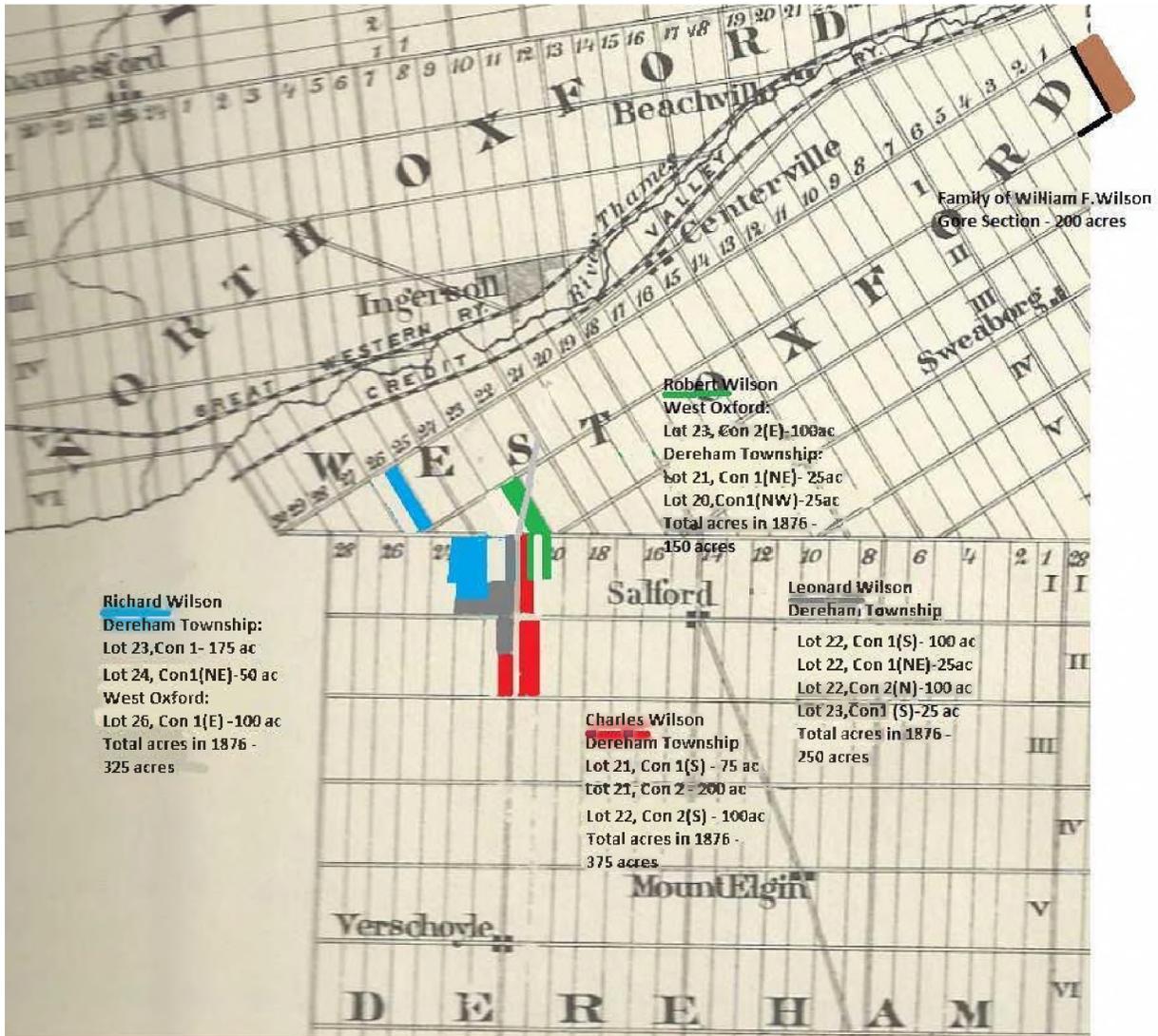
Joan was a member of Auburn's St. Luke's Episcopal Church and Daughter of the King. Joan will be greatly missed for her loving, kind and funny personality. She leaves behind to mourn her, daughters Debbie and Denise (Bud); granddaughters: Yvonne (Clayton), Genise (Jason), Janelle (Tyler), Rebekkah; and great-grandchildren: Cameron, Kevin, Jaylah, Jackson and Harper. She also leaves behind her beloved Gingerboy.

**Notes**

No.	NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP.	WHERE BORN.	WHERE DIED.	WHEN DIED.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
2	William Elliott	6		England	2. Orford	July 17/58	Removal
3	John Seldon	2		England	2. Orford	July 19/58	"
4	John Seldon	2		North Oxford	2. Orford	Sept 18/58	"
5	Ann Prouse	14		England	Borham	July 5/64	"
6	Sarah Prouse	6		Borham	Borham	June 29/64	"
7	James Prouse	8		Borham	Borham	July 13/64	"
8	John Wilson	11		Borham	Borham	July 26/64	"
9	Mary Wilson	2		Borham	Borham	Aug 14/64	"
10	Robert	1		Borham	Borham	July 1/64	"

As a note: Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott's second and fourth children John (1847 -1851) and Mary (1849-1851) died within 10 days of each other. This was not uncommon to have typhus, diphtheria, measles or other diseases killing several family members over a few days. Because these children were "removed" or transferred to Ingersoll Rural Cemetery on April 6, 1867, (IRC index), along with several more Elliott's, Seldon's and Prouse's from the family cemetery, no record was kept of cause of death.

Family Farms owned by the Wilson Family – 1867



By 1867 – the original Wilson family sons owned over 4 square miles of Oxford Co.  
 Thanks to Paul Wilson for the map.

Charles Wilson and Eliza Elliott family Bible.

Charles Wilson, son of Richard  
and Sarah, Wilson, was born  
at Leavening in the East Riding  
County of York, England,  
Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> 1814  
Eliza, Elliott, daughter of John  
and Mary Elliott, was born  
in the Parish of Bradborough  
North Devon, England,  
Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> 1818  
Charles Wilson and Eliza  
Elliott were married in the  
Township of Horra, Brock Dist.  
October 29<sup>th</sup> in the Year 1840  
Sarah Foster, daughter of the  
Rev. Mr. [unclear] [unclear]  
Baptized, Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> 1846 by  
Matthias Foster, Wesleyan Metho-  
dist Minister in Dereham  
John Wilson son of John Wilson  
& Charles & Eliza Wilson, was born  
August 11<sup>th</sup> 1847. 20 1851  
Foster Wilson, son of  
Charles & Eliza Wilson, was born  
March 10<sup>th</sup> 1849. (in Dereham)  
Mary Wilson born September 5, 1851 in  
Dereham August 4, 1853  
Mary Jane Wilson born May 16, 1853  
Bertha the daughter of Charles & Eliza Wilson  
born in Dereham 1854. Dereham

You are cordially invited to attend the

Nauchoke Family Reunion

and Picnic

to be held at Broadview Dereham

the home of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Nauchoke

on July 25/12

Dinner will be served at twelve to one o'clock

The First Nancekivell Reunion 1912



*Elizabeth (Bliss)*  
 1st Nancekivell Reunion July 25, 1912  
*Elmer's Aunt  
 Blanche Nelson  
 Edna's only sister*

Front Row; 1-----2. Arthur Wilson 3. Richard N. (Dick) 4. Dr. Tom N.  
 5. George N. 6-----7-----8. Wallace N. 9. Wilbur N. 10-----  
 11. Doris Jenvey 12. Karn 13. Blanche N. 14. Estelle N.  
 15. Hazel W. 16. Mildred W. 17. Annie N. 18. Bernice N. 19. Edna N.  
 20. Jim N. 21. Keith N. 22. Lorne W. 23. Stuart N. 24-----  
 25-----26-----27-----28-----

Second Row; 1-----2-----3-----4-----5-----6-----7-----8-----  
 9-----10. Hugh Whealy 11. Adeline Whealy 12. Mary Jane McLeod  
 13. Fanny K. & child 14. Reuben N. 15. Sarah N. 16-----17-----  
 18. David Robinson 19. Fanny Robinson 20. Jake Karn & Marjorie  
 21-----22-----

Third Row; 1-----2-----3-----4-----5-----6. Carrie Karn 7. Irene N.  
 8-----9-----10. Harry Karn 11-----12-----13. Louise Storey  
 14. Harry Storey 15. Ethel N. & Harold 16. Clara Karn 17-----  
 18-----19. Will I. N. 20. Jennie N. 21. Bert N. 22. Mildred N.  
 23. Sarah Jenvey 24. Mabel N. 25.-----Karn 26.-----

Fourth Row: 1-----2. Thos. N. 3. Roy Jenvey 4. William W. N.  
 5. Chas. W. Karn 6-----7-----8-----9-----10. Minnie (Mrs. Harry K.)  
 11. Bessie N. 12. Sarah Smith 13. Rev. Terry 14. Josephine Terry  
 15. Vera Minshall 16. Rita Karn 17. Pearl Robinson 18-----  
 19. John N. 20-----21-----22-----23-----24-----26. Edith N.

Top of picture; Herb. Mayberry

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 ATT. IN  
 210.*

THE NANCEKIVELL FAMILY REUNION

The newspaper headlines read: OVER ONE HUNDRED AT REUNION  
HELD ON JULY 25, 1912.

The first annual reunion of the Nancekivell family was held on Thursday, July 25th, at "Broadview" the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Nancekivell, Dereham, under the most favourable circumstances. The day was ideal for such an outing and guests to the number of one hundred and fifteen made merry 'round the festive board.

Dinner was served from twelve to one o'clock on the spacious lawn and the seasonable delicacies were provided in abundance.

The grounds, surrounding the house, were beautifully decorated with red, white, and blue bunting and flags.

After dinner, when all had been fully satisfied, the large gathering was grouped in front of the residence where a photograph was taken by Mr. H. Foster of Ingersoll.

Games and amusement of various kinds were indulged in by young and old. One feature of the day was a game of baseball between the bachelors and the benedicts, in which contest, the benedicts came off victorious by the score of 14-0.

During the day, Dr. C. J. Karn of Berlin was called to the chair and after congratulating the large assembly on the success on this, their first reunion, dispatched the business of the day. Mrs. Roy Jenvey of Ingersoll was appointed Secretary of the reunion, and it was decided to hold next year's reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Nancekivell, Woodstock, the date to be decided later by the committee.

Lunch was served again at six o'clock, and this was none the less enjoyed for the hearty dinner which had preceeded it.

The oldest person on the grounds was Mrs. Mary Jane McLeod of Stratford, who is the oldest of the family of four, all of whom were present- Mrs. Fanny Karn and Mrs. John Karn of Woodstock, and Reuben Nancekivell of Dereham.

The guests were present from Palestine, Texas; Los Angeles, Calif.; Toronto, Omagh, London, Berlin, Brooksdale, Stratford, Woodstock, Ingersoll, Embro, Foldens, Salford, and Mt. Elgin.

*Kitchener  
Ont.*

With grounds and home decorated in red, white, and blue bunting, the first annual reunion of the Nancekivell family was held July 25, 1912 at "Broadview", the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Nancekivell, Dereham, under the most favourable circumstances, a local newspaper reports. The day was ideal for such an outing and 115 guests made merry 'round the festive board. Dr. J. W. Karn of Berlin (Kitchener) was Chairman with Mrs. Roy Jenvey as Secretary assisted by Mrs. Bert Nancekivell. Planning Committee was J.G. Karn, John Nancekivell, and Reuben Nancekivell.

A baseball game between bachelors and benedicts saw a 14-0 victory for the latter. Guests came from as far away as Texas and California and all signed the guest book.

Picnics held through the years drew about a hundred people each year. Food, then as now, played a major role in the festivities. While the tempting meals were being enjoyed, music was furnished by a Victrola.

In 1912, expenses included oranges and bananas for prizes and in 1913 expenses included dish rental of \$1.72 and the hiring of Mrs. Rolfe to wash the dishes for \$2.00.

In 1916, a novelty race, in the form of rooster chasing, was introduced for the men and won by Norman Thornton. A bantam contest for the ladies was won by Mrs. H.G Mayberry.

In 1929, near the onset of the Great Depression, the family met at Southside Park, Woodstock.

In 1931, the program included a "Whistling Race."

Elizabeth M.  
Elsie's Handwritten



50th Nancekivell Reunion 1962  
Front Row: Bert Nancekivell, Mabel Nancekivell,  
Sarah Jenvey, Florence Cody, Irene Nancekivell,  
Middle Row: Elmer Karn, Wilbur Nancekivell,  
> Bessie Nancekivell, Pearl Adam, Myrtle Fleming,  
Muriel Amos, Edna Meek, Anne Jakeman.  
Back Row: Arlington Robinson,  
Douglas Wilson, Bernice McWilliam

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Caroline French – Ingersoll Rural Cemetery

Joseph Coulson

Reed Elliott

Susan and Gary Gilleran

Lynda Carrington

Katherine Auty

Bryan Daniel

Leslie Brown

Ruth Seldon

Lynne Elliott

Tracey Rizea

Liz Kerr

And to my immediate family – I am sorry that I caused so many eye rolls as I regaled them with stories from past generations. To my hawk-eyed Editor and wife Gaile, a huge thank you. Their patience and encouragement was always welcomed and at times needed.

Glenn Elliott

Great, Great Grandson of William Elliott and Eliza Rogers.

January 2023.

End of Book 5.

## Book 6: The John Elliott and Alice Richardson Family