

CATHERINE McDONALD, Daughter

Birth:	2 Jan 1851	Place: Marsh Paddock, Tasmania
Baptism:	14 May 1851	Place: St Andrew's C.E., Westbury
Death:	15 Dec 1931	Place: Wivenhoe, Tasmania Age: 80
Burial:	18 Dec 1931	Place: Wivenhoe, Tasmania
Occupation:	House-keeper (1866)	
Residence:	Place: Ulverstone (1900)	
Father:	GEORGE McDONALD (~1801-1878)	
Mother:	DELIA FURNER [ALIAS GILLAM] (~1815-1900)	

Informant of birth was mother Delia [x] McDonald, (formerly Gillam) married, Marsh Paddock. Father was George McDonald, farmer. [RGD 645]

Stated she was a house keeper, aged 16 years, at time of first marriage. Witnesses to marriage were John Sturzaker junr. [brother-in-law] and Maria Louisa Fogg [sister]. [RGD 494] Was 15 years of age and not 16 as claimed on certificate.

'Went to Wivenhoe with youngest son Charles.' [May Leary]

"Catherine Woodhouse, Ulverstone, failed to send child Charles Woodhouse to school during June 1896. Case dismissed." [652/3 Daily record of crime, Ulverstone]

Catherine McDonald, the ninth child of George and Delia McDonald, was born at the Marsh Paddock (now Exton) on 2 January 1851.

At the tender age of fifteen she married William Woodhouse. They were married in her father's house, River Leven on 12 April 1866. William's occupation was given as farmer, Catherine's as house-keeper – a favoured occupation for females marrying under the Congregational banner!

Had the witnesses been from his side of the family it may have been possible to state positively the truth or otherwise of his obituary notice. Unfortunately (for this purpose) the witnesses were from Catherine's family – her sister Maria Fogg and her brother-in-law John Sturzaker junr, husband of her sister Frances.

William had been living with Hannah Scott for about five years when their home was destroyed by fire:

Our North Motton correspondent forwards further particulars of the fire at Gunn's Plains on Thursday night (reported in last issue), by which the dwelling of William Woodhouse was entirely destroyed. It appears that some men who slept in a hut near the dwelling left a fire burning when they went to bed, and a spark must have ignited the wooden chimney. The flames rapidly spread to the main building, which was lined with pine, and almost before the inmates were awake everything was burned. The house was comfortably furnished, and quite uninsured. Nothing was saved except one pair of blankets. Much sympathy is felt for Mr Woodhouse, who is now getting well into years, and has a young family to support.¹

A long life of hard work is suggested in the following article:

Gunn's Plains possesses in the person of Mr. William Woodhouse one of those hardy specimens of pioneers who in the early days before the advent of wages boards and courts of arbitration placed the North West Coast in the front rank of agricultural centres. His industry and energy are household words among those who have known him. Although Mr. Woodhouse has reached his 85th year, he is still capable, and disdains to eat the bread of idleness. When the chairman and secretary of the Tourist Association visited the caves a couple of days ago, they found a log about 3ft.-6in. in diameter blocking the road to the entrance. They requested the aged pioneer to get some one to cut it up. Returning a couple of hours later, they found he had tackled

¹ Advocate Monday 10 July 1899 pg 2.

*the job himself, and that he had already put three cuts through the log. He was then busy with the fourth, and had not turned a hair. Mr. Woodhouse is widely known as a man of action and energy, whose life has been one long working day. Yet he is always, cheerful, and continues to improve his holdings.*²

There are two possible descents for William. He may have been born in Kirkcaldy Scotland in 1830 as his obituary (in the Advocate) states, and have emigrated with his parents in 1838 in the ship *Merry Poser*.³ And he may have been 102 years of age when he died at Ulverstone in 1932, although some doubted that he had passed the century mark, myself included. The Examiner also published an obituary at the time of his death which I include, as follows, just in case I am proved incorrect:

Mr. William Woodhouse, of Gunn's Plains, is an interesting link with the earlier part of last century, and with the settlement of the Ulverstone (then known as Leven) district. Some doubt was felt as to the claim that he had passed the hundredth milestone, but a searching investigation has shown that this is correct. A native of Kirkcaldy, Scotland, Mr. Woodhouse was born on May 16, 1830, and was brought to Tasmania by his parents in 1838 in the ship Maropore, [sic] which took six months to do the trip. His parents went into the employ of Captain Hey, at Mount Direction. They later went South, when Mr. Woodhouse, junior, was 20 years of age. The son first went to the Coast as a young man nearly 80 years ago, when the site of the town of Ulverstone was known as Badger Plains. This was before there was any building there.

*Mr. Woodhouse took part in one or two wild adventures with the early bushrangers Dalton and Kelly,⁴ and also has a vivid recollection of what was called the Black war,⁵ which resulted in the remnant of the native blacks being assembled and removed from the island. At intervals he spent a few years in Victoria, but always returned to the North-West Coast of Tasmania, where he has resided now for nearly 70 years, the last 10 years at Gunn's Plains. In his younger days he was a splendid bushman, skilful as a timber worker, and famous for his neat and finished style with either axe, saw, or paling knife. Also he had few equals and no superior as a bullock driver. He was twice married, [sic] having a family of nine by his first wife, and four by the second. All of the children are living, most of them in the district. When visited recently Mr. Woodhouse was found hard at work with mattock and spade bringing order out of chaos in a very rough garden. Later in the day he was seen vigorously plying the crosscut saw, a mall and wedges, breaking up firewood for the house. Mr Woodhouse does not attempt to give any reason for his long and healthy life beyond that he always worked hard, which kept him fit. He has always been temperate in his habits, except that he has always been a heavy smoker. He retains most of his teeth and all his faculties, except for a slight difficulty of hearing. He is very proud of the fact that he is the oldest man resident in the district.*⁶

Alternatively, and more probably, I believe William Woodhouse may have been the son of convict Francis Woodhouse and his Scottish born convict wife Jean [or Jane] Cooper, and that he was born 8 July 1842.

Francis Woodhouse had drowned in the North Esk River on 11 March 1843. The body had been found by John Farman who immediately 'took up' with the widow and had two daughters, Martha (Mrs David Manson), and Priscilla (Mrs Thomas McDonald) by her, but John and Jane do not appear to have married. Jane died at Red Hill, River Tamar in 1849.

² Advocate (Burnie, Tas. : 1890 - 1954) Saturday 19 November 1921 pg 4.

³ As no *Merry Poser* has been found the ship is most likely the *Mariposa*.

⁴ Dalton and Kelly, absconders from Port Arthur, were active in the Forth area in January 1853.

⁵ Note that the Black War occurred between the years 1828 and 1832 and William was born in 1842 if his birth was in Tasmania and not Scotland.

⁶ Examiner: Tuesday 17 May 1932 pg 5.

What happened to William, orphaned by the age of seven? His 'common-law step-father' John Farman had moved to the Leven by 1858 when he bought land from Catherine's brother, George McDonald, and I believe he brought the three children with him.

Priscilla Farman married in 1861 and a witness was William Farman! When John Farman died in 1869 his death was reported by William Woodhouse, farmer, River Leven.

Spouses 1: WILLIAM WOODHOUSE

Birth: 8 Jul 1842 Place: Valley Fields, near Launceston
Baptism: 14 Sep 1842 Place: St John's C.E., Launceston
Death: 24 Dec 1932 Place: Hospital, Ulverstone Age: 90
Burial: 26 Dec 1932 Place: North Motton Cemetery, C.E. [Headstone] Age: 90
Occupation: Farmer (1866 1867 1903 1912 1925) Splitter (1877)
Father: FRANCIS WOODHOUSE (ca1805-1843)
Mother: JANE COOPER (ca1804-1849)
Marriage: 12 Apr 1866 Place: Dwelling house of George McDonald, River Leven,
Congregational Church

Also known as William Frank and William John.

Informant of birth was Francis Woodhouse, farmer. [RGD 1079]

Mother Mary on birth registration, Jane on baptism.

For baptism as William Woodhouse, son of Francis and Jane Woodhouse, *Valley Field*, farmer, see St John's C.E., Launceston, Baptism Register p76 No. 996]

Stated he was a farmer, aged 24 years, at time of marriage. [RGD 494]

1890-91 William Woodhouse, Leven, Lease Holder, Cottage, Ulverstone, J. Smith, Lessor.

Cause of death arteriosclerosis & acute gastritis, aged 102 [sic]. Informant of death was R.W. Broadfield, Undertaker, Ulverstone. [RGD] See Advocate 27 December 1932 for obituary.

Death certificate states was born Kirkcaldy, Scotland. Had 12 children.

Children: ARTHUR JOSEPH (1867-1946)
ROSALIND MABEL AMY (1871-1964)
ALBERT EDWARD (1872-1961)
WILLIAM THOMAS (Died as a child) (1874-1888)
DELIA KATE (1876-1972)
EVA ADA (1878-1944)
GEORGE ALEXANDER (1880-1966)
DONALD NEVIN (1883-1967)
CHARLES ELVIN JAMES (1886-)

Spouse 2: HANNAH SCOTT

Birth: pre 1885 Place:
Death: 3 Sep 1927 Place: Gunn's Plains
Burial: 5 Sep 1927 Place: North Motton Cemetery, C.E.
Residence: Gunn's Plains (1903 1912)
Occupation: Domestic Duties (1903 1912)
Father: SAMUEL SCOTT
Mother: SARAH JANE PAYNE

According to Roy Woodhouse the Scott family came from Yorkshire.

For death check Advocate 5 Sept 1927.

Children: MARY AMELIA WOODHOUSE (1894-1975)
WILLIAM JOHN WOODHOUSE (1895-1985)
WORONA MAUDE WOODHOUSE (1897-1975)
JESSIE WOODHOUSE (1901-1982)

Spouse 2: JOHN PARKIN

Birth: 17 Mar 1868 Place: Blessington, Tasmania
 Death: ca 1945? Place: Ringwood, Victoria Age: 77
 Burial: Place:
 Residence: Ulverstone (1900)
 Occupation: Labourer (1900)
 Father: JOHN PARKIN (ca1819-1896)
 Mother: CATHERINE [Kate] REID (ca1829-1914)

Informant of birth was John Parkin, Labourer, Blessington. [RGD 1002 Morven]

Possibly he is the John Parkin, native, free, who committed some misdemeanours at Ulverstone and Burnie between 1891-1906:

Labourer, 5' 6" [?] tall; 29 in 1897; fresh complexion; small head; brown hair, eyebrows, and whiskers; oval visage; narrow forehead; gray eyes; medium nose; small mouth and chin. Native place Perth, Tasmania. Mark on main knuckle of 3rd finger of left hand and 3 warts on third finger of right hand. C.E., Can read or write [sic]. Married.

02 February 1891 Sentenced Police Office Ulverstone, Drunk etc. Fined 10/-.

28 July 1891 Sentenced Police Office Ulverstone, Idle and disorderly, 3 months.

07 March 1892 Sentenced Police Office Ulverstone, Idle etc., 6 months.

10 April 1897 Sentenced Police Office Ulverstone, Idle etc., 6 months. To escort to Launceston 15 July 1897.

05 July 1906 Sentenced Police Office Burnie, Larceny (2 charges), 3 months & 3 months (cumulative). See folio 201. 4 Photographs included. [GD 63/2 P1652]

Note marriage to Catherine Woodhouse was bigamous. She was alleged to be a widow (1888) with 4 children living and none dead. Husband died 1884. Gave age as 45 years at time of marriage. Stated he was a labourer and born at Blessington. Gave parents as John Parkin, labourer, and Catherine Reid. Witnesses to marriage were William O'Reilly, Burnie & Ernest Warrington, Burnie. [CE 45]

*Note alleged marriage in 1891 not found in Tasmanian Pioneers Index 1803-1899.

Death date attributed to John Parkin is not proven. Age fits but one of the Woodhouse children gave his address as C/- J. Parkin in 1953.

No death found Tasmanian deaths indexes to 1930.

Death of a John Parkin, aged 77 yrs, has been found in Victoria Deaths Index 1925-1985 [VIC RGD 21201]. Date of birth - 1868 - fits this John Parkin. No parents stated in index.

Death Index. Victoria 1921-1985

Surname: PARKIN

Given Names: John

Father: Unknown

Mother: Unknown UNKNOWN

Death Place: RINGWOOD

Event: D Age: 77

Year: 1945 Reg Number: 21201

See also John Reid Parkin died East Melbourne 1914, aged 65 years. Parents John Parkin and Charlotte [sic] Reid. But note age does not fit. Would have been born 1849. May be a typing error.

For possible will as John Parkin see VIC PROBATE Index. Occupation Shipwright. Residence South Melbourne. Probate granted 1 October 1914.

Marriage: 5 Jun 1900 Place: St George's Church, Burnie, C.E., by Lic.

Children: MIGNONETTE CLARA ELIZABETH [Minnie] (1890-1965)

ARTHUR JOSEPH WOODHOUSE, Grandson

Birth: 24 Apr 1867 Place: River Leven
Baptism: 2 Feb 1868 Place: Forth & Leven C.E.
Death: 1 Dec 1946 Place: Lyman Street, Daylesford, Victoria Age: 79
Burial: 3 Dec 1946 Place: Springvale Necropolis, RC
Occupation: Labourer (1900) Farmer (1911) Miner (1912) Gentleman (1946) Widower (1946)
Residence: ?Victoria (1886)
Residence: Lyonville, Victoria (1900)
Residence: Gawler (1912)
Father: WILLIAM WOODHOUSE (1842-1932)
Mother: CATHERINE McDONALD (1851-1931)

Informant of birth was father, William Woodhouse, farmer, River Leven. [RGD 1249]

Enrolled at Ulverstone school 30 March 1874, aged seven years. Removed from locality May 1874. [Ulverstone State School Admission Register entry No. 104]

For marriage see VIC RGD 4414/1900. Stated he was a labourer aged 33 years. Parents William Woodhouse, labourer, and Katherine Macdonald.

Died at his residence. Cause of death myocarditis (chronic). Dr J.C.M. Harper. Father William Woodhouse, mother unknown. Date of marriage given as circa 1888 at age 21 years.

Lived in Victoria 60 years and in Tasmania 19 years. [VIC RGD 22788]

No probate found Probate Index Victoria.

Spouse : MINNIE QUIRKE

Birth: ca 1862 Place: Victoria
Death: Mar 1939 Place: Malvern, Victoria Age: 77
Burial: 1 Apr 1939 Place: Springvale Necropolis, RC
Occupation: No Occupation (1900) Domestic Duties (1912)
Father: JAMES QUIRKE
Mother: MARY CRENNAN
Marriage: 11 Jul 1900 Place: St Mary's Church, Woodend, Victoria, C.E., by Lic.

Children: DORIS OLIVETTE (ca1890-ca1961)
VERA MINNIE [Minnie Vera] (ca1892-ca1970)
VALERIE ULVERSTONE (Not married) (ca1894-1977)
MERLE GIBSON (ca1896-)
JACK (ca1897-1971)
MARJORY EVELYN (Infant) (ca1899-ca1900)
ISABEL (ca1899-ca1984)
ADA [Died as an infant] (ca1901-1901)
ARTHUR ORVILLE [Orville Arthur] (ca1902-1972)

Stated she was 35 years of age at time of marriage. Parents were James Quirke, labourer, and Mary Crennan. Witnesses to marriage were Robert McCully and Annie L. Finter. [VIC RGD 4414]

For death see VIC RGD Deaths Index No. 2703. Age given as 77 years. Parents given as James Quirk and Mary Crennan.

ROSALIND MABEL AMY WOODHOUSE, Granddaughter

Birth: 28 Apr 1871 Place: River Leven
Baptism: 24 Dec 1871 Place: Forth & Leven C.E.
Death: 19 May 1964 Place: 2 Helen St, Ulverstone Age: 93
Burial: 20 May 1964 Place: Ulverstone Cemetery, C.E. [Headstone]
Occupation: Domestic Duties (1912) Home Duties (1953)
Residence: River Leven; Gunn's Plains (1912 1953) Heka
Father: WILLIAM WOODHOUSE (1842-1932)
Mother: CATHERINE McDONALD (1851-1931)

Also known as Rose.

Removed from Castra State School to Ulverstone 30 June 1884 aged 13 years and 2 months. {Ulverstone State School Admission Register Entry No. 449}

Witnesses to marriage_were John Quantrell and her aunt Martha Manson. [RGD 1353] Martha Manson, later Quantrell, being a witness further supports the relationship of William Woodhouse as being Tasmanian born.

"Diamond Wedding: The diamond wedding of Mr. and Mrs. John Dadson Ansell, of Heka, was celebrated at a happy function in the public hall at Gunn's Plains. Mr. and Mrs. Ansell have lived at Gunn's Plains all their married life and a large crowd was present to testify to the esteem in which they are held.

Almost half the guests, who numbered about 300, were relatives. The four sons, George, William Jack and Jim, were present, also their only daughter, Amy (Mrs. O. Last).

Three wedding cakes were cut, one being made by Mrs. Last and decorated by Mrs. Keenan, a granddaughter; another was made and decorated by Mrs. J. Fagan, grand-daughter (Waratah), and third by a niece, Mrs. Patmore (Hobart). Presentations were numerous from members of the family, grandchildren and residents of the district.

Dancing was enjoyed to music provided by Mrs. Jim Scott, of Irishtown (piano), Messrs. S. Woodhouse and R. Marshall (piano accordions), W. Woodhouse (violin), J. Banfield (drums), R M'Donald (saxophone), and R Beard (banjo-mandolin). Songs were rendered by Messrs. S. Scott and R. Pearson." [Advocate (Burnie, Tas. : 1890 - 1954) Friday 8 October 1948 p4 c3]

For death see Advocate 20 May 1964. Funeral from Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Ulverstone.

Spouse: JOHN DADSON [Jack] ANSELL
Birth: 10 Feb 1866 Place: Hagley
Baptism: 29 Mar 1866 Place: Hagley, Methodist
Death: 6 Jan 1956 Place: Residence, Heka Age: 89
Burial: 7 Jan 1956 Place: Ulverstone Cemetery, C.E. [Headstone]
Occupation: Farmer (1912) Carpenter; Labourer
Father: GEORGE ANSELL (1841-1898)
Mother: ELIZABETH ANN DADSON (1838-1910)
Marriage: 24 Sep 1888 Place: Holy Trinity, C.E., Ulverstone

For death see Advocate 07 January 1956. No obituary found to 30 January 1956.

Children: GEORGE CHARLES [Cob] (1889-1980)
WILLIAM JOHN ALBERT (Died as an infant) (1890-1890)
WILLIAM JOHN (1891-1963)
AMY ELIZABETH (1893-1977)
GORDON JOHN [Jack] (1897-1974)
JAMES HARTLEY [Jim] (1899-1992)

ALBERT EDWARD WOODHOUSE, Grandson

Birth: 10 Nov 1872 Place: River Leven?
Baptism: 9 Jan 1873 Place: Holy Trinity C.E., Ulverstone
Death: 7 Jul 1961 Place: Ulverstone Age: 88
Burial: 9 Jul 1961 Place: Ulverstone Cemetery, C.E. [Headstone]
Occupation: Farmer (1894) Labourer (1896 1897 1899 1906 1907 1912 1918)
Residence: Ulverstone (1896 1897 1899) Gawler (1906)
Residence: North Motton (1907) Gunn's Plains (1912 1918 1925)
Residence: Lovett St., Ulverstone (1953)
Father: WILLIAM WOODHOUSE (1842-1932)
Mother: CATHERINE McDONALD (1851-1931)

Birth not registered. See School Register for age.

Admitted to the Ulverstone School 13 March 1884, aged 11 years and 3 months. [Ulverstone State School Admission Register entry No. 437]

1899 A. Woodhouse, Cottage, West Ulverstone, Leasehold. [ER]

Married at Simpson's Hotel [Sea View Hotel]. Jane was a sister of Mrs Maggie Richardson, late the wife of James Simpson. Mr Simpson, a New Zealander and a seaman, died on the job - from delirium tremens - 7 June 1899. He and Albert managed the Sea view Hotel for a short time. Witnesses to marriage were Margaret Simpson and John Dunn. [C.E.]

Spouse: JANE MORRIS

Birth: ca 1876 Place: North Wales
Death: 24 Apr 1964 Place: Ulverstone Age: 88
Burial: 26 Apr 1964 Place: Ulverstone Cemetery, C.E. [Headstone]
Occupation: Domestic Duties (1912) Home Duties (1953)

Marriage: 20 Jun 1894 Place: Residence James Simpson, Ulverstone, C.E.

Children: WILLIAM JOHN (1894-1963)
ALBERT ROY (1896-1988)
OLIVE MAY (1899-1982)
GWENDOLINE (1902-1967)
GLADYS (1907-1989)

"Sister of Mrs Maggie Richardson, nee Morris, who was married to James Simpson of the Sea View Hotel. Albert and James managed the hotel for a short time. Simpson was a seaman and skipper of a boat who had been asked to take on the hotel. Albert and Jane were married in the Hotel." [Maurice Woodhouse, 1 Elizabeth St., Ulverstone]

See Advocate Friday 27 June 1958 p5 for photograph of Mr and Mrs A.E. Woodhouse of Ulverstone celebrating their diamond wedding anniversary [sic]. Personality photo.

WILLIAM THOMAS WOODHOUSE, Grandson

Birth:	20 Dec 1874	Place: Castra
Baptism:	7 Jan 1877	Place: Forth & Leven C.E. Age: 2
Death:	15 Aug 1888	Place: Ulverstone Age: 13
Burial:	18 Aug 1888	Place: Ulverstone Cemetery, C.E.
Residence:	Leven	
Father:	WILLIAM WOODHOUSE (1842-1932)	
Mother:	CATHERINE McDONALD (1851-1931)	

Birth not registered Tasmania. Date of birth calculated from age given in School Admission Register.
Admitted to Ulverstone State School 13 March 1884, aged 9 years and 3 months. [Ulverstone State School Admission Register entry No. 438]
Cause of death was cardiac disease. Age given as 13 years. Informant of death was father, W. Woodhouse, labourer, Ulverstone. [RGD 795]

DELIA KATE WOODHOUSE, Granddaughter

Birth:	11 Aug 1876	Place: River Leven
Baptism:	7 Jan 1877	Place: Forth & Leven C.E.
Death:	11 Nov 1972	Place: Hobart Age: 96
Burial:	13 Nov 1972	Place: Ulverstone Cemetery, C.E. [Headstone] Age: 96
Occupation:	Home duties	
Residence:	Ulverstone; Hobart; Melbourne (1943)	
Father:	WILLIAM WOODHOUSE (1842-1932)	
Mother:	CATHERINE McDONALD (1851-1931)	

Also known as Kitty. Informant of birth was father, William Frank [sic] Woodhouse, farmer, Leven. Mother was Katherine Woodhouse, formerly McDonald. [RGD 1774] For baptism see Church of England Baptism Register Forth & Leven Parish, p64. Birth date given as 11 July 1876 [sic]. For admission to Ulverstone State School see Admission Register entry No. 439 17 March 1884.

Was a spinster aged "under 21" [actually 17] at time of marriage. Mother Katherine (x) Woodhouse consented to marriage. Witnesses were John Ansell and Rose Ansell. [RGD 948 and Methodist Marriage Register]

See Mercury 13 November 1972 for death and funeral notice. Mentions grandchildren - Keith, Peggy & Margaret. Great grand children Julie Peter David and Mark. Great Grand children Julie and Denis and great grandchild Amanda.

Spouses 1: JOSHUA JAMES LITTLE

Birth:	ca 1860	Place: Carrick
Death:	10 Nov 1943	Place: Residence, Lovett Street, Ulverstone Age: 83
Burial:	12 Nov 1943	Place: Ulverstone Cemetery, C.E. [Headstone] Age: 83
Occupation:	Labourer (1892 1894 1896 1937) Emu Bay Railway Co.	
Father:	?.JOSHUA LITTLE	
Mother:	?.MARY ANN WOODLEY	
Marriage:	26 Dec 1892	Place: Residence of bridegroom, Ulverstone, Wesleyan

Children:

- ADA BLANCHE (1894-1975)
- DAISY BELL (1896-1988)
- DONALD JAMES [Jim] (1900-1953)
- GORDON KENNETH (1905-1984)
- ARTHUR LESLIE (1914-1999)

Possibly the son of Joshua Little and Mary Ann, nee Woodley. Married as James Little. Marriage age given as 28 years. Occupation labourer. [Methodist]

"The death occurred at his residence, Lovett street, Ulverstone, on Wednesday, of Mr. James Little at the age of 83 years. Born at Carrick, he went to the Leven district when a young man. He married Delia, second eldest daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. N. Woodhouse [sic]. Later they moved to Guildford, where they lived for 40 years. Mr. Little was employed by the E.B.R. Co. on the permanent way for 26 years, after which he was proprietor of the railway refreshment rooms at Guildford. During the past 6 1/2 years he lived in retirement at Ulverstone. He is survived by his widow and two daughters, Ada (Mrs. Patmore, Hobart), and Daisy (Mrs Murray, Melbourne), and three sons, James (Burnie), Gordon (Zeehan) and Leslie (Ulverstone). The funeral took place at the Church of England cemetery, Ulverstone on Friday. A service at Holy Trinity Church was conducted by Rev. F.S. Benjafield. The chief mourners were the three sons, Mrs. Patmore (daughter), Mrs. Delphin (sister), Mesdames G. and J. Little (daughters-in-law), and A. Clelland (grandson). The pallbearers were Messrs. G.J. Ansell, R. Woodhouse, S. Pitham and L. Cumming, and the carriers were Messrs. J.H. and W. Ansell, and R. and M. Woodhouse. Included in the wreaths were tributes from the manager and staff, and members of the locomotive staff of the E.B. Railway, Burnie." [Advocate Monday 15 November 1943]

Birth not found TPI or Victorian Index. There is a gap between 1856 and 1865 when there are no Little birth registrations for this family. An Elizabeth Little married Daniel Delphin at Westbury 25 December 1893. She was aged 19 years and therefore born ca 1874. There is an Elizabeth Little born to Joshua Little and Mary Ann Woodley at Westbury 16 April 1875.

EVA ADA WOODHOUSE, Granddaughter

Birth: 4 Aug 1878 Place: Castra Road
Baptism: 10 Oct 1879 Place: Forth & Leven C.E. Age: 1
Death: 28 Jun 1944 Place: 2 George Street, Ulverstone Age: 65
Burial: 30 Jun 1944 Place: Ulverstone Cemetery, C.E. [Headstone]
Occupation: Domestic Duties, Widow (1921)
Residence: Gunn's Plains (1909) South Gunn's Plains (1917) Fitzroy, Victoria
Father: WILLIAM WOODHOUSE (1842-1932)
Mother: CATHERINE McDONALD (1851-1931)

Also known as Ada Eva.

Informant of birth was William Woodhouse, father, splitter, Castra Road, 12 September 1878. Mother was Katherine Woodhouse, formerly McDonald. [RGD 1990]

For admission to Ulverstone State School [as Ada] at age of 5 years 10 months on 30 June 1884 see Admission Register entry No. 450.

Spouse 1: JOHN ERNEST JOHNS M.M.
Birth: 1 May 1890 Place: Auburn, Ross
Baptism: 2 Apr 1891 Place: Campbell Town, C.E.
Death: 15 Apr 1917 Place: K.I.A. Langnicourt, France, WWI Age: 26
Burial: Queant Road Cemetery (Plot VI, Row G, Grave No. 34), Buissy, France
Occupation: Farmer (1909) Soldier (1916-1917)
Father: ROBERT JOHN JOHNS
Mother: ELIZABETH JANE HULCOMBE
Marriage: 10 Aug 1909 Place: Gunn's Plains, C.E., by Lic.

Informant of birth was father, R.J. Johns, Auburn, Ross. [RGD 957]

For baptism see Church of England Campbell Town Parish Baptism Register [NS 1190/1 No. 957]

Witnesses to marriage were Donald Nevin Woodhouse and Elvie Muriel Johns [C.E. 154]

6102 Private John Ernest Johns, 12th Battalion, enlisted 30 May 1916. Awarded the Military Medal.

[Nominal Roll of A.I.F. Service Abroad 1914-1918 War] Member of 12th Bn., Australian Infantry, A.I.F.

Private 6102. Buried Queant Road Cemetery, Buissy, Pas de Calais, France. Grave VI. G. 34.

[Commonwealth War Graves Commission]

Spouse 2: PIERCE ALBERT BLONG
Birth: 14 Nov 1883 Place: Barrack Street, Hobart
Death: 12 Jan 1947 Place: General Hospital, Ulverstone Age: 63
Burial: 14 Jan 1947 Place: Ulverstone Cemetery, C.E. [Headstone]
Occupation: Musician (1921)
Father: ANDREW BLONG
Mother: MARY HANLON
Marriage: 30 Mar 1921 Place: Holy Trinity, C.E., Ulverstone, by Lic.

Informant of birth was father, Andrew Blong, Barrack Street, Hobart, Gate Keeper H.M. Gaol. Mother was Mary Blong, formerly Hanlon. [RGD 1334]

Witnesses to marriage were G. Ansell and[C.E. 339]

For death and funeral notice see Examiner 14 January 1947. No obituary found to 5 February 1947.

Had a sister, Alma Blong, domestic servant, who was executor of his will following the death of Eva before her husband. Gross value sworn at £1333/-/-. The fact that he was blind was mentioned in the Will which he signed with his mark for that reason. [1947 AD961/1/19 810 7480]

No Children either marriage.

GEORGE ALEXANDER WOODHOUSE, Grandson

Birth: 28 Dec 1880 Place: Upper Castra
Baptism: 14 Mar 1885 Place: Forth & Leven C.E. Age: 4
Death: 16 Jul 1966 Place: Mersey General Hospital, Latrobe Age: 85
Burial: 18 Jul 1966 Place: Ulverstone Cemetery, C.E. [Headstone]
Occupation: Farmer (1907 1912 1918 1921 1924 1928 1933 1953)
Residence: Gunn's Plains (1907 1912 1918 1924 1926 1928 1933) Lowana (1921)
Residence: South Gunn's Plains (1913 1918 1924)
Residence: 17 George St., Ulverstone (1953)
Residence: Springvale, Sassafras (1966)
Father: WILLIAM WOODHOUSE (1842-1932)
Mother: CATHERINE McDONALD (1851-1931)

For baptism see Forth & Leven Church of England Baptism Register p131.

For admission to Ulverstone School see Admission Register entry No. 485 15 June 1885 aged 4 years, and entry No. 505 12 April 1886 aged 5 years 4 months. Left the school 1 July 1890.

For marriage see Forth & Leven Church of England Marriage Register entry No. 127/1907.

Witnesses to marriage were W. Woodhouse and Sarah Scott. [C.E.]

Spouse: ANNIE JANE SCOTT

Birth: 28 Apr 1890 Place: Duck River
Death: 14 May 1946 Place: General Hospital, Ulverstone Age: 56
Burial: 15 May 1946 Place: Ulverstone Cemetery, C.E. [Headstone]
Occupation: None stated (1907) Domestic Duties (1912)
Father: SAMUEL SCOTT
Mother: SARAH JANE PAYNE
Marriage: 31 Aug 1907 Place: Holy Trinity Church, Ulverstone, C.E., by Lic.

Informant of birth was mother, Sarah Jane Scott, Duck River. Father Samuel Scott an engineer. [RGD 3238]

Cause of death cardiac Admitted to hospital 29 March 1946. [HSD 370/3 Ulverstone District Hospital General Case Book 8 March 1944 - 8 October 1946 Case 4335 p469]

For death and obituary see Advocate 15/20 May 1946.

Children: ANNIE JANE [Barb] (1908-1985)
WILLIAM GEORGE (1910-1979)
RONALD (1913-1989)
ADA EILEEN (1917-)
LORNA (1920-2008)
EDNA MARY (1924-)
ARTHUR ALBERT (1926-)
IRIS (Died as an infant) (1928-1928)

CHARLES ELVIN JAMES WOODHOUSE, Grandson

Birth: 31 Dec 1886 Place: Ulverstone
Baptism: 24 Aug 1890 Place: Holy Trinity C.E., Ulverstone Age: 3
Death: Place:
Burial: Place:
Occupation: Labourer (1914 1953)
Residence: Wivenhoe (1914)
Residence: C/- J. Parkin, Wivenhoe (1953)
Father: WILLIAM WOODHOUSE (1842-1932)
Mother: CATHERINE McDONALD (1851-1931)

Informant of birth was sister, Rose Woodhouse, Ulverstone. Father was William Woodhouse, labourer, and mother was Catherine Woodhouse, formerly McDonald. [RGD 3348/1887] Date of birth given as 18 December 1886 on baptism. Surname written Wodehouse. [C.E.]
Baptised Charles Albert [?] James.

Spouse: LILLIE MARY BESTER

Birth: 2 Aug 1884 Place: Franklin District
Death: 23 Dec 1947 Place: Melbourne, Victoria, Australia
Burial: 27 Dec 1947 Place: Necropolis, Springvale, Victoria
Father: JOHN BESTER
Mother: MARY JANE LAMBERT

Daughter of John Bester and Mary Jane Lambert. Born Franklin District 1884 [RGD 1569]

Marriage: 30 Sep 1913 Place: Wivenhoe

Children:

MIGNONETTE CLARA ELIZABETH [Minnie] PARKIN, Granddaughter

Birth: 16 Aug 1890 Place: Ulverstone
Baptism: 24 Aug 1890 Place: Forth & Leven C.E.
Death: 19 Jul 1965 Place: Burnie General Hospital Age: 74
Burial: 21 Jul 1965 Place: Wivenhoe Cemetery
Occupation: Domestic Duties (1912) Home Duties (1953)
Residence: Wivenhoe (1912 1914 1953)
Father: JOHN PARKIN (1868-1914)
Mother: CATHERINE McDONALD (1851-1931)

Also called Minnie.

Informant of birth was mother, Catherine Woodhouse, Ulverstone. Parents stated as Catherine Woodhouse, formerly McDonald, and John Parkin, labourer. [RGD 3406]

Baptised Ulverstone as 'Mignonette Clara Elizabeth, the illegitimate d/o John Bebbin [sic] and Elizabeth Wodehouse [sic], Ulverstone, Labourer.' [C.E. Forth and Leven Burial Register]

Married as Minnie Parkin.

For death and funeral notice see Advocate 21 July 1965.

Spouse: WILLIAM WATTLE [or Waddle] HAMPSON
Birth: 29 Nov 1889 Place: Burnie
Death: 15 Apr 1963 Place: Residence, 28 Anglesea Street, Wivenhoe Age: 73
Burial: 17 Apr 1963 Place: Wivenhoe Cemetery [Salvation Army]
Occupation: Labourer (1912 1914) Wharf Labourer (1937) Waterside Worker (1940 1953)
Father: WILLIAM HAMPSON
Mother: JANE HENRICH
Marriage: 30 Sep 1913 Place: Wivenhoe

Informant of birth was mother, Jane Hampson, Burnie. [RGD 1230]

Married as William Wattle Hampson.

See Advocate 16 April 1963 for death and funeral notice.

Children listed in this order: William, Eileen, Horace, Burnie, Doraine, Colin, Sybil, June, Keith, & Tasman.

Children:

WILLIAM CHARLES [Bill] (1911-1963)
EILEEN MELBA (1912-1990)
HORACE JAMES [Jim] (1915-1973)
BURNIE TASMAN [Mick] (1918-1988)
DORRAINE EVYLEEN [Tay] JOYCE (1921-1997)
COLIN VICTOR [Dick] (1923-1986)
JUNE
KEITH [Joe] (-2000)
SYBIL (1926-2005)