

The
STOCKDEN
SONS and their FAMILIES
in
AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AFRICA,
CANADA and NEW ZEALAND

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Family of Robert (1824-1895) Stockden

Robert was the third son of George (1800) Stockden and was born in Rangeworthy, Gloucestershire, England and baptised there on 24 February 1825. He married in 1850 Mary Ann Spill and they had a daughter Hannah in 1851. The census for 1851 shows that the family lived at 19 Rangeworthy. This is a one street village even today! Robert's sister Mary (1827) had emigrated to Australia in 1854 on the assisted passage scheme, to work as a domestic servant. I think that she helped to get Robert to Australia for they were both at Ballarat in 1859 when Robert's first son George was born. Robert died at Ballarat in 1895. It is not known where or when Mary Ann died.

Their children:

Hannah	(1851)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia'.
George Thomas	(1859-1937)	see 'Family of ' and
Reuben James	(1862-1892)	see 'Family of ' .

Family of John (1832-1905) Stockden

John was the youngest son of Robert (1789) Stockden. He was born in Gloucestershire. He probably emigrated to Australia about 1855. It is known that he had 'miner's rights' to vote and is on the electoral roll for Ballarat in 1856. This benefit was a result of the miners revolt of 1847, made even more famous as the 1946 film 'Eureka Stockade' starring the Australian actor, 'Chips' Rafferty.

In (probably) 1861 John married Ann Price and they had three children. Ann was the daughter of John Price and Elizabeth (née Godfrey). John eventually became the landlord of 'The Royal Oak' hotel at Clunes, and died there in 1905. It is not known where or when his wife Ann died.

Their children:

Elizabeth	(1862-1928)	died at Clunes and she was unmarried.
Sarah	(1864-1918)	died at Clunes and she was also unmarried.
James Price	(1869-1876)	died aged seven years.

Family of Wyatt Wall (1840-1922) Stockden

Wyatt was born 24 July 1840, in Iron Acton, Gloucestershire, England. He left to get work as a miner in Pontypool, Monmouthshire, where his relatives had gone in earlier years. He married Maria Cleaves in Llanhilleth, Monmouthshire on 6 November 1859 and, soon after, daughter Elizabeth Hannah was born on 19 May 1860. On the marriage certificate Wyatt said his father John (1804) was a 'farmer' and Maria's father was a 'contractor'. At this time Wyatt was apparently able to write but Maria and their marriage witnesses were making 'their mark' with the time honoured 'x'.

They then emigrated to Australia in late 1861. According to immigration records they sailed from Plymouth, England 15 November 1861 (There is also a reference to 4 December 1861- it is not totally clear what these dates mean). The records show that Wyatt Stockden, a twenty-one years old married labourer and his twenty-three years old wife accompanied by their one year old daughter Elizabeth Hannah, arrived in Moreton Bay, Queensland, on the ship 'Clifton'. Mr E. Beazley was the ships master.

After working as a miner in New South Wales, Wyatt settled in Gympie, Queensland, a very rich gold mining area founded by James Nash in 1824. Wyatt

made his living in transport using horse and bullock teams. He bought a block of land at Eel Creek near Gympie and lived there until he died. The road at Eel Creek has been named 'Stockden Road'. Maria, Wyatt's wife, died 19 October 1911 aged seventy-three years. Wyatt lived until 1 February 1922, he was then aged eighty-two years.

Their children :

Elizabeth Hannah	(1860-1940)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia'.
John	(1863-1933)	see 'Family of '.
Mary Jane	(1865-1865)	died at Browns River in N S W.
Mary Louisa	(1867-1867)	was nine months old when she developed convulsions and died on 13 December 1867. Her death certificate was No 541, issued at Browns River, Queensland where her father Wyatt was a miner. A Mrs Lyons was the nurse in attendance at the time of death and Daniel Murray registered the details at Bowenfels on 17 December 1867.

Maria Annie	(1868)	married Alfred Gamgee from Essex, England on 10 November 1894.
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James Cleaves	(1871-1940)	see 'Family of '.
William Wyatt	(1874-1956)	see 'Family of '.
Emily Agnes	(1876)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia'.
Louisa Ethel	(1882)	married William Kelley on 16 August 1911, and went to live in north Queensland.

[Author's Note:

In 1906 when Wyatt was sixty-six years of age there is in the records for Queensland a reference to the arrival of a 'Miss Stockden' travelling as a second class passenger on the RMS 'Omrah' which left London on 19 October 1906 and arrived in Brisbane on 7 December 1906. Also a Wyatt Stockden, aged forty years, a single male English farmer, travelled as a third class passenger on RMS 'Orontes', which left London on 7 September 1906 and arrived in Brisbane on 22 October 1906. These details are not quite correct. When I researched the original Ships passenger lists I found that Wyatt and Miss Stockden did not board their ships at London, but at Plymouth. Wyatt was given as an 'English Miner aged 60 yrs' and Miss L E Stockden turns out to be Wyatt's youngest daughter Louisa Ethel Stockden. Grandson George Williams Stockden did not know of this visit back to the United Kingdom.]

NB: From a book titled "Winds of Change - 100 years in Widgeeshire" we know that Widgeeshire was conceived in 1879 and South Side State school was opened on 4 July 1910. Pupils included 'Wyatt and William Stockden, sons of a local drayman'. A number of Stockdens have lived there ever since. John Stockden was also in the transport business. He briefly held the contract for the delivery of cream at 2s 1d per 100lb from Glastonbury and 2s 6d from Widgee. After an accident, in which he lost the milk, he lost the contract!.

Family of George Thomas (1859-1937) Stockden

George Thomas was the first born Australian son of Robert (1824). He married Mary Sweeney (1858-1881) in 1880 and their son Robert Thomas was born that year. Sadly, Mary died soon afterwards at Ross Creek, near Ballarat, in probably 1881. George married secondly in 1884, Mary Catherine Kiernan (1866-1936) who was born at Bacchus Marsh, Victoria. They had ten children and yet they became estranged. I believe they were eventually reunited in death when in 1949 he was reburied with Mary Catherine in the Karrakatta Cemetary in West Perth. George lived at Mollewa when he died 12 January 1937 and Mary died 11 March 1936. Mary was the daughter of John

Sweeney and Bridget Bentley.

The cortege left Bowra and O'Dea's Private Mortuary, 195 Pier Street, Perth, at 3.30 pm on Wednesday for Karrakatta Roman Catholic Cemetary. Friends were especially invited to follow to the cemetary. George and Mary are now both buried at Karrakatta Cemetary, Perth with their son Sydney, who predeceased them.

The son of George Thomas and Mary Sweeney.

Robert Thomas (1880-1960) see 'Family of '.

The children of George Thomas and Mary Catherine:

Reuben James Spill (1885-1961) see 'Family of '.

Margaret Ellen (1886) see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia '.

George Thomas (1888-1964) see 'Family of '.

John Joseph (1890-1948) see 'Family of '.

Felix William (1892-1947) see 'Family of '.

Gladys Katherine (1894) birth cert: 26393 at Ballarat, married

Andrew Rowell at Yalgoo, W.A. in 1921.

Farrell Andrew (1897-1981) see 'Family of '.

Elizabeth Mary (1899) see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia '.

Sydney John (1908-1925) who was born at Boulder W.A., and died in West Perth on 9 July 1925 after being kicked on the head by a horse.

Elsie Mary (1911-1999) see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia '

The Family of Reuben James (1862-1892) Stockden

Reuben was apparently born at Warrenheip, Victoria, which is a small hamlet east of Ballarat. 'Kryal Castle' can be seen there on the 741m high 'Mount Warrenheip' from the main road from Ballarat to Melbourne. Reuben married Elizabeth Curtain in 1889 in the Ballarat area. I don't know the father(s) of Elizabeth's daughters Elsie Ellen and Nellie. Elizabeth ran a flower shop in Ballarat, until at least 1939 and died in 1940. From the certificate of Elizabeth's daughter Nellie's marriage it would appear that Reuben was more popularly known as 'James'. This family was of the Roman Catholic religion.

Their children:

Andrew (1890-1891) birth cert: 27518 Sebastopol, infant death.

Elizabeth Mary (1891) birth cert: 27466 at Sebastopol, married William Tonkin at Sebastopol in 1910. She was twice a patient in Ballarat Hospital, 30 May to 28 Jun 1894 and 10 Aug to 30 Aug 1896. Her mother's occupation was given as a 'laundress'. At that time the family were living at Edward Street, Sebastopol. Elizabeth had two more children after the death of her husband:

Elsie Ellen (1895) birth cert: 24224 at Sebastopol, had a daughter Maisie in 1912. In 1913 she married Charles Bale in Victoria State.

Nellie (1900) Nellie was still a schoolgirl when in the Ballarat hospital from 18 July 1910 to 21 August 1910, when the family lived at 117 Hickman Street. She married on 24 May, to Hugh Doherty at the Register Office in Ballarat, Victoria State. The witnesses to the marriage No: 908 were Mrs E Stockden (Mrs Elizabeth Stockden), brides mother and Hugh Doherty, grooms father.(n.f.i.)

Family of John (1863-1933) Stockden

John, born (19 Jun 1863), at Redbank, Queensland, the first son of Wyatt Wall (1840) was named after his grandfather and married Cissy Susan Copp at Gympie, Queensland on 27 February 1902. John died 31 March 1933 aged 74 (sic) years, according to his head-stone inscription. Susan died in 1949.

Their children :

Wyatt	(1903-1921)	b 27 September, named after his grandfather. Wyatt died (5 Sep 1921) aged 17 years - 11 months.
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William Whall	(1905-1968)	see 'Family of '.
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John Harold	(1907-1946)	died (15 Mar 1946) aged 39 years.
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Henry Albert	(1912-1953)	see 'Family of '.
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George Frederick	(1915-1915)	died aged three months on 14 August.
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Leslie Thomas	(1920-1981)	married May Halley (d 18 May 1969).
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Leslie lived in Ungerer Street, Mackay, Queensland and died on 18 June 1981. After a late night house fire destroyed his home he drove through a wall into Mackay harbour. His body was found in the car at 7.30 a.m.

Family of James Cleaves (1871-1940) Stockden

James Cleaves was Wyatt's second son. He married Elizabeth Ann Williams on 15 May 1901 at Gympie, Queensland. He worked for his father, Wyatt Wall, in haulage with horse and bullock teams, later as a self employed timber cutter. When he married he went mining for three years then in March 1904, selected land at Kilkivan, forty miles west of Gympie. Elizabeth Ann, his wife, was ninety-four years of age at the time of her death on 6 December 1970. James died 15 December 1940 aged sixty-nine years.

Their children :

Elsie Mary	(1902)	b 16 November (n.f.i.)
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Roy George	(1905-1936)	died (10 Oct 1936) aged 31 years.
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Grace Thelma	(1910)	b 8 March 1910, married Cecil Gawlor, 19
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October 1938. She now lives in NSW

George Williams (1912-1997) worked at the family home until his father died, by which time he had a little land and money of his own. When the family home was sold George became an auctioneer for six years, then sold out and bought into a hotel until 1950. He made enough money to buy more land and stayed in the grazing business until 1974 when he sold out again and retired. He had made fourteen overseas tours around the world including five trips to England and several around Australia. For many years George rode and showed horses at horse-shows. In recent years he was troubled with chronic arthritis. He remained a bachelor all his life, and died on 18 July 1997. (George kindly supplied the details of his family for this part of the Stockden Family History).

Phyllis Kathleen (1913?-1977) married Jack Connally; both now deceased. She died 25 May 1977.

Family of William Wyatt (1874-1956) Stockden

William Wyatt died aged 82 years on 8 June 1956 and is buried in Gympie Cemetary in the same section as his parents Wyatt Wall and Maria Stockden. His wife, Isabelle died 5 December 1967. They had married on 13 May 1902 and they had a daughter;

Gladys Ellen	(1903)	b 16 February married Edward John Morrow 1923.
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Family of Robert Thomas (1880-1960) Stockden

Robert married Annie Gertrude Chapman at Perth in 1911. When he died on 19 May 1960, he was living in North Perth. He was a city council worker. All their three children were born in Perth. When Robert was a labourer in 1900 aged 19 years and living at Ross Creek; he had a short spell in Ballarat hospital from 28 February 1900 to 10 March 1900.

Their children :

Ronald John	(1914)	see 'Family of '.
Raymond Mervyn John	(1918-1996)	see 'Family of '.
Malcolm Patrick	(1923)	see 'Family of '.

Family of Reuben James Spill (1885-1961) Stockden

Reuben was always known as 'Curly'. He died on 17 July 1961. As a thirteen years old son of a miner, when the family lived at 73 Ripon Street, Reuben was in Ballarat hospital from 8 July 1898 to 14 July 1898. He later worked for many years as a drayman for the Swan Brewery. In 1913 he married Gertrude Emma Teague. Gertrude died on 22 November 1958 at 18 Wheatcroft Street, Scarborough, W.A.

Gertrude was, I believe, a widow when she married and she had two children who took the name of Stockden. The death notice for Gertrude, in the 'Western Australian', said that she was 'Grandma to Dorothy and Fraser. Great Gran of Kaye'.

Meredith Jack (1900-1964) Jack, as he was known to the family and as 'Uncle Dub' to his grandchildren, died on 23 September 1964. In the obituaries of the 'Western Australian' was a message from their daughter Dorothy and her husband Fraser and grandchildren Kaye and Jan. He married his wife, Nellie (l.n.u.) in 1925. Nellie died on 24 April 1976 at West Leederville, W.A..

Ava G (1910?) known as 'Harvey', married Alfred Harold 'Mannie' Inness at Perth in 1929; marriage ref : No 1929/1419. Ava was probably born about 1910 judging from a photograph shown to us of her and Eileen (1917) Stockden, when Eileen was aged about two years.

Family of George Thomas (1888-1964) Stockden

George was the fourth son of George Thomas (1869) and, obviously, named after him. He was in Ballarat hospital at the age of ten years from 7 November to 20 November 1898 and again from 2 March to 24 April 1899. At this time his father was a miner and the family lived at 73 Ripon Street.

George served in WWI and became an invalid due to this service. He was later severely crippled by arthritis. He married at Perth in 1914, Amy Crawford, before signing up for his

army service. A son, Frederick was born in 1915 and sadly his death, apparently caused by playing with matches in his cot, occurred early in 1919, just before George's return from war service. Amy deserted George, and lived with a man as de facto husband and wife. She had a son and a daughter during this relationship. The man left Amy to bring up the children alone and when she died in 1954 her estate went to George and the daughter went to Perth looking for her Stockden 'relations'. There is a record of a marriage at East Coolgardie in 1922 ref No: East Coolgardie 1922 of an Amy A Stockden. This could be Amy Agnes Crawford/Stockden.....

Family of John Joseph (1890-1948) Stockden

John Joseph was born at Sebastopol, Ballarat. His parents moved to Western

Australia and he grew up in mining areas where he himself then worked in various gold-mines. At the Wollewa mine he held the position of shift-boss. He married Elise Russell (1891-1949) at Geraldton in 1917. Elise, or 'Elsie' as she was known to the family, died on 13 June 1949, she was only fifty-eight years old.

On 9 October 1948, John Joseph died at Wooroloo, the hospital for the treatment of tuberculosis. Their home at this time was at 54 Prinsep Street, Norseman, W.A. and his son Raymond John (1923) was at this time working in New Guinea.

Their children :

Eileen	(1917)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia'.
Raymond John	(1923-199?).	see 'Family of ':

Family of Felix William (1892-1947) Stockden

Felix was George Thomas' fifth son and born at Sebastopol, Victoria State. While he was still a child the family moved to Western Australia. Born in 1892 Felix died 12 August 1947 at Margaret River, W.A.. Felix married Matilda H Maddern in 1916 at Perth (cert No:224). He then also signed up for service in WWI. While he was away his son Stanley Felix was born in 1917. He was deserted by Matilda who left Stanley Felix with her mother. Matilda eventually remarried in Fremantle to Cono Sgro, a wealthy Italian importer, she died at Fremantle in 1967 (cert No: 555/67).

Felix was a private No:3246 in the 10th Light Horse, part of the 26th reinforcements of The 3rd Light Horse Brigade which left Australia for the war on 22 January 1917. They sailed from Fremantle on-board the 'Bulla'. Felix returned to Australia on 17 July 1919. He is mentioned in the book 'Westralian Cavalry at War' written by Lt. Col. A C N Olden, DSO, (probably written about 1921). Felix then had as a partner, Gertrude Winifred Mann, and following the birth of children in 1921(?) and 1926 they married at Perth in 1927; marriage ref No:558/1927. However, on 29 September 1930, at their home in Pingirup, W.A., tragedy struck. The Coroner's report stated that 'Gertrude had fallen whilst performing her household duties and struck her temple on the bedstead, falling forward in such a position as to make breathing impossible, causing death from suffocation while being in an unconscious state. Mr Stockton (sic), who was shearing sheep at the time and was informed by the children that something was wrong, made a search which revealed the tragedy'. Gertrude was a Roman Catholic and was buried the next day in Katanning Cemetary with the authorisation of the Coroner, G E Bevel. Gertrude Winifred was born 1 November 1897 at 6 Malvern Road, Plumstead, London, daughter of Elrick William Mann and his wife Annie Gertrude, formerly Ball. In 1948 Gertrude Winifred was reinterred at Northam, Western Australia.

Robert Stockden, half-brother to Felix, took care of Felix's daughter Phyllis for several years and Felix found help in the form of a child carer for Thomas William and Kathleen Etta who were too small to appreciate what had happened. The carer was Robina Allison McCulloch, born 9 October 1903 or 1904 in Glasgow. Felix and Robina were married in 1931 and two children were born to this marriage. Robina remarried in 1952 reference No: Perth 2216/1952. She died in 1968 or 1969, two weeks after her 65th birthday.

The son of Felix and Matilda :

Stanley Felix	(1917)	b 17 September
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The children of Felix and Gertrude Emma :

Phyllis	(1921?)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia'.
Thomas William	(1926-1978)	b 17 July. He was in Queensland when his father died. He worked as a 'wharfie' and he married,

about 1948, Claire Teresa Reid.

Kathleen Etta (1928) see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia '.

The children of Felix and Robina :

Robert James (1931) see 'Family of ' and

Alexander Noel (1933-1979) see 'Family of '.

The Family of Farrell Andrew (1897-1981) Stockden

Farrell was also born in Ballarat, Victoria as was his sister Elizabeth Mary (1899) before the family moved to Western Australia. In his lifetime Farrell worked as a delivery man for the firm of Moore's-Felton-Grimway-Beckford. In 1925 he married Jessie Suiter (1903-11 May 1997) at Perth. His marriage cert reference No : 583. On 3 July 1981, Farrell died at East Victoria Park, Perth. Their children :

Farrell John (1925-1994) see 'Family of '.

Patricia (1930)

Family of William Whall (1905-1968) Stockden

William (Bill) married Emma Hanson in 1936. Bill had a number of jobs during his lifetime - including being miner and a postman and he died on 4 August 1968. Bill and Emma had four children:

Thelma Lillian (1937) married Jeffery Alexander in 1955.

Their children :

Keith (1955)

Joy (1958) married name is 'Priddy'.

Lionel (1961) and

Kay (1964) her married name is 'Williams'.

David William (1938-1992) married Christine Bryers in 1971.

Their children :

Stephen Leslie (1971) and

Kevin James (1974)

Irene Winifred (1941) married Frederick Sallaway in 1959.

Their children :

Tammy (1960) married name 'Majid'.

Vickie (1962) and her married name is 'Hamilton'.

Sharmain (1970)

Bevan Clyde (1943) married Lorraine Marilyn (l.n.u.) in 1961.

They have one daughter,

Laurel Marilyn (1963) who has married twice, firstly to :

Gregory Barry Brewin (to be confirmed) and secondly to (f.n.u.) Teasdale and then went to Perth. Marilyn returned to Gympie on her own; now lives in Brisbane with her children.

Family of Henry Albert (1912-1945) Stockden

Henry Albert married in Longreach, Queensland, on 18 August 1945 to Lorna Heather Barber, (1924 -21 Feb 1965). Their children, all born at Longreach :

Wyatt John (1945) see 'Family of '.

Rodney John (1947-1953) b 22 August. He died (20

Dec 1953) at Ilfracombe, Qld., aged six years.

Kay Elizabeth (1950) b 19 May. She married at Barcaldine on 28 January 1973 to Brian Green and they have three children
 Troy Martin (1975) b 13 March;
 Aaron David (1977) b 25 July and
 Nicholas Jay (1980) b 4 February.

Family of Ronald John Robert (1914-1999) Stockden

Ronald was born on 8 December 1914 at North Perth. He married (cert No: 1209/1935) at Highgate Hill, Perth on 3 August 1935, to Mary Elizabeth Buzza, (d 17 Sep 1991). In his working days, Ronald was manager of the Jelly Food Factory. They had four children, all boys. Ronald is currently living in a home for the elderly.

Their children :

Kevin Ronald	(1937)	see 'Family of '.
Gary Lawrence	(1941)	see 'Family of '.
Ian John	(1944)	see 'Family of '.
Gregory Robert	(1949)	see 'Family of '.

Family of Stanley Felix (1917) Stockden

Stanley, at the time of writing this, is still living in Perth. He worked as a tally clerk on Fremantle wharf from where he retired. He was also a delivery man for a firm of grocery merchants. He married Daisy Longson at Perth in 1941. It would appear that they divorced as I have a note about a second marriage of Daisy Stockden at Perth in 1959 ref No: 330 to Arthur Henry Hamilton.

Their children :

Peta Lorraine	(1946)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia '.
Dellas	(1951)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia '.

Family of Raymond Mervyn John (1918-1996) Stockden

Mervyn as he was known in the family, was born 10 October 1918 and married on 21 August 1939, Joyce Bessie Kelly. In his working life Mervyn was a pastry cook and later a car salesman. On 4 July 1996 Mervyn died of a heart attack.

Their children :

Caroline J	(1944)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia '
Cheryl	(1948)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia '

Family of Malcolm Patrick (1923) Stockden

Malcolm was born 17 January at Perth, and he married on 13 September 1943, Kathleen Muller (13 Sep 1924). Malcolm is in business with a car service station and associated sales.

Their children :

Pamela Lynette	(1945)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia '.
Jeffrey Malcolm	(1948)	see 'Family of '.
Kaye Patricia	(1952)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia '.

Family of Raymond John (1923-199?) Stockden

I dont know where Raymond John was born. Probably in Western Australia, because his father, like many other Stockdens, was working at various gold mines from the time of his marriage. Raymond John joined the Royal Australian Air Force during WWII. He trained as a pilot and was at one time at Tocumwal, on the Murray River, in

New South Wales. This base trained pilots on 4 engined B-24 'Liberator' bombers and PB4Y-4 'Catalina' reconnaissance aircraft.

It was here, at Tocumwal, that he married firstly, Catherine Joan Frauenfelder in 1944. Sadly she died of peritonitis only six weeks after the wedding. Raymond married secondly Ann (l.n.u.) and had two children. Perhaps Raymond's work of piloting charter flights in Malaya and New Guinea caused the marriage to breakdown because there was a divorce. He married thirdly Chieko S (l.n.u.) and had two more children. This part of his family still lives in Perth.

Raymond had an eventful life which included a forced landing in a semi-jungle area from which he survived. He eventually went prospecting in the Calgoorlie area and is believed to have caught pneumonia which was probably the cause of his death. I do not know the date of his death.

Children of Raymond and Ann :

Wendy Ann	(date unknown) and
Peter John	(date unknown), both were living in Brisbane in late 1995.

Children of Raymond and Chieko :

Emily Tamaki	(date unknown) and
Michael Modoka	(date unknown but probably 1977 as he is now on the 1995 electoral roll)

N.B.: It is not known if all of Raymond John's children were born in Australia.

Family of Farrell John (1925-1994) Stockden

On 11 September 1948, Farrell married Doreen Teresa Battersby (12 Nov 1926). Farrell worked as a boilermaker in Midland, W.A. Farrell died on 6 April 1994. Their children :

Robert John (1949) b 21 July, and married in 1971, Dianne Faye Jackson and they have three children :

Troy Robert	(1973) b 20 June;
Danielle Fay	(1976) b 6 February and
Shane Andrew	(1977) b 16 September.

Barry James (1951) b 17 June and is an accountant, he married on 6 January 1973, Pamela Ann Coggin and also have three children :

Paul Gregory	(1978) b 2 June;
Brent James	(1984) b 31 May and
Glenn Michael	(1988) b 2 January.

Laurence Anthony (1955) b 23 October and married on 13 September 1975, Susan Patricia Higgins and they have two children :

Matthew Blair	(1978) b 4 May, and
Joel Nicholas	(1980) b 26 October.

Karen Patricia (1957) b 2 August, a PR lady at Perth Casino and Graeme Francis (1960) b 28 June who married on 25 October 1986, Helen Janina Durrant and they also have two children

Ben Michael	(1989) b 18 June, and
Jessica Adele	(1992) b 5 September.

Family of Robert James (1931) Stockden

Robert is the fifth child of Felix William Stockden (see above) and was born on 19 August 1931. On 22 October 1955 he married Shirley Maureen Malone (3 Feb 1932). Robert worked on the buses, mainly as a driver. Their children :

Robert Stephen (1957) b 16 January. He married Karen Lynn Huntley on 12 February 1983. I believe that they are now separated. Robert works as a car accessory salesman;

Kathleen Ann	(1958)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia'.
Colleen Toni	(1960)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia'.
Kelly	(1963)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia'.
Anne-Marie Allison	(1965)	b 31 January.

Family of Alexander Noel (1933-1979) Stockden

Alexander Noel was born on 25 December. He died, aged forty-five years, on 23 December at Mt Hawthorne hospital after a long illness. He married in about 1956, Gwen Bezant, they had a daughter, Francine. In the 'Western Australian' for 24 December 1979, his obituary included the line 'We will miss you Gentle Man'. He was obviously a well loved man.

Family of Kevin Ronald (1937) Stockden

Kevin was born on 22 December 1937 and on 14 April 1962 in Perth, he married Cynthia Dawn Taylor (4 Sep 1934). Kevin was trained as a carpenter, but in recent years has become a lawnmower contractor. Their children :

Amanda Jane (1964) b 15 October, married 18 Dec 1982, Lindsay John Sheridan but they are now divorced. She works as a credit analyst.

Carolyn Dorothy (1967) b 11 February is a bank clerk, she married Allan Wilson Cassels on 2 March 1996.

Kellie Marie (1969) see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia'.

Family of Gary Lawrence (1941) Stockden

Gary was born on 2 December 1941 in North Perth. He works as a manager in car window sales. Gary married Lorene Claire Driver in 1964. Their children :

Philip Andrew (1963) b in Perth, who is a truck driver, and

Garth Maitland (1967) b in Perth, married on 20 February 1988 to Melinda Ruth Augistin. They have two children :

Daniel Garth	(1990 ?)	and
Dean	(1991 ?)	

Family of Ian John (1944) Stockden

Ian was born on 5 October in North Perth. He works as a car mechanic in Fremantle. He married firstly Lynette Charlston on 27 April 1968, and they have 2 children.

Jenny	(1969)	see 'Stockden Daughters in Australia'.
Robyn Louise	(1971 ?)	who is a settlement clerk.

He married secondly Carol Lynnette Srent and they have no issue.

Family of Wyatt John (1945) Stockden

Wyatt John married Kathleen Carolyn Dawson, on 15 October 1966 at Longreach. Carolyn comes from Bundaberg, Queensland. Their first three children were

born at Longreach and the last one at Mackay. Their children :

Kim Lynnette	(1968)	b 26 February. She married Doug Foo
on 21 November 1987 at Mackay, Queensland;		
Wyatt John	(1969)	see 'Family of ' .
Russell Philip	(1970)	see 'Family of ' and
Katrina Gayle	(1979)	b 19 November at Mackay.

Family of Jeffrey Malcolm (1948) Stockden

Jeffrey was born 14 October and married about 1970 to Mavis Dawn Lind. Jeffrey is Head of the Union for Federation of Industry. Their children :

Natalie Maree	(1972)	b 8 January and
Shane Malcolm	(1974)	b 30 July.

Family of Gregory Robert (1949) Stockden

Gregory was born on 19 November at Subiaco, a suburb of Perth. He works as a car dealer. He married firstly about 1970 (?) to Carol Ann (l.n.u.), and secondly to Jo-Mary Gerovitch in about 1980 (?). He is the father of four children all of whom were born in Perth.

Children of Gregory and Carol Ann :

Troy Brian	(1973 ?);	
Hayley Ann	(1975 ?)	and

Children of Gregory and JoMary :

Renee	(1986)	and,
Sky	(1977)	

Family of Wyatt John (1969) Stockden

Wyatt was born on 25 November and married Brenda Ann Shepherd (2 Oct 1968) on 27 August 1994 at Mackay, Queensland.

Their children :

Chantelle Louise	(1991)	b 25 August and
Harley Wyatt	(1996)	b 11 February.

Family of Russell Philip (1970) Stockden

Russell Philip was born 15 December and married Jodie-Lee Emerson (23 Dec 1970) on 7 May 1994. Their children :

Candice Elizabeth	(1995)	b 21 October
Tamika-Lee	(1997)	b 11 May

End of the Stockden Sons and their Families in AUSTRALIA

The STOCKDEN SONS and their FAMILIES in CANADA

Family of Frederick Charles (1887-1954) Stockden

Frederick Charles was born 3 March 1887 in Thornbury, Glos, England, UK and emigrated to Canada sometime in the early 1900's. He married Mabel Arliss (8 Oct 1890-18 Dec 1975) and they lived in the Montreal area of Ontario. Frederick died 12 April 1954 and Mabel died in 1975.

Their children :

Frederick	(1918)	b 3 June. (n.f.i.) - probably lives in Montreal which was his last known address.
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Dorothy (1920) b 21 September and d 2 June 1950.
Robert Leonard (1925) b 26 May; see 'Family of '.

Family of Robert Leonard (1925) Stockden

Robert is my Canadian correspondent on the Stockdens. He has been kind enough to tell me what I have so far of the Stockdens in Canada. Robert and his family lived in the Montreal area for many years but has recently, in early 1995, moved to Mississauga, Ontario. Robert was born 26 May 1925 and married Audrey Mary Lake (29 Nov 1926) on 29 November 1947. Robert worked for the telephone company for 44 years before retiring in 1985. He served for 4 years both 'home and abroad' in the Canadian Army.

Their children :

Linda Joan (1949) b 15 June - married to Michael Foster (19 Dec 1948); their son:

Eric Michael (1988) b 6 January.

Robert Charles (1953) b 19 February:
children of first marriage to Josie Fiscio (9 Nov 1964)

Lauren Victoria (1984) b 20 January and son

Gregory (1986) (Gregory Robert William) b 13 April .
and from his 2nd marriage:

Lucas Charles (1995) b 29 December.

Gary George (1959) b 16 July.

Family of Eric William Arthur (1944) Stockden

Eric William Arthur (1944) was born 2 July in Neath, West Glamorgan, Wales. He now resides in Canada where he is Vice-Principal of the Winston Churchill College in Calgary. Eric has a Master of Arts Degree. He wrote his thesis at the University of Calgary in 1978, entitled "Subjectivity, Objectivity and Moral Education". He married in October 1974, Rosamund Mary Houston. They have a son :

Owen James (1984) b 19 April.

End of The Stockden Sons and their Families in CANADA

A STOCKDEN Son and his Wife in NEW ZEALAND

Family of Cecil Joe (1889-1966) Stockden

Cecil Joseph left England about 1910. His mother received at least two postcards from him. The first was from Cape Town where his ship put in for 24 hours. Here, he had hoped to meet his brother Herbert John (1878). He did not appreciate the vast distances between townships in South Africa. The means of travel available were not suitable for Bert to get to Cape Town in time to see Joe. His second postcard was sent from Christchurch, New Zealand. Posted at 7:15; possibly October. He wished his mother a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He is recorded as being on the NZ Army Reserve. He married Rose Warren in 1913 (no children on record) and lived at Kirwee some 10-15 miles from Christchurch earning his living as a house-painter and he died there in 1966. Rose died in 1973. Both deaths were registered in Christchurch.

End of A Stockden Son and his Wife in NEW ZEALAND

The STOCKDEN Sons and their Families in SOUTH AFRICA

Family of Herbert John (1878-1964) Stockden

Herbert John (Bert) was born 27 August 1878. He emigrated to South Africa in 1901 after his father died in 1900. He had had an offer from a Mr Garland, to be a farm manager at Mooi River in Natal. He served with the British Army during the Second Boer War and was stationed at the Remount Depot at Weston, Mooi River. He was in charge of all the Army farming operations, supplying provisions as well as fodder for the horses. At the end of the war he purchased a farm named 'Three Springs' through the government. After he developed it into a going concern he sold it. In 1918, he bought 'Roslin', a lovely big farm which he worked until his retirement, in 1944, to a cottage in the village of Mooi River. He married Ida Victoria Taylor (17 May 1887-1973) at Mooi River 10 September 1907. Both Herbert and Ida died when they were eighty-six years old.

Their children :

Elsie Ida	(1908-1948)	see 'Stockden Daughters - South Africa'.
Blanche Eleanor	(1910)	see 'Stockden Daughters - South Africa'.
Herbert John	(1915)	see 'Family of '.
Walter George	(1917-1974)	b 5 November 1917 at Mooi River, Natal and died peacefully after a long illness on 17 July 1974 aged fifty-seven years. Walter was the second son of Herbert George (1878) Stockden. He married Kathleen Marie Whitty (16 Jun 1921-6 May 1978, aged fifty-seven years) on 22 December 1947. There was no issue.

A local newspaper reported on George's death:

"On completion of his schooling George joined the Van Ryn Deep Mine Limited in 1936 as a mill learner and later as a tube mill assistant. He left in June 1938 to work on the Daggafontein Plant as a crusherman. On 30 May 1940 he joined the armed forces and saw active service in North Africa as a Lieutenant in the Natal Carbineers, Botha and Irish Regiments. He was captured at Sidi Rezegh in 1941 and spent the rest of the war as a P.O.W. in Italy and Germany.

Upon his return home to South Africa in 1945 he rejoined Dagga's and at the end of 1949 was transferred to Premier Diamond Mine at Cullinan as foreman. For the next five years he worked his way through the various sections of the treatment plant. In 1954 he was transferred on promotion to Kimberley as a technical assistant plant superintendent then he was promoted to plant superintendent at the Kimberley treatment plant, a position he held until his death.

In all George had thirty-six years service with the Anglo and De Beers groups and will always be remembered for his courage, fortitude and dedication to his work. George enjoyed his golf and at one time was a seven handicap player. He is survived by his wife Kath, (née Whitty), a sister, Blanche and a brother Jack. To them we extend our sincere sympathy."

[NB: In 1945 he visited Gloucestershire in search of his Stockden origins following his release from prison camp. In Olveston he stayed with both the Haskins family and the Stevens family, who at that time had Great Aunt Beattie (1883) staying with them.
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Family of Herbert John (1915) Stockden

Herbert John (Jack) was born 1 January 1915. He is the only surviving son of Herbert John (1878) Stockden. He married on 5 July 1941 to Anne Catherine Taylor (27 Sep 1921). Jack worked in the mines of South Africa and his health is not too

good. Jack is my South African 'Stockden correspondent'.

Their children :

Anthony John (1944) see 'Family of ' and

Leslie George (1946) see 'Family of '.

Family of Anthony John (1944) Stockden

Anthony John b 18 November, graduated from the Natal University with a BSc degree, majoring in Chemistry. He now operates his own plastics factory in Johannesburg. Anthony married on 5 April 1975, Valerie Anne Powell, (2 Oct 1953) and they have have one son :

Craig John (1979) b 9 April.

Family of Leslie George (1946) Stockden

Leslie George was b 18 November and he also graduated from Natal University, with a B. Com. He was articled to a firm of auditors where he obtained his Chartered Accountancy. He is now a partner in a firm of Auditors in Durban. He married on 18 October 1974 Barbara Wyngaard (b 5 Nov 1953) (as of mid-1997 they are now divorced).

Their children :

Adam Justin (1977) b 25 October and

Gavin Bryce (1979) b 8 June.

[**Author's Note:** All the information on the Stockden families in South Africa has been forwarded to me by Jack (Herbert John 1915) Stockden. He was also able to provide me with the details of the daughters of James (1838) Stockden and some of their descendants.]

End of the Stockdens Sons and their Families in South Africa