

Descendants of John Cook

Generation No. 1

1. JOHN¹ COOK

Notes for JOHN COOK:

Information (very reliable) indicates that John spelled his surname sans the now infamous "e". He was a carriage builder by trade.

Child of JOHN COOK is:

2. i. James² Cooke, d. Battle of Islandwana, Natal..

Generation No. 2

2. JAMES² COOKE (*JOHN¹ COOK*) died in Battle of Islandwana, Natal.. He married ELLEN FLYNN 1871, daughter of MICHAEL FLYNN. She was born in Kilkenny, Ireland, and died 1938 in Cape Town, South Africa. Buried at Goodwood Cemetery..

More About JAMES COOKE:

Military service: He was a sergeant in the Royal Artillery.

Occupation: Q.M Sergeant.

Notes for ELLEN FLYNN:

Ellens' father, Michael, was a shoe-maker by trade in Ireland.

Children of JAMES COOKE and ELLEN FLYNN are:

3. i. James Joseph³ Cooke, b. 1871, Ipswich, England; d. 1956, Grahamstown, SA.
4. ii. Hellen Teresa Cooke, b. 26 Oct 1873, Ipswich, England.; d. 05 Jun 1905.
- iii. William Cooke, b. 28 Dec 1874, Woolwich, England; d. 12 Jun 1887, Goodwood cem., Cape Town..

Notes for William Cooke:

William was admitted into Nazareth house in Cape Town, SA in October 1880 some time after her father James died (1871) and was discharged on 4 June 1884.

- iv. Naomi Cooke, b. 02 Apr 1876, Aldershot, England; d. 07 May 1889, Goodwood cem., Cape Town..

Notes for Naomi Cooke:

Naomi was admitted into Nazareth house in Cape Town, SA in October 1880 some time after her father James died (1871) and was discharged on 4 June 1884.

- v. Alfred Ernest Cooke, b. 18 Jul 1877, Woolwich, England; d. 11 Nov 1898, Goodwood cem., Cape Town..

Notes for Alfred Ernest Cooke:

Alfred was admitted into Nazareth house in Cape Town, SA in October 1880 some time after her father James died (1871) and was discharged on 4 June 1884.

There is reference to one Alfred James Cooke born 27th November (year-??) in Sarah Agnes (Whelan) Cooke's birthday book that Ruth Rowland has. He was born in Harrington Street, Cape Town. I am confused as to where he fits in...

More About Alfred Ernest Cooke:

Medical Information: Alfred was admitted to the Somerset Hospital on 2nd November 1898 and died on the 11th November 1898, aged just 21 years. His occupation was given as "Clerk". 74 Harrington str., Cape Town.

5. vi. Mabel Cooke, b. 01 Aug 1878, Pietermaritzberg, SA.

Generation No. 3

3. JAMES JOSEPH³ COOKE (*JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) was born 1871 in Ipswich, England, and died 1956 in

Grahamstown, SA. He married (1) SARAH AGNES WHELAN, daughter of UNKNOWN. She died 31 Mar 1931 in Pretoria. SA. He married (2) ROELINA SMIT (LINA) 1932 in Pretoria, South Africa.. She was born 1898.

Notes for JAMES JOSEPH COOKE:

Mayor of Pretoria in 1938/9. To be researched. Address in Pretoria - 255 Luttig street, Pretoria.

Notes for SARAH AGNES WHELAN:

Sarah Agnes is buried in the Rebecca street cemetery in Pretoria. My father, Peter Wronsley is buried next to her. That was always his wish.

Children of JAMES COOKE and SARAH WHELAN are:

6. i. Ursula Winnifed Cooke⁴ (Urla), b. Schoonder street, Cape Town..
7. ii. Mary Agnes Cooke (Agnes), b. 04 Jun 1904, 46 Regent street, Woodstock, Cape Town..
8. iii. Bernard James Cooke (Bernie), b. 17 Aug 1908, Schoonder street, Cape Town..
9. iv. Ellen Brenda Cooke (Brenda), b. 08 Oct 1912, Springfield cottage, Wynberg, Cape Town.; d. 15 Mar 1994.

Children of JAMES COOKE and ROELINA (LINA) are:

- v. Teresa⁴ Cooke, b. 26 Oct 1934, Pretoria, SA; d. 28 Oct 1934, Died in infancy..

Notes for Teresa Cooke:

I went to the cemetery and took photos. The information about her burial was obtained from the records kept at the cemetery offices. The address given is 255 Luttig street, Pretoria. Rogers was given as the undertakers. Cemetery receipt number 7739. Also, no Minister/Priest presided at the funeral. "Presided over -" was given as "Father".

More About Teresa Cooke:

Burial: 29 Oct 1934, Died in infancy. Rebecca street cemetery, Pretoria. Plot no. RC 1123

Cause of Death: "Presentation Ateletaris".

Medical Information: I went to the cemetery and took photos of her grave stone. It is very weathered but the inscription can still be read. "In memory of our darling daughter Teresa Cooke. 28-10-1934." See notes.

10. vi. Michael James Anthony Cooke, b. 30 Sep 1935; d. 05 Feb 1995.
11. vii. Helen Theresa Cooke, b. 23 Dec 1936; d. 08 Aug 2008.

4. HELLEN TERESA³ COOKE (*JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) was born 26 Oct 1873 in Ipswich, England., and died 05 Jun 1905. She married JOHN ARTHUR MENZIES, son of WILLIAM MENZIES and HELEN MUNRO. He was born 1864, and died 05 Sep 1939.

Notes for HELLEN TERESA COOKE:

Ellen was admitted into Nazareth house in Cape Town, SA in November 1880 some time after her father James died (1871) and was discharged on 18 August 1884.

Ellen passed away quite young leaving her husband to take care of the children. From what I can deduce and from what family members recount, "old Menzies" was unable to take care of the children, sending them to them Nazareth house in Cape Town - Hector in 1905 and Nelly in 1908. There is more to tell about Nelly but I have yet to get that info.

More About JOHN ARTHUR MENZIES:

Occupation: Accountant

Children of HELLEN COOKE and JOHN MENZIES are:

12. i. Constance⁴ Menzies.
- ii. Kathleen Menzies, b. Jul 1887; d. 28 Nov 1898, Goodwood cem., Cape Town..
13. iii. Edith (Eddie) Munro Menzies, b. 06 Jun 1895; d. 31 Dec 1964.
- iv. Hector Menzies, b. 10 Oct 1900; d. Goodwood cem., Cape Town..

More About Hector Menzies:

Baptism: Nazareth House, Cape Town, SA

- v. Ellen Theresa (Nell) Menzies, b. 02 Aug 1903; d. 1988, Goodwood cem., Cape Town..

More About Ellen Theresa (Nell) Menzies:

Baptism: St. Agnes, Woodstock.

5. MABEL³ COOKE (*JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) was born 01 Aug 1878 in Pietermaritzberg, SA. She married TOM GOODWIN.

Notes for MABEL COOKE:

Mabel was admitted into Nazareth house in Cape Town, SA in November 1880 some time after her father James died (1871) and was discharged on 4 June 1884.

Children of MABEL COOKE and TOM GOODWIN are:

14. i. Ellen Mabel (Pat)⁴ Goodwin.
- ii. Colin Goodwin.
15. iii. Martha Goodwin.
16. iv. Joyce Goodwin.
- v. Athol Goodwin.
- vi. Ross Goodwin, m. Hannah.
17. vii. William Hill (sonny) Goodwin.

Generation No. 4

6. URSULA WINNIFED COOKE⁴ (URLA) (*JAMES JOSEPH³ COOKE, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) was born in Schoonder street, Cape Town.. She married JOHANNES J A HEYNE (GINGER).

Children of URSULA (URLA) and JOHANNES (GINGER) are:

- i. Margaret Brenda(Peggy)⁵ Heyne, b. 23 Feb 1937; d. 03 Sep 2003, Pretoria, SA; m. Derek Clive Lawrence, 19 Aug 1961; b. 11 Mar 1932; d. 24 Dec 1992, Died in Port Elizabeth, buried in Pretoria, SA.
- ii. Ruth Patricia Heyne, b. 01 Aug 1938; m. Richard Arthur Roland (Mickey); b. 15 Sep 1932.
- iii. James Anthony Heyne (Rusty), b. 12 Jun 1944; d. 09 May 2005, Sweden.; m. (1) Ingrid Katarina (Nini) Eriksson; b. 18 Sep 1956, Sweden.; m. (2) Veronica Smith.

Marriage Notes for James (Rusty) and Veronica Smith:

I understand from Rusty's sister Ruth, he was married to Veronica for only a year. Nothing is known about her.

7. MARY AGNES COOKE⁴ (AGNES) (*JAMES JOSEPH³ COOKE, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) was born 04 Jun 1904 in 46 Regent street, Woodstock, Cape Town.. She married WALTER WRONSKY¹ 02 Jun 1927 in Pretoria, South Africa², son of LUDWIG WRONSKY and HEDWIG NEUMANN. He was born 29 Nov 1894 in Rhenosterput, District Lichtenburg, Transvaal, RSA, and died 1952.

More About MARY AGNES COOKE (AGNES):

Baptism: 19 Jun 1904, Parish of St Agnes, Woodstock, Cape Colony.

Notes for WALTER WRONSKY:

Walter worked for the SA Governments' "Native Affairs" Dept. in Sekukuneland, Transvaal. More details to follow. Walter changed the surname to "Wronsley" after a feud with Eric and Fritz.

Child of MARY (AGNES) and WALTER WRONSKY is:

- i. Ronald Peter⁵ Wronsley, b. 23 May 1932, Pretoria, South Africa; d. 14 Dec 1994, Pretoria, South Africa; m. Hendrika Maria Krijnen, 15 May 1954, Pretoria, South Africa; b. 05 Oct 1935, Bussum, Holland.

Notes for Ronald Peter Wronsley:

Walter, Peter's father, named his son Ivan Rocco after his two drinking buddies. Upon declaring the news to Agnes, she made him go back and re-register their son Ronald Peter. Walter was Jewish and Agnes Catholic. He would always sit outside the church every Sunday. He never converted. They were married in the magistrates office. Ronald Peter was baptized in the Catholic church.

Birth - Pretoria, 23 May 1932

School - Pretoria Boys High School, Matric 1948.

University - Pretoria - B.A. Public Administration and Political Science. (Cum Laude).

More About Ronald Peter Wronsley:

Burial: Rebecca street cemetery, Pretoria

Cause of Death: Heart attack

Medical Information: Dad had a 5x by-pass 2 years before his sudden death. Also developed diabetes.

Namesake: 23 May 1932, Named after two friends of his father, Ivan and Rocco. Mom made old man change the name to Ronald Peter.

Notes for Hendrika Maria Krijnen:

During WW2 the children had to be vaccinated against Diphtheria. After witnessing the other children screaming and crying after being injected, Riekie ran off and was never vaccinated. She caught Diphtheria soon afterwards and very nearly didn't survive.

More About Hendrika Maria Krijnen:

Immigration: Left Holland for SA on 25 March 1948 arriving on 1 April aboard the S.S. Indrapoerq. The family endured the Occupation of Holland in WW2.

Medical Information: Diphtheria during WW2.

8. BERNARD JAMES COOKE⁴ (BERNIE) (*JAMES JOSEPH³ COOKE, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) was born 17 Aug 1908 in Schoonder street, Cape Town.. He married DAPHNE DENISE DE VILLIERS, daughter of FRANCOIS DE VILLIERS and MURIEL NAUDE. She died 1979 in Toronto, Canada.

Children of BERNARD (BERNIE) and DAPHNE DE VILLIERS are:

- i. Brian⁵ Cooke, m. Aileen; d. 15 Feb 2007, Toronto, Canada.
- ii. Neill Cooke.
- iii. Colin Cooke, b. 21 Sep 1938, Pretoria, South Africa; m. Hedwig Altenroxel; b. 14 Oct 1944, Duiwelskloof, South Africa.

9. ELLEN BRENDA COOKE⁴ (BRENDA) (*JAMES JOSEPH³ COOKE, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) was born 08 Oct 1912 in Springfield cottage, Wynberg, Cape Town., and died 15 Mar 1994. She married REGINALD GEORGE THOMAS CHILTON (REG). He was born 16 Mar 1910 in Preston, England..

Children of ELLEN (BRENDA) and REGINALD (REG) are:

- i. John Richard Chilton⁵ (Chilly), b. 08 Jul 1941, Pretoria, SA; m. Gail Therese Hines, 07 Jun 1971; b. 03 Oct 1943.
- ii. Patrick George Chilton, b. 05 Jun 1943, Pretoria, SA; d. 20 Jun 2000; m. Erica White; b. 19 Oct 1941, Bulawayo, Rhodesia..
- iii. Robert James Chilton, b. 13 Aug 1950, Pretoria, SA; m. Kathy, Toronto, Canada.

10. MICHAEL JAMES ANTHONY⁴ COOKE (*JAMES JOSEPH³, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*)³ was born 30 Sep 1935, and died 05 Feb 1995. He married MARGARET JILL MORRIS⁴ 25 Aug 1963, daughter of PERCY MORRIS. She was born 10 Mar 1938.

Children of MICHAEL COOKE and MARGARET MORRIS are:

- i. Wendy⁵ Cooke, b. 23 Jul 1965; m. Vaughan Peter Goddard⁵, 1998; b. 19 Sep 1947; d. 25 Oct 1999.
- ii. James Cooke⁶, b. 02 Oct 1967; m. (1) Louise Voster, 1991; m. (2) Kerry Annette Severn, 2006; b. 1969.

Notes for Kerry Annette Severn:

Kerry adopted Jaxon 4 months before she (Kerry) married James Cooke. Jaxon was born 2004, adopted 2006.

11. HELEN THERESA⁴ COOKE (*JAMES JOSEPH³, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) was born 23 Dec 1936, and died 08 Aug 2008. She married TONY MITCHELL.

Notes for HELEN THERESA COOKE:

Helen and Tony are divorced. Helen and Benedict live in London, England.

Child of HELEN COOKE and TONY MITCHELL is:

- i. Benedict⁵ Mitchell.

12. CONSTANCE⁴ MENZIES (*HELLEN TERESA³ COOKE, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) She married BILL DUNCAN.

Notes for CONSTANCE MENZIES:

Constance Died very young. Her father, John Arthur Menzies decided to send young Jean to a convent in Potchefstroom, RSA and Edith, Mabel and Hector were sent to Nazareth house in Cape Town, RSA.

Children of CONSTANCE MENZIES and BILL DUNCAN are:

- i. Jean⁵ Duncan.

Notes for Jean Duncan:

Jean's mother died at a young age, so her grandfather, John Arthur Menzies, arranged for young Jean to go to the Convent in Potchefstroom, Transvaal, RSA.

- ii. Edith Duncan.

Notes for Edith Duncan:

Edith's mother died at a young age so her grandfather, John Arthur Menzies, sent her to Nazareth house in Cape Town, RSA.

- iii. Mabel Duncan.

Notes for Mabel Duncan:

Mabel's mother died at a young age so her grandfather, John Arthur Menzies, sent her to Nazareth house in Cape Town, RSA.

- iv. Hector Duncan.

Notes for Hector Duncan:

Hector's mother died at a young age so her grandfather, John Arthur Menzies, sent him to Nazareth house in Cape Town, RSA. Hector died at the age of 21 from cancer.

13. EDITH (EDDIE) MUNRO⁴ MENZIES (*HELLEN TERESA³ COOKE, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) was born 06 Jun 1895, and died 31 Dec 1964. She married WILLIAM (BILL) GEORGE ROSCOE. He was born 05 May 1895, and died 04 Jun 1979.

Children of EDITH MENZIES and WILLIAM ROSCOE are:

- i. Stella Mary⁵ Roscoe, b. 08 May 1922; d. 09 Jun 2003, Johannesburg, RSA; m. Harold Robert Burt; b. 30 May 1919; d. Unknown.
- ii. Ellen Brenda Roscoe, b. 09 Oct 1923; m. Eric John (Jack) Price; b. 23 Feb 1921, Wales. UK.; d. 28 Sep 1982.

Notes for Ellen Brenda Roscoe:
Living in Harrogate, England.

- iii. William Leonard Roscoe, b. 08 Mar 1926; d. 02 Sep 1975, Johannesburg, RSA.
- iv. Bernard George Roscoe, b. 30 May 1932; m. (1) Gerladine; m. (2) Sylvia.

Notes for Bernard George Roscoe:
Bernard is alive and well and living in Bethulie Frees.(?)

14. ELLEN MABEL (PAT)⁴ GOODWIN (*MABEL³ COOKE, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) She married BILLY DAWSON.

Children of ELLEN GOODWIN and BILLY DAWSON are:

- i. Eileen⁵ Dawson, m. Denis Cumming.
- ii. Bernice Dawson.

15. MARTHA⁴ GOODWIN (*MABEL³ COOKE, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) She married (1) VINCENT COETZEE. She married (2) GRANT ?.

Notes for MARTHA GOODWIN:
Martha and Joyce were twins.

Children of MARTHA GOODWIN and VINCENT COETZEE are:

- i. Vincent Jr⁵ Coetzee.
- ii. Unknown Coetzee.

16. JOYCE⁴ GOODWIN (*MABEL³ COOKE, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) She married JOCK CAMERON.

Notes for JOYCE GOODWIN:
Martha and Joyce were twins.

Children of JOYCE GOODWIN and JOCK CAMERON are:

- i. Ainslie⁵ Cameron.
- ii. Unknown Cameron.

17. WILLIAM HILL (SONNY)⁴ GOODWIN (*MABEL³ COOKE, JAMES², JOHN¹ COOK*) He married AUDREY TREGOING.

Children of WILLIAM GOODWIN and AUDREY TREGOING are:

- i. Ainslee⁵ Goodwin.
- ii. Felicity Goodwin.

Endnotes

1. *South African Government Gazette, (Surname change).*
2. *Marriage certificate. At the time of Walter and Agnes' wedding, her parents were not too happy about the impending nuptials. In a letter from her future mother-in-law, Hedwig (Fish Hoek 7 Feb 1927) Agnes is welcomed into the Wronsky family with open arms.*
3. *Michael passed away. Date to follow.*
4. *Jill (maiden name unknown) is currently living in Newlands, Cape Town.*
5. *Unknown Goddard passed away. They did not have any children.*
6. *James and Louise are divorced. He is currently living in Texas, USA. They have 2 children.*