

Stokes, Walker and Tuttle Families . Genealogy

READING ROOM



NOTES - - FAMILY GATHERING OF DESCENDANTS  
OF ROBERT & MARGARET STOKES: DANIEL &  
MERCY WALKER: JOHN & MARGARET TUTTLE:  
AT PERTH ROAD, ONT., SATURDAY & SUNDAY,  
AUGUST 15th & 16th, 1964.

This is a happy and unusual occasion given us to get together to pay honour to our forebears, - grandparents, Robert & Margaret Walker STOKES, great grandparents Daniel & Mercy Tuttle WALKER, great great grandparents John & Margaret TUTTLE, all of whom were pioneers in this Kingston - Rideau Lakes Country during and after the War of 1812.

Time does not permit us to go into full detail regarding these early ancestors of ours, but they were all loyal, staunch British subjects, primarily interested in settling and carving out homes for their families in this, then unsettled, forested country of Eastern Ontario. All were intensely British, loyal to the Crown, always willing to defend their homes against invaders of those troubled days in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth century.

We may well ask ourselves why we have gathered here today in 1964. The answer is that down through the years, from one generation to the next, all related members of the STOKES, WALKER and TUTTLE families have always had considerable pride in our origin and taken a keen interest in our early family connections.

In a sense there are no strangers amongst us. We are all cousins, uncles, aunts and so on and may all feel fully at home here today.

STOKES, WALKER, TUTTLE,



There is one basic factor that has always drawn us together from one generation to the next, namely that our ancestors were all strong United Empire Loyalists, with a very marked interest in the welfare of this Canada of ours, proud of its origin, institutions and flag.

Let us now consider for a moment, the different family branches represented here today. This can best be done by sketching briefly the early backgrounds and later years of the related families, then tomorrow we hope to visit the old Lake Opinicon Cemetery nearby and close to the historic Rideau Canal and Lake route.

Our grandparents Robert and Margaret STOKES are buried there, along with great uncles William and Harvey Edward STOKES. Robert was born near Fredricton New Brunswick in 1834, died in 1902, son of our great grandparents Harvey Edward STOKES and Mary Hughes STOKES. Harvey Edward was an Imperial Army soldier who was transferred about 1825 with his regiment from Northern Ireland to New Brunswick. He and Mary were married before coming to Canada. He took his discharge and settled about 1830, near Fredricton, N.B., Tapleys Mills, is mentioned in this connection. They were Anglicans in faith.

The children in their family were: George, Joseph, William, Harvey Edward 2nd, Robert the youngest, Jane (Mrs. Ivey of N.B.) and Fanny (Mrs. Blakely).

About 1846, this family migrated in the fall, by team and wagon to Kingston in Upper Canada, which was then booming with government work. They travelled via Maine, Massachusetts and New York State. Owing to bad road conditions they stopped for three months.



February, 1847, at Schenectady, N.Y. Then went on to Kingston in the spring. In that period grandfather Robert, then 13 years of age, drove a team towing barges on the old Erie Canal. George, the oldest, then settled south of Booneville, N.Y., at a place later called Stokes P.O. No railway existed then through Kingston.

The family eventually reached and settled at Kingston. They attended St. Pauls Church and sometimes St. Georges Cathedral.

Robert STOKES and Margaret WALKER were married about 1864 and settled at Glenburnie, the Scottish settlement 6 miles north of Kingston. Margaret was one of the four daughters of Daniel WALKER and Mercy Tuttle WALKER, who lived 3 miles north of Kingston on the Kingston Mills Road.

Robert and Margaret had 12 children, all but two of whom were baptized at St. Pauls Anglican Church. The other two were baptized at St. Georges Cathedral.

About 1880, Robert and Margaret moved out to the farm of his brother William, a bachelor, at Lake Opinicon, in concession XV, Storrington Township. After three or four years there, they moved to a new farm two miles south-west of Lake Opinicon, on the road to Stones' Corners, otherwise known as the village of Perth Road. The children in this family were: George 2nd, Mercy Anne, Sophronia, Frances Roberta, Agatha, Mary Charlotte, Charles, Margaret, Nellie, Jane (Jean), Robert 2nd and Harvey Edward.

The older ones were born at Glenburnie and attended the Public school there, near the present United Church.



The STOKES family was in fairly close contact with great grandmother Mercy Tuttle WALKER, who lived only 3 miles away on the old John TUTTIE farm, at Tuttle's Hill on the Kingston Mills road, where it joins the road to Glenburnie.

Great grandmother Mercy TUTTIE and Daniel WALKER after their marriage lived at the farm of her father John TUTTIE about 2 miles north of the C.N.R. station on the Kingston Mills road. The farm was a land grant for John TUTTIE'S service in the war of 1812 and the location on the road was always known as Tuttle's Hill.

After her mother died there, Mercy continued to look after her father, until he passed away about 1865.

Mercy and Daniel WALKER had a family of four girls. They were Agatha (Mrs. James HARPER of Napinee), Margaret (Mrs. Robert STOKES of Perth Road), Mary (Mrs. Andrew LILLIS of Glenburnie) and Mercy (Mrs. Henry Card of Bishopton, Que.).

Daniel from Windsor, England, who had been orphaned early in life was raised by 2 maiden aunts, sisters of his father. When he was 12 - 13 years of age, he ran away from home and enrolled in the British Navy. About 1812, he was one of a party put ashore at Halifax for defense work. Early in 1813, he was transferred to Kingston owing to the war.

After the war, he was discharged there and became a stonemason, working as such on the building of the locks at Kingston Mills between 1828 and 1832. He met Mercy at this time when



Attending singing school at Kingston. Prof. Robert LEGGETT'S history, "Rideau Waterway" gives an account of Daniel. We do not have an exact record of the date of Daniel's birth nor of his death, but believe he was born at Windsor, England about 1795.

Daniel & Mercy (Tuttle) WALKER

He died at the Tuttle's Hill farm when his four daughters were quite young, about 1850, and was likely buried at the old Frontenac Park Cemetery in Kingston. Family information indicates he was six feet tall.

Mercy, his wife, before marriage had taught school at Kingston Mills and apparently continued to do so after Daniel died. She also regularly wove cloth for her family and neighbours on her loom at Tuttle's Hill. She, like her brothers and sisters had received a better than ordinary education for those early days. She was born about 1802, at Williamsburg, near Morrisburg, Ont., where her father great great grandfather John TUTTLE, was British agent. Mercy, died about 1884, at Tuttle's Hill.

John TUTTLE

The Canadian Archive Records at Ottawa, contain several references to our great great grandfather, and his father, Jonathon TUTTLE, who fought on the British side in the U.S. Revolutionary War. John migrated with his father's family from the Mohawk Valley, N.Y., under Sir John Johnston after the end of the Revolution, to Eastern Ontario. The family obtained land grants near Williamsburg, between 1783 and 1795. An original very old stone house built by the Tuttlés and still occupied by descendants, may be seen at the village of Dundela, two miles west of Williamsburg.

The Archives indicate that John TUTTLE was British Agent in



the area before 1807 and in that year he was appointed Government Commissary at Williamsburg. In 1813, he was transferred as Commissary to Fort Henry at Kingston and continued in that capacity until 1817. He then retired from this duty and became a timber contractor and supplier to the British forces at Kingston.

The children of this family were born at Williamsburg, and were named: Mercy, Amelia, Margaret, Harvey, James, Whalen, John and Isaac. Mercy became Mrs. Daniel WALKER; Amelia became Mrs. FORD, of Perth, Ont., and Margaret married Mr. STORMS, of Hay Bay, west of Kingston. She lived to the age of 93 years and died about 1903, at great Aunt Mary LILLIS farm home in Glenburnie.

Harvey settled at Kalamazoo, Mich., and was visited there by Mercy before she was married.

James left the Kingston area and was lost track of.

Whalen finally moved to St. Louis Missouri.

John 2nd, lived near Battersea, in the Burnt Hills area and was credited with the blazing of the road there.

Isaac settled at Carthage, N.Y.

Great great grandfather John TUTTLE was a regular attendant at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church in Kingston, where he was a deacon.

His father Jonathon and mother died at Williamsburg, and were buried there.

ROBERT HENRY BURNS

August 12th, 1964.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.



1913 Lake Avenue  
Lake Luzerne, N.Y.  
December 18th, 1964

To Members of the "Stokes & Lillis Clan:"-

Dear Relatives:-

I have finally been able to compile a list of those persons who met at Bill Dwyre's Hillview Manor in Perth Road on August 16th, 1964, for the "Stokes - Lillis Get-together."

This list (attached), shows the names and addresses as well as the Family connections of those persons attending. In the event that there may be some errors or omissions in it please make the necessary corrections on your copy but at the same time also SEND ME ANY SUCH CHANGES so that I can pass them along to those persons who may not have this knowledge.

Ed Stokes, my brother Robert and I were immensely pleased with the interest shown and the number of persons who came. Actually we were overwhelmed with the attendance. We had thought that if 20 or 30 people came that we would consider the gathering successful. We were greatly handicapped in arranging it as we knew so little about the relatives and where they lived. There were some we contacted who would have liked to have come but because of previous engagements could not make it.

Now that we know you folks another meeting could be more successfully and more efficiently arranged. Possibly a dinner for everybody could be planned in advance. In case anyone is interested please contact me with ideas, suggestions and so forth.

Sincerely,

*Harry T. Burns*  
Harry T. Burns



NAME	CONNECTION	ADDRESS
1. Mrs. Charles Brotherton (Janie or Jean)	Daughter of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	1208 Gill St. Watertown, N.Y.
2. Mr. Harvey Edward Stokes, 3rd	Son of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	Perth Road Ontario Canada
3. Mrs. " " "	N.B.C.	
4. Mr. Raymond Stokes Son of Harvey Edward Stokes, 3rd	Grandson of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	Glenburnie Ontario, Canada
5. Mrs. Raymond Stokes	N.B.C.	
6. Mr. Omar Stokes Son of Harvey Edward Stokes, 3rd	Grandson of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	552 Brock St., Kingston, Ontario
7. Mrs. Omar Stokes	N.B.C.	
8. Mr. Richard Andrews	N.B.C.	R.R.#3 Gananoque Ontario
9. Mrs. Richard Andrews (Audrey) Daughter of Harvey Edward Stokes, 3rd	Granddaughter of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	
10. Mr. George Stokes Son of Charles Stokes (Deceased)	Grandson of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	2380 Alta Vista Drive Ottawa, Ontario
11. Mr. George Wanless Son of Agatha (Stokes) Wanless (Deceased)	Grandson of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	696 Rankin Blvd. Windsor, Ontario
12. Mrs. George Wanless	N.B.C.	
13. Mr. Judson Gimblett Son of Alberta (Stokes) Gimblett (Deceased)	Grandson of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	505 Bronson St. Ottawa, Ontario
14. Mrs. James Leckie (Freda) Daughter of Alberta (Stokes) Gimblett (Deceased)	Granddaughter of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	7 Aberdeen St. Kingston, Ontario
15. Mr. Robert H. Burns Son of Mercy Ann (Stokes) Burns (Deceased)	Grandson of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	277 Pim St. Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario
16. Mrs. Robert H. Burns	N.B.C.	
17. Mr. Harry T. Burns Son of Mercy Ann (Stokes) Burns (Deceased)	Grandson of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	1913 Lake Ave. Lake Luzerne, N.Y.
18. Mrs. Harry T. Burns	N.B.C.	
19. Mr. Charles Caird Son of Minnie (Stokes) Caird (Deceased)	Grandson of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	Portland, Ontario
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21. Mr. Roland Moore	N.B.C.	
22. Mrs. Roland Moore (Doris) Daughter of Minnie (Stokes) Caird (Deceased)	Grand Daughter of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	193 McMahon Ave. Kingston, Ontario
23. Mrs. Alice Smith Daughter of Minnie (Stokes) Caird (Deceased)	Grand Daughter of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	R.R.#1 Sydenham, Ontario
24. Mrs. Charles Stokes (Widow) Wife of Charley Stokes (Deceased)	N.B.C. Son of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	5 Smith St. Kingston, Ontario
25. Mr. Erich Rabe	N.B.C.	
26. Mrs. Erich Rabe (Jacqueline) Daughter of Robert H. Burns	Great Granddaughter of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	1844 Grange Road Trenton, Michigan
27. Mr. Edgar N. Curry	N.B.C.	
28. Mrs. Edgar N. Curry (Joyce) Daughter of Robert H. Burns	Great Granddaughter of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	56 B, 3rd St. Iberville, Quebec
29. Mr. Joseph Rogan	N.B.C.	
30. Mrs. Joseph Rogan (Harriet) Daughter of Robert H. Burns	Great Granddaughter of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	Montreal, Quebec
31. Mr. Walter Young	N.B.C.	
32. Mrs. Walter Young (Velma) Daughter of Alice (Caird) Smith	Great Granddaughter of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	Perth Road, Ontario
33. Mr. Gary Griffin	N.B.C.	
34. Mrs. Gary Griffin (Elizabeth) Daughter of Doris (Caird) Moore	Great Granddaughter of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	199 Avenue Road Kingston, Ontario
35. Mr. L. R. Larsen	N.B.C.	
36. Mrs. L.R. Larsen (Patricia) Daughter of Doris (Caird) Moore	Great Granddaughter of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	R.C.A.F. Base Greenwood, Nova Scotia
37. Mr. Robert Franklin Campbell Great Grandson of Minnie (Stokes) Caird (Deceased)	Great Great Grandson of Robert & Margaret (Walker) Stokes	567 Frontenac St. Kingston, Ontario

NOTE: N.B.C. Means No Blood Connection



NAME	CONNECTION	ADDRESS	8/15-16/64
38. Mr. George MacRow	N.B.C.		
39. Mrs. George MacRow (Mossaline) Daughter of Martin Lillis, Sr.	Grand Daughter of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	R.R. #3, Kingston, Ontario	
40. Mr. Howard MacRow	N.B.C.		
41. Mrs. Howard MacRow (Elishia) Daughter of Martin Lillis, Sr.	Grand Daughter of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	R.R. #1, Cataraqui, Ontario	
42. Mr. Donald MacRow Grandson of Martin Lillis, Sr.	Great Grandson of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	R.R. #1, Cataraqui, Ontario	
43. Mrs. Donald MacRow (Died Oct. 29th, 1964)	N.B.C.		
44. Mr. William Lillis Son of Martin Lillis, Sr.	Grandson of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	R.R. #1 Glenburnie, Ontario	
45. Mrs. William Lillis	N.B.C.		
46. Mr. Martin Lillis, Jr. Son of Martin Lillis, Sr.	Grandson of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	523 MacDonnell St. Kingston, Ontario	
47. Mrs. Stan. R. Campbell (Betty) Daughter of Martin Lillis, Jr.	Great Granddaughter of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	84 Kings Court St. Kingston, Ontario	
48. Mr. Stan. R. Campbell	N.B.C.		
x 49. Mrs. Martin Lillis	N.B.C.		
50. Mr. Rupert Lillis Son of Martin Lillis, Sr.	Grandson of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	R.R. #1, Glenburnie, Ontario	
51. Mrs. Rupert Lillis	N.B.C.		
52. Mr. Rupert Lillis, Jr. Grandson of Martin Lillis, Sr.	Great Grandson of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	R.R. #1, Glenburnie, Ontario	
53. Mrs. Rupert Lillis, Jr.	N.B.C.		
54. Mr. Joseph Lillis Son of Martin Lillis, Sr.	Grandson of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	25 North Bartlett St. Kingston, Ontario	
55. Mrs. Joseph Lillis	N.B.C.		
56. Mr. John Lillis Son of Martin Lillis, Sr.	Grandson of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	473 "A" Princess St. Kingston, Ontario	
57. Mrs. John Lillis	N.B.C.		
58. Mr. Wm. J. Allinson	N.B.C.		
59. Mrs. Wm. J. Allinson (Dora) Daughter of Martin Lillis, Sr.	Grand Daughter of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	40 Collingwood St. Kingston, Ontario	



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60. Mrs. Joan Rouleau Grand Daughter of Martin Lillis, Sr.	Great Granddaughter of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	31 Grange St. Kingston, Ontario
61. Mr. Robert Gorrie	N.B.C.	
62. Mrs. Robert Gorrie (Marion) Daughter of Frederick Martin	Great Granddaughter of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	56 Conacher St. Kingston, Ontario
63. Mrs. H. H. Lillis 217 Bath Road Kingston, Ontario	N.B.C. Wife of Horatio Lillis, Deceased Grandson of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis (Horatio was Fire Chief in Kingston, Ont. for many years.	
64. Mr. Robert B. Martin Son of Frederick Martin	Great Grandson of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	Box 995 Prescott, Ontario
65. Mrs. Robert B. Martin	N.B.C.	
66. Mr. Fred Gordon	N.B.C.	
67. Mrs. Fred Gordon (Mary) Daughter of Frederick Martin	Great Granddaughter of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	R.R. #1, Kingston, Ontario
68. Mr. Robert Boal	N.B.C.	
69. Mrs. Robert Boal (Anne) Daughter of Frederick Martin	Great Granddaughter of Andrew & Mary (Walker) Lillis	R.R. #1, Kingston, Ontario

**NOTE:**

Margaret (Walker) Stokes had 3 sisters, namely:-

Mary (Walker) Lillis of Glenburnie, Ontario  
 Mercy (Walker) Card of Bishopton, Quebec  
 Agatha (Walker) Harmer of Napanee, Ontario

The attached lists do not cover all of the Stokes and Lillis descendents and none of the Card and Harmer Families.

Also note the Martins are descended from the Lillis Family branch as Frederick Martin was the son of Mary (Lillis) Martin, daughter of Mary (Walker) Lillis.



Young Folks at the "Stokes Gathering" (Partial List)

Beverly Allison )  
Barbara Jane Allison )  
William Allison )

Mother - Dora Lillis (Allison)  
40 Collingwood St.  
Kingston, Ontario

Shirley Lillis)  
Sheila Lillis )  
Janet Lillis )

Father - William Lillis

Rupert Lillis, Jr.)  
Deborah Lillis )

Father - Rupert Lillis

Julian Young )  
Raymond Young )  
Darlene Young )

Mother - Mrs. Walter Young

Shereen Stokes)  
Rodney Stokes )

Father - Raymond Stokes

John Stokes

Father - Omar Stokes

Sidney Andrew)  
April Andrew )

Mother - Mrs. Richard Andrews (Audrey)

Rudi Rabe }  
Bruce Rabe }  
Erich Rabe }

Mother - Jacqueline (Burns) Rabe

Megan Curry }  
David Curry }

Mother - Joyce (Burns) Curry

Sandra Howe } N.B.C.  
Wayne Howe }

Niece & Nephew of Mrs. Harry T. Burns