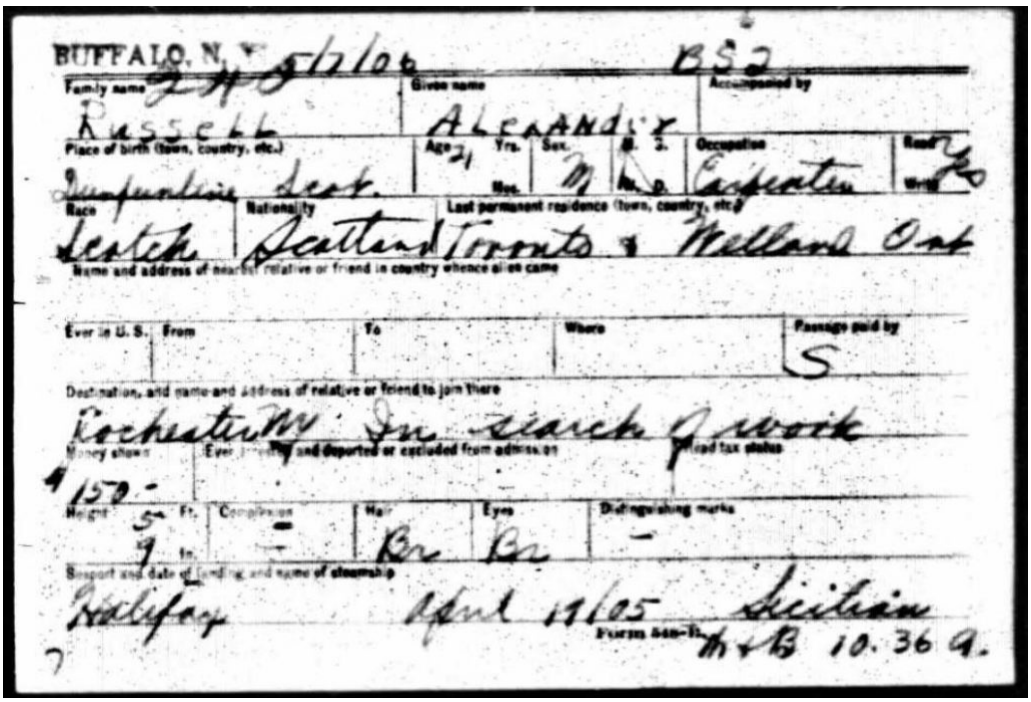
Alexander Younger Russell – Jane Ramage

Alexander Younger Russell, born at 152 Pittencrieff Street, Dunfermline, Fife on 23 April 1885, son of Arthur Russell and Jane Younger.

Alexander is at 117 Pittencrieff Street on the 1891 and 1901 Census. His occupation is Cabinetmaker.

Alexander emigrated to Canada, departing from Glasgow on the S.S. Sicilian and arriving in Halifax, Nova Scotia on 11 April 1905.

Alexander crossed from Canada into the United States in Buffalo, New York on 7 May 1906. He had previously stayed in Toronto and in Welland, Ontario. His occupation is Carpenter and he was heading for Rochester, New York in search of work.



Alexander's 1906 Canada/US border crossing record card

Alexander returned to Scotland in August 1906, arriving in Glasgow on the S.S. Pretorian from Boston, Massachusetts.

Alexander is next recorded on the passenger manifest of the S.S Astoria, departing from Glasgow on 16 March 1907 and arriving in New York on 26 March

1907; however he is also recorded on the manifest of the S.S. Columbia, departing from Glasgow on 23 March 1907 and arriving in New York on 1 April 1907. Both Alexanders are from Dunfermline, 21 years old, 5'10" in height, both Carpenters, both had previously been in New York in 1906. The earlier record has his last known address as 117 Pittencrieff Street, the later simply states Dunfermline. One explanation is that he cancelled, or otherwise missed the earlier sailing. There are tick marks against all but two of the passengers listed on the manifest, one of which is Alexander. These might indicate passengers who actually sailed on the ship.

Alexander returned to Scotland, departing from Halifax on the S.S Pretorian and arriving in Glasgow on 6 October 1914.

Jane Ramage, born at 75 Netherton Street, Dunfermline, Fife on 7 March 1889, daughter of Archibald Ramage and Margaret Dick.

Jane is at 75 Netherton Street on the 1891 Census and at 150 Pittencrieff Street on the 1901 Census.

Alexander and Jane were married at 104 Pittencrieff Street on 12 March 1915.

Officiated by James Baird, Minister of Dunfermline Abbey.

Witnessed by Eliza Ramage and James Wilson Philp.

Alexander is a Joiner (Journeyman) and Jane is a Weaver.

CHILDREN

Arthur Russell, born at 34 Mid Beveridgewell, Dunfermline on 7 March 1916.

Arthur married Christina Cuthbert Garvie (b. Bridgend Cottage, Kinlochleven, Argyll on 11 March 1923), daughter of Thomas Garvie and Catherine Young, at Dunfermline Abbey on 26 January 1944.

Arthur died at Bandrum Nursing Home, Steelend, Fife on 10 March 1992, age 76. His occupation was Foreman Electricity Meter Reader.

Christina died at Canmore Lodge Nursing Home, Dunfermline on 15 July 1996, age 73.

Archibald Ramage Russell, born at 167 Pittencrieff Street, 12 October 1917.

Archibald married Nancy Thomas Hunter.

Alexander Younger Russell, born at 167 Pittencrieff Street, Dunfermline on 3 May 1920.

Alexander married Clarice Cunningham Black (b. Dunfermline, Fife c.1918) in Dunfermline in 1940.

Alexander died in West Fife Hospital, Dunfermline on 23 July 1980, age 60. His usual address is 19 Shaw Street, Dunfermline, and his occupation was Contracts Manager.

Clarice died in Dunfermline in 2001, age 83.

John Younger Russell, born at 167 Pittencrieff Street, Dunfermline on 10 August 1923.

John served in the 6th Battalion Gordon Highlanders during the Second World War.

John married Mary Paton Bain Carmichael (b. 105 Golfdrum Street, Dunfermline on 11 August 1927), daughter of James Carmichael and Annie Smyth, in Dunfermline Abbey on 13 August 1948.

DEATHS

Alexander died at 25 David Street, Dunfermline on 6 July 1955, age 70.

Jane died at 56 Tuke Street, Dunfermline on 14 August 1969, age 80. Her usual address is 25 David Street, Dunfermline.