

John McWilliam - Mary Mather

John McWilliam's parents and place and date of birth are unknown.

John's occupation, as given on his wife's death certificate, was Cotton Weaver.

Mary Mather, born in County Armagh c.1778, daughter of Joseph Mather and Mary Hodge. Joseph was a Gardener¹Information from Mary's death certificate.

Mary is in Cullochburn, Cambuslang, Lanarkshire on the 1841 Census. Her occupation is Cotton Winder²National Records of Scotland, 1841 Census, 627 (Cambuslang), 1/9.

Mary has defied my attempts to find her on the 1851 Census.

CHILDREN

Thomas McWilliam, born in Rutherglen, Lanarkshire on 28 March 1807³National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1807 Births, 654 (Rutherglen), 10/358.

[Thomas married Margaret Thom](#) (b. Blantyre, Lanarkshire on 19 March 1810⁴National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1810 Births, 624 (Blantyre), 10/342), daughter of [John Thom and Janet Lindsay](#). They were proclaimed for marriage in the parish of Blantyre on 14 August 1830⁵National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1830 Marriages, 624 (Blantyre), 40/137 and in the parish of Cambuslang on 3 September 1830⁶National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1830 Marriages, 627 (Cambuslang), 20/175.

Thomas and Margaret are in Cullochburn, Cambuslang on the 1841 Census⁷National Records of Scotland, 1841 Census, 627 (Cambuslang), 1/9 and in Lightburn, Cambuslang on the 1851⁸National Records of Scotland, 1851 Census, 627 (Cambuslang), 5/12, 1861⁹National Records of Scotland,

1861 Census, 627 (Cambuslang), 6/10 and 1871¹⁰National Records of Scotland, 1871 Census, 627 (Cambuslang), 6/7 Census. Thomas's occupation is Cotton Weaver.

Thomas died in Lightburn on 18 March 1881, age 73¹¹National Records of Scotland, 1881 Deaths, 627, 53.

Margaret is in Hamilton Road, Lightburn on the 1881 Census¹²National Records of Scotland, 1881 Census, 627 (Cambuslang), 7/16 and in Albert Square, Cambuslang on the 1891 Census¹³National Records of Scotland, 1891 Census, 627 (Cambuslang), 3/4.

Margaret died at 125 Norfolk Street, Glasgow on 23 December 1891, age 81¹⁴National Records of Scotland, 1891 Deaths, 644, 12/1030.

John McWilliam, born in Rutherglen, Lanarkshire and baptised on 12 March 1809¹⁵National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1809 Births, 654 (Rutherglen), 10/364.

John married Janet Farquhar. They were proclaimed for marriage in the parish of Cambuslang on 26 November 1830¹⁶National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1830 Marriages, 627 (Cambuslang), 20/175.

Janet passed away in 1840. John married again, to another Janet, surname unknown.

John and Janet are in the village of Ballochney, Lanarkshire on the 1851 Census. John's occupation is Labourer¹⁷National Records of Scotland, 1851 Census, 651 (Airdrie or New Monkland), 40/2.

John died in New Monklands, Lanarkshire on 18 March 1873, age 64¹⁸National Records of Scotland, 1873 Deaths, 651/2/62.

William McWilliam, born in Rutherglen, Lanarkshire on 4 November 1810¹⁹National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1810 Births, 654 (Rutherglen), 10/374.

Agnes McWilliam, born in Rutherglen, Lanarkshire on 4 October 1812²⁰ National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1812 Births, 654 (Rutherglen), 10/384.

Died before 1828, a later child is also named Agnes.

James McWilliam, born in Rutherglen on 25 February 1814²¹ National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1814 Births, 654 (Rutherglen), 10/391.

Mary McWilliam, born in Cambuslang, Lanarkshire and baptised on 13 March 1816²² National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1816 Births, 627 (Cambuslang), 10/204.

Mary is in Cullochburn, Cambuslang with her mother on the 1841 Census. According to her mother's death certificate, Mary died in 1849, age 38, which puts her date of birth out by five years.

Elizabeth McWilliam, born in Cambuslang, Lanarkshire and baptised on 4 September 1818²³ National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1818 Births, 627 (Cambuslang), 10/208.

Elizabeth is in Cullochburn, Cambuslang with her mother on the 1841 Census.

Alexander McWilliam, born in Cambuslang, Lanarkshire on 4 March 1821²⁴ National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1821 Births, 627 (Cambuslang), 20/4.

Died in infancy.

Jane McWilliam, born in Cambuslang, Lanarkshire on 17 November 1823²⁵ National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1823 Births, 627 (Cambuslang), 20/12.

Alexander McWilliam, born in Rutherglen, Lanarkshire on 31 December 1824²⁶ National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1824 Births, 654 (Rutherglen), 30/41.

Agnes McWilliam, born in Cambuslang, Lanarkshire and baptised on 22 June

1828²⁷ National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1828 Births, 627 (Cambuslang), 20/28.

DEATHS

There is a mortcloth record for John McWilliam died of cholera on 7 September 1832 in Cambuslang, Lanarkshire²⁸ National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1832 Deaths, 627 (Cambuslang), 20/263.

Mary married again, to William Allan, Cotton Weaver. There is a proclamation for marriage in the parish of Cambuslang on 27 September 1834²⁹ National Records of Scotland, Old Parish Records, 1834 Marriages, 627 (Cambuslang), 20/183.

Mary died a pauper in lodgings in Bushyhill, Cambuslang on 13 April 1855, age 77³⁰ National Records of Scotland, 1855 Deaths, 627/21.

REFERENCES