



To Mark 100 years

Henry & Mary Ann  
Smith

and their family.

1874 - 1974.

# Family Register

## PARENTS NAMES

HUSBAND *Henry Smith*

Born *March the 11<sup>th</sup> 1837*

WIFE *Mary Ann Swan*

Born *Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1840*

MARRIED *At Saint Peter and Saint Paul's  
Church, in the Parish of Aston, in the County  
of Warwick, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September 1857,  
according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the  
Established Church after Banns by,  
Francis Terry, Curate, in the presence of  
Joseph Taylor &  
Ann Swan<sup>n</sup> Jackson  
F. J. Roberts Parish Clerk*

# CHILDRENS NAMES

- \* Frances Emma Smith Born Nov 13<sup>th</sup> 1858  
 Frank Smith Born March 13<sup>th</sup> 1860  
 Mary Smith Born June 21<sup>st</sup> 1861  
 Harry Smith Born May 24<sup>th</sup> 1863  
 Mary Elizabeth Smith Born April 5<sup>th</sup> 1865  
 Martha Ann Smith Born Septem<sup>ber</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 1866  
 George Smith Born June 1<sup>st</sup> 1868  
 John Thomas Smith Born June 7<sup>th</sup> 1870  
 William Albert Smith Born Oct 21<sup>st</sup> 1871  
 Robert Smith Born Oct 12<sup>th</sup> 1873  
 Minnie Flora Smith Born Aug 31 1876  
 Benjamin Albert Smith Born July 21 1876  
 & Davis Ormond Smith Born Jan 7 31 1877 1878  
 James Smith Born Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 1879  
 Charles Joseph Smith Born Dec 11<sup>th</sup> 1881  
 Edw. May Smith " Oct 15<sup>th</sup> 1884  
 Ernest John Smith Born June 5<sup>th</sup> 1887  
 Henry Smith March 11<sup>th</sup> 1837  
 Mary Smith Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 1840 (Parents)

At Agony Point England  
 Ancestral Church

& The first child Born in the Ormondville Special Settlement  
 \* St Michael's Church Lichfield Staffordshire England

# DEATHS

Mary Smith, Second Daughter died July 19<sup>th</sup>  
1862 Aged 1 year and 28 Days, <sup>at Walsall</sup>  
John Thomas Smith fourth Son, Died Nov 13<sup>th</sup> 1872 <sup>Staffordshire</sup>  
Aged 1 year and nine months at Dover Kent England  
Ethel, Mary, died Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> 1890.  
Benjamin Albert died April 1894.  
George died Nov. 1896.  
Mary Elizabeth (Cunningham) Oct 25<sup>th</sup> 1924. Aged 62 yrs  
Frances Emma (Mear) Dec. 18-33  
Aged 75 years  
Barry May 24-1935 aged 76 yrs.  
Frank Dec. 23-1935 aged 78 years  
Davis Ormond Apr. 13<sup>th</sup> 1939 Aged 61 years  
Ernest John Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> 1939. Aged 52 years.  
Elizabeth Charlotte Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> 1923,  
James Smith Feb. 1955  
Henry Smith MAY 8 1922  
Mary Smith DEC 13 1921  
William Albert 1871-1946. Minnie Flora 1876-1949  
Martha Ann 1866-1955. Robert 1873-1962  
Charles Joseph 1881-1969



Henry & Mary Ann Smith  
on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding  
13<sup>th</sup> September 1917.



*This is Lichfield Cathedral, commenced in 700 A.D. and which after many renovations and restorations, stands as one of the most beautiful cathedrals in England today*

*It is of particular interest to the Smith family, as Henry served as one of its Choir-boys. Frances Emma, the eldest child, was christened in Saint Michael's Chapel*

Mr. and Mrs. H. Smith of Terrace Road, Hastings, celebrated their diamond wedding at their residence on Thursday afternoon, when between 70 and 80 guests were entertained at an "at Home" including visitors from Wanganui, Wairarapa and Southern Hawkes Bay. Mr. and Mrs. Smith were united in the holy bonds of matrimony in St. Peter and St. Paul's Church, Birmingham in 1857, the bride being a daughter of Mr. John Swan of Lichfield, and the bridegroom a son of Mr. H. Smith, of the same place. They arrived at Napier in the sailing ship "Schiehallian", May 26th 1874, and have resided in the Dominion ever since. For a number of years Mr. Smith has been successfully engaged in saw-milling pursuits at Makotuku, Wairarapa and on the Main Trunk Line, and was instrumental in having initiated what is now known as "Smith's Siding" at Makotuku. He also has been connected with the dairying industry, and was one of the first to establish a dairy factory in Hawkes Bay. Mr. & Mrs. Smith have a family of eight sons and four daughters, and have 126 descendants, all living in the Dominion, one son and several grandsons being on active service. The old couple, who have reached a ripe old age, are now spending the evening of their days in Hastings and are both hale and hearty. They have received the hearty congratulations of a wide circle of friends by whom they were highly esteemed.

September 13th 1917



1857

1907

### *Father and Mother*

*Request the Pleasure of your Company at the Celebration of their*

### *Golden Wedding*

*on Friday afternoon, September 13th '07, at their Residence next Webb's Nursery, Nelson Street, Hastings.*

Information from immigration records  
at the Hawke's Bay Art Gallery and  
Museum.

Smith, Henry, Farm labourer, age 36.  
A ddress: Staffordshire

Mary,	age 33
Emma,	" 15
Frank,	" 14
Mary,	" 9
Harry,	" 11
Martha,	" 7
Geo.,	" 5
William,	" 2
Robert,	" 3 months

(from the Nominee Roll of Immigrants  
per ship Schiehallion, and the ship's  
passenger list.)

Their names are also recorded in the  
Barrack Masters Book. After arrival  
at Napier they stayed at the Barracks  
till 30th May, along with most of the  
other immigrants, and then Henry was  
given a job described as 'government  
work' (possibly helping make roads or  
railway) at the rate of 8/- per day.

The 'Schiehallion' was a 'smart  
little iron barque of 600 tons, was  
built in 1869 for the Shaw-Saville  
Company. She had rather a short  
carrer, as she was wrecked in the  
English Channel when on a passage from  
Auckland in 1879. She visited all the  
principal ports in New Zealand, and on  
one occasion ran out to Wellington in  
84 days from port to port'. (from 'White  
Wings' by Henry Brett, published in  
1924.)

On the voyage to Napier she appears  
to have left from London, sailing on  
10th February 1874 and arriving in  
Napier on 26th May 1874.

Off the foot of Onepoto Gully in  
Napier, where Captain Cook anchored, the  
passengers of the 'Schiehallion' were  
disembarked. They took the long, very  
steep road called 'Main Street' to their  
temporary barracks on (now) Hospital  
Hill.

Later they left on their journey  
for Ormondville.

Unfortunately a picture of the  
ship 'Schiehallion' cannot be found.  
Have enquired from Shaw Saville, here  
and London, from Early Settlers  
Museums in our main ports, as she  
made a number of calls to N. Z.  
Even Lloyds regretted they could not  
supply a picture.

I don't know whether you know  
anything about the conditions on these  
immigrant ships, such as the fact  
that children over 12 years of age  
were not allowed to travel with  
married couples and young children,  
but were put with the single people,  
this meant that Emma was transferred  
to the single women's quarters, and  
Frank to the single men's quarters.  
Then some of the more responsible  
passengers were appointed as what  
were called matrons and constables,  
to keep order and see that things ran  
smoothly, one presumes. They were  
paid for these duties and Henry Smith  
was appointed "water closet constable",  
the most humble and objectionable job  
on board, for which duty he earned  
£5 for the voyage. The cost of the  
passage for the whole family was  
£107: 5: 0. of which Henry Smith paid  
£15 in promissory notes. A note in  
pencil beside this latter figure says  
"not enough".

The information in the last paragraph  
was taken from the ship's passenger  
list and some miscellaneous papers  
attached to it.

The History Department of the  
Auckland Library has this to  
say about the way of travelling  
in the old days.

From 1872 they travelled from  
Napier to Dannevirke by both  
horse team and bullock wagon.  
They left Napier by a five horse  
team and travelled as far as  
Te Aute, where they stayed the  
night.

The next days' travelling  
took them to Waipukurau where  
they stayed the night in the  
Tavis-stock Hotel Stables.  
The third night was spent at the  
old Railway Hotel stables situated  
five miles out of Norsewood. The  
horses could go no further than  
this, so the men walked and the  
bullock wagons took over.  
The next stop before Dannevirke  
was at Te Whiti clearing. So it  
was a journey of five days.

In a book on early Ormondville, 'Pilgrimage' by Alice Webb (A.H. & A.W. Reed) Canon Webb thanks Mr. & Mrs. Plank for their welcome gifts of vegetables each week. His section has not yet been cleared of logs.

He also mentions that his neighbours, the Henry Smith's have moved to their big house down the road.

This could have been the occasion when the group photograph of 1886 was taken - it was also Mary Elizabeth's 21st birthday year.

The names 'Winger' and 'List' appear among others in the book. Many early records were lost either by floods or fires and also in the Hawkes Bay earthquake.

Mr Henry Smith, an old and respected Hawke's Bay settler, and one of the pioneer sawmillers of the province, passed away yesterday, at the Lower Te Mata road, Havelock North, at the good old age of 85 years. He owned large sawmills in Makotuku and Ormondville for many years, and he was held in general esteem for his business capacity and energy, as well for his commercial integrity and generally high character. The funeral will leave Lower Te Mata road to-morrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock, for the Havelock cemetery.



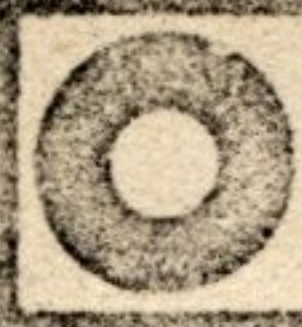
	<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>
1.	G'Father	49
2.	G'Mother	46
3.	Bama	28
4.	Frank	26
5.	Harry	23
6.	Mary	21
7.	Martha	20
8.	George	18
9.	Will	15
10.	Bob	13
11.	Ormond	8
12.	Minnie	10
13.	Jia	7
14.	Dick	5
15.	Albert	10
	Baby Ethel	2
	Ern (Born later)	

There are very many members of the family, to whom I wish to express my grateful thanks for their help, in bringing this Folder and the Family Tree into being. There are far too many friends to name individually - but their enthusiasm was a wonderful boost, as this has taken just a year to put together. Best wishes to all.

Napier Cathedral means much to us. Because Our parents received their first Communion there - were married there - and my sister, brother and I were christened there.

*Walter Smith*





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Miss Winifred P. Smith,  
16 Robins Road,  
TAUPO

Dear Miss Smith,

Your letter of 23rd October has been passed on to us by the N.Z.B.C.

We were most fascinated to learn of the hundredth anniversary of your grandparents coming to New Zealand, which is upcoming next year and we know what an exciting prospect this can be - the gathering of relations and friends from all over the country and in many instances meeting branches and individuals of the family for the first time.

Unfortunately the records that we hold on behalf of the Ministry of Works and Development do not contain any reference to the people who arrived on the ship you mention. But we can suggest that you may like to contact the Turnbull Library here in Wellington. They may have information about the vessel and the people who travelled on board it.

We hope that you will be able to find some details which will be relevant to your search, but more importantly hope that the centenary celebrations of your grandparents arriving in New Zealand will be a most enjoyable and rewarding experience.

Yours sincerely,

*Nadoo Balantine-Scott*

Nadoo Balantine-Scott  
Chief of Productions.

## Family reunion for the Smiths

The Smith family will be holding a family reunion in Napier this weekend to celebrate the arrival of Henry and Mary Ann Smith in Napier 100 years ago.

Mr and Mrs Smith ar-

rived in the Schiehallion in at Makotuku.  
May, 1874. They had 15 children - three died in infancy and 12 married and had families.

Mr Smith was one of the first to establish a dairy factory in Hawke's Bay, and was a pioneer in the saw-mill industry at Makotuku.

He also had a part in the initiation of what is now known as "Smith's Siding"

Mr Smith was born in 1837, and Mrs Smith in 1840. They celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary in 1917.

### 1400 NAMES

There are now over 1400 names on the family tree dating from Henry and Mary Ann Smith.

About 250 relatives from all over New Zealand and parts of Australia, are ex-

pected at the reunion.

They will meet at the Red Cross Hall, Napier, on Saturday morning for the initial get-together and have dinner in the War Memorial Hall, Napier, in the evening.

The visitors will join the service in St. John's Cathedral on Sunday and have tea in the parish hall.

*NAPIER Daily Telegraph*

*13th May '74*