

THE SUNDERLAND FAMILY.

It is with disappointment and frustration that I have to admit that I have failed to ascertain the source of this family. I have always had a strong belief that they came out of a seafaring Fairhead from Lowestoft visiting the port of Sunderland. The Fairhead family, being of East Anglian origin, would find it no easy task, when horse was the only form of transport, to plant it's seed some 200 miles north, but the Fairhead seamen from Lowestoft would have had very little difficulty in dropping into the Port of Sunderland. One strong point, which enlists strength to this possibility, is the fact that the forebears of this family were seamen.

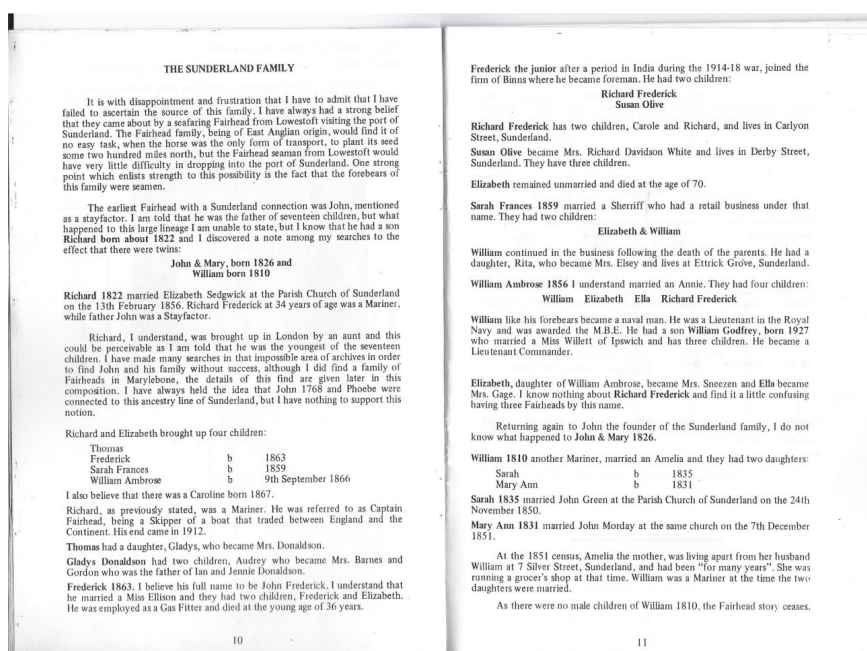
Doubtless a number of readers will fault some of the statements made and may be able to give a truer account of the happenings. This can be only part of the full story, and any additions will be most welcome.

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Albert's original book "The Sunderland Family" is set out below.



Since the death of Albert (in 1976) material has been gathered by the late Mr. G. T. Fairhead, myself and fellowship members in general and added to Albert's work to give a fuller and more informative story. The subsequent record is compiled from Albert's original book and the new information collected since that time. It should be noted that the generation numbers do not start at one, but carry on from a previous branch, in this case The Parish Clerk, which in turn carried on from the Suffolk Weavers.

Where places are described as a 'District', this is the Registration District where the event was registered. Civil Registration was introduced in 1837, the Index's to these entries can now be viewed online, it should be noted that the names and boundaries of many of these Districts have changed over the years. A list of these districts can be found at <http://www.ukbmd.org.uk/genuki/reg/districts/index.html>

Where individuals have "No record" next to their entry there may be an entry in the "Don't Know" section, but there is not enough evidence to link to the person concerned. ----- Between individuals denotes different families, --- between individuals denotes the division between step siblings in one family.

(Individual I. D. No's. are in Blue)

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Generation I.

William b abt 1770 (3207) married Mary **Stanford** (3208) and they had the following family :-

John (2735)	b abt	1798
William (2738)	b abt	1803

Generation II.

John 1798 (2735) was recorded as a Stayfactor, he married Mary ? (2736) and they had the following family :-

John (2739)]	b	1826
Mary (2740)] twins	b	1826
Richard Frederick (2737)	b abt	1831

William 1803 (2738) in Sunderland, Durham, and was a Ship's Pilot. (Pensioned 186641). He married Amelia **Fairless** (2741) (b 28th January 1807, Sunderland) on the 5th May 1828 at Sunderland. They had the following family :-

Sarah (2743)	b	5 th September 1828 bap 15 th December 1828
Mary Ann (2742)	b	8 th January 1831

In the 1841 Census Amelia (recorded as Emily) was living by Independent means at Silver Street, Sunderland with daughters Sarah & Mary Ann, this could mean that William had died at this time. Amelia died in the 3Q 1885, in Sunderland.

Generation III.

John 1826 (2739) No record.

Mary 1826 (2740) No record.

Richard Frederick 1822 (2737) was a Mariner, he married Mary Elizabeth **Sedgewick** (2744) (b. abt 1833) on the 13th February 1856 at Bishopwearmouth, Co. Durham, and they had the following family :-

Thomas Sandon. (2745)	b	2Q 1857
Sarah Frances (2746)	b	2Q 1859
John Frederick (2747)	b	1Q 1863
William Ambrose (2748)	b	9 th September 1866 43 East St., Sunderland

In the 1861 Census Mary Elizabeth was listed living with Thomas & Mary Ann Todd, along with son Thomas aged 3 and daughter Sarah F. aged 1, Richard Frederick must have been away at sea. Richard Frederick died in the 2Q 1908, in the Ipswich District, Suffolk.

Sarah 1828 (2743) married John **Green** (2751) on the 24th November 1850 in Sunderland. Sarah is recorded in the 1850 Sunderland and Durham Directory as being a Provision Dlr. (sic) at 7 Silver St.

Mary Ann 1831 (2742) married John **Mordey** (2750) on the 7th December 1851 at Sunderland, (ages at marriage: John 22, Mary 21), and they had the following family :-

John (Mordey) (5437)	b abt	1850
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Robert (Mordey) (3475)	b	12 th October 1852	d. 12 th August 1907
Jonathan (Mordey) (5438)	b abt	1854	
John (Mordey) (5439)	b	31 st March 1855	
Sarah Jane (Mordey) (5442)	b	31 st March 1855	d. 25 th November 1902
Amelia (Mordey) (5440)	b abt	1856	
Amelia (Mordey) (5441)	b abt	1857	

John, the father, died on the 2nd November 1883, and Mary Ann died on the 17th March 1895 at Sunderland. In 1881 they were living at 3 Salem Terrace, Bishopwearmouth, Durham.

Generation IV.

Thomas Sandon 1857 (2745) married Maria **Stafford** (2752) in the 1Q 1889, in the Sunderland District, and they had a daughter :-

Gladys (2753)	b	2Q 1899
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Thomas Sandon died in the 3Q 1914, in Sunderland

Sarah Frances 1859 (2746) married William **Sherriff** (2757) in the 2Q 1889, at Sunderland, and they had the following family:-

Elizabeth (Sherriff) (2758)
William (Sherriff) (2759)

John Frederick 1863 (2747) married Mary **Ellison** (2760) (b abt 1873) in the 2Q 1897, in the Sunderland District, Durham, and they had the following family :-

Thomas Frederick (2761)	b	3Q 1898	Sunderland District
Elizabeth A. (2762)	b abt	1894	Sunderland District
Maria (2746)	b	1Q 1900	Sunderland District

John Frederick 1863 (2747) died in the 2Q 1917, in the Sunderland District, Durham. Mary (2760) died in the 3Q 1949, in the Sunderland District.

William Ambrose 1866 (2748) married Annie Isabella **Campbell** (2763), on the 18th July 1895 at St. Michael's, Bishopwearmouth, Co. Durham, and they had the following family :-

Arthur William (2764)	b	2Q 1896	
Elizabeth Dasborough (2765)	b	4Q 1898	
Eleanora (2766)	b	4Q 1900	
Richard Frederick (2767)	b	2Q 1903	all in the Sunderland District

Annie Isabella died in the 4Q 1943, in the Ipswich District, Suffolk. William Ambrose died in the 2Q 1944, also in the Ipswich District, Suffolk.

Generation V.

Gladys 1899 (2753) married William **Donaldson** (2754) in the 4Q 1922, in the Sunderland District, Durham, and they had the following family :-

Gordon (Donaldson) (2755)
Audrey (Donaldson) (2756)

Thomas Frederick 1898 (2761) married Susan **Johnson** (2768) in the 2Q 1928, in the Sunderland District, and had the following family :-

Susan Olive (2770)	b	3Q 1931	Sunderland District
Richard Frederick (2769)	b	9 th July 1933	Sunderland District

Thomas Frederick 1898 (2761) died in the 4Q 1949, in the Sunderland District.

Elizabeth A. 1894 (2762) No record.

Maria 1900 (7246) died in the 3Q 1904, in the Sunderland District.

Arthur William 1896 (2764) was in the Royal Navy, and was awarded the M.B.E. He married Constance K. **Godfrey** (2771) in the 3Q 1923, in the Ipswich District, Suffolk, and had a son :-

William Godfrey (2772)	b	2Q 1927	Ipswich District
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Arthur William died in the 4Q 1970, and Constance Kate died in the 1Q 1980, both in the Ipswich District, Suffolk.

Elizabeth Dasborough 1898 (2765) married Harold A. **Sneesum** (2773) in the 1Q 1925, in the Ipswich District, Suffolk.

Eleanora 1900 (2766) married Walter J. **Sage** (2774) in the 3Q 1927, in the Ipswich District, Suffolk.

Richard Frederick 1903 (2767) married Eleanor **Gammidge** (8889) in 2Q 1940, in the Solihull District, and they had the following family :-

Richard W. N. (8899)	b	2Q 1941	Birmingham
Susan Mary (8920)	b	3Q 1942	Birmingham

Generation VI.

Susan Olive 1931 (2770) married Richard Davidson **White** (2778) in the 1Q 1951, in the Durham North District, and they had the following family :-

Christine O. D. (White) (4216)	b	1Q 1952	Sunderland
Richard D. (White) (4221)	b	2Q 1954	Durham North
Ann D. (White) (6617)	b	2Q 1958	Sunderland
John D. (White) (6883)	b	2Q 1964	Wycombe

Richard Frederick 1933 (2769) married Joan **Betts** (2775) in the 2Q 1956, in the Northumberland West District, and had the following family :-

Carole A. (2776)	b	1Q 1958	Northumberland West District
Richard Frederick (2777)	b	2Q 1964	Sunderland District

Richard Frederick died on the 28th August 2005, in the Sunderland District.

William Godfrey 1927 (2772) rose to the rank of Lt. Captain in the Royal Navy. He married Heather Rosemary **Willett** (9036) (b 17/08/1926) in the 3Q 1950, in the Ipswich District, Suffolk, and they had the following family :-

Nicola R. (9081)	b	2Q 1952	Bedford District
Sally A. (9082)	b	3Q 1957	Aldershot District

Heather Rosemary died in the 4Q 1969, in the Ipswich District. William Godfrey died on the 30th November 2009.

Richard W. N. 1968 (8899) married Ann Geraldine **Tyler** (9335) (b 16/05/1942) in the 2Q 1968, in the Meriden District, and they had the following family :-

Isobel Anna (9384)	b	2Q 1970	Bromley,
Katherine Ann (9385)	b	1Q 1973	West Cheshire

Ann Geraldine died on the 22nd September 2005, in the Chester District, Cheshire.

Susan M. 1942 (8920) married Graham Richard **Bird** (9588) in the 2Q 1981, in the Camden District, London.

Generation VII.

Carole A. 1958 (2776) married Keith **Dunn** (9541) in the 4Q 1977, in the Sunderland District,

Richard Frederick 1964 (2777) married Elaine **Dobson** (9715) in the 2Q 1994, In the Sunderland District, and they have the following family :-

Jonathan James (10005)	b	4Q 1995	Sunderland District
Ryan Richard (10067)	b	3Q 2000	Sunderland District

Nicola R. 1952 (9081) married James J. P. **Muncey** (9413) in the 3Q 1971, in the Ipswich District, Suffolk.

Sally A. 1957 (9082) married Andrew J. S. **Burge** (9571) in the 3Q 1980 in the Ipswich District, Suffolk.

Isobel Anna (9384) married Matthew C. **Rice** (9757) in the 3Q 1999 in the Isle of Wight District, Hampshire.

Katherine Ann 1973 (9385) No record.