



## Family of Joseph Robb and Susan Doig

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### Generation One

1. **Joseph Morrison Robb** #83686, b. 18 April 1826 in Airlie, ANS, SCT,<sup>1</sup> baptized 26 April 1826 in Airlie, ANS, SCT,<sup>1</sup> occupation 1871 Machinist, occupation 1881 Locomotive Superintendent, occupation 1900 Capitalist, d. in Cleveland? .

Possibly s/o James ROBB and Jean PEDDIE, Angus.

1861: Not yet located in Canadian census...

1871: Lived in Sherbrooke, Quebec with family. Note that all children are shown as being born in Quebec...

1881: Lived in Brockville, Ontario with family.

1900: Lived with son-in-law D. ROWLANDS and daughter Christian in Cleveland, Ohio.

He married **Susan Farquharson Doig** #83687, 07 January 1853 in Brechin, ANS, SCT,<sup>1</sup> b. 13 September 1830 in Forfar, ANS, SCT,<sup>1</sup> (daughter of **William Doig** #83830 and **Christian Sievwright** #83831), baptized 26 September 1830 in Forfar, ANS, SCT,<sup>1</sup> occupation 1851 Domestic Servant, d. 09 June 1900 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ontario.<sup>2,3</sup>

#### Susan:

1851: Susan DOIG was a domestic servant to Susan MUSTARD, at Viewbank, Brechin.

#### Children:

2. i. **Christian Sievwright Robb** #83692 b. 20 November 1853.
3. ii. **Alexander Murray Robb** #83688 b. 21 August 1855.
4. iii. **William Doig Robb** #83651 b. 08 November 1857.
5. iv. **Joseph Morrison Doig Robb** #83691 b. 22 January 1860.
6. v. **George Watson Robb** #83690 b. c 1863.

### Generation Two

2. **Christian Sievwright Robb** #83692, b. 20 November 1853 in Saint Vigean, ANS, Scotland,<sup>4,5</sup> baptized 04 December 1853 in Saint Vigean, ANS, SCT.<sup>5</sup> .

Note that 1871 Sherbrooke census shows birthplace of Quebec.

She married **Thomas Rowlands** #83693, 1880 in Levis, Quebec,<sup>6</sup> b. November 1852 in Manchester?, England,<sup>6</sup> occupation 1880 - 1900 Blacksmith.

**Thomas:**

1889: Immigrated to the United States.

1900: Cleveland census gives birthplace of Wales, but marriage records shows "of Manchester".

1934: Family lived in Toronto.

*Children:*

7. i. **Llewellyn Joseph (James) Rowlands** #83694 b. 22 January 1892.
3. **Alexander Murray Robb** #83688, b. 21 August 1855 in Aberdeen\*, Scotland,<sup>7,1</sup> occupation 1881 Machinist, occupation 1887 Locomotive Engineer in Smith's Falls, religion 1887 Presbyterian, d. 10 April 1899 in Elmsley Street, Smiths Falls, Lanark County, Ontario.<sup>8</sup> .

1887: Marriage record shows birthplace of "Edinburgh".

He married **Emily P. Whyte** #193704, 20 December 1887 in Perth, Lanark, Ontario,<sup>9</sup> b. 26 July 1866 in Drummond, Lanark County, Ontario,<sup>10</sup> (daughter of **Joshua White** #196218 and **Anne (Eva?)unidentified** #196219), religion 1887 Church of England, d. 03 November 1904 in Lanark, Lanark County, Ontario,<sup>10</sup> buried in Hillcrest Cemetery, Smiths Falls, Lanark County, Ontario.<sup>10</sup>

**Emily:**

1901: Widowed, lived with children and widowed mother in Smiths Falls, Ontario.

*Children:*

8. i. **Susan Helen Robb** #193705 b. 12 March 1889.
9. ii. **Kenneth Murray Robb** #196224 b. 16 July 1891.
10. iii. **Marian Robb** #196220 b. 15 August 1898.
4. **William Doig Robb** #83651, b. 08 November 1857 in Longueuil, Quebec,<sup>11,1</sup> occupation 1883 Mechanical Engineer in Belleville,<sup>12</sup> occupation 1888 Locomotive Foreman, Grand Trunk Railway, occupation 1921 Vice President, Grand Trunk Railway, d. 23 June 1947 in 4700 Western Avenue, Montreal, Quebec.<sup>13</sup> .

Parents both born in Scotland.

1891: Family lived in Belleville, Hastings County, Ontario. Apparently six children (Kingston Whig Standard, March 17, 2015)

1912: Lived at 4700 Western Avenue, Montreal, Quebec.

1921: Lived at 4700 Western Avenue, Westmount, Quebec. Daughter Catherine SNEED and her daughter Catherine lived with the family.

1939: Lived in Westmount, Montreal, QC.

He married **Catherine Haggart Black** #83652, 1881 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada,<sup>13</sup> b. 16 April 1860 in Pointe St. Charles District, Montreal, Quebec,<sup>11</sup> (daughter of **James Black** #193691 and **(unidentified)** #193692), d. 1937 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada.<sup>13</sup>

**Catherine:**

Parents both born in Scotland.

1901: Family enumerated in Belleville, Hastings County, Ontario. Husband not present.

*Children:*

11. i. **Catherine (Kathryn) Ruby Robb** #83671 b. 28 November 1883.
  12. ii. **Joseph Doig Robb** #83672 b. 16 November 1885.
  13. iii. **Wallace Havelock Robb** #83650 b. 19 May 1888.
  14. iv. **James Bruce Robb** #83673 b. 28 July 1890.
  15. v. **William Clifton Robb** #83681 b. 06 August 1895.
  16. vi. **Frank Morse Robb** #83685 b. 28 January 1902.
5. **Joseph Morrison Doig Robb** #83691, b. 22 January 1860 in Point Saint Charles, Montreal, Quebec,<sup>7,1</sup> baptized 10 February 1860 in St. Paul's Presbyterian, Montreal,<sup>1</sup> d. 23 November 1935.<sup>2</sup> .
- 1934: Lived in Chicago, Illinois.
- He married **Addie M.A. Bell** #83829, b. c 1867.
6. **George Watson Robb** #83690, b. c 1863 in Montreal, Quebec,<sup>7,1</sup> occupation 1881 Machinist, occupation 1890 Foreman, Locomotive Works, d. 13 January 1934 in 236 Strathearn Avenue, Montreal Quebec,<sup>14</sup> occupation 1914 Manager, General Supply Company in Montreal,<sup>14</sup> occupation 1920 Manager, Stevens Supply Company, Montreal,<sup>14</sup> occupation 1922 President, Watson Robb Company, Montreal,<sup>14</sup> buried 15 January 1934 in Smith's Falls. Lanark County, Ontario.<sup>14</sup> .

1890: Residence in Des Moines, Iowa when married.

He married **Elizabeth Caroline Whyte** #83824, 08 April 1890 in Perth, Lanark County, Ontario,<sup>14</sup> b. c. 1868 in Balderson, Lanark County, Ontario (daughter of **Joshua Whyte** #83825 and **Ann Gallenger** #83826), d. 26 May 1926 in Montreal?<sup>3</sup> .

*Children:*

17. i. **Douglas Robb** #193724 b. c. 1892.
18. ii. **Christina Robb** #193725.

*Generation Three*

7. **Llewellyn Joseph (James) Rowlands** #83694, b. 22 January 1892 in Brockville, Ontario, Canada.<sup>4,1</sup> .
8. **Susan Helen Robb** #193705, b. 12 March 1889 in Smiths Falls, Lanark County, Ontario,<sup>3</sup> d. 06 )CT 1971 in 1225 16A Street NW, Calgary, Alberta.<sup>15</sup> .

1937: Informant at sister Marian's death, lived at 15 Oakland Avenue, Ottawa.

She married **Reginald Howard Eagleson** #193706, 06 July 1915 in Stewarton Presbyterian Church, Ottawa, Carleton County, Ontario,<sup>16</sup> b. 1884,<sup>3</sup> (son of **W.H. Eagleson** #196222 and **(unidentified)** #196223), d. 21 January 1920 in Kamloops, British Columbia.<sup>3</sup>

*Children:*

19. i. **Margaret Burritt Eagleson** #196225.

9. **Kenneth Murray Robb** #196224, b. 16 July 1891 in Smiths Falls, Lanark County, Ontario,<sup>17,18</sup> occupation 1916 Mechanic, Railway Shops in Winnipeg.

1916: Lived with cousin Douglas ROBB in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

1924: Delayed birth registered by guardian, George Watson ROBB, 236 Strathcona Avenue, Montreal.

10. **Marian Robb** #196220, b. 15 August 1898 in Smiths Falls, Ontario,<sup>19</sup> occupation c. 1919 - 1937 School Teacher, Ottawa Public Schools, d. 31 March 1937 in Chapel Street, Ottawa, Carleton County, Ontario,<sup>19</sup> buried 02 April 1937 in Smiths Falls Public Cemetery, Smiths Falls, Ontario.<sup>19</sup>

11. **Catherine (Kathryn) Ruby Robb** #83671, b. 28 November 1883 in Belleville, Hastings County, Ontario,<sup>20,21</sup> d. 16 June 1959 in Montreal, Quebec,<sup>22</sup> buried 18 June 1959 in Mount Royal Cemetery, Montreal, Quebec.<sup>22,23</sup>

She married **Carl Milton Sneed** #193693, 20 April 1910 in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Montreal, Quebec. Canada,<sup>13,24</sup> (son of **L.A. Sneed** #194964 and **(unidentified)** #194965), occupation Medical Doctor in Jefferson City, Wisconsin?, d. before 1959 in Montreal?

**Carl:**

Specialist in eye, ear, nose and throat.. He met Catherine ROBB while both were touring in Europe in 1909.

*Children:*

20. i. **Catherine Sneed** #194967 b. c. 1912.

12. **Joseph Doig Robb** #83672, b. 16 November 1885 in Belleville, Hastings County, Ontario,<sup>20,25</sup> d. 31 May 1970 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada.<sup>1,26</sup>

1910: Lived in Detroit, Michigan when married.

He married **Janie McLeod Preston** #83674, 01 November 1910 in Stratford, Perth County, Ontario,<sup>27</sup> b. c 1888 in Ontario (daughter of **William Preston** #83675 and **Elisabeth McLeod Jeffery** #83676), d. 05 November 1971 in Montreal, Quebec,<sup>28</sup> buried in Mount Royal Cemetery, Montreal.<sup>28</sup>

**Janie:**

1910: Lived in Stratford, Ontario when married.

*Children:*

- 21. i. **William Doig Robb** #83827 b. 29 July 1911.
  - 22. ii. **(unidentified) Robb** #193716.
  - 23. iii. **(unidentified) Robb** #193718.
  - 24. iv. **(unidentified) Robb** #193720.
  - 25. v. **(unidentified) Robb** #193722.
  - 26. vi. **Joseph Doig Robb** #193726.
13. **Wallace Havelock Robb** #83650, b. 19 May 1888 in Belleville, Hastings County, Ontario,<sup>29</sup> occupation 1912 Salesman, occupation 1913 Merchant in Montreal, occupation 1960 - 1976 Poet at Abbey Dawn, d. 1976 in Abbey Dawn, Kingston, Frontenac County, Ontario.<sup>30</sup> .

1910: Witness at brother Joseph's 1910 marriage in Stratford, Ontario. Resident in Montreal, Quebec.

28 JAN 1912: Travelled to Detroit, Michigan. Destination was the Havelin Hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Physical description: 5 ft 6 inches, fair complexion, blue eyes.

1915: Returned from Liverpool to Halifax 21 FEB 1915. Was that a business trip?

1921: Family including children Joseph and Marion (sic) moved to New York State from Montreal via Ogdensburg. Next of kin in Canada was shown to be Father, William D. ROBB, 4700 Western Avenue, Montreal. Wife's N-o-K was given as father Stephen BURROWS, Belleville, Ontario.

The Robb family lived in New York State, and returned in 1925 to settle just east of Kingston at "Abbey Dawn". It would appear that about 1927, Wallace decided to give up his mercantile aspirations, and embrace nature at the Abbey Dawn property. Numerous newspaper articles extol his bird sanctuary, tree planting and his life as a poet at that quiet place.

By 1929, Wallace ROBB called himself "Poet" and by 1930 had established the nature reserve at Abbey Dawn, east of Kingston.

1968: Voters list for Frontenac County shows Wallace at RR #1, Kingston, with wife Edna and son Joseph A.

He married **Edna Ilene (Aileen) Burrows** #83653, 04 June 1913 in Belleville, Hastings County, Ontario,<sup>31</sup> b. 01 February 1892 in Belleville, Hastings County, Ontario,<sup>32</sup> (daughter of **Stephen Burrows** #83654 [Insurance Agent] and **Victoria Cook** #83655), d. after 1975? in Abbey Dawn?

*Children:*

- 27. i. **Joseph Airlie (Joe) Robb** #83677 b. c. 1915.
  - 28. ii. **Miriam I. Robb** #83679 b. c. 1917.
  - 29. iii. **Clifford Robb** #83678.
14. **James Bruce Robb** #83673, b. 28 July 1890 in Belleville, Hastings County, Ontario,<sup>20,33</sup> d. before 1947.<sup>13</sup> .

15. **William Clifton Robb** #83681, b. 06 August 1895 in Belleville, Hastings County, Ontario,<sup>34</sup> religion Presbyterian, occupation 1921 Salesman, Mechanical Supplies, d. 26 February 1964 in Montreal General Hospital, Montreal, Quebec, Canada,<sup>28</sup> buried 28 February 1964 in Mount Royal Cemetery, Montreal, Quebec.<sup>28</sup> .

He married (1) **Aileen M. Thompson** #83682, 01 October 1921 in Toronto, York County, Ontario,<sup>35</sup> b. c 1895 in Danville, Illinois, USA (daughter of **Louis H. Thompson** #83683 [Physician] and **Elizabeth Huber? Garner?** #83684). They were divorced.

He married (2) **Florence Louise Rowe** #193697, 02 April 1935 in St. Andrew's Church, Westmount, Montreal, Quebec,<sup>36</sup> (daughter of **Roger John Rowe** #193702 and **Laura Allan** #193703).

16. **Frank Morse Robb** #83685, b. 28 January 1902 in Belleville, Hastings County, Ontario,<sup>37</sup> occupation 1930 Writer?, religion 1930 Presbyterian, d. before 1947.<sup>13</sup> .

1921: Lived at 4700 Western Avenue, Westmount, Quebec with family. Known as "Morse".

He married **Eileen Harriet Rose** #193694, 23 June 1930 in Grafton, Northumberland County, Ontario,<sup>38</sup> b. c. 1903 in Thurlow Township, Hastings County, Ontario (daughter of **William J. Rose** #193696 [Farmer in Sidney Township] and **Annie May Shorey** #193695), occupation 1930 Stenographer in Belleville, religion 1930 United Church.

**Eileen:**

1930: Lived at 144 East Bridge Street, Belleville.

17. **Douglas Robb** #193724, b. c. 1892 in Ontario,<sup>39</sup> occupation 1916 Salesman, Machinery, in Winnipeg, religion 1916 Church of England.

1834: Lived in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

18. **Christina Robb** #193725, b.<sup>14</sup>.

1934: Lived in Montreal West, Quebec

#### *Generation Four*

19. **Margaret Burritt Eagleson** #196225.

1971: Family lived in Calgary, Alberta.

She married (1) **Frederick William Hanley** #196226, September 1942 in Ottawa?,<sup>15,40</sup> (son of **E.A. Hanley** #196228 and **(unidentified)** #196229).

*Children:*

30. i. **Susan Hanley** #196230.

31. ii. **David Hanley** #196232.

32. iii. **Eric Hanley** #196231.

She married (2) **(unidentified) Gould** #196227.

20. **Catherine Sneed** #194967, b. c. 1912 in Ontario.<sup>41</sup> .

She married **J.H. Froud** #194968.<sup>23</sup>

21. **William Doig Robb** #83827, b. 29 July 1911,<sup>2</sup> d. 13 September 1942.<sup>2</sup> .

He married **Frances Wilmington White** #83828,<sup>2</sup> b. c 1916.

22. **(unidentified) Robb** #193716.

She married **Sam Stovel** #193717.<sup>26</sup>

23. **(unidentified) Robb** #193718.

She married **Frederick (Fred) Thom** #193719.<sup>26</sup>

24. **(unidentified) Robb** #193720.

She married **Allan Forbes** #193721.<sup>26</sup>

25. **(unidentified) Robb** #193722.

She married **Donald Thomson** #193723.<sup>26</sup>

26. **Joseph Doig Robb** #193726.

He married **Nancy Jean Grainger** #193727, September 1969 in Moncton, New Brunswick,<sup>42</sup> b. in Moncton? (daughter of **J.K. Grainger** #193728 and **(unidentified)** #193729).

27. **Joseph Airlie (Joe) Robb** #83677, b. c. 1915 in Canada,<sup>43</sup> occupation Photographer in Kingston, d. 18 October 1992 in Hotel Dieu Hospital, Kingston, Frontenac County, Ontario,<sup>44</sup> cremated<sup>44</sup>.

1921: Travelled with family to New York State. Under 16.

28. **Miriam I. Robb** #83679, b. c. 1917 in Canada.<sup>43</sup> .

1921: Travelled with family to New York State. Under 16.

1971: Lived in Kingston with her husband.

She married **Dick Bryan** #83680.<sup>44</sup>

29. **Clifford Robb** #83678, b.<sup>30</sup>.

1921: Not with family at Ogdensburg border crossing.

### *Generation Five*

30. **Susan Hanley #196230, b.**<sup>45</sup>

1971: Lived in Toronto

31. **David Hanley #196232, b.**<sup>45</sup> occupation 1971 Doctor in Calgary.

32. **Eric Hanley #196231, b.**<sup>45</sup> occupation 1971 Doctor in Calgary.

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<sup>1</sup> ancestry.com, descendants of David DOIG.

<sup>2</sup> DOIG Family Tree; ancestry.com, MAY 2017.

<sup>3</sup> ancestry.com, Nancy ROBB genealogy, October 2020.

<sup>4</sup> 1900 Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio census; age/birthdate/relationship.

<sup>5</sup> OPR Births and Baptisms Index.

<sup>6</sup> Drouin Collection, Marriages.

<sup>7</sup> 1881 Brockville, West Ward, Ontario; age/birthplace/relationship.

<sup>8</sup> ONVS Deaths, ref. 014440-1899; c/d: Consumption, six months; Informant: Coghland and May.

<sup>9</sup> ONVS Marriages, ref. 006422-1887; Witnesses: Isaiah SCHOLFIELD, Montreal.

<sup>10</sup> findagrave.com, Hillcrest Cemetery, Smiths Falls, Lanark County, Ontario.

<sup>11</sup> Delayed Birth entry for son Frank shows birthplace.

<sup>12</sup> Details from daughter Catherine's 1883 birth record.

<sup>13</sup> The Gazette (Montreal Quebec), 24 JUN 1947; William Doig ROBB Obituary.

<sup>14</sup> The Gazette (Montreal, Quebec), 13 JAN 1934; George ROBB Obituary.

<sup>15</sup> The Ottawa Journal (Ottawa, Ontario), 13 OCT 1971; Death notice for Susan EAGLESON.

<sup>16</sup> Ottawa Evening Journal (Ottawa, Ontario) 07 JUL 1915; marriage announcement.

<sup>17</sup> 1901 Smiths Falls, Leeds and Grenville, Ontario census; age/birthplace/relationship.

<sup>18</sup> ONVS Births, Delayed Registration, ref. 902345-1924.

<sup>19</sup> ONVS Deaths, ref. 011265-1937; c/d: Pulmonary tuberculosis, pleurisy with effusion; Informant: Mrs. Susan H. EAGLESON, Sister, Oakland Avenue, Ottawa.

<sup>20</sup> 1891 Belleville, Hastings County, Ontario census; age/birthplace/relationship.

<sup>21</sup> ONVS Births, ref. 011546-1883.

<sup>22</sup> findagrave.com, Mount Royal Cemetery, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

<sup>23</sup> The Gazette (Montreal, Quebec), 17 JUN 1959; Death notice for Catherine Ruby SNEED.

<sup>24</sup> The Evening Missourian (Columbia, Missouri), 13 APR 1910; Marriage Announcement.

<sup>25</sup> ONVS Births, ref. 013774-1886.

<sup>26</sup> The Gazette (Montreal, Quebec), 03 JUN 1970; Death notice for Joseph Doig ROBB.

<sup>27</sup> ONVS Marriages, ref. 018254-1910; Witnesses: Wallace Havelock ROBB, Montreal; Marie Louisa Clan...P.. (illegible), Stratford.

<sup>28</sup> findagrave.com, MAY 2017; Mount Royal Cemetery.

<sup>29</sup> ONVS Births, ref. 012976-1889.

<sup>30</sup> Don Metcalf, "The Bells of Glenora United Church", 2017.

<sup>31</sup> ONVS Marriages, ref. 006243-1913; Witnesses: J. Bruce ROBB, Montreal; Alice Giles MCGHIE, Belleville.

<sup>32</sup> ONVS Births, ref. 011838-1892.

<sup>33</sup> Delayed Birth Registration, ref. 902186-1939.

<sup>34</sup> ONVS Births, Delayed Entry; ref. 902645-1921.

<sup>35</sup> ONVS Marriages, ref. 006313-1921; Witnesses: William D. ROBB, Westmount, Quebec; J. Bruce ROBB, Montreal, Quebec.



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- <sup>36</sup> St. Andrew's United Church, Westmount, Quebec; Witnesses: May Elizabeth HALL, J.D. ROBB.  
<sup>37</sup> ONVS Births, Delayed Entry; ref. 502588-1968.  
<sup>38</sup> ONVS Marriages, ref. 017356-1930; Witnesses: Robert H. MARTIN, Muriel A. ROSE; both in Belleville.  
<sup>39</sup> 1916 Winnipeg, Manitoba census; age/birthplace/relationship.  
<sup>40</sup> The Ottawa Journal (Ottawa, Ontario), Engagement notice.  
<sup>41</sup> 1912 Westmount, Montreal, Quebec census; age/birthplace/relationship.  
<sup>42</sup> The Gazette (Montreal, Quebec), 11 AUG 1969; engagement of William Doig ROBB and Nancy Jean GRAINGER.  
<sup>43</sup> U.S Border Crossings, MAY 1921 at Ogdensburg, New York.  
<sup>44</sup> Kingston Whig Standard Obituary, 21 OCT 1992; Joseph A. ROBB.  
<sup>45</sup> The Ottawa Citizen (Ottawa, Ontario), 13 OCT 1971; death notice for Susan EAGLESON.