

Generation One

1. **William Bremner** #9903, d. before 1851,¹ occupation Crofter, Cattle Drover.

Married in (no OPRI record), **Ann Millar** #9904, b. c 1781 in Boharm, BAN, SCT,² d. before 1857. **Ann**: 1851: Lived at Todholes, Keith BAN with daughter Helen.

Children:

- i. **Helen Bremner** #13221, b. c 1800,³ d. 06 JAN 1857 in Sunnybrae Altmore, Keith, BAN, SCT,⁴ buried in Keith Churchyard, occupation Pauper. 1851: Lived with widowed mother at Todholes, Keith, BAN. Unmarried.
2. ii. **William Samuel Romley Bremner** #9905 b. JUL 1807.

Generation Two

2. **William Samuel Romley Bremner** #9905, b. JUL 1807 in Boharm, MOR, SCT, baptized 01 AUG 1807 in Boharm, MOR, SCT,⁵ d. 14 JUL 1874 in Morayshire United Poor House, New Spynie,⁶ occupation Boot & Shoemaker 1851. 1841-51: Family lived at New Street, Turriff. 1859: Family at Mid Street, Keith at time of death of son Napoleon G.W.

The Chester Chronicle of 12 December 1862 republished a short article from the Banffshire Journal telling this story:

"Singular Retreat for a Wife Deserter."

"The Banffshire Journal states that Mr. William Bremner alias Willie Rumlie - a real "character" - shoemaker, squatter &c., in the Glen of Newmill, tired of connubial life, has deserted his wife and three children. Mr. William (sic) has scooped out for himself a shelling in the face of a sandbank in the glen - the blue smoke curling through an opening made by the fox which William has dislodged. Of late he has been travelling to and from Keith morning and evening - a distance of four miles - and working to a shoemaker there for six shillings a week. The parochial authorities are investing the case, with a view to compel the recusant husband to support his wife and family."

Given the coincidence of the "Rumlie" (Romley) name, the locale and William's occupation, it seems likely that this is the same man.

Married 17 FEB 1839 in King Edward, ABD, SCT,⁵ **Eleanor Jane Urquhart Milne** #9906, b. c 1817 in King Edward, ABD, SCT,⁷ d. 1896 in Keith, BAN, SCT.⁸ **Eleanor**: 1871: Lived with son Jonathan and children in Keith. 1881: Lived at Croft of Boghead, Keith with son Jonathan and daughter Frances. 1891: Lived at Summerseat, Keith with son Jonathan, daughter Margaret.

Children:

- i. **William Bremner** #9907, b. c 1839 in Turriff, ABD, SCT,⁷ d. 29 JUN 1857 in Upper Denburn, Aberdeen, ABD, SCT,⁹ buried in John Knox Cemetery, Aberdeen, ABD.
- ii. **James Bremner** #9908, b. c 1841 in Turriff, ABD, SCT,⁷ d. 22 MAR 1859 in Keith, BAN, SCT,¹⁰ buried in Keith Churchyard, BAN, SCT, occupation Farm Servant.
- iii. **Margaret Milne Bremner** #18161, b. c 1845 in Turriff, ABD, SCT,¹¹ d. 01 SEP 1896 in Newmill, Keith, BAN, SCT,¹² buried 04 SEP 1906 in Broomhill Cemetery, Keith, BAN, SCT, occupation Domestic Servant. 1851: Stayed with Uncle James MILNE at Newton of Craigston, King Edward. 1871: Worked as general servant for Alexander GRAY in Rathven, BAN. Left estate of GBP 99/8/9 to brother Jonathan, who was informant at her death.
- iv. **Moses J.G. Bremner** #9909, b. c 1846 in Turriff, ABD, SCT.⁷
- v. **Napoleon George Wilson Bremner** #9910, b. 1850 in Turriff, ABD, SCT,⁷ d. 05 JUN 1859 in Keith, BAN, SCT,¹³ buried in Keith Churchyard, BAN, SCT.
- vi. **Frances Bremner** #14673, b. c 1852 in Turriff, ABD, SCT,¹⁴ d. 07 AUG 1930 in Hill St., Newmill, Keith, BAN, SCT,¹⁵ occupation Domestic Servant, Nurse.

1881: Lived with widowed mother and brother Jonathan

Will left property to brother Jonathan (will was dated 1815); left 186/5/3 GBP

1891: Domestic servant to William P. PIRIE at Parish Manse, Keith, BAN

1901: Lived in Logie, STI.

3. vii. **Jonathan Bremner** #14674 b. c 1854.
- viii. **Eleanor Jane Romley Bremner** #18160, b. 1855 in Keith, BAN, SCT,¹⁶ d. 16 DEC 1877 in Aultmore, Keith, BAN, SCT.¹⁷
- ix. **William Robert Peel Bremner** #7346, b. 10 OCT 1857 in Aberdeen Old Machar, ABD, SCT,¹⁸ d. 03 FEB 1877 in Boghead Aultmore, Keith, BAN, SCT.¹⁹

Generation Three

3. **Jonathan Bremner** #14674, b. c 1854 in Turriff, ABD, SCT,¹⁴ d. 13 SEP 1916 in Boghead, Glen of Newmill, Keith, BAN, SCT,²⁰ occupation Cattle Dealer 1881.
1861: Not with family??
1877: Informant at sister Eleanor Jane's death in 1877.
1896: Beneficiary of sister Margaret's estate in 1896
1906: Lived at Boghead Oldmore, Glen of Newmill, Keith.

Married 16 MAR 1906 in Keith, BAN, SCT,²¹ **Maggie Grant Gordon (Robertson)** #18862, b. c 1877,²² (daughter of **Alexander Grant** #18863 and **Ann Robertson (Gordon)** #18864), d. 31 JUL 1939 in Aberdeen R.I., Aberdeen, ABD, SCT,²³ occupation Domestic Servant 1906.
Maggie: 1906: Lived with future husband at Boghead Oldmore, Glen of Newmill, Keith.

Children:

- i. **Frances Bremner** #50181, b. 1900 in Keith, BAN, SCT,²⁴ d. 30 MAY 1956 in Chalmer's Hospital, Banff, BAN, SCT,²⁵ occupation Domestic Servant. 1917: Lived at Hill St., Keith when married.

Married 30 NOV 1917 in Hill St., Keith, BAN, SCT,²⁶ **Eric Forsyth or Stephen** #50182, b. c 1899,²⁷ (son of **John Stephen*** #50183 and **Helen Forsyth** #50184), occupation Farm Servant. **Eric**: 1917: Lived at Bankhouse, Bonhill, Alexandria at time of marriage.
4. ii. **Jonathan Bremner** #50180 b. 01 APR 1902.
- iii. **Maggie Bremner** #53115, b. 09 MAY 1903 in Boghead Aultmore, Keith, BAN, SCT.²⁸
5. iv. **William Bremner** #53116 b. 24 JUN 1904.
6. v. **Alexander Bremner** #53117 b. 29 MAY 1907.
- vi. **Charles Bremner** #53118, b. 10 APR 1910 in Boghead, Glen of Newmill, Keith, BAN.²⁹
- vii. **Ann Eleanor Bremner** #53119, b. 16 MAR 1912 in Boghead, Newmill, BAN, SCT.³⁰

Generation Four

4. **Jonathan Bremner** #50180, b. 01 APR 1902 in Boghead, Glen of Newmill, Keith, BAN,³¹ d. 18 MAY 1956 in Rathven, BAN, SCT.³²
1934: Residence when married: 38 Hill Street, Keith, BAN.
1939: Worked as a Plasterer's Labourer when son Ian was born.

Married 04 SEP 1934 in North Church, Enzie, BAN, SCT,³³ **Maggie Jessie Packman** #57874, b. c 1896,³⁴ (daughter of **James Packman** #57875 and **Elsie Bella MacConnachie** #57876), d. 08 SEP 1957 in Rathven, BAN, SCT.³⁵ **Maggie**:
1934: Residence when married: Midwood, Clochan.

Children:

- i. **James Packman Bremner** #57877, b. 1935 in Enzie, BAN, SCT,³⁶ d. 1935 in Enzie, BAN, SCT.³⁷

- ii. **Ian Walker Bremner** #57878, b. 09 MAR 1939 in Seafield Cottage Hospital, Rathven, BAN, SCT,³⁸ d. 23 APR 2001 in Islington, LND, ENG, buried in Buckie New Cemetery, BAN, SCT.³⁹
Brother to Agnes, Janet and father of Margaret.
5. **William Bremner** #53116, b. 24 JUN 1904 in Boghead, Aultmore, Keith, BAN, SCT,⁴⁰ d. 07 MAR 1987 in Ninewells Hospital, Dundee, ANS, SCT.⁴¹
1987: Usual residence at death: 25 Summerfield Terrace, Dundee, ANS.

Married 15 DEC 1932 in Glass, ABD, SCT,⁴² **Robina Mabel Scott** #56361, b. c 1906,⁴³ d. 1999 in Dundee, ANS, SCT.⁴⁴

Children:

- i. **William Bremner** #56362, b. 25 NOV 1934, d. 06 JUL 1999 in Stracathro Hospital, ANS, SCT,⁴⁵ occupation Toilet Attendant.
1987: Informant at father's death. Residence: 28 Southesk Terrace, Brechin, ANS.
1999: Usual residence at death: 28 Southesk Terrace, Brechin, ANS.
- Married 1961 in Brechin, ANS, SCT,⁴⁶ **Kathleen Campbell Watson Menzies** #56364, b. c 1938,⁴⁷ d. 2008 in Forfar, ANS, SCT.⁴⁸
6. **Alexander Bremner** #53117, b. 29 MAY 1907 in Boghead, Glen of Newmill, Keith, BAN,⁴⁹ occupation Farm Servant, d. 09 NOV 1989 in 6 Forbes Court, New Pitsligo, ABD, SCT.⁵⁰

Married 1943 in Inverallochy, ABD, SCT,⁵¹ **Chrissie Mackie** #56730.

Children:

- i. **Anne M. Bremner** #56731.
1989: Informant at father's death. Lived at 13 Phingask Road, Fraserburgh, ABD.
- She married (**unidentified**) **Wilson** #56732.

¹ Wife Ann shown as widowed in 1851 Keith census.

² 1851 Keith, BAN census; age/birthplace/relationship.

³ from death record.

⁴ SDR Keith ref. 0001-1857; c/d: Paralysis about a week.

⁵ OPRI CD; also recorded 10 FEB 1848 in Walls and Flotta, OKI.

⁶ SDR New Spynie, ref. 0011-1874; c/d: "dropt down suddenly at dinner"; Informant: Peter GRANT, Governor of Poor House.

⁷ 1851 Turriff census; age/birthplace.

⁸ SDRI Keith, ref. 0007-1896.

⁹ SDRI ref. 0365-1857; c/d: pulmonary phthisis 1 year; Informant: William BREMNER, Father.

¹⁰ SDR Keith, ref. 0023-1859; c/d: consumption.

¹¹ 1891 Keith census; age/birthplace.

¹² WILLS; GRO(S) Elgin, ref. 0161-1896; c/d: Pneumonia 6 days, fatty degeneration of heart; Informant: J. BREMNER, Brother; (Image 06-0078).

¹³ SDR Keith ref. 0050-1859; c/d: Unknown, not certified; Informant: William BREMNER, Father; (Image 03-4274).

¹⁴ 1881 Keith census; age/birthplace.

¹⁵ GRO(S)Keith, ref. 0066-1930; Scottish Wills and Testaments; c/d: Cerebral thrombosis, cardiac failure; Informant: J. BREMNER, Nephew; (Image 06-2196).

¹⁶ SBRI Keith, ref. 0062-1855.

¹⁷ SDR Keith, ref. 0108-1877; c/d: Disease of kidneys, 1 year; Informant: Jonathan BREMNER, brother; (Image 03-0326).

¹⁸ IGI CD.

¹⁹ SDR Keith, ref. 0019-1877; c/d: Pulmonary Consumption, 1 year; Informant: Jonathan BREMNER, Brother; (Image 03-4193).

²⁰ GRO(S) Keith, BAN; ref. 0067-1916; Moray Council LIBINDEX ref. NM245322.

²¹ SWR Keith, ref. 0007-1906; Witnesses: William MAIR, Annie MILNE; Minister: John MCPHERSON, Newmill Keith; (Image 03-0803).

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- ²² Age 29 at marriage in 1906.
- ²³ GRO(S) Aberdeen Northern, ABD; ref. 0825-1939; Moray Council LIBINDEX ref. NM20925.
- ²⁴ Age 17 at marriage; GRO(S) Keith, BAN; ref. 159/00 0032-1900.
- ²⁵ GRO(S) Banff, BAN; ref. 0070-1956; Moray Council LIBINDEX ref. NM248927.
- ²⁶ GRO(S) Keith, BAN; ref. 159/00 0036-1917; Witnesses: Agnes SOUTER, William MURRAY?; Minister: J.M. MCPHERSON; (Image 05-2518).
- ²⁷ Age 18 at marriage in 1917.
- ²⁸ GRO(S) Keith, BAN; ref. 0082-1903.
- ²⁹ GRO(S) Keith, BAN; ref. 0046-1910.
- ³⁰ GRO(S) Keith, BAN; ref. 0035-1912.
- ³¹ GRO(S) Keith, BAN; ref. 159/00 0052-1902; (Image 09-0346).
- ³² NRS Rathven, BAN; index ref. 0059-1956; date from Moray Council LIBINDEX.
- ³³ NRS Enzie, BAN; ref. 164/02 0007-1934; Witnesses: Jessie BREMNER, Birkenbush; Charles BREMNER, 38 Hill Street, Keith; Minister: J.W. EWART, Enzie; (Image 11-2350).
- ³⁴ Age 38 when married in 1934.
- ³⁵ Moray Council LIBINDEX May 2006; NRS Rathven, BAN; index ref. 0103-1957.
- ³⁶ NRS Enzie, BAN; index ref. 0006-1935.
- ³⁷ NRS Enzie, BAN; index ref. 164/02 0003-1935.
- ³⁸ NRS Rathven, BAN; ref. 0050-1939.
- ³⁹ Moray LIBINDEX ref. NM 243764.
- ⁴⁰ GRO(S) Keith, BAN; ref. 0084-1904.
- ⁴¹ GRO(S) Dundee, ANS; ref. 352/00 0246-1987; c/d: Acute bronchitis, chronic asthma bronchitis, myocardial ischaemia; Informant: W. BREMNER, Son; res. 28 Southesk Terrace, Brechin.
- ⁴² GRO(S) Glass, ABD; ref. 0005-1932; Witnesses: Charles BREMNER, 38 Mill St., Maggie ROBERTSON, Post Office, Newmill.
- ⁴³ Age at death shown as 93.
- ⁴⁴ NAS Dundee, ANS; index ref. 352/00 0207-1999.
- ⁴⁵ GRO(S) Brechin, ANS; ref. 366/00 0072-1999; c/d: Type 2 respiratory failure, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; Informant: K. BREMNER, Wife.
- ⁴⁶ GRO(S) Brechin, ANS; index ref. 275/00 0003-1961; verified by William's death certificate.
- ⁴⁷ Age 70 at death in 2008.
- ⁴⁸ NRS Forfar, ANS; index ref. 364/00 0060-2008.
- ⁴⁹ GRO(S) Keith, BAN; 0083-1907.
- ⁵⁰ GRO(S) Fraserburgh, ABD; ref. 311/000205-1989; c/d: Bronchopneumonia, metastatic carcinoma, carcinoma of prostate, urinary infection; Informant: Anne M. WILSON, Daughter; res. 13 Phingask Road, Fraserburgh.
- ⁵¹ NRS Inverallochy, ABD; index ref. 235/02 0004-1943; verified by Alexander's death certificate.