

Descendants of Martin Adolphe Camus "Adolph Comes" and Lucy Boutilier and Marie Landry "Mary Jane"

1. **Martin Adolphe¹ Camus "Adolph Comes"**, born 18 Mar 1838 in St. Malo, Brittany, France; died 21 Mar 1919 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 23 Mar 1919 in Old St. Joseph's, Goat Hill, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada, son of Peter Camus and Catherine Martinie. He married (1) on 27 Aug 1863 in Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada **Lucy Boutilier**, born 26 Jan 1827 in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 26 Dec 1895 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 1895 in Old St. Joseph's, Goat Hill, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada, daughter of John Boutilier and Anna Catherine Elizabeth Boutilier; (2) on 24 Apr 1896 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada **Annie Beaton**, born 6 Jan 1838 in Nova Scotia, Canada; died 9 Aug 1901 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 1901 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; (3) on 21 Oct 1901 in St. Joseph's, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada **Marie Landry "Mary Jane"**, born 2 Aug 1856 in Louisdale, Richmond, Nova Scotia, Canada; christened 6 Aug 1856 in Notre Dame, Arichat, Richmond, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 18 Jan 1958 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried in Old St Joseph's Cemetery, North Sydney, Nova Scotia, Canada, daughter of Benjamin Landry and Marceline Boudreau.

Notes for Martin Adolphe Camus "Adolph Comes"

He spelled his middle name as 'Adolphe' and 'Adolphus'. Also, he sometimes spelled his last name as "CAMES". (He pronounced his last name as CAMES.)

In his Marriage License, dated June 3, 1863, his name was KAMES. Note that he signed with an X which would indicate that he probably could not read or write. His brother-in-law Peter Pero was the witness.

Supposedly, he married Lucy in August 1863 in a RC ceremony. In Family Search Community Trees, Lucy and Adolph were married again on 4 Feb 1872 at St. Joseph's in North Sydney. The abstract of the Parish Register indicates that his mother's name was Catherine MacKitney. (I can't get FamilySearch to correct it.)

After Lucy died, he married twice more. His second wife was Annie Beaton, the widow of Neil McNeil.

His third wife was Mary Jane Landry. Steven White, the Acadian Geanealogist, researched Mary Jane Landry's family (as a branch of his LeBlanc family). Steven indicated that Mary Jane's given name was probably something else. She is Marie in Notre Dame (Arichat) Baptism records.

Oral history indicates that Mary Jane had a son George and she changed his name to George Camus after she married Adolph.

In 1875, he advertised that he was a barber and hairdresser.

Joseph F. Petrie, Founding Member, Friends of Irish Research

In 1880, he put an ad in the newspaper trying to sell his barbershop, 23 acre farm, crops, building, and cow because he wanted to move out of the country.
Source: Mildred Howard.

He was buried by Dooley Funeral Home from St. Joseph's on a Sunday. Dooley records indicate that he was buried in St. Joseph's cemetery in North Sydney (aka Goat Hill).

There was a three line obituary - no names mentioned.

The Marriage License in 1901 to Mary Landry indicates that his parents were Peter Camus and Catherine Martinie.

His Death Certificate indicates that he was born in St. Malo, France.

Oral history: According to one Acadian researcher, Adolph was an Acadian descendant whose ancestors were from Nova Scotia. The researcher indicates that the Acadian Camus family was re-settled by the British to St. Servan, Brittany, France with hundreds of other exiles. The researcher claims that an uncle later moved to Newfoundland and that some of that uncle's descendants settled in Cheticamp. He also claims that the family included Camus in St. Pierre.

According to a Camus descendant, Adolph periodically visited cousins in St. Pierre.

I have not been able to connect Adolph to Camus and Cammie families in Newfoundland, Cheticamp or St. Pierre.

Notes for Lucy Boutilier

Sources: George Lawrence, May Tobin and Donald Lewis

Notes for Annie Beaton

Annie was the widow of Neil McNeil.

She married Adolph at St. Joseph's in North Sydney

Sources: St. Joseph Parish Marriage Records at Beaton Institute.

Note: Gravestone marker in Old St. Joseph's indicates that she was 68 years old when she died on Aug. 9 1901. So her date of birth was probably 1833 not 1838 as recorded on the marriage record.

Notes for Marie Landry "Mary Jane"

Marriage License to Martin Adolph Camus indicates that she was born in Arichat. (marriage record from St. Joseph's in North Sydney).

The Notre Dame Parish (Arichat) Records show:
Landry, Marie, baptism date: 1856-08-06, birth date: 1856-08-02 _father: Benjamin Landry, mother: Marcelline Boudreau _godfather: Pascal Boudreau, godmother: Judith Marchand

When her son George entered the USA at Detroit in 1919, he indicated that his mother was Mary Kings. (I wonder whether Mary Jane married a King after Adolph) died.

Sources:

Web Sites:

Children of Martin Adolphe Camus "Adolph Cames" and Lucy Boutilier were as follows:

- 2 i **Catherine² Camus "Kate"**, born 1864 in Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 1932 in Brockton, Bristol, Massachusetts, USA. She married **Tom Brady**. Notes: My mother's aunt Kate was and still is a mystery to me. I've discovered little bits and pieces of information about her over time but still not enough to really feel comfortable writing about her. I learned early in her life that: she had left home to work in Boston; she had cared for a widow's children; and later married the widow (Tom Brady). A few years ago, I learned that she lived in Weymouth MA at the time of my grandmother's death. I researched that fact and found that she moved from there after 1926. Later, I found that she died in Brockton MA in 1932. Finally, I learned that in 1892 she left Boston to visit her brother who was ill. I tried to get more information from her step-daughter's husband but unfortunately, for some reason, he would not discuss her wife's step-mother.
- + 3 ii **John² Camus**, born 28 Aug 1865 in Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 27 Aug 1939 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 30 Aug 1939 in St. Joseph's, North Sydney, Victoria, Nova Scotia, Canada. He married **Jessie Fraser**.
- + 4 iii **Elizabeth² Camus "Lizzie"**, born 29 Sep 1866 in Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 9 Jul 1952 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. She married **William Michael Rogers**.
- 5 iv **Peter² Camus**, born 12 Aug 1868 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; christened 16 Aug 1868 in St Joseph's, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 30 Sep 1869 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. Notes: His christening is recorded as Peter Kimois.
- + 6 v **Mary Ann² Camus "Nan"**, born 12 Nov 1870 in North Sydney (Sydney Mines), Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 1 Nov 1917 in Glace Bay, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 4 Nov 1917 in Holy Cross, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. She married **William Richard Tobin "WR"**.

Children of Martin Adolphe Camus "Adolph Cames" and Marie Landry "Mary Jane" were as follows:

- + 7 i **George Edward² Camus**, born 16 Sep 1891 in Canso, Richmond, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 7 Apr 1970 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 10 Apr 1970 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. He married **Hattie Veronica Blazek**.

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3. **John² Camus** (Martin Adolphe¹), born 28 Aug 1865 in Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 27 Aug 1939 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 30 Aug 1939 in St. Joseph's, North Sydney, Victoria, Nova Scotia, Canada. He married on 24 Jan 1894 in St. Joseph's, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada **Jessie Fraser**, born 1 Apr 1865 in Nova Scotia, Canada; christened 14 May 1865 in Sacred Heart, Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 14 Dec 1934 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 17 Dec 1934 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Notes for John Camus

Sources: Joanne Fraser, May Tobin and Ethel Tobin Petrie

My mother told us about the wonderful times she had spent visiting the family of her uncle John Camus in North Sydney. In fact, she corresponded with her first cousin Regis for years. There are photos of Regis and my Tobin grandfather in Mom's scrapbook.

Little is known about this family, probably due to my mother and aunt living most of their lives in Glace Bay and elsewhere.

According to Joanne Fraser, there are markers in Old St. Joseph's for two of John and Jessie's children:

1. Camus, child, died 12 Oct. 1903 aged 2 months 12 days. (I have not found a birth baptismal or death record for this child.)

2. Camus, daughter, died 11 Apr. 1901 aged 3 years 5 months and 16 days. (Also, I have not found a birth baptismal or death record for this child.)

Census of 1901:

Cames John M	Head	M		Sep 29	1865	35	
Cames Jessie	F	Wife	M		Apr 21	1868	32
Cames Mary R.	F	Daughter	S		Aug 31	1895	5
Cames Mabel Z.	F	Daughter	S		Nov 1	1897	3
Cames John C.	M	Son	S		Jan 16	1899	1

Census of 1911:

Camus John	M	Head	M	Sep	1865	45	
Camus	F	Wife	M	Apr		1863	47
Camus Doris	F	Daughter	S	S		Aug	1895 15
Camus John	M	Son	S	Jan			1900 11

Notes for Jessie Fraser

Daughter of Thomas Fraser of Ireland and Ann McDonald of Nova Scotia

Source: May Tobin

From her death certificate, it looks like she died of TB.

Obituary Submitted by R. Fraser:

_North Sydney, Dec 14 - The death of Mrs. John Camus occurred at her home Archibald Avenue this morning. The late Mrs. Camus was a woman of sterling character, and when her health permitted took an active part in affairs which pertained to the church and community. Her death followed several months illness which she bore with patience and fortitude. The deceased was in her seventieth year, and is survived by her husband, one sister, Miss Dolly Fraser, and one brother, Jack Fraser both residing in town. A daughter, Mrs. Colin Gillis and son Jack predeceased her. She was a faithful member of St Joseph's church. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

Children of John Camus and Jessie Fraser were as follows:

- + 8 i **Mary Regis³ Camus "Regis"**, born 31 Aug 1895 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; christened 8 Sep 1895 in St. Joseph's, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 27 Dec 1931 in Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada; buried 1931 in Holy Cross, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. She married **Colin Angus Gillis**.
- 9 ii **Mabel Zeta³ Camus "Doris"**, born 25 Oct 1897 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; christened 7 Nov 1897 in St. Joseph's, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried in St. Joseph's, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. Notes: Sources: May Tobin and Joanne Fraser
- 10 iii **(---)³ Camus**, born Dec 1898; died 11 Apr 1901.
- 11 iv **John Clement³ Camus "Jack"**, born 16 Jan 1900 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; christened 21 Jan 1900 in St. Joseph's, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 10 Sep 1933 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. Notes: Sources: May Tobin and Joanne Fraser From his Death Certificate, it looks like he died of TB.
- 12 v **(---)³ Camus**, born 1903; died 1903; buried 1903.

4. **Elizabeth² Camus "Lizzie"** (Martin Adolphe¹), born 29 Sep 1866 in Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 9 Jul 1952 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. She married on 31 Oct 1893 in St. Joseph's, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada **William Michael Rogers**, born 19 Sep 1867 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 2 Sep 1938 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Notes for Elizabeth Camus "Lizzie"

MARRIAGE:

Source: Family Search Community Trees

Notes for William Michael Rogers

Son of George and Mary Rogers

Source: May Tobin

Census of Canada, 1911:

Rogers William	M	Head	M	Sep	1867	43
Rogers Lissie	F	Wife	M	Sep	1866	44
Rogers Reginald	M	Son	S	Aug	1894	16
Rogers Adophys	M	Son	S	Sep	1896	14
Rogers Mary	F	Daughter	S	Aug	1898	12
Rogers William	M	Son	S	Nov	1900	10
Rogers Russell	M	Son	S	Aug	1903	7
Rogers Wilfred	M	Son	S	Nov	1906	4

MARRIAGE:

Source: Family Search Community Trees

Children of Elizabeth Camus "Lizzie" and William Michael Rogers were as follows:

- + 13 i **Cyril Reginald³ Rogers**, born 27 Aug 1894; died 16 Dec 1960 in Cape Breton Hospital, Sydney River, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 19 Dec 1960 in Hardwood Hill, Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. He married **Henrietta K Redmond**.
- 14 ii **George Adolph³ Rogers "Adolph"**, born 21 Sep 1896; died 12 Feb 1958 in St. Elizabeth's Hospital, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried in Holy Cross, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. He married **Mary Rogers**.
- 15 iii **John³ Rogers**, born abt 1897; died 29 Nov 1962 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. Notes: The dates may not be correct!
- 16 iv **Mary Gertrude³ Rogers**, born 8 Aug 1898.
- 17 v **William Alfred³ Rogers**, born 10 Nov 1900 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 16 Mar 1921 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 18 Mar 1921 in Holy Cross, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada.
- 18 vi **Arthur Russell³ Rogers "Russell"**, born 18 Aug 1903; died 3 Dec 1925 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada.
- 19 vii **Wilfred James³ Rogers**, born 9 Nov 1906 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 1976. He married **Teresa Maude Wallace**, born 29 Dec 1903 in Nova Scotia, Canada; died 2 May 1953 in Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada.
- 20 viii **Celia Vera³ Rogers**, born 14 Aug 1909 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 21 Oct 1909 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada.

6. **Mary Ann² Camus "Nan"** (Martin Adolphe¹), born 12 Nov 1870 in North Sydney (Sydney Mines), Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 1 Nov 1917 in Glace Bay, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 4 Nov 1917 in Holy Cross, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. She married on 12 Sep 1900 in St Joseph's, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada **William Richard Tobin "WR"**, born 27 Aug 1870 in Argentia, Newfoundland; christened 1870 in Channel, Newfoundland; died 14 Dec 1922 in Glace Bay, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 17 Dec 1922 in Holy Cross, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada, son of Richard Francis Tobin and Honora Catherine Dooley "Nora".

Notes for Mary Ann Camus "Nan"

In the Diocese of Antigonish database, for her marriage to WR Tobin her surname was recorded as Cames.

Notes for William Richard Tobin "WR"

According to my aunt May Tobin, William (aka WR) was born in Argentia, Newfoundland. As she told it, her grandparents were returning via their boat to their home in Channel from visiting family in eastern Newfoundland when great grandmother went into labor. They landed in Argentia Newfoundland where my Aunt May claimed that WR was born. Grandfather listed Channel as his birthplace on official documents.

I have a copy of his Baptismal Certificate from Channel.

WR and his sister Mary Elizabeth were the only children born in Newfoundland. The rest of the children were born in North Sydney.

WR attended Dalhousie until he was 20. I think he left to join the service and I think that he was a veteran of the Boer War in South Africa and maybe even saw action in South Africa. (I can't confirm it!) His grave in Holy Cross Cemetery in North Sydney has a marker for the United Empire Service League which indicates that he spent some time in the service.

After leaving Dalhousie he read for the Bar. On October 5, 1893, the CASKET reported that he passed his Law Exams.

On July 23, 1895, the CASKET reported that he took the FINAL Law Exams.

On Sept. 19, 1895, the CASKET reported that he passed the FINAL Law Exams.

On October 24, 1895, the CASKET reported that he was admitted to the Bar on October 17, 1895.

In 1896, he advertised that he was a Barrister - Solicitor - Attorney at Law - Conveyancer practicing across from the Hotel Vendome in North Sydney.

In North Sydney, he was a Councilor.

Sometime about 1901 - 1902, he moved to Glace Bay. I'm speculating that Grandfather wanted to move on because Glace Bay was starting to boom, because he and his wife had lost their first child, a son (buried in Old St. Joseph's) and because his father died about 1900 - 1901.

In 1902, he was a member of the Glace Bay Rugby Team, the championship team.

He was an Alderman in Glace Bay.

He was the town solicitor.

He was a Commissioner (an appointed member) of the Glace Bay School Board.

In 1907, he was visiting his mother at her Archbold St North Sydney home when he noticed fire coming from St. Joseph's Catholic Church on Convent St. According to my aunt, grandfather raced to the church and saved the sacred vessels.

Mother and my aunt always thought that his death in 1922 was sudden. In reality, he died of a heart condition that had been diagnosed about a year before.

He was stricken in the Court Room and taken to his home (on the way to

St. Joseph's Hospital in Glace Bay). He died before he reached the hospital.

Interestingly, the Death Certificate and Dooley Funeral Home records indicate that Grandfather was born in North Sydney in March 1870. (The Dooley record was the source of the Death Certificate.) I think that the oral history was correct and have always used it.

Source: Joe Petrie

Children of Mary Ann Camus "Nan" and William Richard Tobin "WR" were as follows:

- 21 i **Douglas Anselm³ Tobin**, born 1901; died 1901 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried in Old St. Joseph's (Goat Hill), North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. Notes: Douglas Anselm is buried with his grandfather Tobin.
- 22 ii **Mary Aloysia³ Tobin "May"**, born 22 Jun 1902 in Glace Bay, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; christened 29 Jun 1903 in St Anne's, Glace Bay, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 25 Dec 1985 in Halifax, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 28 Dec 1985 in Holy Cross, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. Notes: May Tobin was the true genealogist of the North Sydney Tobins. When she was twelve, she was inoculated against diseases that were brought back to Canada by returning soldiers. As a result of an allergic reaction to the inoculation, May was left almost totally visually impaired. Within ten years, she lost both parents while being educated at Mount Saint Vincent in Halifax. Financial difficulties due to the death of her father, forced May to leave the Mount and live at the School for the Blind in Halifax. From there, she completed her Normal School education. She taught French at the School for the Blind for over 40 years. She completed her career in Middle Musquoduobit. May established a three year cycle of: a summer of school, a summer with my family, a summer of travel to wonderful places - the world capitals in Europe, the shrines in Europe, shrines in Ireland, major cities in Canada and the USA. Her last international trip in the early 1980s was to Australia and Fiji. May taught me French. I was so fluent that I took 2 years of High School French in the same year. Her Christmases and other holidays were normally spent either with Ted and Nonie Lohnes or with the MacIntyres in Halifax. (Nonie was a Tobin first cousin and they traveled together after Ted died.) When she finally retired after 50 years of teaching, she retired with her Normal School Certificate, a Bachelors, and enough credits for a Masters. Not long after she retired, she was unable to read. She had readers and writers - she still corresponded with a legion of friends. At my urging, she wrote the oral history on both of my parents' families. May was the best family genealogist that I have ever been exposed to. Her oral histories were amazingly accurate. After she retired from teaching, she retired to St. Patrick's Manor in Halifax. She died there on Christmas Day, 1985. Source: Joe Petrie
- + 23 iii **Loretta Elizabeth³ Tobin "Ethel"**, born 7 Mar 1904 in Glace Bay, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; christened 13 Mar 1904 in St Anne's, Glace Bay, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 22 Jan 1979 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, USA; buried 25 Jan 1979 in Mount St. Benedict, Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts, USA. She married **Leo Ignatius Petrie**.

7. **George Edward² Camus** (Martin Adolphe¹), born 16 Sep 1891 in Canso, Richmond, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 7 Apr 1970 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 10 Apr 1970 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. He married on 27 Jun 1913 in Pictou, Pictou, Nova Scotia, Canada **Hattie Veronica Blazek**, born 2 Feb 1894 in Pictou, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 17 Sep 1985 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 19 Sep 1985 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada, daughter of Anthony Blazek and Margaret MacDonald.

Notes for George Edward Camus

Source: Toni Farrell

Mary Landry and Martin Adophe Camus married in 1901 when George was 10. It is likely that he adopted the Camus name!

His Surname might have been Kings based on the following Border Crossing Record

Border Crossing Record for Detroit Michigan:

Name: George Camus
Arrival Date: 19 Mar 1909
Age: 18
Birth Date: abt 1891
Birthplace: Canso Ns
Gender: Male
Race/Nationality: Irish

Port of Arrival: Detroit, Michigan
Departure Contact: Mother Mary Kings
Arrival Contact: Cousin Alec David

Automated Census of Canada. 1911:

Camus Adolfe	M	Head	M	Nov	1837	73?
Camus ?	F	Wife	M	May	1867	44
Camus George	M	Son	S	Feb	1893	18

Notes for Hattie Veronica Blazek

Source: Toni Farrell

Children of George Edward Camus and Hattie Veronica Blazek were as follows:

- 24 i **Mary Marguerite³ Camus**, born 2 Sep 1919 in Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 2 Apr 1974 in Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. She married on 28 Sep 1943 in Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada **Walter Eric Winsor**. Notes: Source: Toni Farrell
- + 25 ii **Marie Antoinette³ Camus**, born 25 Jun 1921 in Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. She married **Fred Farrell**.
- 26 iii **William Bernard³ Camus**, born 17 Nov 1923 in Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 1971 in Petawawa, Ontario, Canada. He married on 19 Jun 1945 in Florence, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada **Kay Ross**. Notes: Source: Toni Farrell

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8. **Mary Regis³ Camus "Regis"** (John², Martin Adolphe¹), born 31 Aug 1895 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; christened 8 Sep 1895 in St. Joseph's, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 27 Dec 1931 in Toronto, Toronto, Ontario, Canada; buried 1931 in Holy Cross, North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. She married on 29 Sep 1925 in St. Joseph's, North Sydney, Victoria, Nova Scotia, Canada **Colin Angus Gillis**, born 15 May 1887 in East Bay, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 17 Jan 1966 in St. Rita's, Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried in Holy Cross, North Sydney, Victoria, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Notes for Mary Regis Camus "Regis"

Source: May Tobin

Dooley Funeral Home Record:

Gillis Mrs. Regis 36 Toronto 12/27/1931 North Sydney Housewife TorontoLakeview

Notes for Colin Angus Gillis

Son of Joseph Gillis and Catherine McPhee

Source: Toni Farrell

Automated Census of Canada, 1901 for South East Bay page 6:

Gillis Joseph M	Head	M	1848	52
Gillis Kate F	Wife	M	1859	41

Gillis Maggie F Daughter S May 11 1881 19
 Gillis Hugh M Son S May 22 1883 17
 Gillis Peter M Son S Jun 4 1885 15
 Gillis Colin M Son S May 15 1887 13
 Gillis Mary F Daughter S Sep 30 1891 9
 Gillis Isabelle F Daughter S Apr 15 1896 5

Joseph and Kate had another son, John, born in May 1901.

Dooley Funeral Home Record for Colin Angus Dooley:

Gillis Colin A79 St. Rita Hospital, Sydney 1/17/1966 Nova Scotia Boat Builder - Retired East Bay
 Holy Cross Published: Chronicle Herald/Mail Star: 01-19-66 Colin Gillis, East Bay

Children of Mary Regis Camus "Regis" and Colin Angus Gillis were as follows:

- 27 i **Leo⁴ Gillis**, born 1926; died 1927. Notes: Source: His nephew, Leo Gillis
- 28 ii **Walter John⁴ Gillis**, born 7 Sep 1930 in Detroit, Wayne, Michigan, USA. Notes: Source: Leo Gillis_ My Dad, Walter John Gillis is M. Regis' only son – he'll be 82 on September 7, 2012. We both live in NS – my Dad in Sydney & me, about 3 hours away in Pictou County, NS. My Mom & Dad had 10 sons (no girls), and now have 10 Grandchildren. Regis married my grandfather Colin Angus Gillis from East Bay, Cape Breton & they moved from Cape Breton to Toronto & then Detroit. Regis had a son, Leo who died within a year or so of birth and her only other child was my Dad. Sadly Regis died when my Dad was only (I believe) 15 months old – I believe December of 1931. I can get specifics from my Dad or I'm sure he would be happy to chat with you, as he has a great memory for details of many families, having lived his whole life in Cape Breton. I would love to know more about Regis' family, as growing up I heard many stories about how TB was a big challenge, but not much else about the family. I believe she had a brother that was known as "Buster", who died of TB when he may have been a young adult. Regis graduated from Mount Saint Vincent & was quite musical – it may have even been a music program that she studied. I believe Regis' mother died before her Father, as my Dad was initially sent to North Sydney (from Detroit) when his mother died. My Dad moved shortly thereafter to East Bay to be raised by his Aunt & Uncle – given it was a healthier environment & being raised by his elderly Grandfather seemed to be a lot to ask of his maternal GF – although, my understanding was that the GF would make regular visits to see his Grandson in East Bay. I didn't know that my Grandmother's first name was "Mary" as I had always known her to go by her second name "Regis". Interestingly, my Dad was raised by his Aunt Mary (b 1891) and my 7 year old daughter is named after her. However, much to my wonderful surprise, my daughter's Great Grandmother's name was also Mary!! Joe Petrie's Note: Walter has 10 children.

13. **Cyril Reginald³ Rogers** (Elizabeth² Camus, Martin Adolphe¹), born 27 Aug 1894; died 16 Dec 1960 in Cape Breton Hospital, Sydney River, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; buried 19 Dec 1960 in Hardwood Hill, Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. He married on 1 Jan 1920 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada **Henrietta K Redmond**, born abt 1893 in North Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Notes for Henrietta K Redmond

Daughter of John Redmond and Maud Jefferson

Children of Cyril Reginald Rogers and Henrietta K Redmond were as follows:

- 29 i **Vaughan⁴ Rogers**.

23. **Loretta Elizabeth³ Tobin "Ethel"** (Mary Ann² Camus, Martin Adolphe¹), born 7 Mar 1904 in Glace Bay, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; christened 13 Mar 1904 in St Anne's, Glace Bay, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 22 Jan 1979 in Dedham, Norfolk, Massachusetts, USA; buried 25 Jan 1979 in Mount St. Benedict, Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts, USA. She married on 2 Aug 1931 in St Columkille Parish, Brighton, Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts,

USA **Leo Ignatius Petrie**, born 12 May 1906 in Bridgeport, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; christened in Immaculate Conception, Bridgeport, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada; died 17 Dec 1974 in New England Baptist Hospital, Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts, USA; buried 20 Dec 1974 in Mount Saint Benedict's Cemetery, Boston, Suffolk, Massachusetts, USA, son of Edmund Ernest Petrie "Ned" and Esther Cummings "Hester".

Notes for Loretta Elizabeth Tobin "Ethel"

My mother was born in Glace Bay, Nova Scotia. Mom was christened at St. Anne's in Glace Bay.

Because of her mother's illness (breast cancer), Mom was sent to Mount Saint Vincent Academy in Halifax as a teenager. She graduated in 1921 at age 17.

After she graduated in 1921 she attended Mount Saint Vincent College. She also began reading for the Bar. The game plan was to join her father in his law firm when she graduated from college in 1924. In 1922, when her father passed away, she was a sophomore at Mount St. Vincent College. She completed the year and returned to Glace Bay to teach at St. Anne's. She taught at St. Anne's until 1926.

During her summer vacations from 1922 to 1925, she worked for the Dominion Coal Company in Glace Bay. In 1926, because of the miner's strike, Mom left Glace Bay to work in Boston for the summer-time. She stayed in Boston.

Mom met Leo Petrie, from Dominion, married him and had 5 pregnancies. In 1936, the Petrie family moved to Dedham where she raised her 3 sons. On January 16, 1939, she was naturalized under the name of Loretta Elizabeth Petrie. Soon after Mom changed her legal name to Ethel T. Petrie.

In 1946, after I started school, Mom returned to work. She had a variety of jobs. She was a bookkeeper and clerk at Rosen's Hardware. She was a bookkeeper and clerk at North American Aluminum. She was a partner at Atlantic Aluminum. She was a clerk at Tobe Deutchmann Electronics. She was a cashier at Stop and Shop. She was a bookkeeper at the Dedham Transcript and at Ziegler's Market. In addition, she was a substitute teacher in the Dedham school system. Also, she demonstrated consumer products for two manufacturers at local retail grocery stores.

She also taught at home - private tutoring neighbor's children and her kids. It was a pro bono, volunteer activity which she loved.

Our house was always full of relatives and friends. Often, we kids would go to bed and wake up the next day on couches because our parents needed beds for guests to sleep in. My Mom's sister stayed with us every third summer. Molly Petrie stayed with us every January and April! Many of Mom's Cape Breton Dooley and Tobin cousins often visited.

In the 1950s, Mom became active in the local chapter of the Mount Saint Vincent's Alumnae Association. For over two decades she served as President or as another officer in the chapter.

Hobbies: Playing cards, teaching her 10 grandchildren to play cards, ironing, crossword puzzles, reading novels, and writing poetry.

Mom died in her sleep of a stroke.

Source: Joe Petrie

Notes for Leo Ignatius Petrie

Oral history: Leo Ignatius Petrie was born in his late grandparents' bed in Bridgeport NS, what is now Gardiner Mines, Cape Breton County, Nova Scotia, Canada. My aunt Dorothy claimed that Dad was born in what is now Dominion. In fact, if he was born at home in his parents' house, that would have been true. It is academic, because after he was born in 1906, Bridgeport was broken up into communities named Dominion, Gardiner Mines, Reserve Mines etc.

In 1920, Dad shows up in a Border Crossing Index as Leo Petries, going to South Boston with his mother, older sister Hazel, younger brothers, and younger sister.

On his US Border Crossing Record in Vanceboro Maine for March 30, 1925, Dad indicated that he was born in Bridgeport, NS on May 12, 1906. This is important because there is no Birth record for my Dad. It is also important because it is the only document that I have that I know he actually signed.

As part of the paperwork process to become a US citizen, a christening record was provided but I have not entered the data because oral history indicated that the church records were lost in a fire and that the christening record provided to the Court was based on a Church Census record.

In the 1911 Automated Census of Canada Dad was enumerated with his family, under a Peterie Surname. His first name must have not been legible because it shows as: "?".

Dad had a sixth grade education. He left school in Dominion in 1918 when he was twelve which was common at the time.

Between 1918 and 1922, Dad came to Boston where he lived with a cousin in Dorchester. He worked at the Upham's Corner Market. While still under age, he along with a bunch of minors working at the market were "pinched" for truancy. A court officer suggested that he and others enroll in the Electricity program at Charlestown High School and Dad became an electrician as a result.

Between 1918 and 1925, Dad often returned to Dominion where he would work for his father in the family's market.

In 1925, as a result of the miner's strike, Dad returned to Boston after his sister Hazel because of "hard-times" in Dominion. On March 30 1925, for example, his border crossing with his father was recorded at Vanceboro, Maine. Later, that year, he was joined by his mother, brothers Russell, Roy and sister Dorothy. His mother worked as a domestic while his siblings attended St. Mary's in Brookline.

Dad met Mom, Ethel Tobin, in 1926 at an ice skating party. They married in 1931 during the Depression. Dad was concerned about finances. Mom was not concerned - because they both were employed.

He worked at the Rhodes Brothers Market in Brookline and in Boston's Back Bay until the early thirties. He later worked at the ECCO stores (the forerunner of Stop and Shop) until he was injured on the job in 1938. He was on Welfare and Workman's Compensation until he went to work in September of 1939 at the Fore River Shipyard as an Electrician. From June until August of 1939, the family lived in Dominion.

Dad applied for citizenship on 10 March 1941. The file number was: 5181590. The Petition Number was: 11883. In July 1945, he became a citizen.

In 1946, he left the shipyard for a short stint at Westinghouse Electric in Readville. From 1946 until he retired in the early 1970's, he worked at Ziegler's Market in Dedham initially as a meat cutter and later as the Manager.

Dad loved to have a good time, to visit with relatives and friends, to play cards (poker, cribbage and 45s), to go home to Dominion every three years, to look at new cars (bought one every three years), to buy new clothes (two suits, a new top coat and hat each year), and to work on home improvements. Other recreation involved sports: hockey (Bruins), baseball (Braves and later the Red Sox), football (Browns, Giants), golf (because we boys caddied and played it), and going to race tracks (especially when his 3 sons worked at race tracks).

Proudest moments revolved around Mom and his three boys. Because Dad never graduated from school, he was especially proud that all his boys graduated from college.

Dad died of mesothelioma, asbestos lung cancer, after a short illness. Mesothelioma was a common killer of shipyard electricians because they pulled the wires over fixtures that were freshly coated with asbestos.

He is buried in Mount Saint Benedict's Cemetery in Boston's West Roxbury section.

Source: Joe Petrie

25. **Marie Antoinette³ Camus** (George Edward², Martin Adolphe¹), born 25 Jun 1921 in Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, Canada. She married **Fred Farrell**.

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Ancestry Library for Censuses, Immigration, Passenger Manifests, Naturalizations, and Vital Information with access to source documents, (I am comfortable with the software especially because most Canadian Libraries have access to it);

Automated Census of Canada for 1851, 1852, 1901 and 1911 Censuses (lots of Newfoundlanders moved to other provinces);

Heritage Quest On-Line for US Census information (I prefer it to Ancestry Library because it is friendlier);

AmericanAncestors.org for Massachusetts Vital Information;

CBGEN.org for Obituaries, Cemetery records, Funeral Home records, Church Censuses, Parish records and lots more;

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