

**Seth PARSONS and Caroline Mary DE THIERRY**  
(Weblink DT3 Caroline De Thierry-Parsons chart 48-49-1-6)

**Seth PARSONS**

B 14 October 1860 Salisbury Wiltshire England

D 08 May 1936 Auckland New Zealand

M April 1891 Auckland New Zealand

**Caroline Mary (Kari) DE THIERRY**

B about 1866 Waikato New Zealand

D 25 July 1897 Newtown Auckland New Zealand

Children:

1. Frederick Seth PARSON born 1887 New Zealand
2. Martha Mary (Mary) PARSONS born 1891 New Zealand
3. Giles Leslie (Leslie) PARSONS born 1893 New Zealand
4. Dorothy Adelaide PARSONS born 1895 New Zealand

**The family history of Seth PARSONS and Caroline Mary DE THIERRY**

Caroline Mary (Kari) DE THIERRY was born about 1866 in Waikato New Zealand. Her parents were Mary formerly MORGAN and Baron Charles DE THIERRY.

*(Reference there is no RGO NZ 1866 birth registration but information about parents came from the 1897 death registration for Caroline Parsons nee De Thierry Auckland district)*

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Seth PARSONS was born 14 October 1860 Salisbury Wiltshire England.

*(Reference Ancestry website RGO UK birth registration 1860 December quarter district Salisbury County Wiltshire volume 5a page 170)*

I was given information that Seth's father was David PARSONS a game keeper in the service of Marquis of Salisbury in England at Manor Park Farm.

1871 Census 14 Chipper Lane St Edmund Alderbury Salisbury Wiltshire England

- David PARSONS head married age 41 Amesbury Postman born Farley Wiltshire
- Ann PARSONS wife married age 42 Postmans wife born Winterslow Wiltshire
- Jesse Thomas PARSONS son unmarried age 18 Clerk unemployed born Farley Wiltshire
- Charles Wheeler PARSONS son unmarried age 14 shop boy born Salisbury Wiltshire
- Seth PARSONS son age 10 scholar born Salisbury Wiltshire
- Lilly Levina PARSONS daughter age 8 Scholar born Salisbury Wiltshire
- Frederick David PARSONS son age 3 born Salisbury Wiltshire
- Martha Ann Parsons daughter age 1 born Salisbury Wiltshire

*(Reference Ancestry website 1871 Census St Edmund Alderbury Salisbury Wiltshire England ED 11 household 89 piece 1955 folio 44 page 15)*

Seth PARSON departed England and settled in New Zealand before 1887.

Auckland Star newspaper 23 February 1887

Special Settlers for the North – The following are the names of the special settlers who went to Whangape per ss Argyle on Monday last – Mr and Mrs Seth Parsons and 1 child (includes various other names)

*(Reference Papers past website Auckland Star newspaper 23 February 1887 page 6)*

When Caroline Parsons nee De Thierry died the death registration recorded that she had a 10 years old son. A Frederick Seth Parson was born 1887 in New Zealand to a Mary and Frederick Seth PARSONS.

*(Reference there is no RGO NZ 1887 birth registration but information about her son came from the 1897 death registration of Caroline Parsons nee De Thierry Auckland district)*

I believe Caroline Mary and Seth PARSONS were living together as husband and wife before they married.

21 April 1891 Intention to marry application Auckland district

Caroline Mary DE THIERRY spinster aged 25 years dwelled in Hokianga for 4 years and Seth PARSON bachelor aged 30 years occupation Carpenter dwelled in Hokianga for 4 years intend to marry in the dwelling place of David PARSON Edwin Street Auckland by the P. Methodist minister Rev W C Woodward.

*(Reference Archives NZ Wellington Intention to marry 1891 agency BDM series 20 item 36 page 1089 line 174 Auckland district)*

Caroline Mary DE THIERRY married Seth PARSON 1891 in Auckland

*(Reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1891 folio 1908 website 1891/1030 Auckland district)*

Caroline and Seth had a daughter Martha Mary (Mary) PARSONS born 1891 Auckland New Zealand

*(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1891 folio website 1891/8619 parents Caroline Mary and Seth Parsons)*

1893 City of Auckland Electoral Roll number 10180

- Seth PARSONS occupation Driver residential Cook Street
- 1893 Bay of Islands Electoral Roll number 2696
- Seth S PARSONS occupation Settler residential Herekino

Caroline Mary and Seth had a son Giles/Jiles Leslie PARSONS born 1893 Auckland New Zealand

*(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1893 folio website 1893/6216 parents Caroline Mary and Seth Parsons)*

Caroline and Seth had a daughter Dorothy Adelaide PARSONS who was born 1895 Auckland New Zealand.

*(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1895 folio website 1895/18653 parents Caroline and Seth Parsons)*

Caroline PARSONS nee DE THIERRY aged 31 years died 25 July 1897 at Sussex Street Newton Auckland. Her parents were recorded as Baron Charles DE THIERRY and Mary formerly MORGAN. She married aged 20 years in Auckland to Seth PARSONS. Her living issue were recorded as 2 males aged 10 & 4 years and 2 females aged 6 & 2 years. Cause of death Phthisis for 10 months Syncope as certified by Dr Massack who last saw her on 25 July. She was buried on 27 July 1897 in Auckland by householders C Little and T L Wilcock. F Little the undertaker from Auckland registered the death on 31 July 1897. The registrar was E H Lyon.

*(Reference RGO NZ death registration 1897 folio website 1897/3728 Auckland district age 31 born about 1866)*

Auckland Star newspaper 26 July 1

Deaths – Parsons – On 25 July at her residence Sussex Street, Caroline the beloved wife of Seth Parsons aged 31 years

*(Reference Papers past website Auckland Star newspaper 26 July 1897 page4)*

I was given information that Caroline was buried with her mother in Symond Street Cemetery under the Grafton Bridge down behind the first bus shelter on right going towards the bridge in Auckland.

Caroline and Seth daughter Dorothy Adelaide PARSONS age 2 years 3 months died 19 November 1897 and was buried at Otahuhu public cemetery area 1 lot No 91. Burial register = Doroth [sic] Presbyterian lived and died Susses Street Auckland 19 .11.1897, 2 years 3 months born New Zealand

*(Reference Auckland City Council Otahuhu cemetery database but I could not locate a New Zealand death registration)*

Caroline and Seth's son Giles Leslie PARSONS died 24 October 1898 age 5 years and was buried at Otahuhu public cemetery Auckland are 1 lot 89 burial register = Anglican lived Sussed Street Newton died Auckland Hospital 24.10.1898 5 years plot89 section 1

*(Reference Auckland City Council Otahuhu cemetery database & RGO NZ death registration 1898 folio website 1898/4757 age 5 born about 1893)*

Seth PARSONS age 76 died 08 May 1936 Auckland Hospital.

*(Reference RGO NZ death registration 1936 folio website 1936/16628 Auckland district age 76 born about 1860)*

Auckland Star newspaper 08 May 1936

Deaths – Parsons – On 08 May at Auckland Hospital, Seth beloved husband of the late Catherine Mary Parsons and father of Frederick Seth Parsons of 91 Rosebank Road Avondale, aged 76 years. Funeral will leave the above address at 3 pm Saturday for Waikumete Cemetery

*(Reference Papers past website Auckland Star newspaper 08 May 1936 page1)*

Waikumete cemetery Presbyterian Division E Row 17 Plot 29 Auckland

Seth PARSONS age 76 occupation City Council Employee died 08 May 1936 buried 09 May 1936 funeral director M McCarthy

*(Reference Auckland City Council cemetery database)*

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## Caroline & Seth PARSONS their children and descendants

**1- Frederick Seth-PARSONS** born 1887 Auckland New Zealand died details unknown

Frederick Seth PARSONS was born 1887 New Zealand. His parents were Mary and Frederick Seth Parsons.

*(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1887 folio website 1887/14803 parents Mary and Frederick Seth Parsons)*

According to Caroline PARSONS nee DE THIERRY death registration she had a son born 1887. I believe Mary (Caroline Mary) and Frederick Seth Parson lived together as husband and wife before they married.

*(Reference there is no RGO NZ 1887 birth registration but information about her son came from the 1897 death registration of Caroline Parsons nee De Thierry Auckland district)*

No trace of marriage or death registration perhaps he went to live in another country or was known by another name.

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**2- Martha Mary PARSONS** born 1891 New Zealand died married 1915 Alexander William MORRIS born about 1879 died 1956 New Zealand

2-1- Alexander Don/Dou MORRIS born 1916 New Zealand died 1918 New Zealand

#Martha and Alexander had a son Alexander Don MORRIS born 1916 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1916 folio website 1916/4812 parents Martha and Alexander William Morris

#Alexander Dou MORRIS died 1918 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1918 folio website 1918/5244 age 2 years born about 1916

Martha Mary PARSONS was born 1891 New Zealand

(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1891 folio website 1891/8619 parents Caroline Mary and Seth Parsons)

Martha PARSONS married Alexander William MORRIS 1915 = Not sure

(Reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1915 folio 08508 website 1915/6119)

1928 Northland Electoral Roll Bay of Islands

- Martha MORRIS married Whakapara
- Alexander William MORRIS ganger Whakapara

Alexander William MORRIS died 1956 New Zealand

(Reference RGO NZ death registration 1956 folio website 1956/24350 age 77 born about 1879)

Alexander William MORRIS place Wellington occupation Retired Inspector New Zealand Railways court Wellington filed date 22 August 1956 type Will

**ORDER** (Reference Archives NZ Wellington Probate agency AAOM series 6031 item 0777/56 Wellington)

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**3- Giles Leslie PARSONS** born 1893 Auckland New Zealand died 24 October 1898 Auckland New Zealand (died young never married)

Giles Leslie PARSONS was born 1893 Auckland New Zealand

(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1893 folio website 1893/6216 parents Caroline Mary and Seth Parsons)

Giles Leslie PARSONS age 5 years died 1898 and was buried at Otahuhu public cemetery Auckland number 908

(Reference RGO NZ death registration 1898 folio website 1898/4757 age 5 born about 1893)

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(Reference Auckland City Council Otahuhu cemetery database)

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**4- Dorothy Adelaide PARSONS** born 1895 Auckland New Zealand died 19 November 1897 Auckland New Zealand (died young never married)

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(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1895 folio website 1895/18653 parents Caroline and Seth Parsons)

Caroline and Seth daughter Dorothy Adelaide PARSONS age 2 years 3 months died 19 November 1897 Auckland and was buried 20 November 1897 at Otahuhu public cemetery area 1 lot No 91. Burial register = Doroth [sic] Presbyterian lived and died Susses Street Auckland 19 .11.1897, 2 years 3 months born New Zealand

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