

**DUFF**  
**Hutt Valley - Upper Hutt**  
Family History – Genealogy – Miscellaneous Information  
(Weblink HVF Duff)

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**DUFF and MCCORKINDALE**  
**Family History**

**John Owen (Jack) DUFF**

B 26 August 1866 Clutha Otago New Zealand

D 14 July 1941 Lower Hutt New Zealand

M 29 October 1889 Waitahuna Clutha Otago New Zealand

**Martha MCCORKINDALE**

B 11 March 1867 Argyll Scotland

D 30 July 1960 Christchurch New Zealand

Children:

1. William John DUFF born 1890 New Zealand
2. Ethel Margaret DUFF born 1892 New Zealand
3. Alice Mary DUFF born 1895 New Zealand
4. Rose Marjorie DUFF born 1906 New Zealand

John Owen DUFF – Upper Hutt Borough Council Councillor

John Owen DUFF was born 26 August 1866 Waitahuna Clutha Otago New Zealand. His parents were Margaret nee Shepherd and William Duff.

*(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1866 folio website 1866/31813 parents Margrate and William Duff)*

Martha MCCORKINDALE was born 11 March 1867 Argyll Scotland.

John Owen DUFF married 1889 New Zealand Martha MCCORKINDALE

*(Reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1889 folio website 1889/3396)*

John and Martha had a child William John DUFF born 1890 New Zealand

*(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1890 folio website 1890/12328 parents Martha and John Owen Duff)*

John and Martha had a child Ethel Margaret DUFF born 1892 New Zealand

*(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1892 folio website 1892/4387 parents Martha and John Owen Duff)*

John and Martha had a child Alice Mary DUFF born 1895 New Zealand

*(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1895 folio website 1895/4897 parents Martha and John Owen Duff)*

1896 Waihemo Electoral Roll Otago

- John Owen DUFF Hyde railway stationmaster residential
- Martha DUFF Hyde domestic duties residential

*(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)*

1900 Otago Electoral Roll

- John Owen DUFF Ravensbourne station master residential
- Martha DUFF Ravensbourne domestic duties residential

*(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)*

1905-1906 Hutt Electoral Roll

- John Owen DUFF Elizabeth Street Petone railway clerk
- Martha DUFF Elizabeth Street Petone married

*(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)*

John and Martha had a child Rose Marjorie DUFF born 1906 New Zealand  
(Reference RGO NZ birth registration 1906 folio website 1906/14648 parents Martha and John Owen Duff)

#### 1911 & 1914 Hutt Electoral Roll

- John Owen DUFF 2 Elizabeth Street Petone railway clerk
- Martha DUFF 2 Elizabeth Street Petone married
- Ethel Margaret DUFF 2 Elizabeth Street Petone spinster

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

#### Otago Daily Times newspaper 11 November 1914

Deaths – Duff - On 18 October 1914 at the Wellington Hospital Alice Mary second daughter of John Owen and Martha Duff of Elizabeth Street Petone aged 19 years and 10 months.

(Reference Papers past website Otago Daily Times newspaper 11 November 1914)

#### 1919 Hutt Electoral Roll

- John Owen DUFF 2 Elizabeth Street Petone railway clerk
- Martha DUFF 2 Elizabeth Street Petone married
- Ethel Margaret DUFF 2 Elizabeth Street Petone spinster

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

From 1927 to 1929 John Owen DUFF was a Councillor for the Upper Hutt Borough Council

#### 1928 Wairarapa Electoral Roll

- John Owen DUFF King Street Upper Hutt clerk
- Martha DUFF King Street Upper Hutt married

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

From 1929 to 1931 John Owen DUFF was a Councillor for the Upper Hutt Borough Council

#### Evening Post newspaper 07 May 1929

I therefore declare the said James Blewman, John Owen Duff, William Greig, George Humphrey Guthrie and Charles Lawrence Alexander Spearman to be duly elected for the East Ward and Edward William Cottle, Malcolm Hopkins Hood and Amos Howell to be duly elected for the West Ward of the Borough. Dated at Upper Hutt this 06<sup>th</sup> day of May 1929.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 07 May 1929)

#### 1935 & 1938 Wairarapa Electoral Roll

- John Owen DUFF King Street Upper Hutt clerk
- Martha DUFF King Street Upper Hutt married

(Reference Ancestry website New Zealand Electoral Rolls)

#### John Owen DUFF died 1941 New Zealand

(Reference RGO NZ death registration 1941 folio website 1941/23462 age 74 born about 1867)

#### Evening Post newspaper 14 July 1941

Funeral Notices – Duff The Funeral of the late John Owen Duff will leave Kings Street Upper Hutt Tomorrow (Tuesday) 15 July 1941 at 3.15 pm for the Taita cemetery – J R Croft Ltd Funeral Directors Hutt and Petone Tels. 60-531 and 63-828

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 14 July 1941)

#### Evening Post newspaper 29 July 1941

Mr John O Duff - Mr John Owen Duff an old and highly-esteemed railway servant died recently at his residence King Street Upper Hutt. He was known as an able and conscientious officer who always had the interests of the Department at heart, and was known by a wide circle of railwaymen in both islands. He was born at Waitahuna Gully Otago in the stirring days of the gold rush. At the age of 16 he joined the clerical branch of the New Zealand Railways. He held the position of stationmaster at Allanton Middlemarch Hyde and Ravensbourne. He was then transferred to the North Island as relieving officer. Later, he was stationmaster at Mangaweka

then the terminus of the Main Trunk line. From there he was promoted in 1904 to the staff of the head office as assistant staff clerk. Here he remained until his retirement in 1925. He lived in Petone from 1904 to 1921 and in Upper Hutt from 1921 until his death. He was always an active member of the Presbyterian Church and during his retirement at Upper Hutt he took a keen interest in civic affairs being a member of the Upper Hutt Borough Council and a Justice of the Peace.

(Reference Papers past website Evening Post newspaper 29 July 1941)

Taita cemetery Section R Lower Hutt New Zealand

Alice Mary DUFF died 18 October 1914 age 19 years 9 months John Owen DUFF died 14 July 1941 age 74 years
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Martha DUFF nee MCCORKINDALE died 1960 New Zealand

(Reference RGO NZ death registration 1960 folio website 1960/27370 age 93 born about 1867)

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### John and Martha DUFF their children and descendants

**1- William John DUFF** born 28 August 1890 New Zealand died 10 September 1968 New Zealand married 1922 New Zealand **Mollie/Molly Ellen/Helen CRAIG** born 15 June 1900 New Zealand died 10 December 1995 New Zealand  
#William John DUFF born 1890 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1890 folio website 1890/12328 parents Martha and John Owen Duff  
#Mollie Ellen CRAOIG born 1900 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1900 folio website 1900/13412 parents Frances Eidelweis and David Craig  
#William John DUFF married 1922 New Zealand Molly Helen CRAIG reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1922 folio website 1922/930  
#William John DUFF died 1968 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1968 folio website 1968/35796 age 78 born about 1890  
#Mollie Ellen DUFF died 1995 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1995 folio website 1995/56719 born 15 June 1900

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**2- Ethel Margaret DUFF** born 1892 New Zealand died 1965 New Zealand (never married)  
#Ethel Margaret DUFF born 1892 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1892 folio website 1892/4387 parents Martha and John Owen Duff  
#Ethel Margaret DUFF died 1965 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1965 folio website 1965/34221 age 74 born about 1891

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**3- Alice Mary DUFF** born 1895 New Zealand died 1914 New Zealand (never married)  
#Alice Mary DUFF born 1895 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1895 folio website 1895/4897 parents Martha and John Owen Duff  
#Alice Mary DUFF died 1914 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1914 folio website 1914/7926 age 19 born about 1895

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**4- Rose Marjorie DUFF** born 16 July 1906 New Zealand died 1974 New Zealand married 1937 New Zealand **Thomas Gray SHANKS** born 28 October 1900 died 1976 New Zealand  
#Rose Marjorie DUFF born 1906 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1906 folio website 1906/14648 parents Martha and John Owen Duff  
#Thomas Gray SHANKS born 1900 New Zealand reference RGO NZ birth registration 1900 folio website 1900/19749 parents Helen Gray and James Stewart Shanks  
#Rose Marjorie DUFF married 1937 New Zealand Thomas Gray SHANKS reference RGO NZ marriage registration 1937 folio website 1937/5056  
#Rose Marjorie SHANKS died 1974 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1974 folio website 1974/47010 born 16 July 1906  
#Thomas Gray SHANKS died 1976 New Zealand reference RGO NZ death registration 1976 folio website 1976/36219 born 28 October 1900

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