

# The Baker Family

## 3.1 Origins

The name is an occupational name being originally associated with the family who were responsible for the communal ovens in a village and who were able to charge a fee for using the ovens. The name may also have been given to someone who was especially adept at baking.

## 3.2 RICHARD BAKER

3.2.1 Richard Baker (42) was born circa 1790. He married Sarah Wood on the 18th July, 1814, at Edgbaston, Warwickshire.

3.2.2 Sarah Wood (253) was born circa 1790. She married Richard Baker on the 18th of July, 1814, at Edgbaston, Warwickshire.

## 3.3 The Children of Richard Baker and Sarah Wood

continued from 3.2.1 and 3.2.2

Number & Name		Type & Birth date	Place/Notes
5847	John	B 29th Nov 1813	St. Philip, Birmingham
5848	Ann	B 21st Aug 1815	Beauersert, Warcs
252	Richard	B 20th Apr 1816	St. Philip, Birmingham
5849	Thomas	B 39th Dec 1818	St. Philip, Birmingham
5850	John	B 26th May 1820	St. Philip, Birmingham
34	Frederick	B 22nd Nov 1822	St. Philip, Birmingham
5851	William	B 2nd May 1824	St. Philip, Birmingham
5852	Harriet	B 13th Aug 1827	St. Philip, Birmingham

3.3.1 John Baker (5847) was baptized on the 29th of November, 1813, at St. Phillip, Birmingham. He probably did not survive infancy given that a second John was baptized in 1820.

- 3.3.2 Anne Baker (5848) was baptized on the 21 of August, 1815, at Beaudesert, Warwickshire.
- 3.3.3 Richard Baker (252) was baptized on the 30th December, 1818 at St. Phillip's, Birmingham, at which time his date of birth was stated to be the 20th of April, 1816.
- 3.3.4 Thomas Baker (5849) was baptized on the 30th of December, 1818, at St. Phillip, Birmingham.
- 3.3.5 John Baker (5850) was baptized on the 26th of May, 1820, at St. Phillip, Birmingham.
- 3.3.6 Frederick Baker (34) was baptized on the 11th of November, 1825 at St. Phillip's, Birmingham, at which time his date of birth is given as the 22nd of November, 1822. He married Elizabeth Bishop on the 8th of September, 1843, at the Parish church of St. Martin's, Birmingham, at which time he was described as a bachelor and Watchmaker of full age, being the son of Richard Baker, a Labourer. Witnesses to the marriage were Matthew Bishop (brother?) and Susannah Harris. The bride, groom and witnesses all made their marks. Bride and groom gave their address as Fordrough Street. Frederick Baker died on the 24th of May, 1875 at 41, Henry Street, Birkenhead, aged fifty-two, which would make his year of birth 1822-3. See 3.4 for details of his descendants.
- 3.3.6.1 Elizabeth Bishop (73) was born circa 1822, the daughter of Richard Bishop (254). She married Frederick Baker on 8th of September, 1843, at St. Martin, Birmingham. See 3.4 for details of her descendants.

Using the census of 1871 and 1881, we can put together a possible sequence of events for the movements of the family. Frederick and Elizabeth were probably born in Birmingham where they married and their first son, Richard, was born in 1844/5. They then moved to Ireland where their second son, Frederick, and their daughter, Sarah, were born in 1846/7 and 1848 respectively. The family then moved to Gloucester before the end of 1850 where the next three sons were born. Finally, the family moved to Birkenhead where their youngest son, George, was born in 1855/6.

- 3.3.7 William Baker (5851) was born on the 2nd May, 1824. He was baptized on the 11th of November, 1825, at St. Phillip, Birmingham.
- 3.3.8 Harriet Baker (5852) was baptized on the 13th August, 1827, at St. Phillip, Birmingham.

### 3.4 The Children of Frederick Baker and Elizabeth Bishop

continued from 3.3.6 and 3.3.6.1

Number & Name		Type & Birth date		Place/Notes
5956	Richard	B	18th Nov 1844	Birmingham
243	Frederick	C	1847/7/1846	Ireland
36	Sarah	C	1848	Ireland
586	John	C	1850	Gloucester
587	Thomas	C	1852	Gloucester
32	Walter	A	21st Apr 1854	Gloucester
588	George	C	1855/7	Liverpool

- 3.4.1 Richard Baker (5856) was born in 1845/6 in Birmingham. According to the 1871 census he was a watchmaker. He has not been identified in the 1881 census.

- 3.4.2 Frederick Baker (243) was born in 1846/7 in Ireland. He was living with his parents at the 1881 census when his occupation is given as "general labourer". He is believed to have died unmarried and without issue.
- 3.4.3 Sarah Amelia Baker (36) was born in 1848, probably in Ireland (her birth has not been found in the English records). She married William Ince on the 30th December, 1869 at St. Anne's Church, Birkenhead, after Banns. At the time of her marriage she is described as a spinster, twenty-one years of age, the daughter of Frederick Baker, watchmaker. Her address is given only as Birkenhead. The witnesses were J.H.(?) Baker and Mary Ince. See 3.5 for details of her descendants.
- 3.4.3.I William Ince (35) was born circa 1840, at Wigan, Lancashire, the son of Christopher Ince a pattern maker. He married Sarah Amelia Baker on the 30th of December, 1869, at St. Anne's, Birkenhead, at which time he was described as a bachelor, twenty-nine years of age, the son of Christopher Ince, a pattern maker. William's profession is given as pattern maker and the census of 1881 describes him as an Engineer Model Maker (E&M). At the 1881 census he and his family were living at 7, Alma Street, Birkenhead. See 3.5 for details of his descendants.
- 3.4.4 John Baker (586) was born in 1850/1 in Gloucester. According to the 1871 census he was a watchmaker living, at that time, with his parents. He married Jane (baker) circa 1874. In 1881 he and his family were living at 14, Cannon Terrace, Lea Ashoton, Lancashire. See 3.6 for details of his descendants.
- 3.4.4.I Jane (baker) was born circa 1852 at Kings County, Ireland. She married John Baker circa 1874. See 3.6 for details of her descendants.
- 3.4.5 Thomas (H?) Baker (587) was born in 1852 at Gloucester. At the 1871 census he was living with his parents and is described as a commercial clerk. The 1881 census has Thomas H and his family living at 6, Tobin Street, Liscard. Thomas is described as a publican and his age is given as 28 years, born at Gloucester. See 3.7 for details of his descendants.
- 3.4.5.I Mary (baker) was born circa 1849 at Liverpool. She married Thomas H Baker circa 1875.
- 3.4.6 Walter Baker (32) was born on the 21 April, 1854 at Gardeners Buildings, Kings Holm, Gloucester. He married Elizabeth Amelia Sanders (see 6.4.1) on the 17th April, 1881, just four days before his twenty-seventh birthday, at St. Pauls Church, Birkenhead. He is described as an Engraver and his address is given as Hinson St., Birkenhead. The witnesses were Richard Olive and Harriet Jane Sanders. He appears to have changed occupation and joined the merchant navy as a steward. In 1890 at the birth of his second son, Walter Sanders (40), he is described as "Superintendent Ships Steward" and again in 1892 at the birth of his fourth child, Edith (41), he is described as "Superintendent Steward, Merchant Service". The 1901 census describes him as "Superintendent of Shipping Agents". In 1904 at the marriage of his eldest daughter, Lilian Amelia, he is described as "Commercial Traveller" and again in 1922 at the marriage of Edith (41) he is described as "Travelling representative". By 1924 at the second marriage of his son, George Arthur (39), he is described as "Superintendent of Shipping Agents" and in 1936 at the third marriage of George, he is described as "Shipping Company Superintendent, retired". His son, George, recalls that he was well known in local choral circles as a baritone. He died in Birkenhead in the second quarter of 1940 (Ref: June 1940, Birkenhead 8a 1206). See 3.8 for details of his descendants.
- 3.4.7 George Baker (588) was born in 1855 in Liverpool. The 1871 census shows him living with his parents and gives his occupation as "watchmaker". He married Martha Ann Wheeler on the 1 of May, 1875, at Great Hornead, Hertfordshire. The

family spent some time in Wales where their first child was born at Caernavon. Their second child was born in Liverpool in 1879. The 1881 census shows the family living at 11, Thomas Street, Birkenhead. See 3.9 for details of his descendants.

- 3.4.7.1 Martha Ann Wheeler (5853) was born circa 1855 in Liverpool. She married George Baker on the 1 of May, 1875, at Great Horemead, Hertfordshire. See 3.9 for details of her descendants.

### 3.5 The Children of William Ince & Sarah Baker

continued from 3.4.3.1 and 3.4.3

Number & Name	Type & Birth date	Place/Notes
101 Elizabeth	A 21 Sep 1870	Birkenhead
Mary E	P 1872	Birkenhead
Margaet	P 1875	Birkenhead
William	P 1877	Birkenhead
Sarah	P Feb 1881	Birkenhead

- 3.5.1 Elizabeth Ince (101) was born on the 21 of September, 1870, at 98, Chester Street, Birkenhead. At the census of 1871 she was living with her grand-mother at 16, Hinson Street.
- 3.5.2 Mary Ince was born circa 1872 at Birkenhead. In 1881 she was living with her parents at 7, Alma Street, Birkenhead.
- 3.5.3 Margaret Ince was born circa 1875 at Birkenhead. In 1881 she was living with her parents at 7, Alma Street, Birkenhead.
- 3.5.4 William Ince was born circa 1877 at Birkenhead. In 1881 he was living with his parents at 7, Alma Street, Birkenhead.
- 3.5.5 Sarah Ince was born in February, 1881, at Birkenhead.

### 3.6 The Children of John Baker & Jane ...

continued from 3.4.4

Number & Name	Type & Birth date	Place/Notes
Frederick	P 1874	New Ferry, Cheshire
Gertrude	P 1876	New Ferry, Cheshire
Florence	p 1878	Preston, Lancashire
Minnie	p nOV 1880	Preston, Lancashire

- 3.6.1 Frederick Baker was born circa 1874 at New Ferry, Cheshire. In 1881 he was living with his parents at 14, Cannon Terrace, Lea Ashton.
- 3.6.2 Gertrude Baker was born circa 1876 at New Ferry, Cheshire. In 1881 she was living with her parents at 14, Cannon Terrace, Lea Ashton.
- 3.6.3 Florence Baker was born circa 1878 at Preston. In 1881 she was living with her parents at 14, Cannon Terrace, Leas Ashton.
- 3.6.4 Minnie Baker was born in November, 1880, at Preston, Lancashire. At the 1881 census she was living with her parents at 14, Cannon Terrace, Lea Ashton.

### 3.7 The Children of Thomas Baker & Mary

continued from 3.4.5

Number & Name	Type & Birth date	Place/Notes
Amy	P 1876	Liverpool
Clara	P 1877	Birkenhead
Thomas H	P 1878	Liverpool
Bessie	P June 1880	Egremont

3.7.1 Amy Baker was born circa 1876 at Liverpool. In 1881 she was living with her parents at 6, Tobin Street, Liscard.

3.7.2 Clara Baker was born circa 1877 at Birkenhead. In 1881 she was living with her parents at 6, Tobin Street, Liscard.

3.7.3 Thomas H Baker was born circa 1878 at Liverpool. In 1881 he was living with his parents at 6, Tobin Street, Liscard.

3.7.4 Bessie Baker was born in June 1880 at Egremont, Cheshire. At the 1881 census she was living with her parents at 6, Tobin Street, Liscard.

### 3.8 The Children of Walter Baker and Elizabeth Sanders

continued from 3.4.6 and 6.4.1

Number & Name	Type & Birth date	Place/Notes
26 Lilian Amelia	A 29th July 1881	Birkenhead
39 George Arthur	A 10th Feb 1885	Birkenhead
40 Walter Sanders	A 12th Mar 1890	Tranmere
41 Edith	A 2nd Jun 1892	Tranmere

3.8.1 Lilian Amelia Baker (26) was born on the 29th July, 1881, in Birkenhead. She married William Lawson (21) on the 23rd November, 1904 at St. Paul's, Birkenhead, when she is described as a spinster, aged twenty-two years, the daughter of Walter Baker (a commercial traveller) residing at 5, Lowwood Grove. The witnesses were Walter Baker, George A Baker and Agnes Maude Lawson. Separated from her husband 1930(?). At some time she suffered the loss of hearing in her right ear. Supported herself from then on. Housekeeper to Lord and Lady Duferin in Ireland. Housekeeper at Ballqueenie Hotel, Port St. Mary. During the Second World War served in the Red Cross. Worked in a munitions factory at Ashford, Kent. Lived with daughter-in-law, Isabel Kinrade (18) at Wye and Welling, Kent. After the War, worked for a time as Supervisor of a School kitchens in Welling before moving to the Isle of Man to live with her son and family. Became housekeeper, living at 2, Montenotte Road, Crouch End. Lilian converted to the Roman Catholic faith. She died on a Thursday in October 1961 in Westcliffe-on-Sea, Essex. See Volume II, 6.49 for details of her descendants.

3.8.2 George Arthur Baker (39) was born on the 10th February, 1885 at Birkenhead. He died on the 8th January, 1976, just one month before his 91 birthday. He married three times, although the entry in "Who's Who" indicates that he married only twice. His first marriage was to Grace Lilian Bryant on the 14th November, 1911 at the Register Office, Holborn. His address is given as 72, Addison Gardens, West Kensington. After a divorce, he married secondly Kate Hill Miller on the 27th June, 1924 at the Register Office in the District of St. Martin's in London. At this time George is described as "the divorced husband of Grace Lilian Baker formerly Bryant, spinster" and his address is given as "Savage Club, Adelphi Terrace". On

the death of Kathlyn, he married for the third time Olive Alice Groves on the 17th July, 1936 at the Register Office in the City of Westminster, at which time he is described as a "widower", and his address is given as "1 Carlton House Terrace, SW1". See appendix BA-A3- for details of the various marriages of George and his spouses.

3.8.2.1 Grace Lillian Bryant (95) was born circa 1871, the daughter of Edwin Bryant and Ellen Woolston. At her marriage to George Baker she was described as a spinster, thirty-six years of age, the daughter of Edwin Bryant (deceased). Her address is given as 59, Cloverly Mansions, Gray's Inn Road, Holborn and her occupation as Pianist. Her father is described as a Billiard Table Maker's Manager. The witnesses were Walter Baker and Richard Ripley. Lillian used the professional name of .....

3.8.2.2 At their marriage, Kate Hill Miller (96) is described as Kate Hill Convers, professionally known as Kathlyn Hilliard, formerly Miller, spinster. The divorced wife of Francois Jean Michel Convers. Her age is given as thirty-two years and her address as 54, Clifton Hill, St. John's Wood. Her profession is given as actress, and she was the daughter of Thomas Miller (410), a retired coal exporter. The witnesses were G.H. Cousins and C.W. Johnson. According to "Who's Who", she died in 1933, but a more exact date has not yet been determined. She was known in the family as Kathlyn.

3.8.2.3 Olive Alice Groves (97) was born in the First quarter of 1900 (ref: Hampstead, 1a 669 March 1900), the daughter of George Herbert Groves, a private tutor. Her birth certificate has not been obtained.

Her first marriage was on the 17th January, 1924 to Robert Ernest Chatterton at the parish church of St. Thomas, Portman Square, by Licence. Her address is given as "166 Goldhurst Terrace, W.Hampstead". Robert Ernest Chatterton is described as "twenty-six years of age, a bachelor, of 14, Adam Street, W.". His profession is given as "Produce Broker". His father is given as Henry Seiffert, artist. The witnesses were Julia Alice Groves and Georgina Chatterton. There was a later divorce. There was one son of the marriage, Michael G Chatterton (99), born on either the 2nd or the 18th of November, 1924 (ref: Kensington, 1a 126, December 1924). On the death of Alan Baker (98), Michael changed his name by deed poll to Baker.

Her second marriage was to Marcus Joseph Colthwest Alexander on the 14th December, 1929 at the Register Office, Hampstead. At this time her address is given as "146 Adelaide Road" and her profession as "Professional Singer". The witnesses were Julia Groves and R.G. Clark. This was also the second marriage for Marcus as he is described as "divorced husband of Kathleen Sara Alexander, formerly Peyton, spinster". His address is given as "34 Cresswell Road, Twickenham" and his profession as "Gramophone Company's Representative". His father is listed as Henry Beaumont Alexander, a Publicity Agent. It is believed that there were no issue of this marriage.

Her third marriage was to George Arthur Baker on the 17th July, 1936 at the Register Office in the City of Westminster. Her address is given as "166 Goldhurst Terrace, Hampstead". This is the same address as given at her first marriage and so may be assumed to be that of her parents. The witnesses were Victor MacClure, Florence Mims, Guy Church and Mary Sterndale Bennett. Again, according to Who's Who, she died in 1974 but the exact date has not yet been determined. There were no issue of this marriage.

3.8.2.4 George Alan Hill Baker (98) was born on the 10th of November, 1924 in London, the only child of George and Katherine. He entered the King's School, Canterbury, in September 1938 and left in December 1942 with a Ford Exhibition

(an award closed to King's School) for Trinity College, Oxford where he gained a blue for the 220 yards against Cambridge. He joined the Welsh Guards in July 1943 and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in April 1944. He was killed by a Flying bomb (V1) while representing his unit at an athletics meeting on the 30th of June, 1944 at Imber Court, Surrey (the Metropolitan Police sports Grounds).

3.8.3 Walter Sanders Baker (40) was born on the 12th March, 1890 at 40, Hollybank Road, Tranmere. He died on active service in 1916 (ref: War Deaths 1916 I.21 64), unmarried and without issue.

3.8.4 Edith Baker (41) was born on the 2nd June, 1892 at 40, Hollybank Road, Tranmere. She married Walter Beardsworth on the 25th February, 1922 at St. John's, Birkenhead. Edith is described as a spinster, 29 years of age, the daughter of Walter Baker (33) a travelling representative. I remember a visit to Edith in approximately 1946 when Walter was already dead. Edith died in the last quarter of 1956 (ref: Liverpool S, volume 10d, 490, Sep 1956). There were no issue of this marriage.

3.8.4.1 At their marriage, Walter is described as a bachelor, 40 years of age and an electrician, the son of Henry Edward Beardsworth (deceased), a watchmaker. This means that he was probably born between the 24th February, 1881 and 25th February, 1882.

He apparently worked at some time for a shipping company, possibly the White Star Line. Between the World Wars he apparently acted as some kind of courier, accompanying emigrant to Canada and travelling with them by train to their final destinations. Details are not known. It is believed that he died in New York.

### 3.9 The Children of George Baker & Martha Wheeler

continued from 3.4.7 and 3.4.7.1

Number & Name		Type & Birth date		Place/Notes
5854	Jessie	P	1877	Wales
5855	Ada	P	1879	Liverpool

3.9.1 Jessie Baker (5854) was born in 1877 at Port Dinorwick, Caernavon, Wales.

3.9.2 Ada Baker (5855) was born circa 1879 at Liverpool.

