

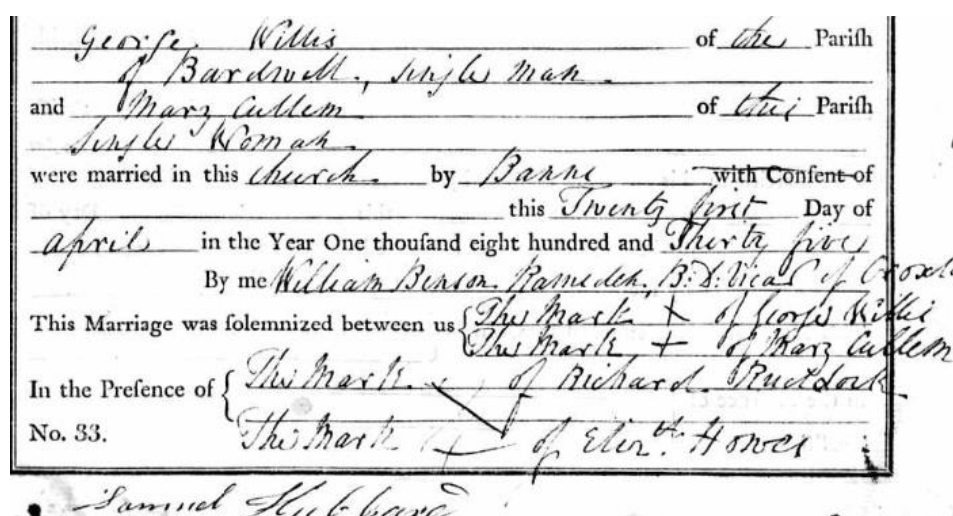
George WILLIS (1815-1895) and Mary A Willis nee Cullem (1809-1860)

Ship records show the family as being named Willes.

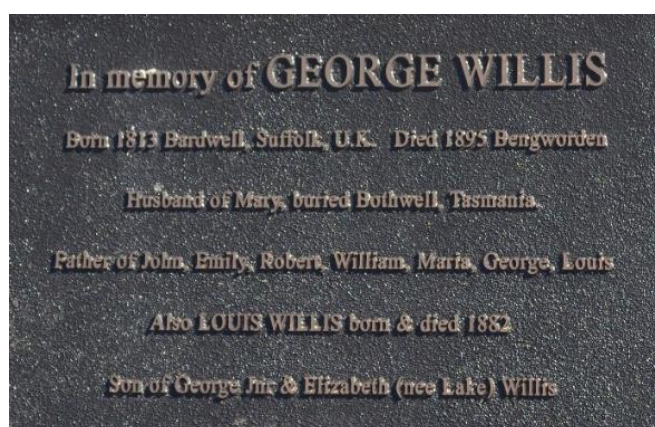
George was aged 44, married, Church of England, could read and a farm labourer from Suffolk when migrating to Tasmania on the 'Trade Wind' in 1858. He was discharged from the Quarantine Station at Impression Bay to E Nicholas, his sponsor, on 11 April 1858. His sponsor was probably Edward Nicholas of Bothwell who owned a large property, the Meadsfield Estate, comprising of about 19,500 acres. He also owned the Abyssinia property.

George was baptised on 31 March 1813 at Bardwell, Suffolk, England. His mother was Susan and his father was not named.

George married Mary A Cullem on 21 April 1835 at Rushford in Norfolk.



Mary was born on 30 October 1808 in East Harling, Norfolk. George and Mary had seven children all born in England. The fourth born child, William, who was born in 1843 in Bardwell, died the following year. The youngest child, Louis, born in 1851 also only lived 12 months. George and Mary lived at Knox Lane, Bardwell in Suffolk where George was an agricultural labourer.



Mary, aged 50, passed away two years after her arrival in Tasmania on 1 February 1860 at Bothwell. The cause of death was dysentery. Mary was buried at Bothwell.

George and four of his children moved to Victoria after Mary's death. George was a farmer at Bengworden. Daughter, Emma, married in Tasmania to another 'Trade Wind' immigrant, Robert Fakes (1832-

914). They returned to England. See further details under Robert Fakes and Emma Willis.

George passed away, aged 82, on 26 July 1895 at Bengworden, Victoria.