

Dear Marjorie,

I live in what was a small place called Tullibody. The nearest main town is Stirling which is about seven miles south west of here.

I will be visiting with my cousin Dorie in Phoenix at the beginning of November.

I received a Border Collie called Gypsy for my ten birthday and have had either one or two dogs ever since. I have also had the occasional cat.

My mum is 87 and I am 61. I believe I told you that she suffers from Alzheimer's and has done for the past twenty years. It has been so slow and she is now in the latter stages of it where she is practically bed ridden.

Your place sounds fantastic. At one time I lived in this village and had a Residential Caravan, which is the same as your mobile home, at the coast. I sold it to pay for part of the last house. Here is some information I sent on to you:

Now without even looking I can tell you that Hellen Crosbie Neilson born 1856 would have died before the other Helen Neilson was born in 1860. All Scots children were named after a family member so when a member of the family died the next female child was named after them. This is the reason you can find two three and even four children with the same name.

I looked for a marriage and death for Gavin Andrew but found nothing.

I looked for a death for James Neilson and found nothing but I have to recheck this under Nelson. I did find his first marriage it was in Rigside, Douglas at the United Presbyterian Church. on the 23rd August 1878. The name of his bride was very hard to read but I did my best with it. James Neilson (Coal Miner) aged 20 married Nicolas Wilson (Domestic Servant) 21 both residing in Rigside, Douglas. His parents were John Neilson (Coal Miner) and Agnes Crosbie and her parents were Robert Wilson and Agnes McNulty. The witnesses were Robert Neilson and Catherine Wilson.

You said that you thought that Robert and another brother had gone to the U.S.A. John B. and Robert both went over there and died in Philadelphia.

I met a lovely lady, who stays close to me, at Edinburgh. She is a trained Genealogist and I have used her a couple of times when I was unable to get through to Edinburgh. If you wanted some research done I am sure she would do it. Her rates are really quite good.

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Gladys

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