

William & Helena Hutton – family history

We knew very little about 'Aunt Lena & Uncle Will' except other than they lived in Canada and had once visited us. To trace the origins of William Hutton we had to rely on discoveries of passenger list entries for William (& Helena) which provided his date of birth - 16 Oct 1893. After discarding several possibilities I believe the birth record below must be his. It is quite hard to read but it provides quite a lot of new information.

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1893. BIRTHS in the Parish of *Kelton* in the Stewartry of *Kirkcudbright*

No.	Name and Surname	When and Where Born.	Sex.	Name, Surname, & Rank or Profession of Father. Name, and Maiden Surname of Mother. Date and Place of Marriage.	Signature and Qualification of Informant, and Residence, if out of the House in which the Birth occurred.	When and Where Registered, and Signature of Registrar.
101	<i>William Hornel Hutton</i>	<i>1893, October 16, Back King Street, Castle Douglas</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>William Shaw Hutton, Printer & Compositor</i>	<i>Mary Ann Hutton, Mother</i>	<i>1893, November 14, At Castle Douglas</i>
				<i>Mary Ann Hutton</i>		<i>At Castle Douglas</i>
				<i>M.S. Lock</i>		<i>At Castle Douglas</i>
				<i>1889, December 22, Castle Douglas</i>		

Parish of Kelton in the Stewartry of Kirkcudbright

William Hornel Hutton
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October
Sixteenth
8h.45m am
Back King Street
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Mary Ann Hutton
Mother

He was born at 08:45 am Monday 16 October 1893 at Back King Street, Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire to parents William Shaw Hutton and Mary Ann Lock(e). His name is William Hornel Hutton and this fits with the William H. Hutton on his marriage registration in 1917 to Helene McLeary and the 1901 census transcript below.

1901 census - Scotland

Name	Relation	Condition	Sex	Age	Birth Year	Occupation Disability	Where born
HUTTON, William S	Head	Married	M	37	1864	Printer Compositor	Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire
HUTTON, Mary A	Wife	Married	F	35	1866		Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire
LOCKE, Robert	Step Son		M	13	1888	Scholar	Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire
HUTTON, Margaret D	Daughter		F	11	1890	Scholar	Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire
HUTTON, Janet	Daughter		F	9	1892	Scholar	Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire
HUTTON, William H *	Son		M	7	1894	Scholar	Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire
HUTTON, Isabella	Daughter		F	5	1896	Scholar	Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire
HUTTON, Mary A	Daughter		F	2	1899		Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire
HUTTON, Marjory Mcf	Daughter		F	1	1900		Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire
HUTTON, Grace Mca	Daughter		F	0 (2 MONTHS)	1901		Castle Douglas, Kirkcudbrightshire

Address: Violet Grove, Kelton
County: Kirkcudbrightshire

The census tells us that William had six sisters and one step-brother. Whether Robert Locke was from a previous marriage of born out of wedlock is not known.

Now on to Aunt Lena – or Helene/Helena McLeary. Lena was the second of six children born to William John & Annie (nee McGrath) McLeary.

William John McLeary and Annie McGrath were both born in Broughshane, County Antrim, Northern Ireland and emigrated to Linlithgow (West Lothian), Scotland. They went back to Broughshane to get married in 1894 returning to Broxburn where William John was a Shale Oil Miner.

Lena was born 10pm on 19th March 1896 at 66, Stewartfield, Broxburn, Uphall, Linlithgow – now West Lothian, Scotland.

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1896. BIRTHS in the Parish of Uphall in the County of Linlithgow

No.	Name and Surname	When and Where Born.	Sex.	Name, Surname, & Rank or Profession of Father. Name, and Maiden Surname of Mother. Date and Place of Marriage.	Signature and Qualification of Informant, and Residence, if out of the House in which the Birth occurred.	When and Where Registered, and Signature of Registrar.
106	Lena McLeary	1896, March Airdrie, West Lothian, B.M.	F.	William John McLeary Annie McGrath 1894, Broughshane, Co. Antrim	W. J. McLeary Annie	1896, March 20 th At Broxburn Thomas H. Hutton Registrar

On the 1911 Scotland Census Lena was recorded as a 15 years old 'General Servant' working for the Stewart family at Pyothall Farm, Uphall, West Lothian, Scotland.

At some stage she met William H. Hutton but how and where we had no idea.

We were unable to find any further trace of either of them until Janice (Wakefield/Gardner) found the details of their marriage and subsequent birth of three children. They were married near the south coast of England and not, as we expected, in Scotland.

Helene McLeary & William H. Hutton married between Oct-Dec 1917 in the Registration District of Colchester, Essex, England. The town of Colchester had links to the British Army – perhaps he was a soldier and was stationed there at the time?

William Hutton junior was born Jul-Sep 1920 and his sister Iris in Jan-Mar 1922, both births were registered in the Colchester Registration District, Essex. We do not know how long they resided in Essex but some time later they moved north to the city of Birmingham. This is where daughter Jean Hutton was born about Oct-Dec 1927 and the birth registered in Birmingham South District.

Our Aunt Iris Smith thinks that William Hutton junior was killed (aged possibly 18-19) in an airplane during WW2. The only link we have been able to discover is a record from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission for Sergeant William Hutton (749572), a member of the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve who served in 37 Squadron. He died 5th Sept 1941 and has a memorial in the cemetery at Alamein in Egypt.

CWGC Commonwealth War Graves Commission	
Casualty Details	
Name:	HUTTON, WILLIAM
Initials:	W
Nationality:	United Kingdom
Rank:	Sergeant
Regiment/Service:	Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve
Unit Text:	37 Sqdn.
Date of Death:	05/09/1941
Service No:	749572
Casualty Type:	Commonwealth War Dead
Grave/Memorial Reference:	Column 243.
Memorial:	ALAMEIN MEMORIAL

Extract from 37 Squadron Operations Book for 5th Sept 1941

R.A.F. Form 540			OPERATIONS RECORD BOOK		Page No. 5
See instructions for use of this form in K.R. and A.C.I., para. 2349, and War Manual, Pt. II., chapter XX., and notes in R.A.F. Pocket Book.			of (Unit or Formation) No. 37 Squadron.		No. of pages used for day
Place	Date	Time	Summary of Events		References to Appendices
SHALLUFA EGYPT.	1941 Sept. 5		<p><u>OPERATIONS - MARTUBA - DENNA.</u></p> <p>On the night of 5/6th. September, 1941, six aircraft of the Squadron were ordered for operations against dispersed aircraft on enemy landing grounds in Libya. No. 257 Wing's form B.165 dated 5th September 1941 refers. (Appendix 04).</p> <p>The aircraft took off from Shallufa in the afternoon and landed at Fulca Satellite, from which advanced landing ground the aircraft operated later in the evening.</p> <p>Two aircraft attacked dispersed aircraft and an M.T. encampment in the vicinity of MARTUBA WEST. Sgt. Handley dropped a stick of bombs across a group of aircraft, and a heavy explosion followed. He then dropped the remainder of his load singly amongst dispersed aircraft and lorries at heights varying from 2500 feet to 4000 feet. Sgt. Lawer dropped his bombs in three sticks, all of them falling across the target. The only opposition encountered was slight A.A. from MARTUBA village.</p> <p>Two more aircraft attacked dispersed aircraft on the landing ground and satellite at DENNA, Sgt. Barnes dropped three sticks across the landing ground at DENNA, but owing to weather conditions, no effects were observed. Sgt. Long attacked the same target, and started two large red fires - believed to be aircraft.</p> <p>The other aircraft, captain F/O. Tomkins, made three runs searching for the landing ground at DENNA, during the course of which his rear gunner, Sgt. Marusich, was badly wounded. His aircraft was damaged by hose-piping from mid-under to rear turret, and most of the fuselage was carried away. On the third run a longeron was badly damaged and the inter-communication was rendered unserviceable. He then decided to attack DENNA TOWN, but no results were observed.</p> <p>One aircraft, captain F/O. Wheeler, failed to return from this operation. The crew were:- F/O. Wheeler, P/O. Parsons, P/O. Peterson, Sgt. Hyatt, Sgt. Leitch, Sgt. Hutton.</p>		

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The Hutton family lived at 79 Garrets Green Lane, Birmingham until they emigrated in 1947. According to the ships passenger list William senior was a Sterotyper, Helena a Housewife and Iris was a Shorhand Typist.

UK, City and County Directories, 1766 - 1946	
Name:	William H Hutton
Street Address:	79 Garnett's Green la Sheldon
Publication Title:	1940 Kelly's Directory of Birmingham
County:	Warwickshire
Country:	England
Publication Year:	1940

Note: Address should read Garret's Green Lane



More info from Auntie Iris suggests that daughters Iris & Jean were 'G.I. Brides' and married brothers. Jean went to Canada first, was unhappy and came back to England but later returned to Canada. As William, Lena & Iris went over in 1947 it is logical to assume that Jean's first visit was prior to this.

Jean was born in 1927 and probably would not go to Canada alone – in fact a search of passenger lists for Jean Hutton between 1940-1950 did not produce any relevant results.

As we already know that Jean & Iris married brothers did Jean marry before emigrating? A search of marriages registered in Birmingham 1943 to 1947 produced this result...

Marriage record transcript

Civil registration event: Marriage

MarriageFinder™: Jean Hutton married Gordon W Simms ?

Name: HUTTON, Jean
Registration district: ? Birmingham
County: Warwickshire
Year of registration: 1945
Quarter of registration: Oct-Nov-Dec
Spouse's last name: Simms
Volume no: ? 6D
Page no: ? 754

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Registration district: Birmingham
County: Warwickshire
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...but was it our Jean Hutton? Another search of passenger lists provided the answer. An entry on the 'Canadian Wives Bureau - Civilian Repatriation Section' shows Jean Simms, whose husband was SW (Simms W.) of the Canadian Forces network (Cfn), was a passenger in 1946.

CANADIAN WIVES' BUREAU - CIVILIAN REPATRIATION SECTION					
DRAFT REPT/ SHEET NO: 1			MILITARY DISTRICT NO: PAGE NO:		
1/ 62					
REPT NO RANK & INTS	WIFE'S NAME	CHILDREN NAME	AGE	ADDRESS IN U.K.	ADDRESS IN CANADA
U2113 Cfn SW	SIMMS Jean	-	-	79 Garretts Green Lane Sheldon Birmingham	Mrs P Swarbrick (Aunt) 360 Esdras Pl Riverside Ont

The important bit is Jean's address – 79, Garretts Green Lane, Sheldon, Birmingham. This is the same address given by Will, Lena & Iris when they emigrated in 1947 and links Jean Simms to our Hutton family.

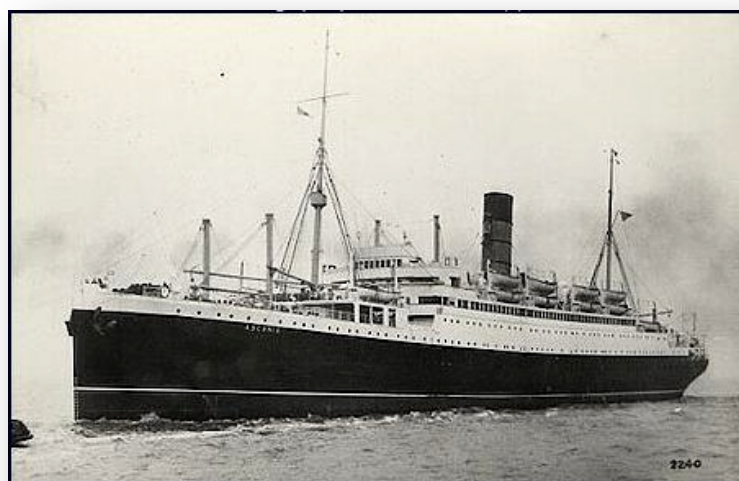
The passenger list also indicates that Jean was going to reside with an Aunt (hers or husbands?) in Ontario. The address is just on the Canadian side of the border from Detroit, USA.



Lena & William, with daughter Iris, also decided to emigrate to Canada. On 20 December 1947 the party sailed on board the Cunard ship 'Ascania' from Liverpool to Halifax, Canada.

passenger transcript details

Name:	Helena HUTTON	William HUTTON	Iris HUTTON
Date of departure:	20 December 1947	20 December 1947	20 December 1947
Port of departure:	Liverpool	Liverpool	Liverpool
Passenger destination port:	Halifax, Canada	Halifax, Canada	Halifax, Canada
Passenger destination:	Halifax, Canada	Halifax, Canada	Halifax, Canada
Date of Birth:	1896 (calculated from age)	1893 (calculated from age)	1922 (calculated from age)
Age:	51	54	25
Marital status:	Married	Married	
Sex:	Female	Male	Female
Occupation:	H Wife	Sterotyper	Shorthand Typist



S.S. Ascania

William & Lena returned to England in Dec 1957 for a 4-week vacation. They left New York aboard the RMS Queen Mary on 17 Dec 1957 and arrived at Southampton on 22nd December.

										Date of Arrival	22nd December, 1957
										Whence Arrived	NEW YORK
AND IRISH REPUBLICAN PASSENGERS LANDED AT THE PORT OF SOUTHAMPTON											
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)
Passenger	Category	Place of Birth	Age	Sex	Married or Single (Widowed or divorced or to be entered as single)	Address in the United Kingdom	Occupation (i.e. Profession, calling, or kind of work done rather than industry in which engaged)	Country of which a citizen as shown on passport. (If citizen of U.K. and colonies state also country of issue of passport)	Country of last permanent residence*	Country of intended future permanent residence*	If visiting the United Kingdom for 12 months or less
WOMER Peter D.	Tourist	NEW YORK	M 29 Sep 27	M		Foreign Office London S.W.1	H.M.ForeignS.	BRITISH	ENGLAND	GERMANY	1 M IT
GARDNER Peggy	"	"	F 16 Dec 31	M		"	Housewife 1 1	"	"	"	1 M IT
GRAY Thomas	"	"	M 31 Mar 29	M		143 Airbles St. Motherwell Leamshire Scotland 109 Manbury Street, London E.1	Bricklayer	"	SCOTLAND	U.S.A.	4 M V
GREEN Arthur	"	"	M 13 Jun 10	M		"	Salesman 2.0 1.5	"	U.S.A.	ENGLAND	
HOWARD Edna	"	"	F 10 Aug 33	M		"	Corsetiere	"	"	"	
HUTTON Jean O.	"	"	F 1 Mar 36	S		Sea Mount, Thomson Avenue, Johnstone, Renfrewshire, Scot.	Asst. Dispenser	"	SCOTLAND	SCOTLAND	
HATCH Claire	"	"	F 19 Mar 00	S		6 Dorchester Court, Leighton Court Road, Streatham S.W.16	Civil Servant	"	ENGLAND	ENGLAND	
HAGGIS Geoffrey H.	"	"	M 6 Sep 24	M		31 Swanston Drive, Edinburgh, Scotland	Lecturer 3	"	SCOTLAND	SCOTLAND	
HOARE Alice D.	"	"	F 29 Dec 01	S		2 Essex House St. Aubyns Gardens Hove 3 Sussex	Nil	"	ENGLAND	ENGLAND	
HUTTON William H.	"	"	M 16 Oct 93	M		c/o Robin 4 Irving Road, Elmdon Solihull Warwickshire	Stereotyper 4	CANADA	CANADA	CANADA	4 W V
HUTTON Helena	"	"	F 19 Mar 96	M		"	Housewife	"	"	"	4 W V



At the end of their vacation they sailed from Southampton aboard the Cunard Steam-ship Mauretania on 17th January, arriving at New York about 22nd January 1958.



OUT-GOING PASSENGERS - 1 - P.M. 1B.
First Schedule

Name of Ship MAURETANIA Date of Departure JANUARY 17th 1958

Owner or Agent THE CUNARD STEAM-SHIP CO. LTD. Where Bound NEW YORK

NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF BRITISH COMMONWEALTH AND IRISH REPUBLICAN PASSENGERS EMBARKED AT THE PORT OF SOUTHAMPTON

(1) Contract Ticket Number	(2) Names of Passengers (Surname first)	(3) Class of Travel	(4) Port at which Passengers have contracted to land	(5) Sex (M. or F.)	(6) Date of Birth			(7) Married or Single (widowed or divorced to be entered as single)	(8) Address in the United Kingdom	(9) Occupation (i.e., Profession, calling, or kind of work done rather than industry in which engaged)	(10) Country of which a citizen as shown on passport. (If citizen of U.K. and Colonies state also country of issue of passport)	(11) Country of last permanent residence*	(12) Country of intended future permanent residence*	
					Adults 12 years and over	Children between 1 and 12 years	Infants under 1 year							
TOURIST NEW YORK														
653898	ESTWICK CLOTILDA	"	"	F	5.3.20			S	Central Middx Hospital Ldn.	NURSE	04/4	BARBADOS	ENGLAND	BARBADOS
655806	EATON MARGARET	"	"	F	20.6.30			S	26 Links Rd Ashted Surrey	NURSE		U.K. ENGLAND	ENGLAND	BERMUDA
703794	ELDER GLADYS	"	"	F	26.10.23			M	242 Uxbridge Rd. Ldn. W.12.	HOUSEWIFE	92/10	U.K. ENGLAND	ENGLAND	U.S.A.
do	ELDER BERYL	"	"	F		10.5.47		S	-do-	SCHOLAR		U.K. ENGLAND	ENGLAND	U.S.A.
do	ELDER JEANNE	"	"	F		2.2.27		S	-do-	INFANT	20	U.K. ENGLAND	ENGLAND	U.S.A.
690033	GRIFFITH ELEANOR	"	"	F	13.2.31			S	Avon Wilts. The Manor House Bradford on	HORSE TRAINER		U.K. U.S.A.	U.S.A.	U.S.A.
656449	GREEN ELIZABETH	"	"	F	24.6.38			S	Fir Tree Cottage Peaslake Surrey S	TYPIST	22-23	U.K. ENGLAND	ENGLAND	CANADA
700657	HARRISON JAMES	"	"	M	19.12.06			M	121 Blake Ave. Berkings Essex	VILTER		U.K. ENGLAND	ENGLAND	U.S.A.
700658	HUTTON WILLIAM	"	"	M	16.10.23			M	4 Irwins Rd Bimdon Solihull	WATER. STENOGRAPHER		CANADA	CANADA	CANADA
do	HUTTON HELEN	"	"	F	16.10.23			M	-do-	HOUSEWIFE	9/2	CANADA	CANADA	CANADA

* If in the British Isles state whether England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland.

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At the moment that is about the sum total of our current knowledge on the family of Lena & Will Hutton – but more will surely be found.

PS: I seem to remember that Uncle Will, & possibly his son-in-law, worked in the car industry in Detroit and crossed into USA from his home to work.

Also, after Lena died in Canada I think that nana (Peggy Ward) showed me a memorial card for her burial and it contained 'Cypress' or 'Cedar' trees in the name – I think!

We have some photos from auntie Margaret...



Will & Lena – no place or date



A house in Canada – June 1987. Is it Lena's house or does it belong to Jean or Iris?



Lena Hutton (left) - assume other couple are Lena's daughter (Iris or Jean) & husband with possibly their grand-child (Photo: July 1987)

July 1987 - Lena on left with probably some family members.