

### Thomas Benbow

I am Irene Sheppard nee Benbow. Thomas Benbow's birth was found on the St David's Church of England registrar 4th January 1833. At his baptism which took place 19th August 1833.

My line is: -

William Benbow/ Rebecca Adcock,  
Thomas Benbow/Mary Brackstone,  
Edwin Benbow/Mary Gorrie,  
Mervin Benbow/Linda Thomas,  
William Benbow/Dorothy Guinea,  
Irene Benbow/Garry Sheppard.

Son of William Benbow and Rebecca Adcock

Thomas Benbow born 4th January 1833, found on St David's Church of England baptisms 19th August 1833.

Thomas relationship with Sarah Cook had one child -

1. William Benbow born 11th April 1855 at Myers Flat, Sandhurst. found on Victorian Births. Also shows a child Mary, she may be child of Susan Cook's.

Thomas returned to Snug with his son William, and lived in a defacto relationship with Mary Brackstone.

William junior Benbow had 4 children with Susan Williams (Frederick William Clifford, Bertram Francis Thomas, Adeline Louisa and Mervin Sarsfield Benbow) and 3 children with Evelyn Conn. (George Leonard, Eileen Mary and Allan Thomas Benbow)  
William died 29th August 1940 Pearcedale, Victoria, Australia.

Mary-Anne Brackstone came to Portland, Victoria, on the ship "Cairngorm" on the 5th September 1855. Parents James Brackstone and Ruth nee Parson. Information Shipping records.

Mary Brackstone married Robert Carrison 29th December 1855 at Presbyterian Manse Portland, Mary an 18 yr old servant from Melbourne Port, parents as above. Robert Carrison 24 year old labourer Norfolk now residing Bendigo. Information Marriages Victorian Marriages.

Robert Carrison died in Bendigo aged 78 in year 1908. Victorian deaths.

2nd child of Thomas Benbow with Mary Brackstone

2. Frederick Henry Benbow born 19th June 1857, Snug Tasmania. On this occasion Mary Brackstone is spelt as Birchell. Not the only mistake, he was also registered as a female. Thomas at this stage was a mariner. Proof of Birth taken from the Gorrie Family Bible.

Frederick Henry Benbow married Janet Gorrie 3/5/1882 at Heywood  
they had 11 children in Heywood and Wonthaggi areas (Mary Ethel, Frederick William, Janet Elizabeth, Andrew, Albert, Ernest Edward, Florence Helene, Naphemia Rita, Leslie Thomas, David and David's twin brother Benbow).  
Frederick died 3rd June 1915 at Heywood

3rd child of Thomas Benbow with Mary Brackstone

3. Caroline Benbow was born on the 25th March 1859. This time the informant was Constable Adam Leeson. Once again Brackstone is spelt wrong and appears as Mary Baxton. Thomas' occupation was a Sawyer.

Caroline Rebecca Benbow died on the 3rd of July 1861, in Collins Street, Hobart. age 2 yrs 5 months. and is buried beside grandmother Rebecca Adcock, in the Snug Cemetery. Thomas a mariner at this stage.

THOMAS BENBOW and MARY BRACKSTONE marry 9th of July 1861 at St David's Cathedral, Hobart Town, Tasmania. Thomas was 28yrs a bachelor and a mariner.

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4th child of Thomas Benbow with Mary Brackstone

4. Thomas James Benbow was born 25th August 1863, once again the constable misspelt Mary Brackstone and spelt it Brixham. Thomas senior was a Labourer at this time. Thomas junior was named just Thomas at birth, but latter used the title Thomas James Benbow.

Thomas Benbow married Harriet Aldridge 3rd September 1884 at Portland Victoria.

they had 6 children. (Arthur William, Edith Adeline, Lillian, Thomas Mervin, Rose and Mervin Albert Benbow)

Thomas later married Mary Victoria Brennan nee Graham. No Issue to second marriage

Thomas James Benbow died 27th November 1940 at Castlemaine, Victoria.

THOMAS & MARY BRACKSTONE MOVE STATES.

The family move to Portland, Victoria, and settled at Wattle Hill, just west of the township 1864.

5th child of Thomas Benbow with Mary Brackstone

5. Edwin James Benbow was born 28th September 1865, Wattle Hill, Portland

Edwin married Mary Gorrie 16th May 1885 at Portland (sister to Fred's wife)

they had 11 children. (May, Edwin Ernest, Alice Louisa, Charlotte, Mervin Richard, Leslie John, Evelyn Jessie, Gertrude Florence, Percy Allan, Charles Clifton and Reginald Keith Benbow)

Edwin died at Heywood, Victoria. 2nd July 1941.

6th child of Thomas Benbow with Mary Brackstone

6. Mervin Benbow was born 22nd of December 1867 at Wattle Hill, Portland

Mervin died Newport, Victoria as a result of a railway accident. 29th February 1892.

7th child of Thomas Benbow with Mary Brackstone

7. Walter Albert Benbow birth registered as Walter Benbow born 14th March 1870, Wattle Hill, Portland. Mother was registered as Mary Parsons (her mothers maiden name) instead of Brackstone. Later known as Albert Walter Benbow.

Walter married Henrietta Maude Presnal 9th October 1895, Fitzroy, Victoria

they had 4 children (Murial Rita, Veronica Iris, Florence Hilda and Lillian Nita Benbow)

Walter died 9th March 1939 Auburn, Victoria.

The family then moved to Homerton, near Heywood, Victoria.

8th child of Thomas Benbow with Mary Brackstone

8. Adeline Augusta Benbow born 28th April 1873, at Homerton, Victoria, Australia.

Adeline married William Ernest Bannister 4th October 1892 at Newport, Victoria then remarried John Baner 1902

Adeline and Bannister had 2 children (Ernest William and William Henry Bannister)

Adeline and Baner had 5 children (Alice Maud, Veronica Augusta, Irene Mary, John and Leonina Baner)

Adeline died June 1952 at Springvale, Victoria.

9th child of Thomas Benbow with Mary Brackstone

9. Alice Louisa Benbow was born 25th December 1875 also at Heywood.

Alice married Frederick William Johnson 16/12/1896

they had 3 children (Roy Albert, Alan Thomas and Frederick Archibald Johnson.)

Alice died 24th June 1960 at Preston, Victoria.

Thomas Benbow died 16th July 1889 and is buried in an unmarked grave in the Heywood /Drumburg Cemetery.

Mary Benbow nee Brackstone died in Wonthaggi, Victoria 1st July 1926 aged 90 years.

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Mary is buried in the Wonthaggi Cemetery.