



Clifford Frank Still Emigrates to New York

Clifford Frank Still was born in Great Wishford on the 29th January 1879, the son of John and Maria Still. His birth registered in the March Quarter of 1879 in the Wilton Registration District. He was baptised in the parish church on 13th April 1879.

In the 1881 Census at Shop Street, Wishford, the family are recorded as follows:

John Still, Head, 59, G. W. R. Station Master, born St. Giles, Middlesex; Maria Still, Wife, 45, born Halstock, Dorset; Fanny L., Daughter, 13, scholar, born Yetminster, Dorset; Henry L., Son, 11, scholar; Rose B., Daughter, 7, scholar; Clifford F., Son, 2. The youngest three children were all born in Wishford.

By the 1891 census. The family were listed as being:

John, Head, Widower, 70, Retired G. W. R. Station Master, born London, Middlesex; Georgina, Daughter, 26, born in Dorset; Rose B., Daughter, 17, born in Wiltshire; Clifford F., Son, 12, Scholar, born in Wiltshire.

On 5th August 1906, Clifford sailed into New York aboard the S.S. Umbria which sailed from Liverpool, UK on 28th July 1906. He was recorded as being a resident of New York and that his occupation was a steward.

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1910 census in New York, Manhattan,

Clifford Still, 32, married, occupation: Inspector at Customs House, living with his widowed mother-in law, Ellen Kenney, 60, (born in Ireland), (head of household), her two elder daughters, May, 35, and Annie, 30, and his wife Lillian, 25, (all born in New York).

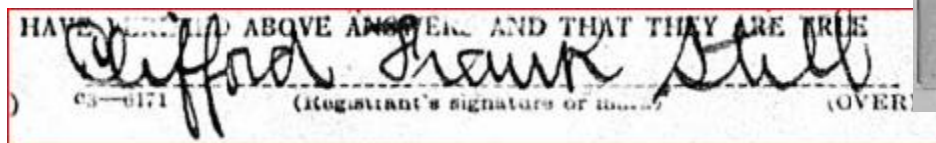
On 26th May 1912 Clifford and Lillian travelled to the UK aboard the SS. Carmania arriving via the Port of Liverpool

On 8th July 1912 once again Clifford travelled back to New York aboard the S.S. St. Louis having sailed from Southampton, UK on the 29th June 1912.

In the 1915 New York State Census the family are recorded at 7th Avenue, New York and comprise: Ellen Kenney, Head, 65, Housekeeper born in Ireland; Anne Kenney, Daughter, 35, Sales Person, born in the USA; Clifford F. Still, Son in law, 35, Chief Steward, born in England; Lillian G. Still, Daughter, 32, born in the USA; Frances W. Still, Grandchild, 2, born in the USA.

In a passport application of 1916 Clifford states that he emigrated to the USA in April 1896 having sailed from London aboard the S.S. Mississippi and he became a naturalized citizen on the 18th December 1905. His residence was recorded as 2409 7th Avenue, New York.

The physical description in his passport applications gives us the following details: Clifford was 6' 2½" tall; He had a high forehead; His eyes were blue; He had a prominent nose and a medium sized mouth; His chin was full; He was of fair complexion with brown hair and a full face.



In 1916 Clifford was appointed as Chief Steward aboard the S. S. Korea.

In the 1920 Census the family are living at 77th Street, New York. The family are recorded as:

Clifford F. Still, Head, 40, Port Steward for a Steamship Company, born in England; Lillian G., Wife, 39, born in New York; Virginia F., Daughter, 6, born in New York; Mary R., Daughter, 3 years 7 months, born in New York; Clifford F., Son, 1 year 8 months, born in New York; Ellen Kenney, Mother in Law, 72, Widow, born in Ireland; Annie F., Sister in law, 43, Sales lady in department store, born in New York.

The 1925 Census of New State records the family as living at 77th Street, Brooklyn, Kings, New York and was made up as:

Clifford F. Still, Head, 45, Assistant Superintendent..., born in England; Lillian G., Wife, 44, Housewife, born in the USA; Virginia F., Daughter, 12, Scholar, born in the USA; Clifford F., Son, 7, Scholar, born in the USA; Adrian, Son, 3, born in the USA; Anna F. Kenney, Sister in law, 46, Buyer of Goods, born in the USA; Ellen Kenney, Mother in Law, 76, Houseworker, born in Ireland.

The family are recorded as living on 77th Street, New York in the 1930 US Census. The family are:

Clifford F., Head, 48, Warehouse Superintendent, born in England; Lillian G., Wife, 47, born in New York; Virginia, Daughter, 16, born in New York, Clifford F., Jr., Son, 12, born in New York; Adrian, Son, 8, born in New York; Anna Kenney, Sister in Law, 51, Buyer for Dry Good House, born in New York.

Clifford Frank Still died aged 50 on the 23rd November 1930 in Kings, New York, USA

Photographs of Clifford Still courtesy of Jan Marazita



Clifford Still Aboard the S. S. Allianca in 1914



Clifford and Lilian Still in Bermuda 1914



Clifford, Lilian and daughter Virginia in Bermuda in 1914



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Clifford Still - date and location uncertain