

The Hudsons of Kenora

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The earliest Hudson ancestor of Kenora's Hudsons, found to date, is Henry and Ann Hudson of England. Henry was born in 1808, Ann possibly 1804. They immigrated to Canada around 1871. Henry died in April 1 1871, Ann in June 28, 1885 both in Elizabethtown, Ontario. They had 8 children.

Benjamin Hudson born July 18 1837 in Elizabesitytown, Ontario, died February 9 1900 in Leeds County Ontario

Thomas Hudson born March 14 1838 in Elizabethtown, Ontario, died July 2 1915 in Brockville, Ontario

Sarah Ann Hudson born 1840 in Elizabethtown, Ontario

Henry Hudson born 1842 in Elizabethtown Ontario

Mary Jane Hudson born 1843 in Elizabethtown died August 16 1930 in Hallecks, Ontario

Charlot Hudson born about 1847 in Elizabethtown, Ontario

John Hudson born July 9 1849 in Ontario died August 20 1905 in Brockville, Ontario

George Hudson born 1852 in Elizabethtown, Ontario died April 11, 1881 in Lyn, Ontario

Thomas Hudson, son of Henry and Ann Hudson born March 14 1838 in Elizabethtown, Ontario, married Julia A. Smith born July 29 1837. They had eight children,

Alby Hudson born 1859 in Upper Canada

George Albert Hudson born August 15 1859 in Lyn, Ontario, died May 4 1936 in Gananoque, Ontario

Laura E. Hudson born September 21 in Elizabeth, Ontario died February 15 1916 in Brockville, Ontario

Fred Albert Hudson born December 5 1863, in Elizabethtown, Ontario, died in St Boniface, Manitoba died May 7 1932

Frederick Albert Hudson born December 5 1863 in Lyn, Ontario, died May 7 1932 in St Boniface Manitoba

Frank Walter Hudson born May 3 1865 in Lyn, Ontario died in York, Ontario in 1953

Ernest Alfred Hudson born April 23 1867 in Lyn, Ontario died September 21 1939 in Gaanoque, Ontario.

Gordon Henry Hudson born April 4 1870 in Elizabethtown, Ontario, died February 27 1961 in Kenora.

Fred Albert Hudson, son of Thomas Hudson was born in Lyn, Ontario on December 5 1863. He arrived in Rat Portage in 1889. He worked for W. R. Gerrie for a few years before commencing his own firm with William Scott know as Scott and Hudson. That firm constructed many early buildings in the Kenora area including the Central School, the Commercial Hotel, the Methodist Church, the Imperial Bank and several large summer homes on the Lake. In 1915 a disasterous fire destroyed the building, equipment, tools and woodstock of the Scott and Hudson Building Company with insurance covering only about \$6000 of the estimated \$35000 loss. In 1916 Fred Hudson moved to Winnipeg for greater oppotunities.

Fred served as chief of the voluntary Fire Brigade in the 1900's until the 1915 fire. He was building inspector in 1909. He served on the Rat Portage Town Council from 1901 to 1904.

He was an avid spotsman. He was recognized with an honourary life membership as a pioneer curler. He was horseracer and owner of the famous horse known as "Chestnut Harry". He was the manager of the 1907 Stanley Cup Kenora Thistles. He rowed in the summer.

On March 21 1893 in Rat Portage he married Estella "Stella" May Fleming born August 17 1869 in Michigan, USA. They had two children,

Gordon Milford Hudson born January 5 1894 and Clifford Ross Hudson born July 9 1896 both born in Rat Portage. Fred died in Saint Boniface, May 7 1932. Stella died January 15 1931.

Gordon Henry Hudson, son of Thomas Hudson was born in Elizabethtown in April 4 1870. He was a carpenter by trade. He married Georgina Clarke born in Woodstock November 8 1873 in Woodstock, Ontario. They arrived in Rat Portage at least by 1893. They had 3 children, Cecil, Lotti and Harold.

Fred died in St Boniface May 7 1932.

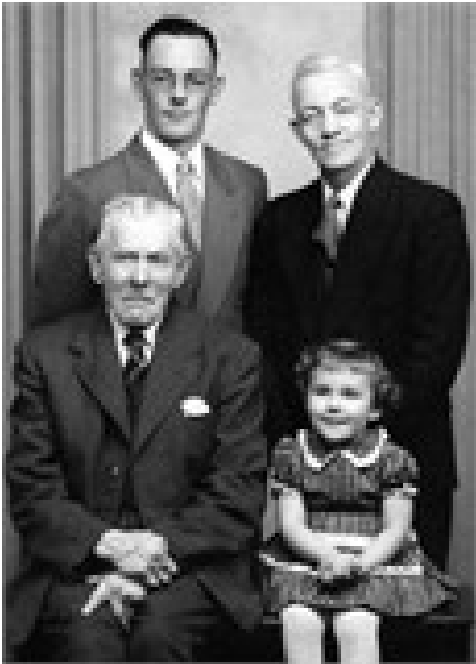
Gordon Henry Hudson, son of Thomas and Judith A. Smith, born April 4 1870 in Elizabethtown, Ontario. He married Georgina Clark, born November 8 1873 in Woodstock, Ontario, on June 22 1898 in Rat Portage. They had three children,

Cecil Thomas Hudson born February 23, 1899 in Rat Portage died March 16 1981 in Kenora.

Lotti Gertrude Hudson born on June 22, 1900 in Rat Portage died Jun 18, 1978 in Kenora.

Harold Clayton Hudson born on December 13, 1904 in Rat Portage, married Velma Neid, died Jun 13, 1946 in Los Angelus, California. They had two children.

Gordon's first wife died on December 11, 1925. Later on January 19 1933, he married Emily "Emma" Hindle, born on August 31 1905 in Chuesk, London, England. She died following a sudden illness just over a year latter on February 1 1934. Gordon died in Kenora on February 27 1961.



Gordon, Donald, Cecil and Carolyn Hudson - Photo curtesy of Helene Hudson Powers

Cecil Thomas Hudson, son of Gordon Henry Hudson and Rose Ann Clark was born in Rat Portage February 23 1899. He grew up and was educated in Rat Portage/Kenora. Cecil enlisted in Kenora with the 94th Batallion on March 17 1916 at 17 years and headed to Port Arthur in May for training and a month later sailed to England. In arriving in England he was transferred to the 17th Reserve Battalion on July 13th and to the 28th Batallion in August and sent to France. He was wounded on Christmas Day 1916. When his true age was discovered in May 1917 he was returned to England. In November 1918 he was returned rejoined the 28th Batallion and served there until his return to Canada in May 1919. He began employment with the Ontario Minesota Pulp and Paper Company Aug 24 1927 and was employed ther until his retirement on May 30 1966. He was a member of the

United Paper Worker Union, Local 1330.

On March 10 1924 in Kenora, he married Rose Ann Clarke, born August 31 1905 in Chuesk, London, England. They had 3 children Donald, Tom and Kathleen (Kay).



Donald Roy Hudson, son of Cecil Thomas Hudson and Rose Ann Clark, was born in Kenora on March 6 1925. He married his wife of 67 years Astrid in Kenora. They had 3 children, Carolyn, Bruce and Ken.

He served as a communications sergeant and bugler for the 116th Medium Battery of Kenora. He worked as an electrician in the Knora area and was then was hired as a telegrapher with CN-CP Telecommunications retiring in 1986.

He served for several years on the Kenora Public School Board. He served as well on the Bethesda Lutheran Church Council. He was an avid Ham radio operator, an avid member of the Lake of the Woods Aeromodelers and an avid curler.

Carolyn Hudson, daughter of Donald Roy and Astrid Hudson, a talented musician, taught at Lakewood Intermediate school for several years. She continue to serve as a volunteer band leader after she retired as a teacher. She joined the Kenora Rotary Club on April 8 2013.

Descendants of Henry Hudson

Generation 1

1. **HENRY¹ HUDSON** was born in 1808 in England. He died on Apr 01, 1871 in Elizabethtown, Ontario, Canada. He married **ANN**. She was born in 1804 in England. She died on Jun 28, 1885 in Elizabethtown, Ontario, Canada.

Henry Hudson and Ann had the following children:

- i. **BENJAMIN² HUDSON** was born on Jul 18, 1837 in Brockville, Ontario, Canada. He died on Feb 09, 1900 in Leeds, Ontario, Canada.
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 - ii. **THOMAS HUDSON** was born on Mar 14, 1838 in Elizabethtown Ontario, Canada. He died on Jul 02, 1915 in Brockville, Ontario, Canada. He married **JULIA A. SMITH**. She was born on Jul 29, 1837 in Elizabethtown Ontario, Canada. She died on Jul 16, 1901 in Gananoque, Ontario, Canada.
 - iii. **SARAH ANN HUDSON** was born in 1840 in Elizabethtown, Ontario, Canada. She died in Ontario Canada.
 - iv. **HENRY HUDSON** was born in 1842 in Elizabethtown, Ontario, Canada. He died in Ontario Canada.
 - v. **MARY JANE HUDSON** was born in 1843 in Hudson's Point, Brockvill, Ontario, Canada. She died on Aug 16, 1930 in Hallecks, Ontario, Canada.
 - vi. **CHARLOT HUDSON** was born about 1847 in Elizabethtown, Ontario, Canada. She died in Ontario Canada.
 - vii. **JOHN HUDSON** was born on Jul 09, 1849 in Ontario Canada. He died on Aug 20, 1905 in Brockville, Ontario, Canada.
 - viii. **GEORGE HUDSON** was born in 1852 in Elizabethtown, Ontario, Canada. He died on Apr 11, 1881 in Lyn, Ontario canada.

Generation 2

2. **THOMAS² HUDSON** (Henry¹) was born on Mar 14, 1838 in Elizabethtown Ontario, Canada. He died on Jul 02, 1915 in Brockville, Ontario, Canada. He married **JULIA A. SMITH**. She was born on Jul 29, 1837 in Elizabethtown Ontario, Canada. She died on Jul 16, 1901 in Gananoque, Ontario, Canada.

Thomas Hudson and Julia A. Smith had the following children:

- i. **ALBY³ HUDSON** was born in 1859 in Upper Canada.
 - ii. **GEORGE ALBERT HUDSON** was born on Aug 15, 1859 in Lyn, Ontario, Canada. He died on May 04, 1936 in Gananoque, Leeds, Ontario, Canada.
 - iii. **LAURA E. HUDSON** was born on Sep 21, 1862 in Elizabethtown, Ontario, Canada. She died on Feb 15, 1916 in Brockville, Ontario, Canada.
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 - iv. **FREDERICK ALBERT HUDSON** was born on Dec 05, 1863 in Lyn, Ontario canada. He died on May 07, 1932 in St Boniface, Manitoba, Canada. He married Estella May Fleming, daughter of Robert Fleming and Mary Jane Little, on Mar 21, 1893 in Rat Portage, Kenora, Ontario, Canada. She was born on Aug 17, 1869 in Michigan, USA (as on marriage cert). She died on Jan 15, 1931 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.
 - v. **FRANK WALTER HUDSON** was born on May 03, 1865 in Lyn, Ontario canada. He died in 1953 in York, Toronto, Ontario, Canada (Age: 88).
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 - vi. **ERNEST ALFRED HUDSON** was born on Apr 23, 1867 in Lyn, Ontario canada. He died on Sep 21, 1939 in Gananoque, Leeds, Ontario, Canada. He married Edith Sophia Orser on Sep 30, 1891 in Gananoque, Ontario, Canada. She was born on Oct 08, 1868 in Gananoque, Ontario. She died on Aug 30, 1965 in Kingston, Ontario.
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 - vii. **GORDON HENRY HUDSON** was born on Apr 04, 1870 in Elizabethtown, Leeds, Ontario, Canada. He died on Feb 27, 1961 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada (Age: 85). He married (1) **GEORGINA EMILY CLARK**, daughter of Phineas Hutchins Clark and Tryphena Mary Harper, on Jun 22, 1898 in Rat Portage, Kenora, Ontario, Canada.

Generation 2 (con't)

She was born on Nov 08, 1873 in Woodstock, Oxford, Ontario, Canada. She died on Dec 11, 1925 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada. He married (2) EMMA HINDLE on Jan 19, 1933 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada. She was born in 1884 in Sale, Manchester, England. She died on Feb 01, 1934 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada.

Generation 3

3. **FREDERICK ALBERT³ HUDSON** (Thomas², Henry¹) was born on Dec 05, 1863 in Lyn, Ontario Canada. He died on May 07, 1932 in St Boniface, Manitoba, Canada. He married Estella May Fleming, daughter of Robert Fleming and Mary Jane Little, on Mar 21, 1893 in Rat Portage, Kenora, Ontario, Canada. She was born on Aug 17, 1869 in Michigan, USA (as on marriage cert). She died on Jan 15, 1931 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

Frederick Albert Hudson and Estella May Fleming had the following children:

- i. **GORDON MILFORD⁴ HUDSON** was born on Jan 05, 1894 in Rat Portage (Town/Ville), Algoma, Ontario, Canada. He died on Jul 10, 1959 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada (from obit in Kenora Daily Miner and News July 13, 1959).
 - ii. **CLIFFORD ROSS HUDSON** was born on Jul 09, 1896 in Rat Portage, Kenora, Ontario, Canada. He died on Jul 10, 1959 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.
4. **ERNEST ALFRED³ HUDSON** (Thomas², Henry¹) was born on Apr 23, 1867 in Lyn, Ontario Canada. He died on Sep 21, 1939 in Gananoque, Leeds, Ontario, Canada. He married Edith Sophia Orser on Sep 30, 1891 in Gananoque, Ontario, Canada. She was born on Oct 08, 1868 in Gananoque, Ontario. She died on Aug 30, 1965 in Kingston, Ontario.

Ernest Alfred Hudson and Edith Sophia Orser had the following children:

- i. **CLARENCE ERNEST⁴ HUDSON** was born on Mar 13, 1892 in Gananoque, Ontario, Canada. He died on Aug 30, 1965 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
 - ii. **GERALD ORSER HUDSON** was born on Apr 24, 1898 in Gananoque, Ontario, Canada. He died on Jul 22, 1953 in Richmond, Virginia, USA.
 - iii. **LIVING HUDSON.**
5. **GORDON HENRY³ HUDSON** (Thomas², Henry¹) was born on Apr 04, 1870 in Elizabethtown, Leeds, Ontario, Canada. He died on Feb 27, 1961 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada (Age: 85). He married (1) **GEORGINA EMILY CLARK**, daughter of Phineas Hutchins Clark and Tryphena Mary Harper, on Jun 22, 1898 in Rat Portage, Kenora, Ontario, Canada. She was born on Nov 08, 1873 in Woodstock, Oxford, Ontario, Canada. She died on Dec 11, 1925 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada. He married (2) **EMMA HINDLE** on Jan 19, 1933 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada. She was born in 1884 in Sale, Manchester, England. She died on Feb 01, 1934 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada.

Gordon Henry Hudson and Georgina Emily Clark had the following children:

6. i. **CECIL THOMAS⁴ HUDSON** was born on Feb 23, 1899 in Rat Portage, Kenora, Ontario, Canada. He died on Mar 16, 1981 in Kenora, Rainy River, Ontario, Canada. He married Rose Ann Clark, daughter of Sydney James Clark and Gertrude Alice Hunt, on Mar 10, 1924 in Kenora District, Kenora, Ontario, Canada. She was born on Aug 31, 1905 in Chuesk, London, England. She died on Sep 29, 2003 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada.
7. ii. **LOTTI GERTRUDE HUDSON** was born on Jun 22, 1900 in Rat Portage, Kenora, Ontario, Canada. She died on Jun 18, 1978 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada. She married JOSEPH JOHN SAMPSON. He was born in 1892.
8. iii. **HAROLD CLAYTON HUDSON** was born on Dec 13, 1904 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada. He died on Jun 13, 1946 in Los Angeles, California, USA. He married VELMA NEID. She was born on Sep 06, 1905 in Beausejour, Manitoba, Canada. She died on Jan 15, 1994 in Glendale, Los Angeles, California, United States of America.

Generation 4

6. **CECIL THOMAS⁴ HUDSON** (Gordon Henry³, Thomas², Henry¹) was born on Feb 23, 1899 in Rat Portage, Kenora, Ontario, Canada. He died on Mar 16, 1981 in Kenora, Rainy River, Ontario,
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Generation 4 (con't)

Canada. He married Rose Ann Clark, daughter of Sydney James Clark and Gertrude Alice Hunt, on Mar 10, 1924 in Kenora District, Kenora, Ontario, Canada. She was born on Aug 31, 1905 in Chuesk, London, England. She died on Sep 29, 2003 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada.

Cecil Thomas Hudson and Rose Ann Clark had the following children:

- i. DONALD ROY⁵ HUDSON was born on Mar 06, 1925 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada. He died on Nov 10, 2015 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada. He married LIVING HANSEN.

Notes for Donald Roy Hudson:
Obituary

HUDSON, Donald Roy - Donald Roy Hudson passed away at Lake of the Woods District Hospital on November 10th, 2015, with his family at his side. Don was born in Kenora on March 6th, 1925. He was predeceased by his parents, Cecil and Rose Hudson, his uncle, Robert Clark, and his nephew, Leonard Peterson. Don is survived by his wife of 67 years, Astrid, his children Carolyn, Bruce, Ken (Joyce), and his grandson, Patrick. Also surviving are Don's brother Tom (Irene), nieces Barbara Hudson Voigt (Will) and Sheila Crowe (Dorn), sister Kay Baletki (George), nephew Jim, aunt Millie Clark, niece Marilyn Zroback (Ed), and numerous great-nieces and nephews. As a young man, Don served as a communications sergeant and bugler for the 116th Medium Battery of the Kenora militia. During his last few months in hospital and at Pinecrest, he loved hearing the commands and music of the Trooping the Colour parade; he knew all of the words to the traditional bagpipe tunes. In his early working days, Don was an electrician in the Kenora area, and then was hired as a telegrapher with CP Rail. He underwent training to become a microwave technician with CN-CP Telecommunications and retired from there in 1986. Ham radio (VE3DZJ) was Don's passion, and his children have fond memories of going to sleep listening to the cadence of CQ 75. He was also a member of the Lake of the Woods Aeromodelers and an avid curler. Don's strong sense of community responsibility was evident during his years of service on the Bethesda Lutheran Church Council and the Kenora Public School Board. The family would like to thank Dr. Melanie Kowal and the third floor nurses; words are insufficient to describe the quality of care and compassion they provided. The funeral service will be held at First Baptist Church, 510 Second St. South, on Saturday, November 14th at 2 p.m. A private family interment will take place at a later date. 12995370

- ii. TOM HUDSON. He married IRENE.
- iii. KATHLEEN HUDSON. She married GEORGE BALETKI.

7. **LOTTI GERTRUDE⁴ HUDSON** (Gordon Henry³, Thomas², Henry¹) was born on Jun 22, 1900 in Rat Portage, Kenora, Ontario, Canada. She died on Jun 18, 1978 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada. She married **JOSEPH JOHN SAMPSON**. He was born in 1892.

Joseph John Sampson and Lotti Gertrude Hudson had the following child:

- i. CHILD⁵ SAMPSON.

8. **HAROLD CLAYTON⁴ HUDSON** (Gordon Henry³, Thomas², Henry¹) was born on Dec 13, 1904 in Kenora, Ontario, Canada. He died on Jun 13, 1946 in Los Angeles, California, USA. He married **VELMA NEID**. She was born on Sep 06, 1905 in Beausejour, Manitoba, Canada. She died on Jan 15, 1994 in Glendale, Los Angeles, California, United States of America.

Harold Clayton Hudson and Velma Neid had the following children:

- i. CHILD⁵ HUDSON.
- ii. CHILD HUDSON.