

Descendants of Charles Edward Souther (Green Line)

Generation One



1. Charles Edward' **SOUTHER**; b. 16 Aug 1844 in Haverhill, Massachusetts;¹ m. Mary Arnold **BURGES**, daughter of Tristram **BURGES** Jr. and Sarah Williams **BLODGET**, 30 Jun 1877 in Massachusetts; d. 5 Jul 1918 in South Orange, Essex, New Jersey, at age 73.^{2,3} Charles was an only child. He attended public schools and fitted for college in the Haverhill High School. He entered Harvard University in 1861 and was graduated in the class of 1865 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

In Sep 1865 he went to New York City and taught for two years in the Junior Department of a private school of Richard P. **JENKS**. In Oct 1867 he entered Columbia Law School and graduated in 1869 with the degree of LL.B. Admitted to the New York Bar in Nov of 1869. Charles practiced Law in the office of *Rose and McDaniel*, 8-10 Pine Street. He was one of the earliest members of the New York Bar Association.

Charles was a communicant of the protestant Episcopal Church. A Coat of Arms and Family Crest of Charles Edward **SOUTHER** can be seen below.

From the *Sixth Report of the Secretary of the Class of 1865 of Harvard College*, June 1878 to June, 1885, (P.F. McBreen, New York, 1885), sent to me by Gregory Holt Laing of the Haverhill Public Library, the following passage is transcribed from p. 49.:

"**CHARLES EDWARD SOUTHER**. He has continued the practice of the law in New York City. Two members of his firm have died since the last Report and the place of business was changed in 1884, to the Equitable Building. The name of his firm is now *Wheeler and Souther*.

In 1880, Charles, his wife and daughter Marion were residing in New York City. Working for them and residing with them were Joseph **SHIELD**, 16, born in New York (parents born in Ireland), Mary **TULLY**, 30, born in Ireland, Hannah **MAUGIN**, 25, born in Ireland and Charlotte **ALTHOUSE**, 35, born in New York.

Three children, Marion Page, Eleanor Moore and Tristram Burges, were born respectively, 16 Mar 1879, 3 Jul 1880 and 11 Nov 1881.

Since 1882, he has resided at South Orange (Montrose), New Jersey.

He is a member of the Union League Club, the Down Town Association and the New England Society of New York City and of the New England Society and the Tennis Club of Orange, NJ.

¹Vital Records of Haverhill, Massachusetts to the end of the Year 1849, 1910, p. 282, Hawai'i State Library. Hereinafter cited as VR-Haverhill-1849.

²*Harvard University Anniversary Report*, 1st Anniversary Report - 25th of 1865, p. 46. Hereinafter cited as HUAR.

³Vital Records of Providence, Rhode Island, Volume 26, p. 281N Hereinafter cited as VR-Providence.

Address: 120 Broadway, New York City."

The last time Charles can be found listed in the *Harvard Alumni Directory* is 1915.

According to *Complete American Armoury and Blue Book*, combining 1903, 1907 and 1911-23 editions, John **MATTHEWS**, (Heraldic Publishing Company, Inc., New York, NY, 1965), p. 152, in custody of the Brooks Free Library, Harwich, Barnstable, MA, the following information listed under Charles Edward **SOUTHER** pertaining to the first Joseph **SOUTHER** in New England. "Joseph **SOUTHER** of Boston, nephew of Nathaniel **SOUTHER** [**Souter**], of Scrooby, Lincolnshire, ENGLAND, settled in New England, Clerk of Plymouth Colony, 1635-46". No sources were listed.



"His ancestors were of Puritan stock, the earliest one here being first clerk of Plymouth County and on his mother's side he was a direct descendant of Hannah **DUSTIN** of Indian warfare fame. After graduating from Harvard he taught school in New York for a time and then entered the law office of Vose and McDaniel in New York, at the same time taking his course and passing his examination for the New York Bar. He early became a partner in the firm and at the death of Mr. Vose it bore the name of *McDaniel, Lummus and Souther*. Not very long after this both Mr. McDaniel and Mr. Lummus died and Mr. **Souther** was again alone. He afterwards formed a partnership with an intimate friend, Mr. Ernest Gordon **Stedman**, who also died very suddenly. The constantly recurring mortality in his firm left the burden of great responsibilities on shoulders already too heavily weighted and about 1910 he left his office never to return to it."

Charles died of septic cerebral hemorrhage. He and his wife and daughter Jean are all buried in Swanpoint Cemetery in Providence, Providence, RI.

Mary Arnold **BURGES** was born on 11 Nov 1842 in Providence, Providence, Rhode Island.⁴ She died on 11 Nov 1918 in South Orange, Essex, New Jersey, at age 76.^{5,6}

The four known children of Charles Edward¹ **SOUTHER** and Mary Arnold **BURGES** were as follows:

- 2 i. Marion Page² **SOUTHER**, b. 16 Mar 1879 in New York City, New York; m. Thomas Churchill **WATKINS**.
- ii. Eleanor Moore **SOUTHER**; b. 3 Jul 1880 in South Orange, Essex, New Jersey;^{7,8} m. Albert H. **OLMSTEAD** 22 Oct 1933 in Maine.⁹ It is reported in the *11th Anniversary Report of the*

⁴William Richard Cutter, *New England Families: Genealogical and Memorial; A Record of the Achievement of Her People in the Making of Commonwealths and the Founding of a Nation*, Volume IV; (Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1913), Volume IV, p. 1949. Hereinafter cited as NEF-Cutter.

⁵VR-Providence, Volume 26, p. 2810.

⁶Cemetery Records, Rhode Island Cemetery Database, by John E. Sterling, (Rhode Island Historical Society, 1999) Hereinafter cited as CR.

⁷*Haverhill Public Library - Souther Manuscripts*. Hereinafter cited as HPL-Souther Manuscripts.

⁸Cutter, *NEF-Cutter*, Volume IV, p. 1949.

⁹ Maine Marriage Records, Maine State Archives, World Wide Web. Hereinafter cited as Web Page.

Harvard University Alumni Report in her father's biography that Eleanor married, but it does not say to whom. (According to the Maine State Archives (downloadable marriage database), I believe the marriage was to an Albert H. **OLMSTEAD** of Milo, Maine that took place on 22 Oct 1933. Eleanor was also of Milo, Maine at that time.

- 3 iii. Tristram Burges **SOUTHER**, b. 11 Nov 1881 in New York City, Kings, New York; m. Anna Stefani **HORNFECK**.
- iv. Jean Whittier **SOUTHER**; b. 17 Sep 1886 in South Orange, Essex, New Jersey;¹⁰ d. 6 Aug 1887 in Narraganset Pier, Providence, Providence, Rhode Island.^{11,12}

Generation Two

2. Marion Page² **SOUTHER** (*Charles Edward*¹); b. 16 Mar 1879 in New York City, New York;¹³ m. Thomas Churchill **WATKINS**, son of William Burmee **WATKINS** and Henrietta Elizabeth **PATTERSON**, 11 Nov 1902 in South Orange, New Jersey;¹⁴ d. Apr 1967 in Sea Girt, New Jersey, at age 88.¹⁵ Marion and Thomas were married at the Church of the Holy Communion.¹⁶

Thomas Churchill **WATKINS** was born on 28 Nov 1876 in Jersey City, New Jersey.¹⁷ He died in 1933. Thomas worked as a Stock Broker.

The four known children of Marion Page² **SOUTHER** and Thomas Churchill **WATKINS** all b. in South Orange, New Jersey, were as follows:

- i. Harry Ashton³ **WATKINS**; b. 7 Feb 1904.^{18,19}
- 4 ii. Marion Jean **WATKINS**, b. 28 Jun 1907; m. Frederick Harvey **LUM III**.
- iii. Mary Souther **WATKINS**; b. 20 May 1910;^{20,21} d. 27 Jan 1949 in San Diego County, California, at age 38.²² Mary was married to a Mr. **LLOYD**.
- iv. Elizabeth Pattison **WATKINS** is still living.

3. Tristram Burges² **SOUTHER** (*Charles Edward*¹); b. 11 Nov 1881 in New York City, Kings, New York;²³ m. Anna Stefani **HORNFECK** 11 Nov 1912 in Verona, Essex, New Jersey;²⁴ d. 31 Dec 1916 in Essex Fells, Essex,

¹⁰CR, Rhode Island Cemetery Database, by John E. Sterling, (Rhode Island Historical Society, 1999).

¹¹VR-Providence, Volume 17, p. 16.

¹²CR, Rhode Island Cemetery Database, by John E. Sterling, (Rhode Island Historical Society, 1999).

¹³*HPL-Souther Manuscripts*.

¹⁴Web Page, Watkins Family Tree Project.

¹⁵Ibid.

¹⁶Ibid.

¹⁷Ibid.

¹⁸Cutter, *NEF-Cutter*, Volume IV, p. 1949.

¹⁹Web Page, Watkins Family Tree Project.

²⁰Cutter, *NEF-Cutter*, Volume IV, p. 1949.

²¹Web Page, Watkins Family Tree Project.

²²Ibid., ancestry.com - California Deaths, 1940-1997.

²³Cutter, *NEF-Cutter*, Volume IV, p. 1949.

²⁴_____, *HUAR*, 25th Anniversary Report of 1904, p. 695.

New Jersey, at age 35.²⁵ Tristram prepared for college at Carteret Academy at Orange, NJ. He was a graduate of the 1904 class of Harvard University with a Bachelor of Arts degree. During college, he played on the Class Tennis, Football and Baseball teams and was Captain of the Varsity Hockey Team.

After graduation he went into the brokerage business in New York and in 1912 he became a member of a private banking firm.

In the fourth report of the *Harvard Alumni Directory*, Payson **DANA** wrote: "In 1916 he changed his residence from South Orange to Essex Fells. For several months before he died his health had not been good, so he took up golf, joining the Essex Fells Country Club in the hope that he might be benefited. He did not know that there was any trouble with his heart, but while skating on Verona Lake he was stricken with acute dilation of the heart and died instantly. He was particularly fond of skating and outdoor life, so his intimate friends felt that it was a fitting place from which to leave this earth."

Anna Stefani **HORNFECK** was born circa 1884.

The only known child of Tristram Burges² **SOUTHER** and Anna Stefani **HORNFECK** is:

- i. Honour³ **SOUTHER** is still living.

Generation Three

4. Marion Jean³ **WATKINS** (*Marion Page²SOUTHER, Charles Edward¹*); b. 28 Jun 1907 in South Orange, New Jersey;^{26,27} m. Frederick Harvey **LUM III**;²⁸ d. 1983 in Chatham, New Jersey.²⁹

Frederick Harvey **LUM III** was born in 1900 in Chatham, New Jersey.³⁰ He died in 1967 in Honolulu, Hawai'i.³¹

The two known children of Marion Jean³ **WATKINS** and Frederick Harvey **LUM III** were as follows:

- 5 i. Frederick Souther⁴ **LUM Sr.**, b. 10 Apr 1942; m. Barbara Ellen **CHRISTIANSEN**; m. Pat **SAWYER**; m. Sharon.
- ii. Letisha **LUM**.

Generation Four

5. Frederick Souther⁴ **LUM Sr.** (*Marion Jean³WATKINS, Marion Page²SOUTHER, Charles Edward¹*); b. 10 Apr 1942; m. Barbara Ellen **CHRISTIANSEN** 19 Jun 1965; m. Pat **SAWYER**;³² m. Sharon;³³ d. 1988.³⁴

²⁵Ibid., 25th Anniversary Report - 25th of 1904, p. 695.

²⁶Cutter, *NEF-Cutter*, Volume IV, p. 1949.

²⁷Web Page, Watkins Family Tree Project.

²⁸Ibid.

²⁹Ibid.

³⁰Ibid.

³¹Ibid.

³²Ibid.

³³Ibid.

³⁴Ibid.

Barbara Ellen **CHRISTIANSEN**. Daughter of William Edward Christiansen and Elizabeth Candee Bleecker.

The only known child of Frederick Souther^t **LUM Sr.** and Barbara Ellen **CHRISTIANSEN** is:

- i. Barbara Christina^s **LUM** is still living.

The only known child of Frederick Souther^t **LUM Sr.** and Pat **SAWYER** was:

- i. Patricia Jean^s **LUM**; b. circa Dec 1972.

The only known child of Frederick Souther^t **LUM Sr.** and Sharon is:

- i. Frederick Souther^s **LUM Jr.** is still living.