

—The amazing family trees of Arthur and Maggie—

M'LORD SCARGILL AND PHOEBE CRUST'S GRANDAUGHTER



WILLIAM SCARGILL JUNIOR
of Thorpe Stapleton
lands in Wakerley,
York, by his
brother, William.

Three generations of Robert Scargills.
The third Robert is mentioned in the
Bradfield parish register of 1568.

ROBERT SCARGILL
of Bradfield, a yeoman.

SIR WILLIAM SCARGILL

Knight, Lord Of Scargill, called William
Scargill senior. His son, Robert, was the
last of the direct male line.

Sir John and three Sir William Scargills.
Four generations of knights from Henry
IV to Henry VIII.

SIR WILLIAM SCARGILL

Knight, Lord Of Scargill, who fought in
Scottish and French wars for Edward III.

● ARTHUR Scargill,

the left-wing leader of
Britain's miners, has a
big secret — he is
descended from nobility.

And his biggest
opponent, Premier
Margaret Thatcher, has
a secret too. She comes
from a long line of
farm labourers, an Irish
washerwoman and a cer-
tain Phoebe Crust — her
Grandmother — from
Fishtoft Fen, Lincoln-
shire.

● The bizarre truth
about the ancestral
backgrounds of two of
the most famous names
in Britain was unearthed
by Giles Fielding of the
College Of Arms.

Fielding tracked down
the facts among thous-
ands of documents, parish



RICHARD

of Fishtoft, Lincolnshire.
Cottager.

ROBERT PHILLIPS

of Ringstead, Northamp-
tonshire, Road 'scavenger'.

JOHN ROBERTS

of Ringstead,
Northants.
Labourer.

JOHN ROBERTS

of Ringstead,
Northants.
Shoemaker.

SAMUEL CRUST

of Fishtoft West Fen,
Lincs (b1825). Cottager
and farmer.

THOMAS SMITH

Agricultural labourer. Died
before the birth of his
daughter, Ellen, in 1857.

WILLIAM WARD
of Wraggle, Lincs.
Farmer.

CHRISTOPHER
of Wyberton, Lincs. Agri-
cultural labourer.

RICHARD STEVENSON
of Wyberton, Lincs (b
1810). Agricultural lab-
ourer.

THOMAS SCARGILL

of Bradford (1632-1678). First member of the family to settle at Thornhill,

ROBERT SCARGILL (1660-1740)

RICHARD SCARGILL (1705-1775)

JOHN SCARGILL (1751-1832)

JOSEPH SCARGILL (1778-1850)

Two generations of weavers.

JOHN SCARGILL (1805-1871)

Farmer, married Elizabeth Jones in 1829.

ANN SCARGILL (b1826)

Weaver, married miner Henry Halstead.

GODFREY SCARGILL (1857-1892)

Illegitimate. Miner.

CLARA SCARGILL (b1867)

Velvet cutter, later married Joseph McQuillan, miner.

HAROLD SCARGILL (b1906)

Illegitimate. Miner. Married Alice Pickering in 1932.

Three generations of Lords Of Scargill—Sir William, Sir Warin and Sir William

WARIN de SCARGILL

Lord Of Scargill. He fathered a large family.

WARIN de SCARGILL

Lord Of Scargill who married Agnes, daughter of the Lord of Rokeby.

MILO de SCARGILL

Lord Of Scargill who fought in the Crusades.

WARIN de SCARGILL

Lord Of Scargill in the time of King Henry II. One of the king's inspectors who oversaw the building of Bowes Castle, Yorks.

records and country churchyards.

The hunt for Scargill's ancestors began in St Catherine's House, London, where the nation's register of births, deaths and marriages is kept.

He traced Scargill's great - great - grand - mother, but then the trail went cold.

The London records go back only to 1837. No national records were kept before then. Records were kept by the church and the judiciary.

● So the hunt switched to Wakefield, Yorkshire where the Scargills moved at the end of the 19th century.

Local records led to a Yorkshire knight, Sir Warin de Scargill, in the 12th century reign of Henry II.

Margaret Thatcher's background is far less exciting. Fielding spent a day in the churchyard at Ringstead, the parish near Kettering, Northants, where her ancestor lived.

He crawled through undergrowth, old grave-stones but found nothing

● The public records were more fruitful. Mrs Thatcher's family tree leads to a long line of shoemakers from Northamptonshire.

On her mother's side there are poor farmers and labourers from Lincolnshire.

Mail On Sunday

CATHERINE SELEWIN

of Kenmare, Co Kerry, Ireland (b 1811). A washerwoman of Ringstead after her husband's death.

LETITIA PHILLIPS

of Ringstead (b1835). Hair lacemaker and mother of six children.

BENJAMIN EBENEZER ROBERTS

of Ringstead (b1857). Shoemaker.

ELLEN SMITH

of Ringstead, Northants (b 1857). Married 1883. Had seven children.

PHOEBE CRUST

of Fishtoft Fen, Lincolnshire (b 1849). Married 1875, Boston, Lincs.

LUCY MOTLEY

of Leverton, Lincs.

ELIZA WARD DICKINSON

of Wrangle, Lincs (b 1826). Farmer's servant.

DANIEL STEPHENSON

of Wyberton, Lincs (b 1850). Cloakroom attendant at Grantham station, Lincs.

BEATRICE ETHEL STEPHENSON

of Grantham, Lincs (b 1888). Married 1917. Had two daughters, Muriel and Margaret Hilda.

ALFRED ROBERTS JP

of Ringstead (b1892). Grocer and mayor of Grantham, Lincs.

MARGARET THATCHER

nee ROBERTS (b 1925)

ARTHUR SCARGILL

(b 1938)