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FAMILY DIARY

One Branch of the Siamas Family Tree Diary

The Siamas family goes back to before the Greek Revolution. We start here with Nikos a.k.a. Samonikolakis born in 1820. And we end with George Siamas' grandkids almost two centuries later.

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Introduction

The Siamas family goes back to pre-revolution era. The first one known is Nikos, also known as Samonikolakis, who was born in 1820, and had two more brothers and at least one sister. They were Antonis; also known as Zarantonis, and George; also known as Sakarelos. Their sister was Basiliki, who got married, in the village of Ano Mpotin, to someone named Katsantonis.

Nikos married Tasoula Giannakopoulos from Vonorta and they had three children Kosta, Vasiliki and Helen. At a ripe old age, Nikos and Tasoula died within the same day.

Kostas was born in 1867 and got married to Dialeta, daughter of N. Pantelopoulos and Helen Dimitrakopoulos/Delis, and had three children, Alexandra, Theodoros, and Dimirtios. Vasiliki married Kosta Pitas also known as Kafetsokostas. And Helen married Andréa Kouromousi, also known as Matzantrias.

Alexandra, Kosta's, who was born in 1891, got married to Stavros Thomopoulos/Pasostavros and had four children, Vasiliki, Efthimios, Eugenia and Stayroula.

Vasiliki, Alexandra's daughter, married Apostolo Theodoropoulo and had two children, Tzony and Alexandra.

Efthimios, Alexandra's son, married Katerina Panayiotopoulos and had two children, Alexandra and Stavros.

(**Alexandra Thomopoulos**)

(**Stavros Thomopoulos**)

Eugenia, also Alexandra's daughter, married Peter Athanasopoulos, and had three daughters, Helen, Alexantra and Anna.

Stavroula, also Alexandra's daughter, married Christos Pagonis, and had one child George.

James K Siamas, born in 1894 in the village of Elefteriani, grew up there and left for America around the year 1911, give or take. He never got married but he had a noble life. He was well respected led a gentleman's life. He died in 1945, in New York City.

1. Theodoros K Siamas

Theodoros K Siamas, also known as Theodorakis, was born in 1897, and remained in the village where he married Vasiliki Christos Arvaniti; who was born in 1891. Theodoros was only 17 years old when he married Vasiliki, in the year 1914. A year later his first child was born,

Dialeta. Then followed 12 more children but only 9 survived pass infancy.



Among the nine that survived were: Dialeta (1915), Costas (1920), Nicolas (1922), Polycarpos (1924), Hrisoula (1926), Athanasios (1927), Hristos (1930), Dimitrios (1931), and the youngest named George (1933).

Those who did not survive were Dimitrios (1928) who died as an infant about 3 years old. And the other three died at birth.

Theodoros Siamas was left orphan as his mother died when he was only 6 years old. His sister Alexandra took care of the two younger brothers and their father. Under these circumstances, Theodoros was obligated to get married while he was still a boy, which he did in 1914, when he was only 17. Not too long after that he was drafted into the army and was send to Turkey, known at that time as Asia-minor, where his country was at war with the Turks.

While in the army he got developed diabetes and was admitted into the Hospital for more than 3 months. While there, he had the opportunity to help the sick people by following the Doctors on their rounds. As a result he acquired a great deal of knowledge about sicknesses and medicines. That knowledge he used when he came back to the village to help the Villagers whenever they got sick. He knew the healing power of

many herbs, for what illness each one of them was to be used and where to find them in the fields. He also knew to diagnose the various illnesses and prescribe the right course of action. In reality he was the doctor of the village and when a doctor came to see a sick person he would ask Theodoros, since he knew all the villagers, for the patient's medical history before he would diagnose him.

Theodoros died of cancer in the fall of 1961. Theodoros' wife, Vassiliki, daughter of Cristos Arvanitis and Yiannoulas Mparpayiani, was born in 1891 and was a very strong woman in body as well as in character. She was a beautiful woman, and the Villagers knew her as Mpelfo. She was a good wife and a marvelous mother, as she managed to raise 9 children besides those who died. It was tragic for her to go through the death of her son Polycarpos who died in the war in 1947, and also her husband who died in 1961. Her death came on July 17, 1970, shortly after seeing most of the family gathered in the Village at the festival of Ayia Kyriaki. That was the summer that her grandson Steve Stavros Siamas, son of her youngest son George, had any recollection of meeting her. He was 8 years old at the time.

2. Dialeta Siamas

Dialeta was born in 1915 and got married to Taxiarchis N. Gizas in 1941, who later became (agrofylakas) rural-police, looking after everything that happening in the perimeter of the village. They had two children. NICK And Kost/dina

Nick, born in 1942, and grew up in the village. Later on he managed to come to Canada and from there cross over to the U.S.A. where he got married to Ismirni Kokotas in 1968. He started to work with florists and later on he got his own flower shop in different places in N.Y area.

Nick and Ismini had three children; Dialeta; Paraskevi or Vivi and Taxiarchis.

Dialeta was born on Dec 21st 1970 in N.Y. she studied and became a manager in business. She got married to George Mavrolefteros from Cyprus who was studding in N.Y. and became Doctor in Psychology George was born in Cyprus on March 1st 1969.

The marriage took place in N.Y. on July 3rd 1994. The couple, after the marriage, left for Cyprus where they settle for good. Hey had three children, Micalis who was born on Sept. 26th 2001, Nicoleta, who born on July 20th 2003, and Marios who born on Dec. 8th 2006.

Paraskevi was born April 16th 1973 in N.Y. and she studied to become a Pharmacist. She got married to Panayioti Andreoy on Sept. 9th 1997. He was also from Cyprus and born on Sept. 11th 1972 in England. He studied economics and became a C.P.S Accountant. They had 6 children. Spiridoula, born 29/1/1999, Alexandros born 16/6/2000, Ismini born 31/8/2002, Pinelope born 19/9/2007, Anastasia born 8/8/2008, and Leonidas born 5/5/2010.

Taxiarchis was also born in N.Y. on 26/8/1975. After he finished High School he started to work in restaurants and clubs as a Waiter first but

soon after as a manager, where he made a career. He is still a bachelor hoping to get married one day.

Ntina was born August 27th 1953. In 1969 she came to N.Y. where her brother was and got married to George Haskaris from Managouli Fokidos who was already in N.Y. and they had three children. Antonia, Violeta and Dimitri.

Antonia was born March 2nd 1973. She got married to John Athanasopoulos from Agrinio and had two children; Vassilis and George.

Violeta was born June 30th 1975, and she is still a bachelor.

Dimitris was born June 13th 1978. He, too, is still a bachelor and is working in restaurants as a waiter.

3. Kostas Siamas

Kostas, the second child of Theodoros, was born in 1920 and died on May 25th 1999. He grew up with the family and when he became 20 he went to join the force of gendarmerie (Horofylaki).

When the War started in 1940 he went to Crete and fought against the Germans there, but soon he returned to the mainland and settled in the area of Kalavrita working as a security police. Before he left for Crete he had a quick marriage with Konstantina N Siamas (Plaktsos) in Aegio whom he divorced after he returned. During the civil war he fought the rebel forces all over Peloponnesus, and after the liberation he settled in Patras and remained in the forces until his retirement in 1964. In the meantime he married Polyxeni Nicolopoulos from Livartsi Kalabriton in 1946.

Xeni was born and grew up in the village of Livartsi, which is close to Kalavrita. As a teenager, she was taken by her godmother and stayed with her until she met Kosta in 1946. She helped her husband raise 6 children by working in her house as a dressmaker. She followed her family to Canada, where she went to work also as a dressmaker, but this time in the Factories.

They had two Sons and four beautiful daughters: Johnny, Theodoros, Vasiliki, Tasia, Helen and Dimitroula.

In 1965 the whole family immigrated to Montreal Canada where they settled. Kosta and his wife stayed in Canada until they got their pensions in 1985 and returned to Patras where they spent the remaining years of their life. Their deaths occurred within a year of each other. Xeni died first on the 31st of April 1998 and Kosta on May 5th the following year.

Johnny was born in 1946 in Patras; he went to Canada with the rest of the family in 1967. In 1970 he got married to Ellie E Kouromousis, a distant relative of the Siamas family, who at the time was living in N.Y. So Johnny moved to the U.S.A. and got settled in Bayside L.I. where they bought a beautiful house beside a big Park. He went into the Restaurant business and for many years he owned the Bell Dinner on Bell Blvd with

his brother-in-Law George Pitas. Johnny & Ellie had two children Ntino & Jennifer (Kosta & Dimitra)

Ntino was born in Nov. of 1972. He finished college and got a bachelors degree in history. He is involved in the restaurant and club business and he is still a bachelor in life.

Jennifer was born on March 7th 1976. She finished college and got married to John Sarantakis (who is in the construction business) on Sept. 27th 2003.

They had two children Johnny, who was born on June 18th 2007, and Elianna, who was born on March 3rd 2010

Theodoros was the second child of Kosta. He also born in Patras in 1948 and followed the family to Montreal in 1965. He got into restaurants and for a while he was doing very well, but something went wrong and he was forced to flee to the States, where he settled in Florida. He married Vicky Oikonomou and had two daughters Xenia &Tasia.

Xenia

Tasia

Bessie was the third child of the family. She was born in 1951 in Patras and when she came to Montreal married Spiro Tzortzato from Patras and had three children, Maik, Rania and Helen. They bought a House in Laval and went into the Restaurant business and they became sole owners of the VELLOΣ Pitsaria in Dorval.

Maik

Rania

Helen

Tasia was the fourth child of the family, born in Patras in 1953, and moved to Canada with the family. She married Savas Katravas and had three children, Anthoula, Maik, and Xenia. They did not stay together for long but split-up. Tasia managed to make it alone and brought her children up in a commendable way. Today she owns and operates a restaurant in Saint Anne de Bellevue

Anthoula was born on Sept. 2nd 1970 and she got married to Greg and had two children Anastasia and Stephanie

Maik was born on Dec. 6th 1972 and got married to Virginia

Xenia was born on Jan. 12th 1976 and got married on June 24th 2002. She had 2 children Melina and Dristan.

Lela (Helen) was the fifth child of the family. She was born on Jan. 27th 1954 and she married Stavros Kalogiannis (May 2nd 1951) and they had Katia & Philip.

Katia was born on June 3rd 1978 and she married Bharat Kumar and they had Athan on Sept. 9th 2009

Philip was born May 31st 1988

Dimitra (Toula) was the sixth and last child of the family. She followed the family to Canada but soon she moved back to Patras where she married George Kosmas, and settled there and bore two children, Ntino & Maria.

Ntino was born on May 8th 1984 in Patras.

Mapia was born on Jan. 4th 19

4. Nikos Siamas

Nikos Siamas was born in 1922 and grew up in the Village working in the fields or watching the flocks. When he became 20 years old it was in the middle of the resistance period and he joined the pro-Western group of E.D.E.S. stationed in the district of Arta. When later the other group of resistance E.L.A.S. being pro-communist attacked them he left and went to Patras where the German police arrested him together with his brothers Kostas and Athanasios. They were thrown into prison for no apparent reason except that they found in the wrong place in a wrong time. Kostas and Athanasios were released after a few days but he was not. In a week or so rumors went around the prison camp those who were left in would be executed soon. Then Nick took the initiative to take the risk and jump over the fences to safety. Two days later he heard the bad news, that his fellow prisoners were executed. Nick then went to Athens where he joined the force of gendarmerie (Rural Security Police). In his three year career with the force Nick fought all over Greece against the pro-communist revolutionary forces, escaping death many-many times. When the civil war was over in 1949, Nick came to Stamna Messologiou where he met his Wife Kassiani Zotou who he married and quitted the force. Then he went to Athens and started to work for the Government in the I.K.A. and settled there for good.

In 1950 he had his first child, whom he named Polykarpos in memory of our brother who was killed in the Army, while he was fighting the pro-communist rebels in 1947. Four years later he had Vasiliki or Bessie who was named after the Grand-Mother. In 1968 he went to Canada with his family but he didn't stay there for long he went back home alone because he was on a leave of absence from his work. When he got his pension from I.K.A. he went back to Montreal where he stayed for a short period and in 1972 took his wife and Bessie and return to Athens. He bought a house in Hlioupoli at Kristali 22 and started to work, again for the Government in a stock Library office.

Nick's health started to get bad in the meantime. He developed Diabetes and heart problems, which lead him to his death in 1987.

Nick's son Polykarpos stayed in Montreal when the rest of the family left for Greece and he started to work in Restaurants where he made a career. Later he went into his own business and finally became a co-owner of a well-known firm "The Moes" where he is still today. Carpo married two times. The first time he married Gina in 1974 and he got with her a son named Nick. They soon split up and he later married Carol with whom he didn't have any children. After 20 years of marriage they split-up also in 1999. Today he is living with his mother, who came back to Montreal and got her Old Age Canadian pension. Carpo bought a house in Laval at 1028 100th ave.

Nick's Daughter Bessie was born in 1954 and she got married Petro Petridis after she returned to Athens. They had two daughters Sylvia and Cushy (Kassiani). Bessie's husband was in household furniture business in Athens and for a while he was doing very well. But something went wrong and Petro had to abandon the business and flee to U.S.A. leaving behind his family. Bessie had to go through a very harsh period to bring up her family alone, but with the help of her parents she managed to educate her children.

Sylvia was born in 1976 and was a straight A student. When she finished High School in Athens she went to N.Y. (where her father was) to complete her studies in becoming a Radio and T.V reporter. In 2003 she started working as a Radio announcer in N.Y. for ANT-ENA. Finally she came back to Montreal and started working for a Greek TV Station.

Cushy was born in 1980 and she was also an excellent student. She studied hotel and business administration in Athens and now she works for a well-known Hotel. She got married to Costa Theodorakopoulos. And they had one child.

5. Polykarpos Siamas

Polykarpos was born in 1924 and grew up in the Village. When he was still 14 years old he went to work as a house –helper in Akrata Aegio and he stayed there for a few years. During the German occupation he came to the Village and worked in the fields together with the rest of the family. In March 1947 he was drafted to the Army and went to Tripoli for training. Soon after basic training he was sent to combat in the northern part of the country where intense fighting with the rebels was taking place. In pursuing the rebels his platoon fell into an ambush in the area of Grevena and he was hit by a fragment of grenade in his chest and died before reaching the Hospital. That was in July of 1947.

6. Hryssoula Siamas

Hryssoula Siamas was born in 1926, and grew up in the Village. In 1940 she went to Aegio and work as a house-helper for 2 or 3 years and came back to the Village, after Dialeta got married. During the harsh years of the occupation and the civil war that followed she was a great help to the big family. On Feb 24th 1952 she married Toni Katsoudas and she had three children, Peter, Effie and Toula. They all went to Montreal Canada in Feb. of 1960.



Tony and Hryssoula had to work hard to bring up their family, but they managed to get through the hardships. Tony went into the restaurants business and he became a very good cook. He worked in different places, and when his son Peter grew up they bought their own restaurants, that I will mention later in Peter's story. In the meantime Tony started to have heart problems and decided to retire and take it easy. Tony and Hryssoula were very fond of the Village and they decided to share their life between Montréal & Greece as much as they could. They renovated a small sale that Tony inherited from his parents in the Village and made it more comfortable by building an extra room to it. The two had a very happy life together and took every opportunity to enjoy it, but his heart grew wicker every day as he was an active man he couldn't relax as much as he ought to, especially taking care of his vine yard in the Village. So one early winter morning waking up in his small basement apartment, belonging to his daughter Effie, in 1286 Ethier, he went into the washroom and prepared himself as if going for a trip. When he finished he decide to have a cup of tea, but his time of living was over, he felt dizzy and sat on a chair and there he breathed his last. It was Jan 14th 1994 in the morning.

Hryssoula continued to go to the Village alone pretended to be with Tony on every trip.

Peter Katsoudas was born in the Village on May 30th 1953. When he came to Canada he was 7 years old. He finished school in St Leonard, where his family was living in their first house that they bought in 1965. While he was going to school he started to introduce himself to the restaurants business, where he later made his career. His first business was the Palais Mina Pitsaria on Jean-Talon East. Later on he had more restaurants but the one he was fond of was the Rib'n Reef on Decarie Blvd. It was in a bad situation when he bought it but he renovated it and it became an excellent high class restaurant; one of the best in Montreal. Peter is a very good operator and if the business is successful it is because of him. Later on he managed to buy the property and improve his business even more.

Peter got married for the first time in 1976 on the 30th of May to the beautiful Tina and he had one Son with her; Antoni, born in Sept. of 1982. They didn't stay together for long due to a different life style. They split up amicably in 1984 and remained friends ever since. Tina kept the child but Peter has a much-closed relationship with Antoni.

In 1992 Peter got married again with Xrysanthi, daughter of Paul Sklavonakis and they stayed together for 10 years, and then they split up in Aug. of 2002

Effie Katsoudas was born on July 25th 1955 and got married to John Koliass, on Sept. 11th 1976. John Koliass was born in Patras on Jan. 1st 1955? John got into the painting business in Montréal and became financially independent by building up his company to have more than 60 employees in a very short time. Effie & John had two Sons. Spiro was born on May 18th 1980 and Antoni on Aug. 16th 1983.

Spiro Koliass is working today in his family business and he is not married yet.

Antony Koliass is also working in his family business, and he just married to Elemi Gogas.

Dimitra Katsoudas or Toula was born on Dec. 26th 1956 and got married to Athanasios Barelakos from Kalamata on Feb. 17th 1973 in Montreal. Tammy got into the restaurant business also and he was doing well. They had three children Nicoleta, Helen and George. Later on they decided to return to Greece and settle in Kalamata in the early 1980s. At the beginning they were involved in retail stores, but later on in restaurants. They stayed intact for a period of ten years and then they split up. Tammy stayed in Kalamata opening a night lounge and Toula returned to Montreal where she works.

Nicoleta Varelas was born on Nov. 24th 1973 in Montreal and followed the family to Greece where she finishes High School and soon after she got married to Panayiotis Kanalopitis on August 28th 1993 who got involve in Garage business. They had two children, Theodoros who was born on Sept. 26th 1994 and Thanasis who was born on March 16th 1998.

Helen Varelas was born on the 28th of April 1975 in Montreal and moved to Greece with the family in 1982. After she finished school she got married to Aris Christofotou whose family was operating a super market store in the center of the City. She and Aris had one daughter born Dec. 15th 1994 and given the name of Lamprini. Helen and Aris got divorced a few years later, and she returned to Montreal where she tries to make a living.

George Varelas was born on March 8th 1978 in Montreal. He followed the family to Greece and get involved in the restaurant business. He married Dimitra and had two children, Thanasis who born on July 10th 2009 and Angelo who was born on July 31st 2012.

7. Athanasios Siamas

Athanasios Siamas was born in 1927 and grew up in the Village. In 1939 went to Seliana, a small Village in between the road from Akrata to Kalavrita. He stayed there for about a Year working as house helper. In oct. 28/ 1940 he came to Selianitika, near the city Aigio where he worked for a while in the house of Iakovos. By the end of the Year he moved to Aigio with Hrisoula (sister) and worked for Mr. Papadimitriou as a factory helper, while Hrisoula worked in the house. They stayed there for almost two Years and then he left for Patras joining his brother Kostas where they both worked as peddlers. In 1943 they were captured by the Germans and put to jail for two months. In the spring of 1944 he came to the Village and founded his family in a despaired situation. His father was pressured by the communists to choice between going to exile or join their forces. In that critical moment Athanasios decided to help the family by joining them although he was only 17 years old. First he took part in the battle against Nafpactos and then moved on towards Athens in the fall of 1944. In Dec. 1944 the crisis was eased and he was forced to follow the communist as they moved towards the north with the intent to come again. On their way to the north Tammy managed to escape and he came to the Village where he joined his family for a while. Later he left again and went to Patras where he worked in different jobs including that of selling ice cream in the streets of the city. In 1946 he came back to the Village where he occupied himself with, partly taking care of the Caffeneio and partly looking after the family's fields. On Dec. 8th 1950 he got married to Eustathia N. Panayiotopoulos and they had three children: Bessie, Georgia and Theodoros.

Stathoula was born and grew up in the village. She was a very hard worker in all her life. She was a good mother and main helper to the family's wealth. Her children should be very proud of her. Her death came unexpectedly in the morning of March 2nd 2005.

In 1957 Tammy went to Montreal Canada and soon after the whole family followed him. In Montreal he occupied himself with the restaurant business together with his brother George, starting with the

Stadium rest. He went on to Place Cherrier and later on by himself he open up one at St.Laurent and Cremazie, and after that the Marinella Pizza in Duverne.

Finally he retired in 1982 and soon after he left for Greece where he bought a farm in Platanitis and built a beautiful Villa in the slopes of a hill and facing the open sea about 200 meters away.

His children came to Canada very young and all got educated in Montreal.

Bessie Siamas was born in the Village on Jan. 4th 1951. When she finished school she met her future husband Kyriakos Petratos from the area of Sparta, whose father was also in Restaurant business. They got married at Montreal on June 12th 1971 and had two beautiful daughters Alexia who was born on Feb. 19th 1977, and Stephania who was born on Jan. 15th 1979.

Bessie and Kyriakos left Montreal and went to Detroit where he became partners with his father in a big restaurant where they were very successful. In a few years he decided to move southward and went to Daytona Beach where he opened another Restaurant. When their children finished school they got tired of the sunny weather and they set out for the north towards Dover N.J. where Bessie's brother Terry was living.

Alexia Petrakos was born on Feb. 19th 1977 and when she finished her schooling years she got married to William Bell on May 27th 2001 and they had a son who they named Jeremiah.

Stephany Petrakos was born on Jan.15th 1979 and got an education in fine arts. She got married to Christian Bermudez on July 4th 2009 and they have a daughter named Efstathia.

Georgia Siamas was born on the 23rd of Feb. 1953. She followed the family up until she met Dimitrios Stavropoulos, who was graduating from Concordia University as an engineer. They got married on June 1st

1974. They remained in Montreal for a while and had two children Angie (Stavpoula) who was born on Oct. 17th 1975 and Bill (Vassilis) who was born on Feb. 20th 1978.

Georgia and Jimmy went back to Greece soon after Jimmy took his diploma in engineering and they settle in Athens where Jimmy opened his Owen office and started to built houses and buildings. Today he is considered to be a well-established architect in the area of Ilioupolis where he is living. Their children have completed their education and are settled in Athens where Bill is following his father's business as an engineer also.

Angie got married to Nick Kappos and they had two children Antoni and Victoria.

Theodoros Siamas was born in the village on June 29th 1954. He grew up in Montréal where he finished his college education. He spent some time helping his father in the restaurants until he met Nicole Mourelatos whom he married in Aug. 16th 1975. Nicole was born on Sept. 4th 1953. They had two children Athanasios and Eugenia

Athanasios Siamas son of Theodoros and Nicole was born on May 2nd 1980 and got married to Efthimia Demas on July 6th 2013.

Eugenia Siamas was born on Sept. 6th 1983 and she is married on Sept. 28th 2013 to Braian Haddad.

Theodoros, after he finished University and got married with Nicole, moved to New Jersey where Nicole started to work for a well known Pharmaceutical company and Theodoros got involved in Insurances. They were both very successful and bought a mansion in the city of Dover, where they live today.

8. Christos Siamas

Christos was born in 1930 and grew up in the Village. For a while he went to Selianitika as a domestic helper to an elderly couple, but soon after the War started he came back to the Village. He spent his teen-years helping the family going through the difficulties of the period and in 1952 he went to serve in the police force. In 1955 he quitted the force and came back to the Village where he stayed for a while helping the family. In 1957 he went to Canada and for a few years he worked there in restaurants. In 1960 he went to N.Y. where he met and married Maria Sitakopoulos, who was born in Nafpactos and temporarily, living in N.Y. with her father. He stayed in N.Y. for a few years working in restaurants and Hotels as a waiter and they had three children, Theodoros, Helen and Spiros. They returned to Greece in 1967 and built a beautiful home facing the Grimbovo beach. In 1973 they went to Florida for a while where brother George bought a Cafeteria and helped him for a while, they returned to Nafpactos in 1975 and settled there for good. Marie was an ambitious woman and she liked everything to be perfect in her house and she tried hard to accomplish it.

Theodoros was born in N.Y. on Apr. 18th 1966. He was educated in aeronautical engineering and when he settled in Greece he was hired by a company to work in Tanagra Biotias. Later he was transferred to Araxos where he is now. He got married to a beautiful young Lawyer Olga, on Nov. 14th 1978, who is the Daughter of George and Nana Faltsettos from Skala Nafpactias who is presently president efeton (Efetis is a judge of court of appeal). Theodoros and Olga had three children in one shot, triplets, in 2009: George, Anastasia and Marianne.

Helen was born in N.Y. in 1962 and moved to Greece in 1969 together with the rest of the family and settled in Nafpactos. She married Apostoli Papavlahopoulo who was operating a Restaurant in the area of Gribovo. They had a beautiful daughter Panagiota in 1992.

Spyros was born in Nafpactos in 1972. He spent some time in U.S.A. and got educated in Hotel and Restaurant Management. He married Panagiota, daughter of Paraskevi and Athanasios Kouriala from Nafpactos and had a son Hristos in 1998 and Maria in 2004.

Spiros is settled now in Nafpactos where he is operating a small but quite business, a type of kindergarten.

9. Dimitrios Siamas

Dimitrios was born in 1931 and grew up in the Village. He also went as a domestic helper to Drapanos, where he stayed a few years, and he came back to the Village with the break of the War. In the Village he helped the family in everything and everywhere he was needed and when everyone else left for Canada by the end of the Fifties, he stayed and took care of the aging parents. He married Katerina Koutsogianni from Delga in 1958 and he had with her four children, all borne in the Village. They were Theodoros, Antonia, Polykarpos and Panagiotis. Dimitris kept the store running for a few more years, but it was hard to make a living out of it, because the Villagers were leaving and the Villages becoming empty and desolate. By the middle of the 60's it was apparent that he couldn't support his family and decided to take them and go to the U.S.A. in 1967 where brother Christos was. Katerina was born and grew up in the village of Delga, not too far from our village. She is a very good wife and mother but better as grandmother; she used to make her own bread till recently. I do not remember seeing her mad or being angry in anything but always calm and smilly. May God bless her!

Theodoros or Lakis was born on the 6th of March, 1959. He grew up in New York in the district of Flushing on Northern Blvd. And he went through very hard times until he manage to learn the skill of working with aluminum. He started to work with it and he made it on his own. Later on he got married to Karen, but they split up a few years later without having any children. Oct. 1st, 2004, he got married to Bessie.

Antonia was born in the village on May the 3rd, 1961. She got married to Bill Siamas/Sakarelos, a distant relative of the family with whom she had two children, John & Katerina. A few years later they split up and Antonia got married again with Karmelo who was in the restaurants and she had two more children with him, Alexia and Mike.

John was born on May the 30th, 1980. He married Brenda and had one daughter, Katerina.

Katerina was born on March 10, 1983. She became a Doctor.

Alexia was born on March 12, 1996

Mike was born on May 9, 1998.

Polykarpos was born on Sept. 4, 1964. He is working as manager in big Co. in N.Y. He got married to Stacy and they had two children, Katerina who born on Sept. 9th 2009, and Dimitra who born on July 3rd 2010

Panagiotis was born on May 30th 1961 and he married Denise with whom they had two children. Dimitri who born on March 1st 1999 and Nick who was born on July 10th 2001.

10. George Siamas

George Siamas is the one who wrote most of this Siamas Family Tree Diary's biography. He has also published another book about the Family's Roots and of the whole Village written in Greek, and also translated but as of yet not published in English.



George was born in late November in the year 1933, and grew up in the Village during a bad period of World War 2 and the following civil upheaval. He had a hard time going to school because there were no regular teachers, but he managed to get some education through private tutors such as Dimitrios Pexos and Antonis Panayiotopoulos. His only regular teacher, Vassilis Gyftopoulos, was the one who gave him the pass to go to High School in Nafpaktos in the year 1946-47. He finished High School in

1953 and went to Athens to prepare himself to go to Military Academy S.S.E.. While in Athens he worked in a leather factory in the district of Rouf and at the same time, at night, he was attending a preparation school. In the summer of 1954 he took the test and he entered the school in September. Before Christmas he got sick from pleurisy, and took a leave of absence for two years, but in the mean time he got engaged to Xenia Adamopoulos who was leaving for Canada in March of 1956. In November of the same year, he went to Montreal and got married with Xenia on Dec. 8th. They had two children, Bessie (Vassiliki) and Steve (Stavros).

George was the second person from the Village who opened the way for many people to go to Canada.



First he brought over his brothers Christos and then Athanasios (a.k.a. Tommy) and his brother-in-law Tony Katsoudas (Hrysoula's husband). They brought their families and the relatives and soon the numbers grew.

For a couple of years, George worked as a bus boy in a Cafeteria and later as waiter in the Windsor Hotel. In 1959 he went into business with Costa Anagno as partner, when he bought the Stadium restaurant. Costa Anagno was his "Koumparo". But soon after Costa left and George took his brother Tommy as partner. Later on they opened another restaurant on Park Lafontain "The Place Charier Restaurant". After that George opened the CURB-King Restaurant on Decarie Blvd in which he took as his partner his friend and brother-in-law Nick Gizas.



In 1968 he opened the Dollard Pizza on Sources Blvd in Dollard des Ormeaux.

In 1972 he went to Florida and bought a Cafeteria in Fort Pierce, bringing with him two of his brothers, Dimitrios from New York and Christos who came back from Greece. They stayed in Florida until 1975 when they sold the business and each one went back to where they came from.

George returned to Montreal where he bought the restaurant Dairy Belle, in Lachute Quebec.

In 1984 he moved to New York where his son Steve was going to University. He stayed there for a couple years and returned to Montreal where he bought another restaurant in the town of Annunciation, 175 km north of Montreal. He kept that business for a couple of years and left it to his son-in-law Anesti Mavridis. That was the last business George owned. He went into retirement and shared his time between Greece and Montreal.

In 1984 he moved all his furniture to Nafpaktos in order to stay there for good. Instead he ended up going there for the summer only and coming back to Montreal for the rest of the years. He did this every year ever since then.

George's wife, Xenia, died on November 27th 2008 after having had a couple of operations.

Bessie Siamas was born in Montreal on April 30, 1960. She went to Dawson College in Montreal and was planning to go on into chemistry but she got tired and decided to wait for a while. In the mean time she got married to Anesti Mavridis with whom she had John on February 15, 1985 and Anita on August 13, 1987.

Anesti was a good man but he grew up in a different environment from Bessie. Their characters would clash and they split up after 6 years of marriage. Bessie kept custody of the kids and Anesti was helping her with child support until they grew up. Bessie got married again in 1992 with Jean Leprohon with whom she had Stephanie on November 11, 1993.

Jean was born in Montreal on February 3, 1959 to French parents. His marriage to Bessie was his second one as was Bessie's. He had a Son with his first wife, named Michel. Michel was born on November 13, 1980 and lived with his mother who also got re-married. Jean worked for the City of Kirkland for more than 15 years but with the annexation and the unification of the Municipalities (forced merger) into the Mega City of Montreal, he became an employee of the City of Montreal.

John Mavridis was born in Montreal on Febr.15/1985

Anita Mavridis was born on Aug. 13, 1987.

Stephanie Leprohon was born on Nov. 11, 1993.

Steve Stavros Siamas was born on November 2, 1961 and grew up in Montreal. He finished Vanier College in 1982 and went to complete his education in New York where he got his Bachelor of Science in Architecture.

Steve moved to Florida for 7 years where he picked up his skills in computers. Then, in 1992, he moved back to Montreal where he met and married Shirley Maccarone on July 1st, 2006.

Shirley was born in Montreal on May 10, 1965 to Ledwine Benoit from New Brunswick and was given up for adoption to Alfred Maccarone.

Steve became step father to Shirley's daughter, Victoria born May 28, 1996, from a previous marriage, on the "South Shore" and a couple of years later, on April 25th, 2008, Steve and Shirley had a son and named him George Alfred Brady Siamas.

In the spring of 2011, Steve and his family moved to Kingston, Ontario. Steve continued his career in the tech industry and Shirley pursued a career in insurance.

Victoria McGuigan was born on May 28, 1996

George Alfred Brady Siamas was born on April 25th, 2008

