# **Edward Keith**

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<b>Sir Edward Keith</b> (died bef. 1351) was a Scottish nobleman and a hereditary Great Marischal of Scotland.	Sir Edward Keith Great Marischal of Scotland	
	Spouse(s)	Isabella de Synton Christian Menteith
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# Life

Sir Edward Keith was the son of William de Keith (died c. 1293) and Barbara de Seaton, daughter of Adam de Seaton.<sup>[1]</sup> In 1328 he received a charter to the lands of Kelly from King Robert the Bruce, witnessed by his brother Robert II Keith, Marischal of Scotland.<sup>[2]</sup> Neither he nor his brother Robert were at the Battle of Halidon Hill but his son William, fighting under Sir Archibald Douglas was taken prisoner there.<sup>[2]</sup> He inherited the hereditary sheriffdom of Selkirk through his first wife, Isabella de Synton.<sup>[2]</sup> Sir Edward Keith died before 1351 and succeeded by his son William.<sup>[3]</sup>

## Family

Sir Edward Keith married first, before July 1305, Isabella de Synton, <sup>[3]</sup> daughter of Alexander de Synton.<sup>[2]</sup> Together they had:

- William Keith, Marischal of Scotland, succeeded his father as Great Marischal of Scotland.<sup>[2]</sup>
- John Keith, who married (with a dispensation dated 12 March 1368/9) Mariota de Cheyne, daughter of Reginald de Cheyne.<sup>[4]</sup>
- Catherine, who married Alexander Barclay and were the ancestors of the Barclays of Ury.<sup>[5]</sup>

He married secondly, Christian Menteith, daughter of Sir John de Menteith, Lord of Arran and his wife Ellen of Mar. They had a daughter:

 Janet, who married first, Sir David Barclay of Brechin.<sup>[6]</sup> She married secondly, before 13 April 1370, Sir Thomas Erskine of Erskine.<sup>[a][5]</sup>

## Notes

a. ^ It was through this marriage that the son of Janet and Thomas, Robert Erskine, 1st Lord Erskine, claimed the Earldom of Mar making Janet the link between the ancient Earls of Mar and the modern Earls of Mar. See: Complete Peerage, Vol. VIII, p. 400-401; Scots Peerage, Vol V. pp. 598-602; Scots Peerage, Vol VI, p. 35.

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Clan Keith

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