

**NAME:** SPENCE, James Senior  
(Spense)

**PARISH:** Birsay,  
Orkney (A.16/33)

**ENTERED SERVICE:** 1773

**DATES:** b.ca.1754  
d.1795

Appointments & Service

Outfit Year*	Position	Post	District	HBCA Reference
1773 - 1786	Labourer <sup>+</sup>	Inland	York Factory	A.16/32,fo.134;A.16/33,fo.46;A.30/1-3; A.32/1,fo.90,156;A.32/4,fo.148
1786 - 1795	Steersman	Inland	York Factory	A.30/3-7
1793 - 1795	In charge	Buckingham House		B.60/a/1,fo.6d
1795, late October	fell sick			B.24/a/3,fo.1
1795, 27 November	died at Buckingham House, in present-day Alberta			A.30/7
1795, 29 November	buried			B.24/a/3,fo.2d
1796, 25 November	will (dated 6 November 1795) proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury			HBR, Vol.XXVI, p.17n A.36/12 fo. 224-225 OS

<sup>+</sup>"a fine fellow and a good canoe man"

Wife: Nostisho (Nestichio), mixed blood daughter of Isaac Batt (A.36/12 (letters of administration))

Children: James, Andrew, George, Margareth (Peggy) (A.36/1a,fos.18d-19; A.36/12 (letters of administration)  
(A. 36/12 fo. 224-225 OS Map Cabinets)



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