

## **Clan GEMMELL**

ARMS CREST MOTTO

Silver with a red chevron between three hearts joined by a chain.

Not available

None

GEMMELL, GEMMILL, GAMMILL, GEMELL, GEMMEL, GEMMIL. From ME. *Garnel.*, 'the old one,' a common personal name, Latinized *CarneUm*. In Scotland it was a not uncommon name in the southern counties, especially in Ayrshire. Gamel or Gamellus, hostiarius, witnessed charters by Richard, bishop of St. Andrews, a. 1173, and c. 1189-1198 he witnessed a charter by Roger, bishop elect of St. Andrews relating to the church of Haddington. Gamellus, clericus, witnessed Lady Eschina de Lundon's gift of Molle to Kelso c. 1190, and a tuft and croft formerly held by Gamellus was granted to the Hospital of Soltre between 1201-33. Warin and Gamel, 'norensi servientibus nostris,' were witnesses to a charter by Brice, bishop of Moray of the church of Deveth (Daviot) to Spyny, c. 1202-22. Walter, son of Gamel was one of an assize of marches in Fife in 1230, William, son of Gamell de Tuinham, gifted the church of Tuenham to the monks of Holyrood about the same time, and about 1250 there is mention of a croft in Maxtun which belonged to Gamel, son of Walleve (*Melros*, 802-306). Hugh Gamyl held lands near Langneuton in Roxburghshire c. 1877, John Gamill was a witness in 1444, Gabriel G\_mill was a cordiner in Edinburgh in 1599 (*Edinb. Marr.*), William Gemmill was retoured heir of John Gemmill, his brother, in Carrik in the same year, Andrew Gemmello was burgess of Dundee in 1640, and Dynneiss Gemmello was a skipper in Dundee in 1612 (*Brechin*). John Gemill took the Test in Paisley in 1686. John Gembell in Aberdeen, 1779. See Gemilston. Magister Gamellinus (a diminutive) was cleric of Alexander m, 1254.

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