

## = Personal relationships of Paul McCartney =

Paul McCartney had numerous relationships during his early life in Liverpool , and during his time with the Beatles . He was engaged to Dot Rhone , actress Jane Asher , and married three times : to Linda Eastman , Heather Mills and Nancy Shevell .

McCartney had a three year relationship with Dot Rhone in Liverpool , buying her a gold ring in Hamburg . In London , McCartney had a five year relationship with Asher , living in her parents ' house for three years . He wrote several songs at the Ashers ' house , including " Yesterday " . Asher inspired other songs , such as " And I Love Her " , " You Won 't See Me " and " I 'm Looking Through You " . On 25 December 1967 they announced their engagement , but separated in early 1968 . McCartney met American photographer Linda Eastman in a club in London while still with Asher . They met again at the launch party for the Beatles ' Sgt. Pepper album . In May 1968 , McCartney met Eastman again in New York , and they were married on 12 March 1969 . They had three children together , and remained married until her death from breast cancer in 1998 .

McCartney appeared publicly beside Heather Mills at a party in January 2000 , to celebrate her 32nd birthday . On 11 June 2002 , they were married at Castle Leslie in Glaslough , Ireland . They had one child , Beatrice , in 2003 , but were living apart by May 2006 . In July 2006 , British newspapers announced that McCartney had petitioned for divorce . On 17 March 2008 , the financial terms of the divorce were finalised , which awarded Mills £ 24 @. @ 3 million ( \$ 38 @. @ 5 million ) . In November 2007 McCartney started dating Nancy Shevell , who is a member of the board of the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority , as well as vice president of a family owned New England Motor Freight . It was announced on 6 May 2011 that the two had become engaged , and they married in London on 9 October 2011 .

## = = Early relationships = =

One of McCartney 's first girlfriends , in 1959 , was called Layla ; a name he remembered as being unusual in Liverpool at the time . She was slightly older than McCartney and used to ask him to baby @-@ sit with her . Julie Arthur , another girlfriend , was Ted Ray 's niece .

McCartney 's first serious girlfriend in Liverpool was seventeen year old Dorothy " Dot " Rhone ( a bank clerk or a cashier at a chemist 's , according to varying accounts ) , whom he had met at The Casbah Club in 1959 . McCartney picked out the clothes he liked Rhone to wear and told her which make up to use , also paying for her to have her blonde hair done in the style of Brigitte Bardot , whom both he and John Lennon idolised . He disliked Rhone seeing her friends , and stopped her from smoking , even though he did so himself . When McCartney first went to Hamburg with The Beatles he wrote regular letters to Rhone , and she accompanied Lennon 's girlfriend , Cynthia Lennon to Hamburg when the group played there again in 1962 . According to Rhone , McCartney bought her a gold ring in Hamburg , a leather skirt , took her sightseeing , and was very attentive and caring . For the time Rhone was there , the couple lived in a bungalow by the Hamburg docks that belonged to Rosa , a former cleaner at the Indra club . McCartney admitted that he had other girlfriends in Hamburg when Rhone was in Liverpool , admitting that they were usually strippers , who knew a lot more about sex than Liverpool girls .

Rhone later rented a room in the same house as Cynthia Lennon was living , with McCartney contributing to the rent . Shortly after McCartney returned from Hamburg in May 1962 , Rhone told him that she was pregnant . They told McCartney 's father , Jim McCartney , whom they expected to be shocked at the news , but found him delighted at the prospect of becoming a grandfather . McCartney took out a marriage licence and set the wedding date for November , shortly before the baby was due . Rhone had a miscarriage in July 1962 , and after a few weeks , McCartney 's feelings towards Rhone " cooled off " , and he finished their relationship .

He then had a brief relationship with Thelma Pickles , who had previously dated Lennon . She later married Liverpool poet Roger McGough , but remembered McCartney as growing from a " plump young schoolboy into someone very much his own person " during their time together . McCartney also had a fiery " on @-@ off " relationship with Iris Caldwell , the younger sister of singer Rory

Storm , who refused to bow to McCartney 's demands . After one argument , Caldwell poured a bowl of sugar over his head , but when McCartney turned up the next day , she had to phone her new boyfriend , George Harrison , to cancel their date .

Rhone later emigrated to Toronto , Canada , and McCartney met her again when the Beatles played there , and then again with Wings . Rhone later said that " Love of the Loved " and " P.S. I Love You " were written about her . Years later , Cynthia Lennon gave back to Rhone the gold ring that McCartney had bought her in Hamburg , having once tried it on while Rhone was washing dishes , and forgotten to take it off . Rhone is now a grandmother and lives in Mississauga , Ontario .

= = Asher , Eastman , Schwartz and McGivern = =

McCartney first met British actress Jane Asher on 18 April 1963 , when the Beatles performed at the Royal Albert Hall , in London , after a photographer asked them to pose with her . They were then interviewed by Asher for the BBC , with Asher being photographed screaming at them like a fan . McCartney soon met Asher 's family : Margaret , her mother was a music teacher , and Asher 's father Richard was a physician . Her brother , Peter , was a member of Peter and Gordon , and her younger sister , Clare , was also an actress . McCartney later gave " A World Without Love " to Peter and Gordon , as well as " Nobody I Know " . Both songs were hits for the duo . McCartney took up residence at the Ashers ' house at 57 Wimpole Street , London , and lived there for nearly three years . During his time there McCartney met writers such as Bertrand Russell , Harold Pinter , and Len Deighton . He wrote several songs at the Ashers ' , including " Yesterday " , and worked on songs with Lennon in the basement music room . Asher inspired many songs , such as " And I Love Her " , " You Won 't See Me " , and " I 'm Looking Through You " .

On 13 April 1965 , McCartney bought a £ 40 @, @ 000 three storey Regency house at 7 Cavendish Avenue , St. John 's Wood , London , and spent a further £ 20 @, @ 000 renovating it . He thanked the Ashers by paying for the decoration of the front of their house . On 15 May 1967 , McCartney met American photographer Linda Eastman at a Georgie Fame concert at The Bag O 'Nails in London . Eastman was in the UK on an assignment to take photographs of " swinging sixties " musicians in London . They met again four days later at the launch party for the Sgt. Pepper album at Beatles ' manager Brian Epstein 's house in Belgravia , but after her assignment was completed , she flew back to New York . On 25 December 1967 , McCartney and Asher announced their engagement , and she accompanied McCartney to India in February and March 1968 .

Dark haired model Maggie McGivern was dating a photographer when , in 1966 , she embarked on a secret relationship with McCartney . She had just taken on a steady job working for Marianne Faithful and John Dunbar as the nanny to their little boy Nicholas , and it was while taking care of Nicholas in Marianne 's third floor Chelsea flat that she first encountered Paul McCartney . He buzzed the intercom to ask if John ( Dunbar ) was around , and when Paul explained who he was , Maggie invited him straight up . Paul ran up the stairs and came in . Very casually I told him that John wasn 't really in and that sent us both into hysterics . We were laughing and chatting . I made a nice lunch for Marianne and a bunch of her friends but they never showed up . Paul and I sat together and ate it instead . I 'll never forget the meal - it was chicken casserole . It was such a funny introduction that it threw us both off guard . It could have been very embarrassing , but there was an immediate rapport and we just couldn 't stop talking . They began a secret three year affair which ended just before Paul married Linda .

Asher broke off the engagement in early 1968 , after coming back from an acting assignment in Bristol to find McCartney in bed with another woman , Francie Schwartz . McCartney and Asher later attempted to mend their relationship , but finally broke up in July 1968 . Asher has consistently refused to publicly discuss that part of her life . Schwartz , a twenty three year old New York scriptwriter , had travelled to London trying to interest Apple Corps in a film script . Schwartz was then asked by McCartney to move into his Cavendish Avenue house , and was given a job working for Derek Taylor at Apple , which was then based in Wigmore Street , London . She attended many sessions during the recording of the White Album , and was living with McCartney when Lennon and

Yoko Ono were also invited to live there . Shortly after , Schwartz sold the story of her time at Cavendish Avenue to Rolling Stone magazine .

= = Marriage to Linda Eastman = =

In May 1968 , McCartney met Eastman again in New York , when Lennon and McCartney were there to announce the formation of Apple Corps . In September , McCartney phoned her and asked her to fly over to London . Six months later they were married at a small civil ceremony ? when Eastman was four months pregnant with their child , Mary McCartney ? at Marylebone Registry Office on 12 March 1969 . He later said that his wife was the woman who " gave me the strength and courage to work again " , after the break @-@ up of the Beatles . McCartney adopted her daughter from her first marriage , Heather , and had three children together : Mary , Stella , and James McCartney . McCartney taught Linda to play keyboards , and permanently included her in the line @-@ up of Wings .

Linda died of breast cancer at age 56 in Tucson , Arizona , on 17 April 1998 ; McCartney denied rumours that her death was an assisted suicide . Along with eight other British composers , he contributed to the choral album A Garland for Linda , and dedicated his classical album , Ecce Cor Meum , to his late wife . McCartney has said that he and Linda spent less than a week apart during their entire marriage , excluding McCartney 's incarceration in Tokyo on drug charges in January 1980 .

= = Marriage to Heather Mills = =

After having sparked the interest of the tabloids about his appearances with Mills at events , McCartney appeared publicly beside Mills at a party in January 2000 , to celebrate her 32nd birthday . On 11 June 2002 , McCartney married Mills , a former model , amputee , and campaigner against landmines , in an elaborate ceremony at Castle Leslie in Glaslough , County Monaghan , Ireland , where more than 300 guests were invited and the reception included a vegetarian banquet . On 28 October 2003 , Mills gave birth to a daughter , Beatrice Milly McCartney , although the date has also been stated as 30 October . The baby was reportedly named after Mills ' mother Beatrice , and McCartney 's Aunt Milly .

On 29 July 2006 , British newspapers announced that McCartney had petitioned for divorce , which sparked a media furore . On 17 March 2008 , the financial terms of the divorce were finalised , with a settlement awarding Mills £ 24 @.@ 3 million ( \$ 38 @.@ 5 million ) . The settlement stated that McCartney pay their four @-@ year @-@ old daughter Beatrice 's nanny , school fees , and pay Beatrice £ 35 @,@ 000 ( \$ 70 @,@ 000 ) a year until she is 17 , or ends her secondary education . After the divorce ruling , Justice Bennett said that throughout the case Mills was " inconsistent , inaccurate and less than candid " while McCartney was " honest . " On 12 May 2008 , Justice Hugh Bennett issued a decree nisi , which would become final after a period of six months apart .

= = Marriage to Nancy Shevell = =

McCartney started dating Shevell in November 2007 . She is a member of the board of the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority as well as vice president of a family @-@ owned transportation conglomerate that includes New England Motor Freight . It was announced on 6 May 2011 that the two had become engaged . On 9 October 2011 McCartney and Shevell were married at Old Marylebone Town Hall where his first wedding took place in 1969 . The couple attended Yom Kippur synagogue services prior to the wedding , out of respect for Shevell 's Jewish faith , but did not seek a religious blessing for their union . Upon their marriage , Shevell became Lady McCartney . McCartney wrote the song " My Valentine " , from his 2012 album Kisses on the Bottom , about Shevell . She is second cousin to broadcast journalist Barbara Walters .