



## Sparky turns out the light on 40-year career

**ELECTRICIAN** Geoff Wheeler could be forgiven for tripping the light fantastic as he looks forward to a well-earned retirement.

Geoff - a well-known figure in Basingstoke - is finally throwing the switch on his career after more than four decades in business.

In 1962, Geoff was a self-employed electrician, operating from his parents' garage. Having borrowed £50 to buy a van, he had to make his new business a success.

In just four years, Geoff was trading from his first shop, upgrading to a second, larger premises in 1970 where he established a lighting showroom alongside the electrical contracting business.

He spent his last five years trading out of a facility in Coronation Road.

Geoff, 66, said: "During the time I was at work, we did some really big projects including engineering all the lighting at Wilton House, near Salisbury, for the pre-marriage party of Prince Charles and Lady Diana."

Now that Geoff has retired, the business will carry on with the same staff, and even the same name. The only difference will be the new bosses.

Geoff, who lives at Aldermaston, is looking forward to spending more time with his wife, two children and four grandchildren.

He will also be dedicating more time to watching and working with films - his lifelong passion.

"I have loved films ever since I had an 8mm cine camera as an apprentice electrician. I have built up a huge collection of eight, 16 and 35mm films in the intervening years."

Twice a year, Geoff helps to organise the film festival "Big Screen Time" at the William Penny Theatre in Aldermaston. The next event, on April 20, will incorporate an amateur film competition called "Ten Best" which is expected to attract entries from

all over Britain as well as from Europe and the Middle East.

Geoff will also be extremely busy buying, cleaning, editing and selling films, a hobby that pays for itself, as well as watching them in the cinema he has created at his house.

BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE, 25/11/2002

# Christine Wheeler

THE FUNERAL of Mrs Christine Wheeler (56) has taken place at the Church of St Mary the Virgin, Aldermaston, followed by burial in the churchyard.

Mrs Wheeler, of Franklin Avenue, Tadley, was the wife of Mr Geoffrey Wheeler, proprietor of the electrical business in Seal Road, Basingstoke.

Her death at Basingstoke Hospital came after a long period of ill health.

Formerly Miss Christine Thick, she was an Old Basing girl who took a great interest in the village where she had attended the local school and eventually became leader of the Old Basing

Youth Club.

After attending a secretarial course at Reading, she held several positions as secretary with distinction.

These included secretary to the late Mr Gilbert Jackson, when he was proprietor of the Golding's Park Motor Company, and to Mr Reggie Sims, hospital group secretary to Park Prewett Hospital. She had started her secretarial career with Lansing Bagnall, and also held a post at Woking.

After marrying Mr Geoffrey Wheeler in 1967, she acted as his secretary, when his business premises were in Reading Road,

until starting a family.

She also gave her husband every support when they built their own house at Franklin Avenue.

Christine shared in her husband's many duties as chairman of Basingstoke Carnival and as president of the Loddon Valley Lions, and she was a very active member among the Lions' ladies.

In addition to Geoffrey, she leaves a son and daughter, Jonathan and Alison.

Instead of floral tributes, donations, if desired, were asked for the R J Heald Bowel Cancer Research fund, c/o Basingstoke District Hospital.

HUSBAND PETER WHELAN

|          |  |        |         |
|----------|--|--------|---------|
| BORN     |  | AT     | IRELAND |
| BAPTISED |  | AT     |         |
| MARRIED  |  | AT     |         |
| FATHER   |  | MOTHER |         |

WIFE EVELYN JOYCE CARTER, (NEE SWAN) DIVORCEE. KNOWN AS JOYCE.

|          |                   |        |  |
|----------|-------------------|--------|--|
| BORN     | 11/2/1937         | AT     | OF WEST VIEW FARM, BAUGHURST                                     |
| BAPTISED |                   | AT     |  |
| DIED     | 12/6/2001 AGED 64 | AT     | THE CORONARY CARE UNIT,<br>NORTH HAMPSHIRE HOSPITAL, BASINGSTOKE |
| FUNERAL  | 21/6/2001         | AT     | BASINGSTOKE CREMATORIUM  |
| FATHER   | CHARLES JOHN SWAN | MOTHER | ANNIE MAY BAMBURY  |

No children of this marriage, but Joyce had a son, Glenn Raymond from her first marriage to Raymond Wilfred Robert Carter. Think Pete may have had children by a previous marriage. Pete and Joyce lived at 109 Millard Close, Oakridge, Basingstoke.

**JOYCE  
WHELAN**

In Hospital on 12th June 2001 after a short illness.

A dear wife, mother and grandmother. Sadly missed by all her family and friends.

Funeral service at Basingstoke Crematorium on Thursday 21st June at 2.15 pm. Family flowers only, donations to Save The Children, may be sent c/o Geoffrey Church & Co, 48 Bishopswood Road, Tadley, Tel: 0118 9814420.

BASINGSTOKE  
GAZETTE  
18/6/2001

|          |  |           |  |
|----------|--|-----------|--|
| HUSBAND  |  | WHITCHELO |  |
| BORN     |  | AT        |  |
| BAPTISED |  | AT        |  |
| MARRIED  |  | AT        |  |
| DIED     |  | AT        |  |
| BURIED   |  | AT        |  |
| FATHER   |  | MOTHER    |  |

|          |           |          |   |
|----------|-----------|----------|---|
| WIFE     |           | WINIFRED |   |
| BORN     |           | AT       |   |
| BAPTISED |           | AT       |   |
| DIED     | 10/1/1991 | AT       | OF HANGAR ROAD, TADLEY.<br>VILLA 6. B. D. HOSPITAL. |
| CREMATED | 17/1/1991 | AT       |   |
| FATHER   |           | MOTHER   |   |

|          |         |                |  |
|----------|---------|----------------|--|
| CHILDREN |         |                |  |
| MORRIS   | B<br>Bp |                |  |
| MICHAEL  | A<br>Bp | D < 1942<br>Bp |  |

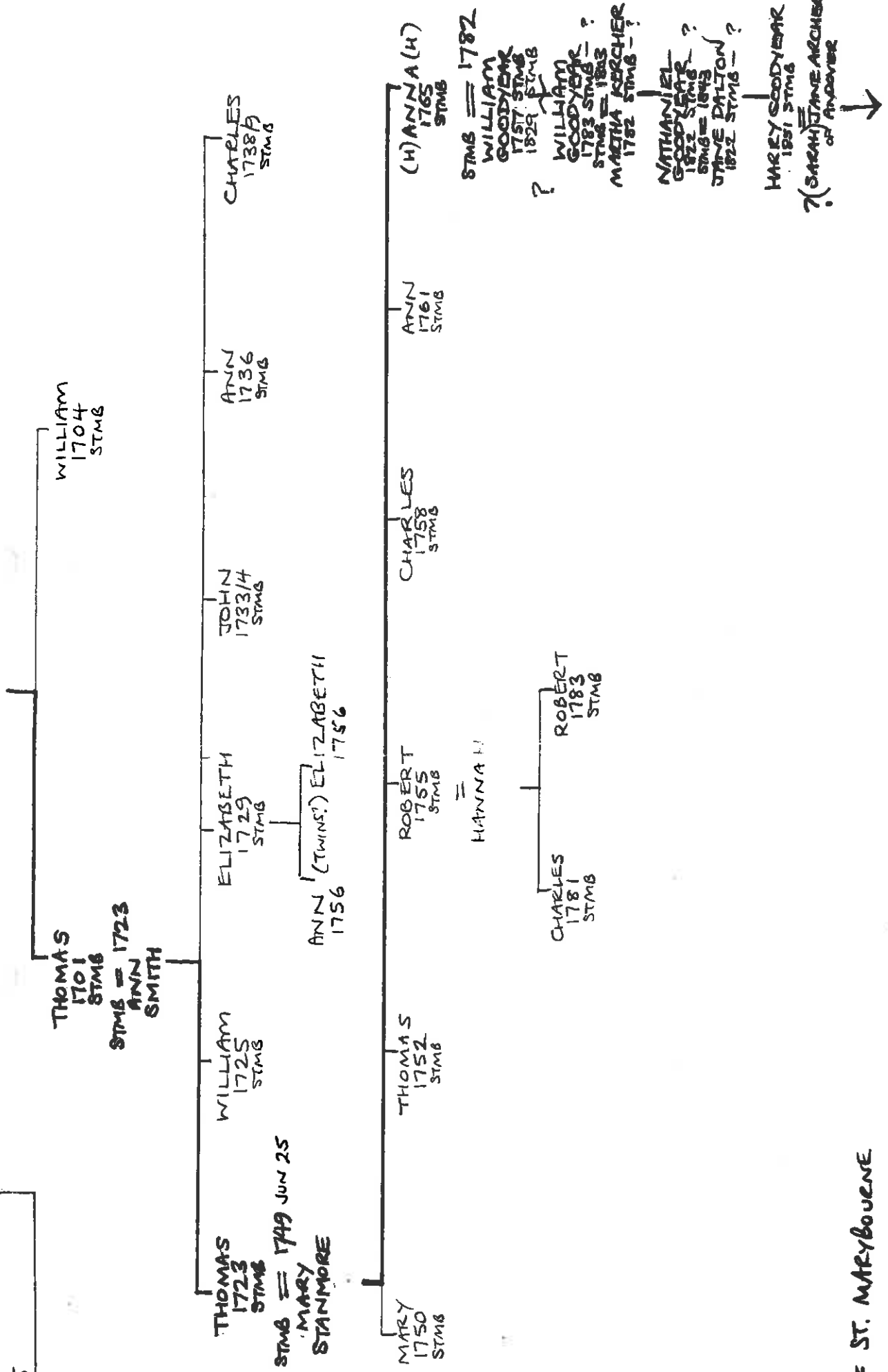
SOURCES OF INFORMATION

PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE.  
BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE 'DEATHS' 18/1/1991.

**WHITCHELO.** Winifred passed away peacefully on the 10th January 1991 at Villa Six, BDH. Funeral Service took place on January 17th, 1991.  
B-6-18/1/1991.

WHITE - HAMPSHIRE  
 F. L. BUTLER 07/03/90  
 HES 49225

WILLIAM WHITE = ELIZABETH



STMB = ST. MARYBOUENE

HUSBAND MICHAEL JOHN WHITEHOUSE (OR APPLETON)

|          |                |        |                          |
|----------|----------------|--------|--------------------------|
| BORN     | 25/1/1948      | AT     | TADLEY                   |
| BAPTISED | 14/3/1948      | AT     | TADLEY OLD MEETING       |
| MARRIED  | JAN-MARCH 1968 | AT     | REGISTERED WOKINGHAM     |
| FATHER   |                | MOTHER | DOROTHY PHYLLIS APPLETON |

WIFE SANDRA L BROWN

|          |  |        |  |
|----------|--|--------|--|
| BORN     |  | AT     |  |
| BAPTISED |  | AT     |  |
| FATHER   |  | MOTHER |  |

CHILDREN.

|            |                                  |       |   |
|------------|----------------------------------|-------|---|
| KIM LOUISE | B JAN-MAR 1969 REG READING<br>Sp | ----- | M. 30/6/1990 AT TADLEY<br>CLINTON PATRICK MAURE ✓ |
| IAN        | B JULY-SEPT 1971 READING<br>Sp   | ----- | -----   |

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

TADLEY OLD MEETING REGISTER OF BAPTISMS 1931-1981

G.R.O. INDEX OF MARRIAGES.

BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE MARRIAGE, 16/7/1990

|                                       |                    |        |                       |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| HUSBAND REGINALD ROY WHITEHOUSE (REG) |                    |        |                       |
| BORN                                  | 5/10/1926          | AT     |                       |
| BAPTISED                              |                    | AT     |                       |
| MARRIED                               | 29/7/1950          | AT     | TADLEY                |
| DIED                                  | 15/12/1997         | AT     |                       |
| FUNERAL                               |                    | AT     | BURIED AT ALDERMASTON |
| FATHER                                | WILLIAM WHITEHOUSE | MOTHER |                       |

|                                       |                          |        |                                      |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------|
| WIFE DOROTHY PHYLLIS APPLETON (DORIS) |                          |        |                                      |
| BORN                                  | 2/12/1923                | AT     |                                      |
| BAPTISED                              |                          | AT     |                                      |
| DIED                                  | 30/12/1997 AGED 74       | AT     | HER HOME,<br>2 WILLOW ROAD, TADLEY   |
| FUNERAL                               | 7/1/1998                 | AT     | CREMATED AT ALDERSHOT<br>ALDERMASTON |
| FATHER                                | WILLIAM CHARLES APPLETON | MOTHER | FLORENCE LILLIAN HISCOCK             |

|                |                             |  |                          |
|----------------|-----------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| CHILDREN       |                             |  |                          |
| (APPLETON)     | B 25/11/1948                |  | M J M 1968 REG WOKINGHAM |
| MICHAEL JOHN   | Bp 14/3/1948 AT TADLEY O.M. |  | SANDRA L BROWN           |
|                | B 25/12/1950                |  | M 1970                   |
| CHRISTINE      | Bp                          |  | CHRISTOPHER E READ       |
|                | B APR-JUN 1952 (REG K)      |  | £                        |
| REGINALD PETER | Bp                          |  |                          |
|                | B JAN-MCH 1954 (REG K)      |  | M 2/10/1976 AT TADLEY    |
| DEREK          | Bp                          |  | GAYNOR LOUISE DAWSON     |
|                | B APR-JUNE 1955 REG NEWBURY |  | M 9/9/1978 AT TADLEY     |
| IVAN           | Bp                          |  | BRENDA WATSON            |
|                | B 13/1/1957                 |  | M 1977                   |
| PAULINE        | Bp                          |  | MALCOLM I. DAVIS         |

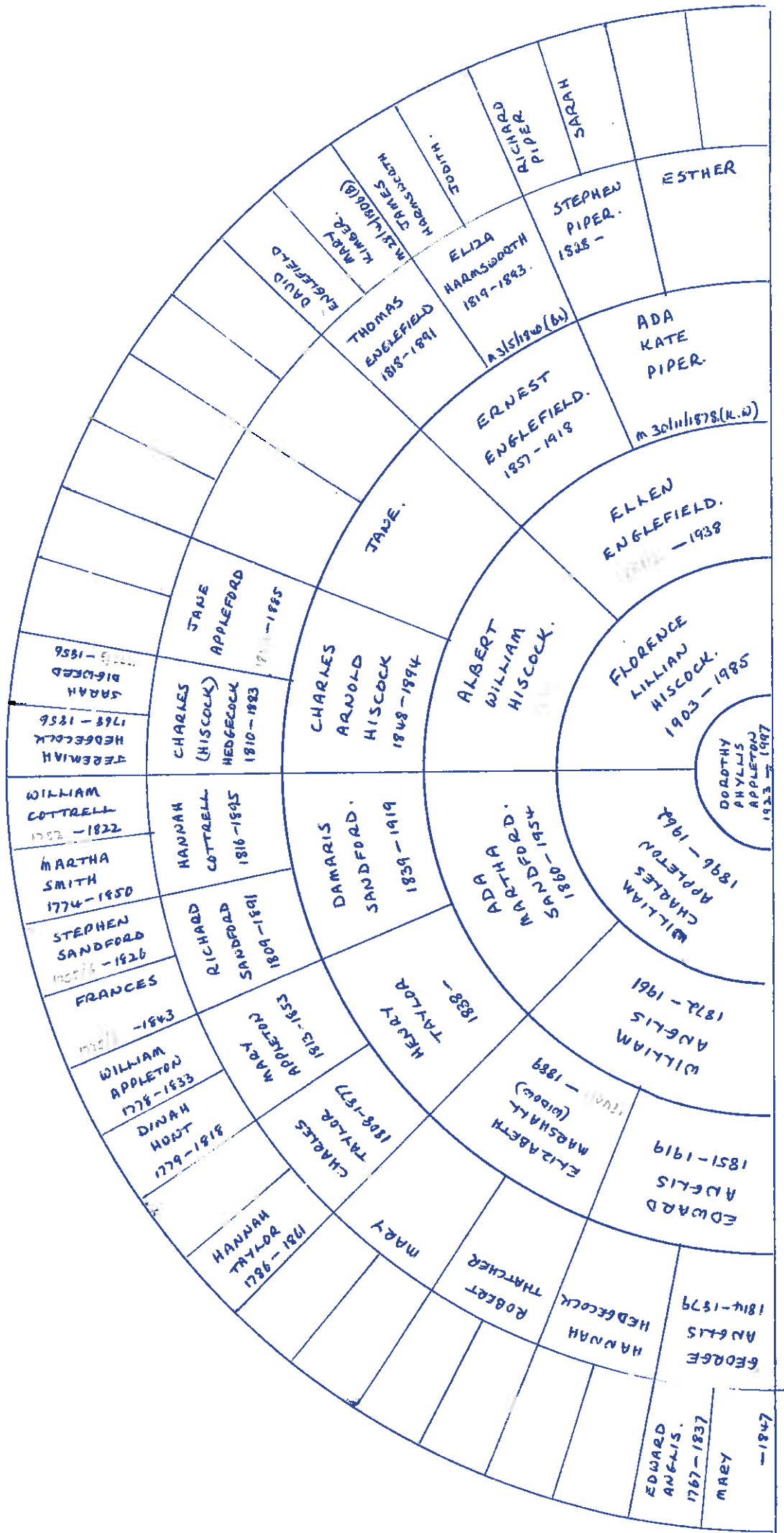
NOT THOUGHT TO BE THE SON OF REG

**REGINALD ROY WHITEHOUSE (REG)**  
 Passed away suddenly  
 Monday 15th December  
 Will be deeply missed by  
 family and friends.  
 B.G.-19/12/1997

**DOROTHY PHYLLIS WHITEHOUSE - NEE APPLETON**  
 Peacefully at home on  
 December 30th 1997.  
 A much loved  
 mother, grandmother  
 and great grandmother.  
 Sadly missed by all her  
 family and friends.  
 Funeral service at  
 Aldermaston Church on  
 Wednesday January 7th  
 1998 at 10.00 am. Family  
 request no flowers but  
 donations if desired to  
 St Michael's Hospice  
 may be sent to Geoffrey  
 Church & Co. 48  
 Bishopswood Road,  
 Tadley, tel: 0118 9814420.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

- TADLEY PARISH REGISTER OF MARRIAGES 1936-1952 1966-1981
- TADLEY OLD MEETING REGISTER OF BAPTISMS 1931-1981
- G.R.D. INDEX OF MARRIAGES



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# The Winds Of The Somme

## ● A variation of John 3 v 8

The corn in the field sways in the wind.  
Moving like the sea over peaceful lands.  
Here, long ago, blew the winds of war—  
Echoes of the past fill its sorrowful voice.  
If one cares to listen, it tells of a summer,  
And the flower of youth cut down in its prime.  
It tears the heart of the strongest, yet fills it with hope.  
For this is the Somme, and the wind is its spirit.

Green woodland breaks up the patchwork quilt.  
Havens for larks—they sang as shells crashed.  
They sing again, but even they cannot drown the silence.  
The trees remember, their roots burrow deep,  
Feeding and drinking amongst relics of the past.  
Dew forms each morning, the leaves sigh and shower—  
a million tears of remembrance for the fallen,  
Buried beneath their arbours—bowed in reverence.

The trenches by the roadside bleed red with poppies.  
They dance in the breeze, but never for joy.  
For they hide Death—rusting piles of shells.  
A careless footfall may yet achieve their aim—  
(The toll of the slain still grows on the Somme).  
Barbed wire, shell fuzes and bullets litter the ground.  
Harvests of iron and bone return at spring ploughing.  
For shallow sleep the Dead under chalky soil.

The wind shouts loudest in gardens of white stone.  
No one can fail to hear as they confront its cry—  
"Remember what you see!", is its final call to man.  
The sound and sights are burned into aching hearts.  
Never can a witness forget, even though he may try.  
They haunt his dreams, they return in times of stillness.  
Never again can a breeze caress his cheek—  
Without reminding him of the voice of the Somme.

The Somme leaves a challenge to all who may visit.  
"Where in the hell of war, lies God's love for man?"  
Pilgrims take years to discover the truth—some fall lost.  
Yet the answer lies plainly, if one cares to look—  
God's hand has healed man's useless destruction,  
Forgiving his sins, giving new life and with that new hope.  
He leaves there a guardian, for all who may listen—  
For His Holy Spirit cries there—in the winds of the Somme.

—David Whithorn, Inhurst Way, Tadley

SARAH  
JANE  
WHITHORN  
7-3-2000  
40 Today  
Lots of love, David.  
BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE  
6/3/2000



● David Whithorn (left) and Lee Gristwood recapture the spirit of the First World War

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# A step back in time

**TWO** local history enthusiasts took a step back in time when they were part of an 80-mile march to re-enact the First World War's Retreat from Mons.

David Whithorn and Lee Gristwood, who both work at AWE Aldermaston, travelled to Mons, in Belgium, in August to start the long march to St Quentin in north east France.

The five-day march marked the 90th anniversary of the

**By Lucy Clark**

start of the war in August 1914, and the 50 people who took part were dressed in full 1914 British army uniform and lived as the soldiers did.

Mr Whithorn, 45, of Brambling Close in Kempshott, works as an AWE research scientist team leader and played a support role in the re-enactment with the Army Service Corps.

He said: "It was a privilege to take part in the re-enactment knowing that we were

trying to show everyone that the British people still care.

"My goal is to make sure the soldiers are not forgotten."

But Mr Whithorn, who has researched the Great War for 25 years, described the experience as "exhausting".

He said: "The days were very long at about 16 hours, and the rest of the time we were trying to sleep, but it was very cold and not comfortable."

The marchers camped as the soldiers did 90 years ago, under canvas with just

ground sheets and blankets, sleeping in their uniforms.

They cooked on the old cookers and ate the simple food their heroes ate.

Ministry of Defence police officer Pc Gristwood, 39, from Southampton, marched at the front as a lance corporal.

He said: "I cannot begin to imagine what the original soldiers of the British Expeditionary Force endured in those dark days of 1914.

Mr Whithorn and Pc Gristwood raised around £500 for the Royal British Legion.

Area 1

Mr. & Mrs. G. Stanley  
17 Shyshack Lane  
Baughurst  
RG26 5NH



**Tadley and District History Society (TADS)**

The next meeting for 2004 will be on

***Wednesday February 18<sup>th</sup> 2004***

Meet at St. Paul's Church Hall, Tadley - 8.00 to 9.30 pm.

**“A Night to Remember”**

an illustrated talk by

**C.P.Smallbone**

***(Everybody welcome - Visitors £1.50)***

*Comments and queries, suggestions to Bob Brown - Tadley (0118) 981 6109,  
Derek Ward - Tadley (0118) 981 2626 or e-mail DGWard@Bigfoot.com*

DAVID WHITHORN.

## Retreat from Mons...

ALDERMASTON workers have marched 80 miles across France as part of a First World War re-enactment. David Whithorn, AWE scientist, and Ministry of Defence Police Officer Lee Gristwood,



took part in the 'Retreat from Mons' on August 23, which recreated the British Army's footsteps in 1914. David, 45, of Basingstoke, who raised £500 for the Royal British Legion, said: "The highlight of the 'Retreat' for me was the comradeship and mutual support through all adversities."

THE BASINGSTOKE OBSERVER. 30/9/2004

This weekend, the nation will stop and remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the service of their country. VICKY O'HARE puts the spotlight on the Poppy Appeal. Pictures by RICHARD GARFIELD

# A day to remember



**WINSTON Churchill and a First World War soldier were two of the more recognisable people in Festival Place last weekend, as there was plenty of support for the Poppy Appeal in Basingstoke.**

The town branch of The Royal British Legion had a stand in the shopping centre to boost collections and to give people a chance to meet the famous cigar-smoking Prime Minister himself, also known as Ray Curtis - a volunteer with The Royal British Legion.

The soldier was David Whithorn, who is a member of The Great War Society, and he was busy collecting all day.

Collectors across the town and borough have already been extremely busy with some people filling the same amount of collection tins in just one week as they filled in the two-week period last year.

Bill Sample, appeal organiser, said: "It has been excellent so far. We think we could be beating last year's total because the feedback has been very good."

David Buttle, president of the Basingstoke branch and Standard bearer, spoke of his happiness that so many young people were still interested in the appeal.

Speaking last Saturday, he said: "We have had a lot of people come



● **Winston Churchill, alias Ray Curtis, is joined by David Whithorn, from The Great War Society, in helping to sell poppies**

to get their poppies here today - ex-servicemen, relatives of those who were involved in conflict, and lots of young people, which is great. "It gives me great pleasure to see people of all ages and backgrounds coming to get their poppies. People are still willing to give to the cause - they will never forget."

HUSBAND ALBERT S. WICKENS

|          |                |        |                    |
|----------|----------------|--------|--------------------|
| BORN     |                | AT     |                    |
| BAPTISED |                | AT     |                    |
| MARRIED  | JULY-SEPT 1950 | AT     | REGISTERED NEWBURY |
| FATHER   |                | MOTHER |                    |

WIFE EDITH MIRIAM ANGLIS

|          |               |        |                                |
|----------|---------------|--------|--------------------------------|
| BORN     | 24/10/1928    | AT     | HILLFOOT, ALDERMASTON, BEARS   |
| BAPTISED | 18/11/1928    | AT     | ST. MARY'S CHURCH, ALDERMASTON |
| FATHER   | SIDNEY ANGLIS | MOTHER | FLORENCE JANE WOOLFORD         |

CHILDREN

|          |                              |  |  |
|----------|------------------------------|--|--|
| ALAN A   | B J-S 1951 REG READING<br>Ap |  |  |
| MIRIAM A | B A-J 1954 REG READING<br>Ap |  |  |

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

ALDERMASTON PARISH REGISTER OF BAPTISMS 1852-1982

|          |                    |                      |                  |                           |  |
|----------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------|---------------------------|--|
| HUSBAND  |                    | ALFRED THOMAS WIGLEY |                  | OCCUPATION, TIMBER SAWYER |  |
| BORN     | 9/6/1873           | AT                   | TADLEY           |                           |  |
| BAPTISED | 6/7/1873           | AT                   | METHODIST CHAPEL |                           |  |
| MARRIED  |                    | AT                   |                  |                           |  |
| DIED     | 10/10/1921 AGED 48 | AT                   | OF BAUGHURST     |                           |  |
| BURIED   | 13/10/1921         | AT                   | BAUGHURST        |                           |  |
| FATHER   | JESSE WIGLEY       | MOTHER               | ELIZA MILLS      |                           |  |

|          |                    |                    |                            |  |  |
|----------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| WIFE     |                    | ROSE JANE SAUNDERS |                            |  |  |
| BORN     | 8/6/1873           | AT                 | BAUGHURST                  |  |  |
| BAPTISED | 6/7/1873           | AT                 | METHODIST CHAPEL.          |  |  |
| DIED     | 12/11/1944 AGED 71 | AT                 | OF ROSE COTTAGE, BAUGHURST |  |  |
| BURIED   | 15/11/1944         | AT                 | BAUGHURST                  |  |  |
| FATHER   | WILLIAM SAUNDERS   | MOTHER             | BETSEY EATWELL             |  |  |

|              |                                      |                        |                                |                            |  |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| CHILDREN     |                                      |                        |                                |                            |  |
| ALFRED EARL  | B 14/3/1896 AT BISHOPSWOOD<br>TADLEY | Bp 26/4/1896 METHODIST | D _____ AGED 2 YEARS           |                            |  |
| BESSIE       | B 24/2/1897 AT BISHOPSWOOD<br>TADLEY | Bp 2/5/1897 METHODIST  | Bul. 4/3/1898 AT BAUGHURST     | D 1/6/1955                 | UN-MARRIED   |
| SEARLE       | B 27/3/1899 AT BAUGHURST             | Bp 30/4/1899 METHODIST | D 13/1/1984, AT B.D.H. AGED 84 | Bul 19/1/1984 AT BAUGHURST | BESSIE   |
| GILBERT      | B 11/4/1903 AT BISHOPSWOOD<br>TADLEY | Bp 21/6/1903 METHODIST | D AT BINSTED, AGED 5 Mths      | Bul 13/9/1903 AT BAUGHURST |  |
| STELLA       | B 1904                               | Bp _____               | D _____                        | Bul _____                  | M 11/10/1941 AT BAUGHURST<br>WILLIAM BULPIT OF HARTLEY WESPAUL |
| ETHEL        | B MARCH 1907                         | Bp _____               | D 22/7/1989, AT B.D.H. AGED 82 | Bul 25/7/1989 AT BAUGHURST | UN-MARRIED   |
| MILDRED      | B FEBRUARY 1911                      | Bp _____               | D 5/1/1990 AGED 79             | Bul 16/1/1990 AT BAUGHURST | UN-MARRIED   |
| OLIVE MAISIE | B 3/8/1916 AT BAUGHURST              | Bp 17/9/1916 METHODIST | D _____                        | Bul _____                  | M 22/8/1945 AT BAUGHURST<br>FREDERICK WOODS.                   |

SOURCES OF INFORMATION:

- SILCHESTER CIRCUIT METHODIST BAPTISMS 1844-1888, 1891 -
- BAUGHURST PARISH REGISTER OF MARRIAGES 1838-1974
- BAUGHURST PARISH REGISTER OF BURIALS 1813-1898, 1898 -
- BAUGHURST MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS.
- FUNERAL RECORDS. DEATH RECORDS.

WIGLEY, Ethel. Passed peacefully away July 22, 1989. A dearly loved sister and auntie, who will be greatly missed. To know her was to love her.

B.G. EXTRA 26/7/1989.

WIGLEY, Mildred. A very dearly loved sister and auntie, died January 5th, 1990 after a short illness. All our memories of her are happy ones. Funeral service at St. Stephen's Church, Baughurst, Tuesday, January 16th, 1990, 2.30 p.m.

B.G. EXTRA 10/1/1990

WIGLEY. In memory of my dearly loved sisters, Ethel, died 22nd July 1989, Mildred, 5th January 1990. Remembering always the happy times we shared. Olive.

B.G. 23/7/1993. IN MEMORIAM.

WIGLEY Remembering my dearly loved sisters, Ethel, 22 July 1989, Mildred, 5th January 1990. So many happy memories, Olive.

B.G. 20/7/90. IN MEMORIAM.

HUSBAND ARTHUR WIGLEY

|          |                                |        |                       |
|----------|--------------------------------|--------|-----------------------|
| BORN     |                                | AT     | OF HEATH END, TADLEY, |
| BAPTISED | 25/8/1912                      | AT     | ST MARYS, HEATH END   |
| MARRIED  | 5/8/1939                       | AT     | TADLEY.               |
| DIED     | 23 <sup>rd</sup> DECEMBER 1993 | AT     |                       |
| BURIED   | 4/1/1994 AGED 81               | AT     | BAUGHURST             |
| FATHER   | GEORGE WIGLEY                  | MOTHER | MINNIE BENHAM         |

WIFE DORIS MAY BUTLER

|          |                       |        |  |
|----------|-----------------------|--------|--|
| BORN     |                       | OF     |  |
| BAPTISED |                       | AT     |  |
| DIED     | 28/7/1996 AGED 84     | AT     | THE NORTH HAMPSHIRE HOSPITAL,<br>BASINGSTOKE |
| BURIED   |                       | AT     |  |
| FATHER   | FREDERICK JOHN BUTLER | MOTHER | AGNES  |

NO CHILDREN.

LIVED AT HAUGHURST HILL, BAUGHURST.

WIGLEY, on 28th July 1996.  
Peacefully in the North Hamp-  
shire Hospital, Doris Wigley,  
aged 84 years of Haughurst Hill,  
Baughurst. Funeral Service has  
taken place.

BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE  
21/8/1996

SOURCES OF INFORMATION.

TADLEY PARISH REGISTER OF BAPTISMS 1885-1945

TADLEY PARISH REGISTER OF MARRIAGES 1936-1952.

DANIEL WIGLEY.

ALDERMASTON 1851.

|    |                                    |                        |   |   |    |                    |             |
|----|------------------------------------|------------------------|---|---|----|--------------------|-------------|
| 39 | Between Falcon Inn<br>& Park Farm. | Daniel WIGLEY          | H | M | 26 | ag lab             | Tadley      |
|    |                                    | Charlotte "            | W | M | 20 | " " wife           | aldermaston |
|    |                                    | Jesse "                | S |   | 3  |                    | "           |
|    |                                    | Charlotte "            | d |   | 2  |                    | "           |
|    |                                    | Esau "                 | S |   | 3m |                    | "           |
|    |                                    | Aaron HOLLOWAY lodger. |   |   | 79 | Chelsea Pensioner. | "           |

PAMBER 1861.

|    |            |               |   |   |    |         |             |
|----|------------|---------------|---|---|----|---------|-------------|
| 78 | Back Lane. | Daniel WIGLEY | H | M | 37 | ag lab  | Tadley      |
|    |            | Charlotte "   | W | M | 34 |         | aldermaston |
|    |            | Jesse "       | S |   | 14 |         | "           |
|    |            | Charlotte "   | d |   | 12 |         | "           |
|    |            | Esau "        | S |   | 10 | Scholar | "           |
|    |            | Abigail "     | d |   | 8  | "       | "           |
|    |            | Jane "        | d |   | 4  | "       | Pamber      |
|    |            | Ann "         | d |   | 1  |         | "           |

PAMBER 1871.

|     |                |               |   |     |    |         |             |
|-----|----------------|---------------|---|-----|----|---------|-------------|
| 103 | Pamber Common. | Daniel WIGLEY | H | M   | 48 | ag lab. | Tadley.     |
|     |                | Charlotte "   | W | M   | 46 |         | aldermaston |
|     |                | Charlotte "   | d | UnM | 22 |         | "           |
|     |                | Esau "        | S | UnM | 20 |         | "           |
|     |                | Eliya Jane "  | d |     | 14 |         | Pamber      |
|     |                | Ann "         | d |     | 11 |         | "           |
|     |                | John "        | S |     | 5  |         | "           |

PAMBER 1881

|     |        |               |   |      |    |          |             |
|-----|--------|---------------|---|------|----|----------|-------------|
| 123 | Heath. | Daniel WIGLEY | H | M    | 59 | Labourer | Tadley.     |
|     |        | Charlotte "   | W | M    | 54 |          | aldermaston |
|     |        | Charlotte "   | d | UnM. | 32 |          | "           |
|     |        | John "        | S |      | 15 | "        | Pamber      |

DANIEL WIGLEY

PAMBER 1891.

|     |        |               |   |   |    |              |             |
|-----|--------|---------------|---|---|----|--------------|-------------|
| 137 | Heath. | Daniel WIGLEY | H | m | 67 | Broom maker. | Tudley      |
|     |        | Charlotte "   | W | m | 65 |              | Aldermaston |

HUSBAND DAVID LOUIS WIGLEY

|          |              |        |  |
|----------|--------------|--------|--|
| BORN     |              | AT     |  |
| BAPTISED |              | AT     |  |
| MARRIED  | 27/7/1940    | AT     | TADLEY   |
| DIED     | 19/1/1996    | AT     | HIS DAUGHTER'S HOME<br>AT ANDOVER OR R.N.C.H, WINCHESTER |
| FUNERAL  | 29/1/1996    | AT     | TADLEY OLD MEETING                                       |
| FATHER   | PETER WIGLEY | MOTHER | EDITH KATE ENGLEFIELD                                    |

WIFE WINIFRED DORIS WEST

|          |              |        |                                  |
|----------|--------------|--------|----------------------------------|
| BORN     |              | AT     |                                  |
| BAPTISED |              | AT     |                                  |
| DIED     | 27/2/1995    | AT     | HER HOME,<br>ELMDENE, PAMBER END |
| FUNERAL  | 6/3/1995     | AT     | TADLEY OLD MEETING               |
| FATHER   | WILLIAM WEST | MOTHER | ANNIE NASH                       |

CHILDREN

|                |  |  |   |
|----------------|--|--|---|
| MALCOLM        | B<br>bp  |  |   |
| SANDRA PAULINE | B 2/5/1946 OF PINEVIEW, NEWTON, T.<br>Bp 21/7/1946 AT TADLEY | D 13/3/1947 AGED 10 MONTHS<br>Bp AT TADLEY OLD MEETING |   |
| ANGELA SUSAN   | B 20/1/1948 OF ELMDENE, P. END.<br>Bp 28/3/1948 AT TADLEY.   |  | M 12/10/1968 AT PAMBER<br>RAYMOND RONALD ARNOLD |

**WIGLEY.** David Louis suddenly on 19th January 1996 at The Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester, aged 79. Beloved husband of the late Winifred (Win) and a dear dad to Angela and Malcolm. Much loved granddad to Anna, Clive, Thomas and Amanda, great granddad to Chloe. Funeral service to take place at U.R.C. Tadley Old Meeting, on 29th January 1996 at 12 noon. Family flowers only. Donations to The British Heart Foundation.

BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE 26/1/1996

SOURCES OF INFORMATION.

TADLEY PARISH REGISTER OF MARRIAGES. 1936-1952.

BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE, GOLDEN WEDDING, 27/7/1990.

TADLEY PARISH REGISTER OF BAPTISMS 1945-1976

TADLEY OLD MEETING REGISTER OF BURIALS 1931-1948

PAMBER PARISH REGISTER OF MARRIAGES 1963-1980

**WIN AND DAVE WIGLEY**

*In loving memory of wonderful parents. Will always be in our thoughts. Malcolm, Sue and Amanda.*

IN MEMORIAM 23/2/1996 B-G

**WIGLEY.** On 27th February 1995 peacefully at home, Winifred (Win) aged 75 years. Beloved wife of David, and dear mother of Angela and Malcolm. Much loved grandmother of Anna, Clive, Thomas and Amanda. Service to take place at U.R.C., (Tadley Old Meeting) Tadley, Monday, 6th March at 11.30am. Family flowers only, or donations if desired, for Cancer Research, To Spencer & Peyton.

BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE 3/3/1995

**WIGLEY.** Win and Dave. In loving memory of wonderful parents. Will always be in our thoughts. Malcolm, Sue, Amanda and baby Kristina.

B-G-Extra 22/1/1997

# Golden years



● David and Win Wigley—celebrating today.

**DAVID and Win Wigley of Pamber End, celebrate their golden wedding today.**

**They were married at St Peter's Church, Tadley, on July 27, 1940 by the Rev Brooke Davis.**

**David was the first soldier in uniform that the vicar had married at his church.**

**The ceremony took place shortly before David sailed with his unit for Egypt. He served in the campaigns in Crete and Greece, before being taken prisoner-of-**

**war at Crete and spending four years in captivity.**

**After being demobbed, David and Win made their home at Pamber End.**

**They have a son and daughter, Malcolm and Angela, and four grandchildren.**

**During July they have been staying at Pitlochry, Scotland, which they have frequently visited and where they have many happy memories.**

HUSBAND ERNEST JOSEPH WIGLEY

|          |                   |        |                             |
|----------|-------------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| BORN     |                   | OF     | HEATH END, TADLEY           |
| BAPTISED | 4/3/1917          | AT     | ST MARYS, HEATH END, TADLEY |
| MARRIED  | 26/7/1947         | AT     | PAMBER PRIORY               |
| DIED     | 26/5/2005 AGED 88 | AT     | IN HOSPITAL                 |
| FUNERAL  | 3/6/2005          | AT     | TADLEY OLD MEETING          |
| FATHER   | GEORGE WIGLEY     | MOTHER | MINNIE BENHAM               |

WIFE MARJORIE DORIS RAMPTON

|          |                      |        |                     |
|----------|----------------------|--------|---------------------|
| BORN     |                      |        |                     |
| BAPTISED | 16/6/1918            | AT     | TADLEY OLD MEETING  |
| DIED     | 8/9/1998             | AT     | IN HOSPITAL         |
| FUNERAL  | 14/9/1998            | AT     | TADLEY OLD MEETING  |
| FATHER   | WILLIAM JOHN RAMPTON | MOTHER | ELSIE JANE SAUNDERS |

CHILD

|             |          |  |  |   |
|-------------|----------|--|--|---|
| JOHN ERNEST | Baptised |  | 7/12/1971 AT ST PAULS, TADLEY<br>(M) SUSAN ELIZABETH THORN | ✓ |
|             | Bp       |  | (2) JULIE  |   |

**ERNEST JOSEPH WIGLEY**  
 Passed away in hospital on May 26th 2005, aged 88.  
 Our lovely Dad, Grandad and Great Grandad, who will be missed so much.  
*Funeral Service at Tadley United Reformed Church on Friday, June 3rd at 11.30am.*  
*Flowers and enquiries to Geoffrey Church & Co, 48 Bishopswood Road, Tadley.*  
 Tel: 0118 981 4420.

B. 6. 3/6/2005

**MARJORIE DORIS WIGLEY**  
 8 - 9 - 1998  
 The light of life.  
*It's been 2 long years, Since you went away, But you are in our thoughts, Every minute of every single day.*  
 Loved and missed so very much.  
 Loving husband Ernie, son John and his wife Julie, grandchildren Marc and Vicki and her husband Glenn and great grandchildren Shannon and Ross.  
 God bless.  
 B. 6. 8/9/2000

**MARJORIE WIGLEY**  
 Peacefully in hospital on 8th September 1998.  
 A dear Wife, Mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother.  
 Sadly missed by all her family and friends.  
 Funeral Service at Tadley, United Reformed Church (Old Meeting) on Monday September 14th at 11.30am.  
 Flowers & enquiries to G. Church & Co, 48 Bishopswood Road, Tadley, Hants, RG26 4HD.  
 Tel: 0118 9814420

B. 6. 14/9/1998

**MARJORIE DORIS WIGLEY**  
 The light of life  
 8 - 9 - 1998  
 Treasured memories of a dearly loved wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother.  
 So sadly missed by your loving husband Ernie, son John, Julie, Vicki, Marc, Glenn, Ross & Shannon.  
 Love you and God bless you xxx

B. 6. 7/9/2001

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

- TADLEY PARISH REGISTER OF BAPTISMS 1885-1945
- PAMBER PARISH REGISTER OF MARRIAGES 1943-1948
- TADLEY OLD MEETING REGISTER OF BAPTISMS 1886-1931
- TADLEY ST PAULS, PARISH REGISTER OF MARRIAGES 1970-1983
- BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE DEATHS 14/9/1998

# Golden couple mark big day

A COUPLE who have lived in the Tadley area all their lives have celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

Ernest and Marjorie Wigley have seen many changes during their 50 years together but are content in the home they built over 30 years ago in Heath End Road, Baughurst.

Ernest, 80, was born in Heath End, and was a besom maker as well as a forestry worker until he retired 15 years ago.

He was self-employed and learned the trade from his grandfather George Wigley.

Ernest and Pamber-born Marjorie were married at Priory Church, Pamber End on July 26, 1947.

They were at Tadley School at the same time but got together romantically while mixing with friends and then courted for nearly three years.

As a young girl straight from school Marjorie - who is

now 79 - worked in service up to the war when she was stationed in a munitions factory in Theale.

Speaking about her marriage, she said: "We've had a good life together. We get on well - we give and take and we help one another."

Ernest, a former captain for Baughurst cricket team, devotes much of his time to his garden and Marjorie also does what she can to help despite debilitating arthritis.

The pair have one son John, who is married to Julie, two grandchildren and a great-grandson.

● Happy couple Ernest and Marjorie Wigley who have just celebrated 50 years of marriage.



ESAU WIGLEY.PAMBER 1881.

|    |        |             |   |   |     |           |             |
|----|--------|-------------|---|---|-----|-----------|-------------|
| 86 | Heath. | Esau WIGLEY | H | M | 31  | Labourer. | Aldermaston |
|    |        | Charlotte   | " | W | 29  |           | Sonning.    |
|    |        | Kate        | " | d | 7   |           | Pamber      |
|    |        | Ada         | " | d | 5   |           | "           |
|    |        | Emily       | " | d | 3   |           | "           |
|    |        | Abigail     | " | d | 1m. |           | "           |

PAMBER 1891.

|     |        |             |   |   |    |             |                 |
|-----|--------|-------------|---|---|----|-------------|-----------------|
| 113 | Heath. | Esau WIGLEY | H | M | 38 | Bloom maker | Aldermaston     |
|     |        | Charlotte   | " | W | 37 |             | Berk., Sonning. |
|     |        | Gertrude    | " | d | 13 | Schooler    | Tadley.         |
|     |        | Abigail     | " | d | 11 | "           | Pamber          |
|     |        | William     | " | S | 9  | "           | "               |
|     |        | John        | " | S | 7  | "           | "               |
|     |        | Rose        | " | d | 5  | "           | "               |
|     |        | Gwendoline  | " | d | 2m |             | "               |

GEORGE WIGLEY.

TADLEY 1841.

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|                |        |        |    |   |
|----------------|--------|--------|----|---|
| Tadley Common. | George | WIGLEY | 25 | Y |
|                | Mary   | "      | 30 | Y |
|                | Jane   | "      | 4  | Y |
|                | Thomas | "      | 11 | Y |

TADLEY 1851.

|    |               |         |        |   |   |    |                    |                |
|----|---------------|---------|--------|---|---|----|--------------------|----------------|
| 24 | Inhurst Road, | George  | WIGLEY | H | M | 36 | Master Bloommaker, | Devon Slapton. |
|    |               | Mary    | "      | W | M | 42 |                    | Tadley         |
|    |               | Thomas  | "      | S |   | 11 | Sunday Scholar     | "              |
|    |               | William | "      | S |   | 9  | " "                | "              |
|    |               | Charles | "      | S |   | 5  | " "                | "              |
|    |               | James   | "      | S |   | 3  | " "                | "              |
|    |               | Ann     | "      | d |   | 3m |                    | "              |

TADLEY 1861.

|    |            |         |        |   |   |    |              |                |
|----|------------|---------|--------|---|---|----|--------------|----------------|
| 88 | Heath End, | George  | WIGLEY | H | M | 46 | Bloom maker. | Devon, Slapton |
|    |            | Mary    | "      | W | M | 53 |              | Tadley         |
|    |            | Thomas  | "      | S | U | 21 | "            | "              |
|    |            | William | "      | S | U | 19 | "            | "              |
|    |            | Charles | "      | S | U | 16 | "            | "              |
|    |            | James   | "      | S |   | 12 | Scholar      | "              |
|    |            | Ann     | "      | d |   | 10 | "            | "              |

TADLEY 1871

|     |  |       |        |   |      |    |         |        |
|-----|--|-------|--------|---|------|----|---------|--------|
| 196 |  | Mary  | WIGLEY | H | W    | 63 |         | Tadley |
|     |  | James | "      | S | Unm. | 22 | ag hab. | "      |
|     |  | Ann   | "      | d | Unm. | 20 |         | "      |

TADLEY 1881

|    |            |         |        |         |      |    |                  |        |
|----|------------|---------|--------|---------|------|----|------------------|--------|
| 39 | Heath End, | William | WIGLEY | H       | Unm. | 38 | General labourer | Tadley |
|    |            | James   | "      | Brother | Unm. | 32 | " "              | "      |

GEORGE WIGLEY.TADLEY 1891.

|    |            |                 |   |         |    |                  |              |
|----|------------|-----------------|---|---------|----|------------------|--------------|
| 10 | Heath End, | William WIGLEY. | H | S       | 45 | General labourer | Tadley       |
|    |            | James           | " | Brother | S  | 43               | " "          |
|    |            | Ann             | " | Sister. | S  | 40               | Housekeeper. |

TADLEY 1901

|    |            |                |   |         |    |             |             |
|----|------------|----------------|---|---------|----|-------------|-------------|
| 16 | Heath End. | William WIGLEY | H | S       | 55 | Broom maker | Tadley      |
|    |            | James          | " | Brother | S  | 53          | " "         |
|    |            | Ann            | " | Sister. | S  | 47          | Housekeeper |

HUSBAND GEORGE WIGLEY

|          |                |        |                     |
|----------|----------------|--------|---------------------|
| BORN     |                | AT     | BAUGHURST OR TADLEY |
| BAPTISED | 17/7/1842      | AT     | BAUGHURST           |
| MARRIED  | 3/12/1866      | AT     | TADLEY              |
| DIED     | AGED 85        | AT     |                     |
| BURIED   | 18/6/1928      | AT     | TADLEY              |
| FATHER   | WILLIAM WIGLEY | MOTHER | SARAH HALE          |

WIFE MARGARET WEST

|          |              |        |             |
|----------|--------------|--------|-------------|
| BORN     | 1844/5       | AT     | TADLEY      |
| BAPTISED |              | AT     |             |
| DIED     | AGED 86      | AT     |             |
| BURIED   | 9/5/1931     | AT     | TADLEY.     |
| FATHER   | WILLIAM WEST | MOTHER | JANE STACEY |

CHILDREN

|               |  |   |   |
|---------------|--|---|---|
| WILLIAM       | B 24/5/1867 AT TADLEY<br>Bp 28/7/1867 AT TADLEY  | D --- -- -- -- AGED 28<br>Bul 13/11/1945 AT BAUGHURST | M 1/6/1895 AT BAUGHURST<br>MARGARET DYER      |
| ADA MARGARET  | B --- -- -- AT TADLEY<br>Bp 16/5/1869 AT TADLEY  | D --- -- -- --<br>Bul                                 | M --- -- -- --                                |
| ALBERT        | B --- -- -- AT TADLEY<br>Bp 9/7/1871 AT TADLEY   | D --- -- -- -- AGED 31<br>Bul 11/7/1903 AT BAUGHURST  | M 5/9/1898 AT BAUGHURST<br>ALICE SAUNDERS     |
| WALTER GEORGE | B --- -- -- AT TADLEY<br>Bp 27/4/1873 AT TADLEY  | D --- -- -- -- AGED 5<br>Bul 30/11/1879 AT TADLEY     | M --- -- -- --                                |
| ARTHUR HENRY  | B --- -- -- AT TADLEY<br>Bp 17/10/1875 AT TADLEY | D --- -- -- -- AGED 55<br>Bul 28/11/1931 AT TADLEY    | M --- -- -- --                                |
| ERNEST        | B --- -- -- AT TADLEY<br>Bp 6/10/1878 AT TADLEY  | D --- -- -- -- INFANT<br>Bul 15/2/1879 AT TADLEY      | M --- -- -- --                                |
| GEORGE        | B --- -- -- AT TADLEY<br>Bp 4/7/1880 AT TADLEY   | D --- -- -- -- AGED 55<br>Bul 15/2/1936 AT TADLEY     | M 3/8/1908 AT TADLEY<br>MINNIE BENHAM         |
| ELLEN SARAH   | B --- -- -- AT TADLEY<br>Bp 7/5/1882 AT TADLEY   | D --- -- -- --<br>Bul                                 | M 27/12/1902 AT TADLEY<br>TOM SANDFORD        |
| FRANK         | B --- -- -- AT TADLEY<br>Bp 8/6/1884 AT TADLEY   | D --- -- -- --<br>Bul                                 | M 15/4/1922 AT TADLEY<br>MARY AGNES COTTELL   |
| BERTHA        | B --- -- -- AT TADLEY<br>Bp 17/1/1886 AT TADLEY  | D --- -- -- -- AGED 82<br>Bul 3/9/1969 AT TADLEY O.M. | M --- -- -- --<br>EDWIN HUTCHINS              |
| ROSE          | B --- -- -- AT TADLEY<br>Bp 13/5/1888 AT TADLEY  | D --- -- -- --<br>Bul                                 | M 2/3/1912 AT TADLEY<br>WALTER CHARLES MORGER |

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

- BAUGHURST PARISH REGISTERS - BAPTISMS 1813-1861, MARRIAGES 1838-1974, BURIALS 1898-1846-1886 1837-1905 1813-1886  
 TADLEY PARISH REGISTERS - BAPTISMS, 1885-1945, MARRIAGES, 1905-1920 BURIALS 1886-1968 1920-1936  
 TADLEY OLD MEETING REGISTER OF BURIALS 1948-1980

GEORGE WIGLEY.TADLEY 1871.

|  |          |        |   |   |    |         |        |
|--|----------|--------|---|---|----|---------|--------|
|  | George   | WIGLEY | H | M | 28 | Ag lab. | Tadley |
|  | Margaret | "      | W | M | 27 |         | "      |
|  | William  | "      | S |   | 3  |         | "      |
|  | Ada      | "      | d |   | 1  |         | "      |

TADLEY 1881

|    |            |           |        |         |   |      |                  |           |
|----|------------|-----------|--------|---------|---|------|------------------|-----------|
| 44 | Heath End. | George    | WIGLEY | H       | M | 38   | General labourer | Baughurst |
|    |            | Margaret  | "      | W       | M | 37   |                  | Tadley    |
|    |            | William   | "      | S       |   | 13   | Schooler         | "         |
|    |            | Ada       | "      | d       |   | 11   | "                | "         |
|    |            | Albert    | "      | S       |   | 9    | "                | "         |
|    |            | Arthur H. | "      | S       |   | 5    | "                | "         |
|    |            | George    | "      | S       |   | 11m. |                  | "         |
|    |            | Sarah     | "      | aunt. W |   | 56   | Visitor          | Baughurst |

TADLEY 1891.

|    |            |          |        |   |   |    |                  |           |
|----|------------|----------|--------|---|---|----|------------------|-----------|
| 12 | Heath End. | George   | WIGLEY | H | M | 48 | General labourer | Baughurst |
|    |            | Margaret | "      | W | M | 47 |                  | Tadley    |
|    |            | William  | "      | S | S | 23 | " "              | "         |
|    |            | George   | "      | S | S | 11 | Schooler         | "         |
|    |            | Ellen S. | "      | d |   | 10 | "                | "         |
|    |            | Frank    | "      | S |   | 8  | "                | "         |
|    |            | Bertha   | "      | d |   | 5  |                  | "         |
|    |            | Rose.    | "      | d |   | 3  |                  | "         |

TADLEY 1901

|    |            |          |        |   |   |    |                  |        |
|----|------------|----------|--------|---|---|----|------------------|--------|
| 18 | Heath End. | George   | WIGLEY | H | M | 58 | General Labourer | Tadley |
|    |            | Margaret | "      | W | M | 57 |                  | "      |
|    |            | George   | "      | S | S | 20 | " "              | "      |
|    |            | Frank    | "      | S | S | 17 | " "              | "      |
|    |            | Rose     | "      | d |   | 15 |                  | "      |

JESSE WIGLEY.TADLEY 1881.

|    |            |              |   |   |    |          |             |
|----|------------|--------------|---|---|----|----------|-------------|
| 42 | Heath End. | Jesse WIGLEY | H | M | 33 | Labourer | Aldermaston |
|    |            | Eliya "      | W | M | 27 |          | Baughurst   |
|    |            | Alfred T. "  | S |   | 7  | Scholar  | Tadley      |
|    |            | Alice "      | d |   | 6  | "        | "           |
|    |            | Miriam "     | d |   | 4  |          | "           |

TADLEY 1891.

|    |            |              |   |   |     |                  |             |
|----|------------|--------------|---|---|-----|------------------|-------------|
| 11 | Heath End. | Jesse WIGLEY | H | M | 43  | General Labourer | Aldermaston |
|    |            | Eliya "      | W | M | 37  |                  | Baughurst   |
|    |            | Alfred T. "  | S | S | 17  | " "              | Tadley      |
|    |            | Miriam "     | d | S | 14  | Rod sorter       | "           |
|    |            | Lily "       | d |   | 9   | Scholar          | "           |
|    |            | Louis "      | S |   | 7   | "                | "           |
|    |            | Richard T. " | S |   | 3   |                  | "           |
|    |            | Peter. "     | S |   | 10m |                  | "           |

TADLEY 1901

|    |            |              |   |   |    |                  |             |
|----|------------|--------------|---|---|----|------------------|-------------|
| 17 | Heath End. | Jesse WIGLEY | H | M | 53 | General Labourer | Aldermaston |
|    |            | Eliya "      | W | M | 47 |                  | Baughurst   |
|    |            | Lily "       | d | S | 18 |                  | Tadley      |
|    |            | Louis "      | S | S | 17 | " "              | "           |
|    |            | Richard L. " | S |   | 14 |                  | "           |
|    |            | Peter "      | S |   | 12 |                  | "           |
|    |            | Blanche "    | d |   | 7  |                  | "           |

JOHN WIGLEY

TADLEY 1851.

25 Inhurst Road. John WIGLEY H m 34 Broom maker. Devon Chazalton.  
Sarah " W m 25 Baughurst

TADLEY 1861.

100 Heath End, John WIGLEY H m 46 Rod Cutter. Tadley.  
Sarah " W m 37 Baughurst.

TADLEY 1871.

171 Heath End, John WIGLEY H m 54 Devon.  
Sarah " W m 45 Baughurst.


LATER  
DIVORCED

|                            |                      |                  |                        |
|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| HUSBAND JOHN ERNEST WIGLEY |                      | INSTRUMENT MAKER |                        |
| BORN                       |                      | AT               |                        |
| BAPTISED                   |                      | AT               |                        |
| * MARRIED                  | 7/8/1971             | AT               | ST PAULS, TADLEY       |
| FATHER                     | ERNEST JOSEPH WIGLEY | MOTHER           | MARJORIE DORIS RAMPTON |

|                            |                      |        |                         |
|----------------------------|----------------------|--------|-------------------------|
| WIFE SUSAN ELIZABETH THORN |                      |        |                         |
| BORN                       | 18/5/1951            | AT     | OF TADLEY               |
| BAPTISED                   | 29/7/1951            | AT     | TADLEY OLD MEETING      |
| FATHER                     | WILLIAM EUGENE THORN | MOTHER | EDWINA ROSEMARY CHAPMAN |

|          |                                      |              |           |
|----------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| CHILDREN |                                      |              |           |
| VICKI    | B 5/8/1973 OF 13 GORSELANDS, TADLEY  |              |           |
|          | Bp 28/10/1973 AT ST PETERS, TADLEY   |              |           |
| JAMES    | B 24/7/1975 OF 13 GORSELANDS, TADLEY | D 12/6/1994. | (SUIZIDE) |
|          | Bp 26/10/1975 AT ST PETERS, TADLEY.  |              |           |


\* SECOND MARRIAGE TO JULIE



**WIGLEY JAMES**  
 July 24th 1975  
 June 12th 1994  
 Ten long years has  
 gone by without you  
 We love and miss you  
 so much  
 God Bless  
 Dad, Julie, Marc and  
 Vicki and grandad

B.G. 11/6/2004

**JAMES WIGLEY**  
 12.6.94  
 Its now been 10 years,  
 Even though it seems  
 like yesterday,  
 You are in my  
 thoughts and missed  
 so much,  
 Hope your happy  
 where you are now,  
 The question though is  
 why?  
 Love always  
 your Sister  
 Vicki  
 xx



B.G. 11/6/2004

**WIGLEY, James.** Our son taken from us suddenly on 12th June, 1994 who was loved and will always be loved and in our hearts and in our thoughts forever. Love Dad, Julie and brother Marc. Funeral enquiries to Geoffrey Church & Co. (0734) 814420.

**WIGLEY, James.** Aged 18 years. Died tragically on 12th June, 1994. A most precious son and brother. Much loved and sadly missed. Forever in our hearts. Love Mum and Vicki xxx. All funeral enquiries to Geoffrey Church & Co. Tel. (0734) 814420.

B.G. 22/6/1994

**WIGLEY.** The family of James Wigley would like to thank all family and friends, and especially the friends of James, for all their love and support at this sad time. Please accept this as a personal thank you.

B.G. 01/7/1994.

## Man's body found in car

THE BODY of a 25-year-old Headley man was found in a fume-filled car early on Sunday morning.

Police have named the dead man as Mr James Wigley, of Common Road, Headley. His body was found in a Datsun Cherry car at 5.30am at Palces Hill, Aldermaston. The car was parked behind the Youngs Garden Centre, a hosepipe led from the exhaust. Police are not treating his death as suspicious.

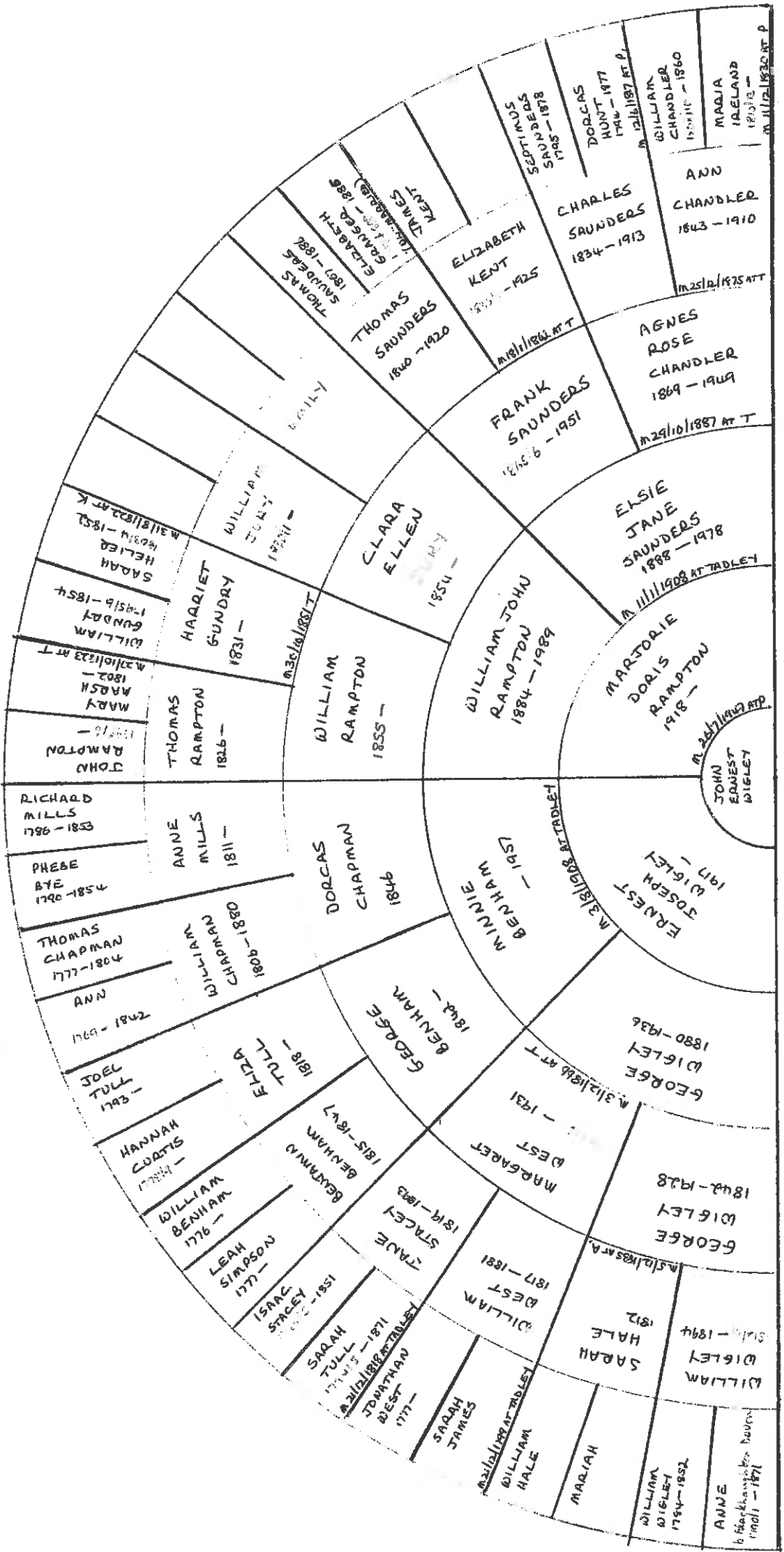
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# Panda Bear Our Little Girl

Little hands and little feet,  
 Little lips on little teats.  
 Little fingers and little toes,  
 Little smiles where ever she goes.  
 Amanda the panda is here today,  
 Amanda the panda is here to stay,  
 A, coo, a bobbing of the head, sleepy eyes,  
 A little smile, a promise of someone wise.  
 Pamber's princess, a golden smile, and happiness.  
 With little fingers the world to caress,  
 With feet to toddle, to walk, to run,  
 For today shines the sun, it has only just begun.  
 Panda bear, becomes panda girl,  
 All to quick and in twenty first century whirl.  
 From skipping rope to computer board, a cutey,  
 A grown woman, rich in feminine beauty.  
 One day far off, yet soon to come a woman bright.  
 Will walk the priory aisle, in frilly white,  
 In petticoats and flowers, and in God's house,  
 For all to see,  
 A young woman grown, in love and beauty.  
 A ring of gold, a gown of white, a love of a man.  
 Starts again the life, God's eternal plan.  
 A little gift, a little girl, a little boy,  
 Seed of Peter, and of will, still always a joy.  
 A panda bear, a mummy bear, no, a grandmother now.  
 Man's been to Mars, and Amanda babysits now,  
 With little feet, and little toes,  
 God's universe forever onward slowly goes.

—Malcolm Wigley, Pamber End, Basingstoke.

BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE EXTRA 7/11/1990.

**Amanda Sarah Wigley** of Oakdene, Pamber End, celebrates her fourth birthday anniversary on Wednesday and is greeted by her parents, Sue and Malcolm Wigley, and the grandparents—Mr and Mrs Wigley of Basingstoke and Mr and Mrs Cooper of Farnborough (addresses and initials not given). Amanda is a member of the St Paul's Play-school in Tadley.



● Amanda Wigley

BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE  
BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

4/10/1993

**Amanda Sarah Wigley** is going to be six years old on Friday, and she has many birthday greetings sent to her. Lots of love is sent from mum and dad and grandparents David Wigley of Basingstoke and Mr and Mrs Cooper from Farnborough.



● Amanda Wigley

B.G. BIRTHDAY GREETINGS  
2/10/1995

**Amanda Sarah Wigley** will be looking forward to Sunday when she celebrates her seventh birthday. Lots of love from mum and dad Sue and Malcolm of Pamber End, and nanny and granddad Cooper of Farnborough.



● Amanda Wigley.

B.G. BIRTHDAY GREETINGS  
30/9/1996

MALCOLM WIGLEY



● **Kristina Wigley.**

Kristina Wigley is sent a belated birthday wish for her first birthday which she celebrated on Christmas Eve.

Sending Kristina lots of love and kisses are her parents Sue and Malcolm, sister Amanda, and grandparents Mr and Mrs Cooper from Farnborough.

BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE 29/12/1997

0.24/12/97



**Kristina Wigley**, of Pamber End, who attends Greenacre Pre-school Unit, Tadley, will be four on Christmas Eve.

Love and best wishes are sent from mummy and daddy, Sue and Malcolm, and

— older sister Amanda.

BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE, 18/12/2000

**M**ORE Gaz Gang members are in the spotlight this week, celebrating their birthdays.

To have your name and birthday details printed, all you have to do is become a member of the Gaz Gang by filling in the form on this page and sending it in to The Gazette.

**Kristina Wigley**, of Pamber End, near Tadley, who attends The Priory School, celebrated her fifth birthday on Christmas Eve.

Belated birthday wishes from parents Sue and Malcolm and big sister Amanda.



BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE 31/12/2001



● **Kristina Wigley**

**Kristina Wigley**, of Pamber End, who goes to the Priory School and enjoys swimming, gym and art, celebrated her seventh birthday on Christmas Eve. Birthday wishes come from parents Sue and Malcolm and older sister Amanda.

B.G. 29/12/2003

HUSBAND THOMAS WIGLEY

|          |                         |        |                             |
|----------|-------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| BORN     |                         | AT     | HEATH END, TADLEY           |
| BAPTISED | 25/8/1912 (AGED 1 YEAR) | AT     | ST MARYS, HEATH END, TADLEY |
| MARRIED  | 6/1/1940                | AT     | TADLEY                      |
| DIED     | 1/10/1993               | AT     |                             |
| BURIED   |                         | AT     | BAUGHURST                   |
| FATHER   | GEORGE WIGLEY           | MOTHER | MINNIE BENHAM               |

WIFE FREDA AMELIA GUNDRY

|          |                    |        |   |
|----------|--------------------|--------|---|
| BORN     |                    | AT     |   |
| BAPTISED |                    | AT     |   |
| DIED     | 1/10/1997          | AT     | OF DALECARE NURSING HOME,<br>STOCKCROSS, NEWBURY. |
| BURIED   |                    | AT     |   |
| FATHER   | HORACE JOHN GUNDRY | MOTHER | GRACE SMITH                                       |

NO CHILDREN.

LIVED AT 1 SHYSHACK LANE, TADLEY. BOTH SPENT THEIR LATTER YEARS AT DALECARE NURSING HOME, STOCKCROSS, NEWBURY, BUT RETAINED THEIR HOME IN SHYSHACK LANE, WHICH WAS RENTED FROM MRS G. M. HEDGES.

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WILLIAM WIGLEY.

TADLEY 1841.

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|                |                |    |             |    |
|----------------|----------------|----|-------------|----|
| Tadley Common. | William WIGLEY | 55 | Bloom maker | Y  |
|                | Ann "          | 50 | "           | No |
|                | John "         | 20 |             | Y  |
|                | Sarah "        | 15 |             | Y  |
|                | Daniel "       | 15 |             | Y  |
|                | Elija "        | 15 |             | Y  |
|                | Jane "         | 13 |             | Y  |

TADLEY 1851

|    |              |                |   |   |    |               |                  |
|----|--------------|----------------|---|---|----|---------------|------------------|
| 20 | Inhurst Road | William WIGLEY | H | m | 66 | Pauper Ag lab | Skewers<br>Devon |
|    |              | Ann "          | w | m | 61 | " " " wife    | Blackhaughton    |
|    |              | Jane "         | d |   | 22 |               | Tadley.          |

TADLEY 1861

|    |            |            |   |      |    |                       |
|----|------------|------------|---|------|----|-----------------------|
| 93 | Heath End, | Ann WIGLEY | H | w    | 71 | Devon. Blackhaughton. |
|    |            | Jane "     | d | Unm. | 27 | Tadley.               |

TADLEY 1871.

|     |  |             |        |      |    |        |
|-----|--|-------------|--------|------|----|--------|
| 200 |  | Jane WIGLEY | H      | unm  | 43 | Tadley |
|     |  | Ann "       | Niece. | unm. | 20 | "      |

WILLIAM WIGLEY.

BAUGHURST 1841.

|          |         |        |    |          |    |
|----------|---------|--------|----|----------|----|
| Roadside | William | WIGLEY | 25 | Broom m. | N. |
|          | Sarah   | "      | 25 |          | N  |
|          | Sarah   | "      | 5  |          | Y. |

TADLEY 1851

|    |               |         |        |   |   |    |              |                  |
|----|---------------|---------|--------|---|---|----|--------------|------------------|
| 35 | Inhurst Road. | William | WIGLEY | H | M | 38 | Broom maker. | Yorks Wakefield. |
|    |               | Sarah   | "      | W | M | 38 |              | aldermaston      |
|    |               | Sarah   | "      | d |   | 14 |              | "                |
|    |               | George  | "      | S |   | 8  | Scholar.     | Baughurst.       |

TADLEY 1861.

|     |            |         |        |   |      |    |         |                  |
|-----|------------|---------|--------|---|------|----|---------|------------------|
| 104 | Heath End. | William | WIGLEY | H | M    | 48 | Ag lab. | Yorks Wakefield. |
|     |            | Sarah   | "      | W | M    | 47 |         | aldermaston      |
|     |            | George  | "      | S | Unm. | 18 |         | Baughurst.       |

TADLEY 1871

|     |  |         |        |   |   |    |                       |             |
|-----|--|---------|--------|---|---|----|-----------------------|-------------|
| 184 |  | William | WIGLEY | H | M | 58 | Ag lab & Broom-maker. | Tadley.     |
|     |  | Sarah   | "      | W |   | 57 |                       | aldermaston |
|     |  | Ernest  | "      | S |   | 5  |                       | Tadley.     |

ALDERMASTON 1881

|    |               |         |        |     |      |    |          |                         |
|----|---------------|---------|--------|-----|------|----|----------|-------------------------|
| 91 | Baughurst Rd. | William | WIGLEY | H   | W    | 68 | Labourer | Devonshire, Kingsbridge |
|    |               | Ernest  | "      | Gs. | Unm. | 15 | "        | Tadley.                 |

|          |                       |        |               |
|----------|-----------------------|--------|---------------|
| HUSBAND  | WILLIAM WIGLEY (WILL) |        | LABOURER      |
| BORN     | 24/5/1867             | AT     | TADLEY        |
| BAPTISED | 28/7/1867             | AT     | TADLEY        |
| MARRIED  | 1/6/1895              | AT     | BAUGHURST     |
| DIED     |                       | AT     |               |
| BURIED   | 13/11/1945 AGED 78    | AT     | BAUGHURST     |
| FATHER   | GEORGE WIGLEY         | MOTHER | MARGARET WEST |

|          |                        |        |               |
|----------|------------------------|--------|---------------|
| WIFE     | MARGARET DYER (MARGIE) |        |               |
| BORN     | 1871/2                 | AT     | KINGSCLERE    |
| BAPTISED |                        | AT     |               |
| DIED     |                        | AT     |               |
| BURIED   | 9/11/1953 AGED 81      | AT     | BAUGHURST     |
| FATHER   | WILLIAM DYER           | MOTHER | SARAH RABBITS |

|            |   |       |   |
|------------|---|-------|---|
| CHILD      |   |       |   |
| EDITH RUTH | B 8/6/1896 AT TADLEY.<br>Bp 12/7/1896 METHODIST | ----- | M. 5/8/1922 AT TADLEY<br>HERBERT EDWARD LEONARD SMITH |

Spent many happy hours with Will and Margie, who were very good to me. Will took me for walks to the common and I always found their home warm, cosy and inviting. I had tea with them on Thursdays, when I was introduced to 'Tater Crowsies', which were lovely. Will suffered with pernicious anaemia for many years, but was wonderfully cared for by Margie. Margie was caretaker of Heath End Hall, taking me with her when she did cleaning sometimes, or when she prepared the Hall for a booking.

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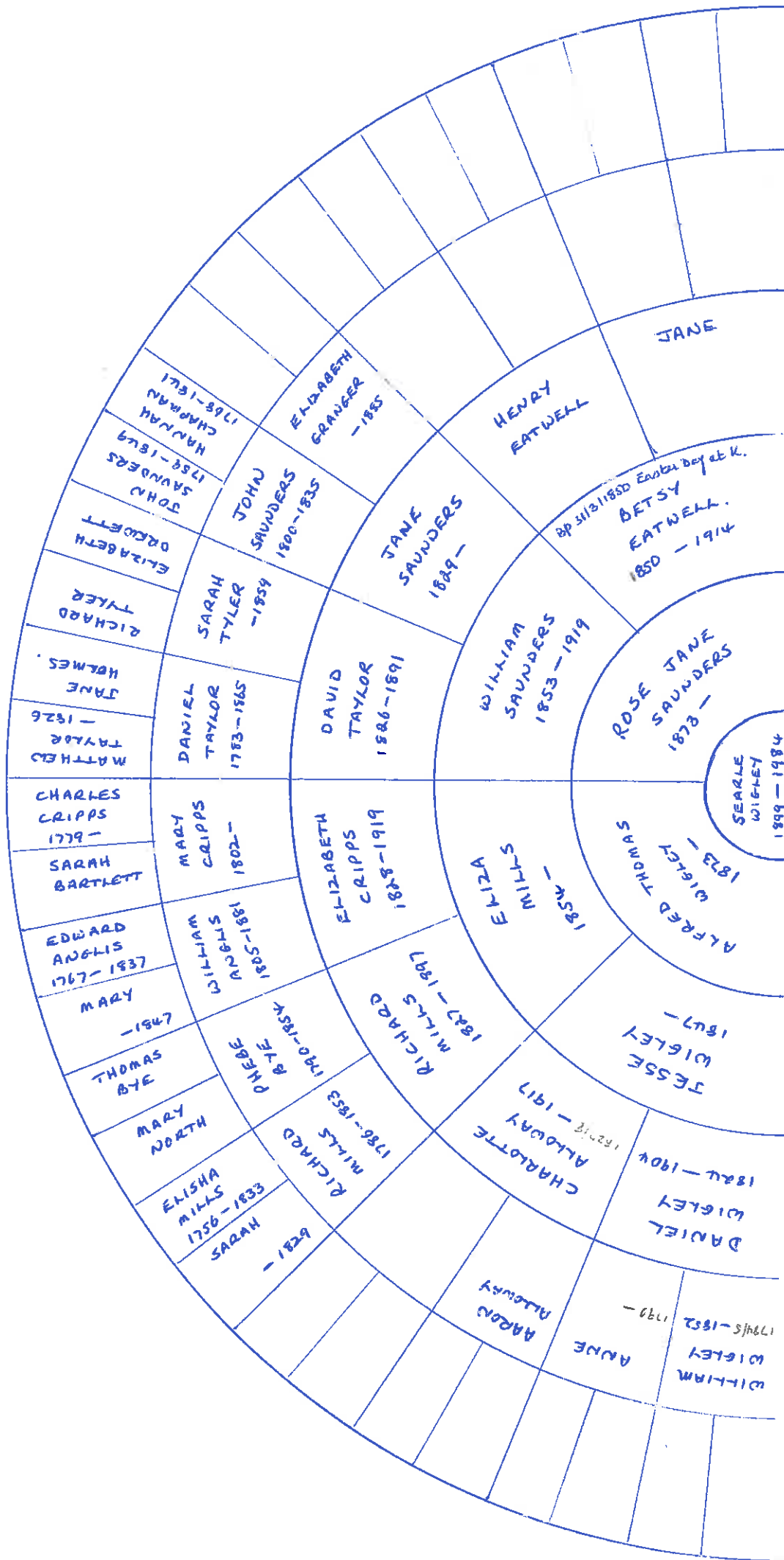
KNEW WILL AND MARGIE AND REMEMBERED THAT WILL'S BIRTHDAY WAS EMPIRE DAY.

SILCHESTER METHODIST REGISTER OF BAPTISMS 1889 -

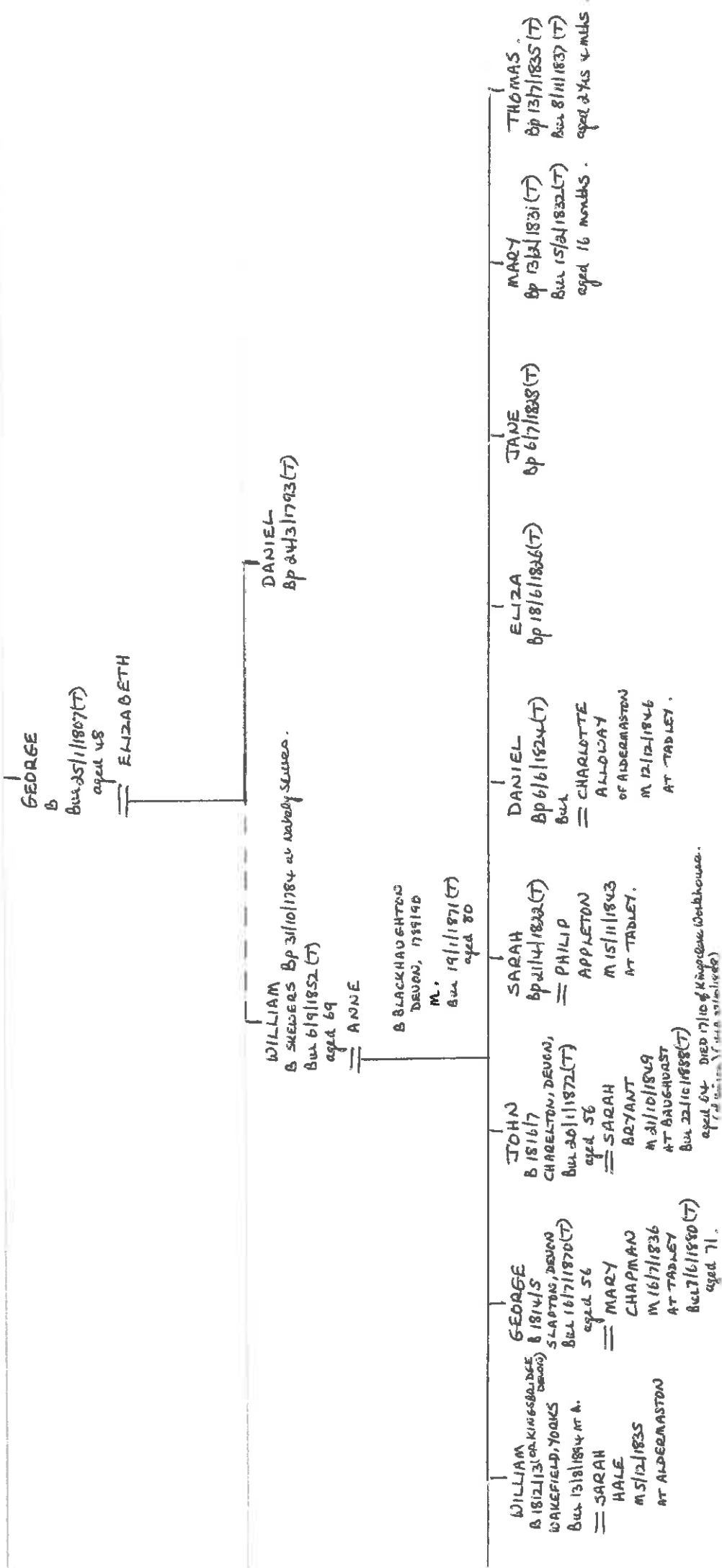
WILLIAM WIGLEY

TADLEY 1901

|    |            |                |      |         |      |    |                   |            |
|----|------------|----------------|------|---------|------|----|-------------------|------------|
| 32 | Heath End, | William WIGLEY | Jnr. | H       | M    | 35 | Labourer in Roads | Tadley     |
|    |            | Margaret       | "    | W       | M    | 31 |                   | Kingsclere |
|    |            | Edith          | "    | d       |      | 4  |                   | Tadley     |
|    |            | William DYER   |      | Fin Law | Widr | 70 | Labourer on Farm  | Kingsclere |



WIGLEY.





GEORGE  
WIGLEY  
Born 1841s  
SLAPTON, DEVON  
Bur 16/7/1870(T) 56

MARY  
CHAPMAN  
M 16/7/1836 AT TADNEY  
Bur 7/6/1880 AT TADNEY aged 71

JANE  
Op 23/4/1837 (T)  
Bur 14/5/1848 (T)  
aged 11 Years

THOMAS  
Op 21/7/1839 (T)

WILLIAM  
Op 31/10/1844 (T)  
Bur 22/3/1927 (T)  
aged 85.

GEORGE  
Op 23/11/1845 (T)

CHARLES

JAMES  
Op 14/5/1848 (T)  
Bur 24/2/1917 (T)  
aged 68

ANN  
Op 29/12/1850 (T)  
Bur 22/2/1932 (T)  
AGED 72-

STEPHEN  
Born 26/7/1854  
Op 16/2/1854 (T)  
Bur 21/10/1855 (T)  
aged 1 Year.

\* LIVED IN FIRST HOUSE IN THE LANE, (NEAR BEAKS BOADER, HEATH END)  
TWO BROTHERS AND SISTER ANN, ALL UNMARRIED  
INFORMATION FROM MRS HILDA WEST.



DANIEL WIGLEY  
Bp 6/6/1824 det  
Bm  
MARRIED  
CHARLOTTE ALLADAY  
B 12/12/1846 AT TABLEY.

JESSE Bp 5/5/1807 (T)  
cl Bp 12/19/1807 (A)  
Bm 12/18/1833  
AT TABLEY aged 86  
= ELIZA MILLS  
M 5/11/1872  
AT BAUGHDOST  
Bm 21/11/1917  
cl T. aged 64

JOHN Bm 4/11/1855  
Ap 4/11/1855  
AT TABLEY  
Bm 11/2/1855  
AT TABLEY  
aged 4 months.

CHARLOTTE Bp 3/6/1849  
AT ALDERMASTON

ESAU Bp 16/3/1851  
AT ALDERMASTON  
Bm  
= CHARLOTTE

ABIGAIL Bm 1852/3  
AT ALDERMASTON

ELIZA JANE Bp 22/10/1857  
cl PAMBER.

ANUS Bp 16/6/1861  
AT PAMBER  
Bm  
= EMILY

JOHN Bp 17/12/1865  
AT PAMBER.

KATE ALICE B 1873/4 (P)  
= WILLIAM WARD  
M 24/12/1891  
AT SILCHESTEA

ADA MARY B 9/11/1876  
Bp 22/2/1876 (M)  
= THOMAS QUELCH  
B 5 1895

EMILY B 1877/8 (P)

ABIGAIL B 1881  
= CHARLES HENRY HOEN  
M 12/7/1902  
AT PAMBER.

HERBERT WILLIAM Bp 8/10/1882  
cl PAMBER  
Bm  
= EMILY MORGAN  
M 26/12/1904  
AT TABLEY.

PERCY JOHN B 1885  
Bm  
= ELIZA HANNAH FISHER.  
M 27/2/1915  
cl PAMBER.

ROSALIE BERTHA BERTANNA Bp 27/11/1887  
cl PAMBER.

GWENDOLINE EVA Bp 13/1891  
cl PAMBER.  
= CHRISTOPHER WILLIAM CHAPMAN  
M 25/12/1913  
AT PAMBER.

LILY KATHLEEN B 1892.  
= ALFRED SHANDERS

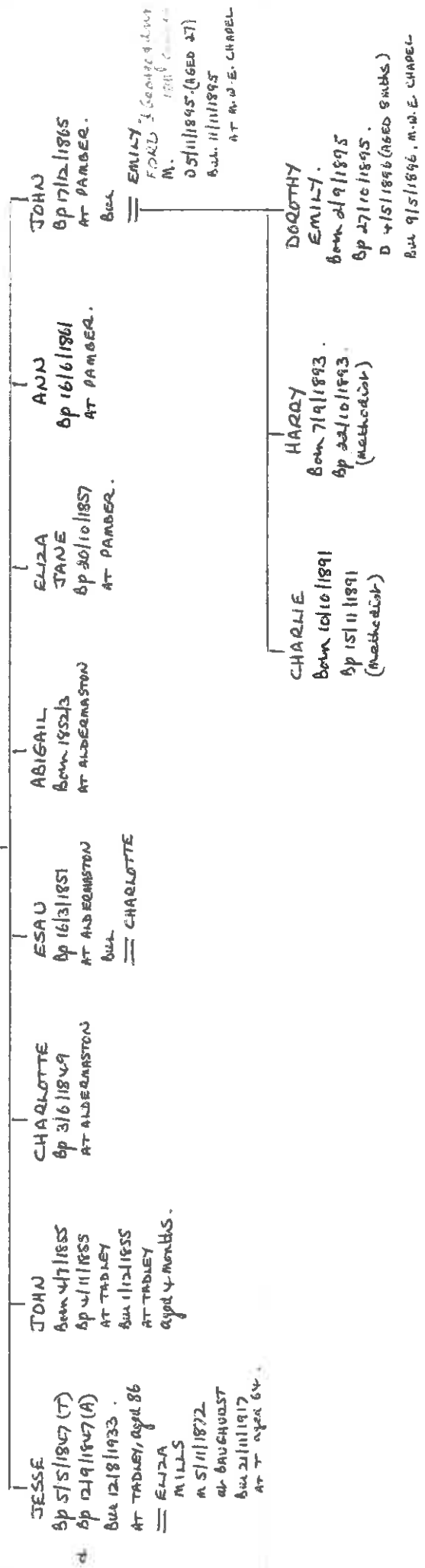
HERBERT DAVID Bp 25/12/1905  
AT PAMBER.

GEORGE Bp 12/1/1907

NORMAN Bp 5/6/1921  
AT TABLEY.

UNDINE  
ANNETTE Bp 22/5/1924  
AT TABLEY  
Bm 16/12/1925  
cl TABLEY  
aged 4 years

DANIEL WIGLEY  
 Ap 6/6/1824 (T)  
 B.M.  
 CHARLOTTE  
 ALLAWAY of ALDERMASTON  
 M 12/12/1846 of TABLEY.



Thomas, Richard, William, John, Henry, Thomas, John, William, Charles, Daniel, C. Allaway, of Aldermaston, aged 3.

WIGLEY, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

**PERCY ROLAND WIGLEY.**

Who slipped away on Saturday the 15th of Jan/05:

Who will be fondly remembered by his sons, daughter, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The funeral to take place at the Basingstoke Crematorium on Thursday 27/1/05 at 1.30 pm.

Please, any enquiries to A/Mongers FD. (01256) 851124

T.G. 24/1/2005

**WIGLEY**

**Albert**

On the 1st June 2010 in the Andover Nursing Home, Andover

Aged 85 years

Sadly missed by all his family

Funeral Service at the Basingstoke Crematorium on Tuesday 15th June 2010 at 2.45pm

Any enquiries to A Monger Funeral Directors

01256 851124



B.G. 10/6/2010

**PERCY ROLAND WIGLEY**

Loving memories of a dear Brother and Uncle passed away 15.1.2005

Still sadly missed by sister Rose, brother Albert, John, brother in law Bill and all his Nephews & Nieces.

Always in our thoughts  
God Bless

B.G. 18/1/2006

**WILLIAM JOHN WIGLEY**  
17/12/1919

21/08/2008

Died after a short illness at NHH.

Sadly missed by daughters Barbara and Elizabeth.

Funeral service to be held at Basingstoke Crematorium on Monday 8th September 2008 at 10.15am

Any enquires to Stowells Funeral Service.

01256 321281

B.G. 4/9/2008

**WILLIAM JOHN WIGLEY**

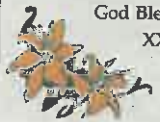
passed away at NHH on 21/08/08 aged 88.

Will be fondly missed by his sister Rose, brother Albert, nephews and nieces.

Always in our thoughts  
God Bless

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RIP



11/8/2008

WIGMORE HEATH, TADLEY.

### **WIGMORE HEATH UPDATE**

Wigmore Heath in Tadley is an important habitat for a variety of wildlife including heather, lizards and many different bird species. In the past few years much of the heath has been lost as small trees and scrub colonise the site. Removal of scrub from the heath was due to happen this march. Unfortunately this work would not have been completed before the start of the nesting season so will now commence in the autumn. The work will restore part of the heath to its original open state. This will involve removing dense and scattered areas of scrub. The heath will then be managed to prevent scrub colonising the site in the future.

If you would like further information about this work please contact Amanda Robb, Community Woodlands Officer, Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council. Tel 01256 845631 or email [a.robb@basingstoke.gov.uk](mailto:a.robb@basingstoke.gov.uk)

TADLEY TODAY, MAY 2005

ELISHA WILLIAMS.

BRIMPTON 1861.

| NOT LIVING<br>IN HOUSES |                 |   |   |    |         |  |          |
|-------------------------|-----------------|---|---|----|---------|--|----------|
|                         | Elisha WILLIAMS | H | M | 27 | Hawker. |  | N K.     |
|                         | Elijabeth "     | W | M | 26 |         |  | Brimpton |
|                         | Elisha "        | S |   | 4  |         |  | "        |
|                         | Keyia "         | d |   | 3  |         |  | "        |

TADLEY 1871.

|     |                  |                 |   |   |    |                  |          |
|-----|------------------|-----------------|---|---|----|------------------|----------|
| 233 | Dweller in Cart. | Elisha WILLIAMS | H | M | 38 | Hawker with cart | (Blank)  |
|     |                  | Elijabeth "     | W | M | 36 |                  | Greenham |
|     |                  | Frances "       | d |   | 9  |                  | Woodhay  |
|     |                  | Cornelius "     | S |   | 6  |                  | Tadley   |
|     |                  | Mary Ann "      | d |   | 4  |                  | "        |
|     |                  | Silvanus "      | S |   | 2  |                  | "        |

TADLEY 1891

|    |                                     |                 |   |   |    |                  |                   |
|----|-------------------------------------|-----------------|---|---|----|------------------|-------------------|
| 45 | Newtown<br>sleeping<br>under canvas | Elisha WILLIAMS | H | M | 56 | Licensed Hawker  | Oxon, Wakeley     |
|    |                                     | Elijabeth "     | W | M | 55 |                  | Berks Greenham    |
|    |                                     | Mary A. "       | d | S | 23 |                  | Hants Tadley      |
|    |                                     | Mattha "        | d | S | 19 | Licensed Hawker  | Berks, Lambourn   |
|    |                                     | Thomas "        | S | S | 17 | General Labourer | " Hambrook Norris |
|    |                                     | Elijah "        | S | S | 15 | " "              | " Thatcham        |
|    |                                     | Harry "         | S | S | 13 | " "              | Sherborne St John |
|    |                                     | Sarah "         | d |   | 7  |                  | Berks, Bucklebury |

TADLEY 1901

|     |      |                      |     |   |    |                 |                          |
|-----|------|----------------------|-----|---|----|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 264 | Van. | Elisha WILLIAMS Sen. | H   | M | 67 | Licensed Hawker | Oxon, Wheatley           |
|     |      | Elijabeth "          | W   | M | 66 |                 | Berks Greenham           |
|     |      | Mary A. "            | d   | S | 35 | Labourer Gen.   | Hants, Tadley<br>Berks   |
|     |      | Thomas "             | S   | S | 26 | " "             | Hambrook Norris          |
|     |      | Elijah "             | S   | S | 24 | " "             | Berks, Thatcham<br>Hants |
|     |      | Henry "              | S   | S | 22 | " "             | Sherborne St John        |
|     |      | Sarah "              | d   | S | 18 | " "             | Berks, Bucklebury        |
|     |      | Alfred DIMES         | GS. |   | 2  |                 | " Thatcham               |

HUSBAND JAMES (JIMMY) WILLIAMS

|          |                 |        |                                 |
|----------|-----------------|--------|---------------------------------|
| BORN     |                 | AT     | NEWTOWN, TADLEY                 |
| BAPTISED | 30/1/1930       | AT     | TADLEY                          |
| MARRIED  | 1963            | AT     | READING                         |
| DIED     | 2/4/2006        | AT     | HIS HOME, MULFORDS HILL, TADLEY |
| FUNERAL  | 11/4/2006       | AT     | BRIMPTON PARISH CHURCH          |
| FATHER   | SAMUEL WILLIAMS | MOTHER | SELINA BLACK                    |

WIFE BUNCH

|          |  |        |         |
|----------|--|--------|---------|
| BORN     |  | AT     | IRELAND |
| BAPTISED |  | AT     |         |
| FATHER   |  | MOTHER |         |

CHILD

|         |  |  |  |
|---------|--|--|--|
| PATRINA |  |  |  |
|---------|--|--|--|

**JIMMY WILLIAMS**  
 Peacefully at home on  
 2nd April.  
 A dear husband,  
 father and  
 grandfather, sadly  
 missed by all his  
 family and friends.  
 Funeral service at  
 Brimpton Parish  
 Church on Tuesday  
 11th April at 12.30pm.  
 Flowers and enquiries  
 to Geoffrey Church &  
 Co. 48 Bishopwood  
 Road, Tadley.  
 Tel: 01189 814420.

8-6-APRIL 2006

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NEWBURY WEEKLY NEWS, BASINGSTOKE OBSERVER, BASINGSTOKE GAZETTE



BUNCH at home with a picture of one of her late husband Jimmy's famous and much-loved carousels

# Death of a showman

## SPECIAL REPORT by Pierre Cooper

Hundreds of people came from across the country to celebrate the life of a renowned Tadley showman who 'lit up peoples lives'.

200 people squeezed into St Peter's Church, in Brimpton, to honour the life of the celebrated showman Jimmy Williams.

Jimmy, aged 72, was famous in Tadley for his antique carousel decorated

as an excuse to get on them because they have grown up with them and want to relive their youth. At the shows you met a lot of different people and this was reflected in the people who came to his funeral. There were all types of people who came from as far away as Yorkshire. Jimmy was devoted to his family and especially to his grandson. Jimmy was a man

moved around the country as thrill-seeking children prefer go to modern theme parks instead. But the legend of Jimmy lives on in the happy memories he gave people. Jimmy's widow Bunch told the Observer: "I don't think the gallopers will ever be forgotten because children love them and even if they don't their parents or grandparents will use the children

of principal who believed right was right and wrong was wrong."

In 1973 one of Jimmy's daughter Patricia was bought by Warner Brothers and taken to America where it is still running. Jimmy was a larger than life character who featured in many books and TV programs about traditional English fairs.



Jimmy Williams

## Obituary Jimmy Williams (1929-2006)

A FAIRGROUND showman and one of Tadley's best-known characters has passed away aged 76.

Jimmy Williams died on April 2 at his home in Mulfords Hill following a long illness.

Mr Williams (*pictured*) was born in 1929, just down the road in Franklin Avenue, Tadley, and spent his entire life in the town.

He attended what is now known as Tadley Community Primary School at The Green and left at 14 to train as a sign artist in Reading.

His father, Samuel Williams, then taught him the skill of fairground decorating – a trade that has been in the family for seven generations.

In 1960, Mr Williams met his wife Bunch at a caravan park his father owned in Mount Pleasant while she was staying with her brother.

They married three years later at a register office in Reading and had a daughter Patrina. The couple also have two grandchildren Karina, 20, and James, 17.

Mr Williams was a member of the Showman's Artist's Guild and devoted much of his life to his fairground decorating, which he carried out



at his home.

He won awards for his work and appeared on several television programmes about the traditional craft.

"He was a perfectionist and loved his painting," said his widow.

Mrs Williams said she wanted to thank Dr Sunil Bhanot, of Holmwood Health Centre, Franklin Avenue, Tadley for his help and support during the last six months. She is also grateful to the group of about 200 mourners who attended Jimmy's funeral at St Peter's Church, Brompton, on April 11, and for the dozens of sympathy cards she received.

**-Anna Bailey**

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|----------|------------------|-----------------|--|--------|
| HUSBAND  |                  | ROBERT WILLIAMS |  | DEALER |
| BORN     | 1874             | AT              |  |        |
| BAPTISED |                  | AT              |  |        |
| MARRIED  |                  | AT              |  |        |
| DIED     |                  | AT              | OF THE BUNGALOW,<br>HEATH END, BAUGHURST |        |
| BURIED   | 4/2/1949 AGED 75 | AT              | TADLEY.                                  |        |
| FATHER   |                  | MOTHER          |  |        |

|          |               |                       |                    |  |
|----------|---------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--|
| WIFE     |               | LILY GERTRUDE RAMPTON |                    |  |
| BORN     |               | AT                    | TADLEY             |  |
| BAPTISED | 26/5/1895     | AT                    | TADLEY OLD MEETING |  |
| DIED     | SEPT. 1997    |                       |                    |  |
| FUNERAL  |               |                       |                    |  |
| FATHER   | JAMES RAMPTON | MOTHER                | ELIZABETH SMITH    |  |

|                    |         |  |  |  |
|--------------------|---------|--|--|--|
| CHILDREN           |         |  |  |  |
| HESTER             | B<br>bp |  |  |  |
| RONALD HENRY JAMES | B<br>bp |  |  | M 26/3/1955 AT BAUGHURST<br>SYLVIA CLARA WEBB. |

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|          |         |                 |                      |                 |  |
|----------|---------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|--|
| HUSBAND  |         | SAMUEL WILLIAMS |                      | LICENSED HAWKER |  |
| BORN     | 1839/41 | AT              | STONESFIELD, OXFORD. |                 |  |
| BAPTISED |         | AT              |                      |                 |  |
| MARRIED  |         | AT              |                      |                 |  |
| DIED     |         | AT              |                      |                 |  |
| BURIED   |         | AT              |                      |                 |  |
| FATHER   |         | MOTHER          |                      |                 |  |

|          |           |            |                 |                 |  |
|----------|-----------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| WIFE     |           | MARY HICKS |                 |                 |  |
| BORN     | 1841/2    | AT         | BRIMPTON, BERKS |                 |  |
| BAPTISED |           | AT         |                 |                 |  |
| DIED     |           | AT         | OF HEATH END    |                 |  |
| BURIED   | 22/7/1898 | AGED 57    | AT              | BRIMPTON, BERKS |  |
| FATHER   |           | MOTHER     |                 |                 |  |

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|----------|---|---|--|
| JOB      | B _ _ _ OF UPTON, BERKS<br>Bp 29/6/1862 AT BRIMPTON | D _ _ _ _ _<br>Bul                                    | M _ _ _ _ _                            |
| JAMES    | B 1864/5 AT EAST WOODHAY<br>Bp                      | D 1912 OF NEWTON, AGED 60<br>Bul 22/12/1925 AT TADLEY | M _ _ _ _ _<br>ELIZA                   |
| ESTHER   | B 1868/9 AT THATCHAM<br>Bp                          | D _ _ _ _ _<br>Bul                                    | M _ _ _ _ _                            |
| ROBERT   | B 1870/71 AT LAMBOURNE<br>Bp                        | D _ _ _ _ _ AGED 75<br>Bul 4/2/1949 AT TADLEY         | M _ _ _ _ _<br>LILY GERTRUDE RAMPTON   |
| RICHARD  | B 1873/4 AT HAMPSHIRE HOUSE<br>Bp                   | D _ _ _ _ _ AGED 79<br>Bul 22/7/1953 AT TADLEY        | M. 26/12/1907 AT TADLEY<br>SARAH HICKS |
| SILVANUS | B 1874/5 AT TADLEY<br>Bp                            | D _ _ _ _ _<br>Bul                                    | M _ _ _ _ _                            |
| NELSON   | B 1881/2 AT BUCKLEBURY<br>Bp                        | D _ _ _ _ _<br>Bul                                    | M _ _ _ _ _                            |

DEAF & DUMB  
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SAMUEL WILLIAMS.

TADLEY 1891

|    |              |                 |   |   |    |                  |                               |
|----|--------------|-----------------|---|---|----|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 21 | Heath End,   | Samuel WILLIAMS | H | M | 57 | Licensed Hawker. | Oxon, Stanmarket              |
|    |              | Mary            | " | W | M  | 49               | Brimpton                      |
|    |              | James           | " | S | S  | 26               | Dealer East Woodhay           |
|    |              | Esther          | " | d | S  | 22               | Thatcham                      |
|    |              | Robert          | " | S | S  | 20               | Red Cutter Lambourne          |
|    |              | Richard         | " | S | S  | 17               | Helps Father Hampstead Norris |
|    | Deaf & dumb. | Silvanus        | " | S | S  | 16               | Tadley.                       |
|    |              | Nelson.         | " | S |    | 9                | Scholar Bucklebury.           |

TADLEY 1901

|    |            |                 |   |      |    |                 |                              |
|----|------------|-----------------|---|------|----|-----------------|------------------------------|
| 26 | Heath End. | Samuel WILLIAMS | H | Widr | 60 | Licensed Hawker | Oxford, Stonefield           |
|    |            | Esther          | " | d    | S  | 32              | Housekeeper Beles, Thatcham  |
|    |            | Robert          | " | S    | S  | 30              | Labourer General " Lambourne |
|    |            | Richard         | " | S    | S  | 26              | " " " Hampstead Norris       |
|    |            | Nelson          | " | S    | S  | 19              | " " " Bucklebury             |

# Memory lane



The Memory Lane photograph in the Gazette on Monday, July 19, showed Prince the pony frisking down Franklin Avenue, Tadley, with Mr Sam Williams, whose son Jim renovated the costermonger's trolley. The picture was first published on January 29, 1965.

# Golden days for couple who met in wartime



● Fifty years of marriage: Ida and John Willington.

A WARTIME meeting across a grocery counter proved the start of something very special.

For more than half a century later, John and Ida Willington have celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

The couple met in the shop owned by Ida's parents when John popped in while she was serving.

At the time, John was in the RAF based at Aldermaston.

After romance blossomed, the couple were married at St. Peter's Church in the town in 1943.

After the war, John worked as a self-employed welder and went on to ply his trade at AWE Aldermaston. Ida also worked at the base.

The couple have two grown-up children, Carol and Stephen, together with four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

John and Ida are both keen ballroom dancers and take part in modern alternative routines at Tadley Dance Club.

Their golden day was spent in style at Tadley Community Centre with family, friends and fellow dance club members taking part in dancing to suit all tastes and ages.

The couple's other great hobby is going on walks around the Tadley area together.

Ida has no doubts about what makes for a long-lasting marriage.

"It's very much a question of give and take," she said.

"One person can't always have their own way."

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## Diamond Wedding Anniversary



# Spark still there 60 years on

**A LOVE sparked by a grocery shop encounter more than 60 years ago is still going strong for one Tadley couple who celebrated their diamond wedding anniversary.**

John and Ida Willington, of Sarisbury Close, celebrated 60 years of marriage together on September 25, by hosting a party for 90 friends and relatives at the Ambassadors Club, Franklin Avenue, Tadley.

The couple met back in 1942, when John was working in Tadley as a welding technician for the RAF, and Ida was working in her parents' grocery shop in Mulfords Hill.

John, 80, said: "There was some meat out on the counter called brawn, and I asked what was in it. The girl who served me didn't know and had to ask Ida."

Brawn is actually a seasoned jellied loaf made from the head of a pig.

John said: "I thought Ida looked pretty tasty, so I thought I would ask her out. She looked much more tasty

**By Jenny Legg**

than the brawn!"

The couple spent their first date at the cinema, and were married the following year in St Peter's Church, Tadley. They honeymooned in Cornwall with John's family, who were unable to attend the wedding.

After the Second World War finished, John worked for British Overseas Airways as a welder, while Ida continued to work in the family shop and at a sawmill near Padworth.

The couple have two children, Carole and Stephen, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, who all live locally.

John and Ida still enjoy an active life and spend their retirement walking, gardening and ballroom dancing.

When asked about the secret of their long and happy marriage, John joked that "no one else would have us" and Ida, 79, mused "I think we've just always got on very well".

John and Ida asked for donations to St Michael's Hospice instead of presents for their anniversary, and have raised £450.

● Ida and John Willington are celebrating 60 years of marriage  
Pic by Jason Allen