

MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS,

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

HONILEY,

WARWICKSHIRE.

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NOTE

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Temporarily Henry III granted to RICHARD PECHE by service of 12d yearly paid at Easter to HENRY BERESFORD. Then became the property of SIR SIMON MONTFORT, then to Crown, then to family of FITZGERALD, reverting to Crown First Queen Mary who granted it to MICHAEL THROCKMORTON ESQ., whose descendants sold it to ROGER BURGOYNE of Wroxall, passing to JOHN BURGOYNE, thence to FRANCIS, LORD CARRINGTON, in 1686. In the 6th Queen Anne it was bought by JOHN SAUNDERS.

Edward IV, deserted by his followers, is said to have been captured here by RICHARD NEVILLE of WARWICK the King-maker.

One time called Honiley Harlington, alias Honely, and West Warwickshire mentions - Peches Park alias Rudfyn Park, with the Manor and Row Close, Lubberhurst, Blackwell Wood, Symons Hill and Cowhouse Grounds. Interesting data in that book.

Church gates belonged to original old hall. Church rebuilt 1723.

Population in 1811 - 60.

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EDWARD PARSON died Jan. 27th 1880 aged 71. Wife JANE died March 28th 1880 aged 66.

WILLIAM HURD died at Wroxall November 11 1877 aged 47.

JOHN BAYLIS formerly of Hatton died March 20 1916 aged 73.

JOHN CUBBINS died Jan. 20 1900 aged 68. Wife ANN died April 6th 1904, aged 79.

WILLIAM CUBBINS also ANN died Jan. 19th 1885 aged 24.

WILLIAM TAYLOR December 6? 1882 aged 69. Also brother ISAAC died March 22 1899 aged 76.

MARY READER died September 20 1817 aged 69.

TOM MERRY son of THOMAS & ELIZABETH MERRY born July 12 1859 died November 27 1869. Memorial erected by sister Elizabeth Also ELIZABETH MERRY born Feb.5 1824, died March 22 1888.

WILLIAM HEATH died Dec. 13 1878 90th year. Also wife ...RTED? died Dec. 20th 1876 aged 82.

MARY GREVES wife of ISAAC of Fen End Knowle died 18 July 1904 aged 93.

All above stones flat in overgrown grass.

RICHARD ANTHONY son RICHARD & IDA PENHALE died Oct.16 1939 aged 23 months.

BEATRICE FLORENCE WHEELER died Oct 18 1940 aged 45.

CECIL MANFRED PERKINS died May 30 1924 aged 21.

WILLIAM EDWARD HUTCHINS died Dec.27th 1920 aged 33.

ERNEST ALBERT WHEELER died Aug.17th 1980 aged 74 also EDITH WHEELER died October 1980 aged 79. Sadly missed by DAPHNE YVONNE DOREEN ALICE and grand children (under fir tree).

HARRY EDWARD SWIFT "DICK" died December 7 1978 aged 71. Husband of MARY ANNE FARREN died May 22 1977 "mother".

EDNA LILIAN INGRAM 17.8.1909 to 6.1.1977. Wife and mother, husband NORMAN, children BRIAN, PAUL and JOHN.

BETSY HOLMES born March 9 1800 died Jan. 24th 1880.

GEORGE BARNACLE died March 12 1893 aged 68 also CHARLES SAMUEL BARNACLE died March 20 1896 aged 6, also HARRIETT BARNACLE wife of GEORGE died April 28 1915, aged 71.

EMMA wife of FREDERICK GOODMAN died Dec. 26 1908, aged 27.

WILLIAM GRAHAM of Hill Farm, Beausale, born March 5 1818 died October 28 1888.

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ELLEN MARTHA? LOWE wife? JOSEPH (rest of stone illegible).

SARAH LOWE of Solihull died Jan 12 1897 aged 82 also ELIZABETH LOWE died March 16 1909 aged 88.

ANNE wife of JOSEPH LOWE died December 22 1859 aged 40.

JOHN LOWE late of Yardley Wood (Kings Heath) died May 28 1865 aged 88, also wife ANN died March 24 1870 aged 81.

EDWARD LOWE 2nd son of JOHN and ANN LOWE died March 10 1847 30th year.

(Lowe's still farm extensively in the area, at Abbey Farm, Wroxall, Chadwick End, Knowle etc in 1981).

..... died July 7 1874 aged 10 or 70. (By path to church).

FRANCIS HORN of Honiley died Jan. 16 1871 72nd year.
Also wife ANN died March 22 1881 72nd year.

CATHERINE HORN died at Honiley May 25 1880? 90th year.

FRANK HORN of Balsall died Nov. 1952 aged 77. Wife ADA died Jan. 7 1943 aged 74. (Frank farmed Ryton End Farm, Barston. Hunted with North Warwickshire foxhounds and died at farm back of Brickmakers Arms at Balsall Common).

? In memory of WHIC)RC YOUNG d...DANE - united

JOSEPH ASHFORD died April 23 1899 aged 29 also FRANK JOSEPH ASHFORD died May 21 1900 aged 34.

THOMAS GARD son of RICHARD & ANN GARD died July 13 1857 aged 20 (hidden under tree).

SARAH ASHFORD died Jan. 12 1877 aged 31 and JOSEPH ASHFORD died Nov. 10? 1917 aged 79 (curious stone).

JOSEPH JAMES and GEORGE infant children of JOSEPH & SARAH ASHFORD (by path).

ALICE EVELYN dau. of AMY & CHARLES HUTT died May 16 1916 aged 11 weeks.

MILDRED HALLOWS born May 6 1885 died April 18 1892 (under yew tree by path).

WILLIAM KIMBREY died March 24 1863 aged 71? also wife ELIZABETH died May 19 1863 aged 59.

FREDERICK STONHOUSE for 35 yrs. Rector of this Parish.
Died on Festival of St. Michael & All Angels A.D. 1889? aged 74

WILLIAM ARCHER died at Honiley Grove (farm) April 5 1891 aged 54

Husband of ALICE WATTRUS died Nov. 7th 1916 aged 89?

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G.F. DENNIS WADE (of Hatton) C.B.E. June 14 1899 - May 14 1968

HERBERT JOSEPH TAYLOR died November 1918 at Parkhurst Military Hospital aged 21. Wife ELSIE MAY died July 25 1961 aged 68

GEOFFREY BOLTON July 1967 - October 1978 (Boltons had garage at Five Ways Hatton).

MAURICE CHARLES WADE, M.C., J.P., of Honiley Hall (& Wade's Iron Foundry, Birmingham) born April 22 1888 died 13 Oct. 1965 Had son JOHN WADE of first marriage. 2nd marriage c.1940 at Honiley Church. Had issue.

HERBERT LOUIS WADE April 16 1855 - Feb. 19 1923. Wife LILY ELIZABETH VICTOIRE December 20 1860 - March 14 1944. (see similar inscription inside church).

Set in Church Wall: MATTHEW JAMES KENNETH HUDSON 1967-1972

CHRISTOPHER PAUL DOUGLAS HUDSON 1967-1978

End of right-hand side graves facing church.

Left-hand side facing church - newer graves:-

MARY ETHEL JANE BIRD died Good Friday March 27 1957 aged 76 also THOMAS WADSWORTH BIRD husband Sept. 9 1962 aged 80.

EMILY PERKINS died May 1960 husband ARTHUR PERKINS died March 1967. "They gave their children a lovely country background" Erected by daughter WINIFRED.

BESSIE PINFOLD died Oct. 19 1958 aged 48 "Our Mother" (open book).

WALTER HENRY FOREMAN died March 4 1959 aged 54 husband. (Farmer at Watt Pitts Farm) (grey chippings)

SARAH ELIZABETH BARRETT died May 31 1959 84th year, also GEORGE BARRETT died Feb. 9 1962 80th year.

ROBERT JOHN husband KATHLEEN GREENWAY Aug. 23.

^{d. Jan 6. 1957 aged 64.}
THOMAS HILL husband of EVALINE ELIZABETH LUCY. (she died Jan 13 1968, aged 77)

CYRIL JOHNSON died Feb. 18 1957 aged 51 husband of OLIVE

HELEN BISHTON died March 28 1956 aged 75. Also husband FRED BISHTON farmer and pig killer of Beausale died Feb. 6 1962 aged 76.

MARIA FARREN died June 18 1948 aged 79 "Our Mother"

Vase only to: GEORGE Wm. EATON 1896-1953 and BEATRICE EATON 1898-1977.

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JOHN HENRY ARNOLD died July 18 1948 aged 70, Wife KATE died March 12, 1955 aged 79.

ALICE LOWE died Jan. 17 1953 aged 91

MARY ELIZABETH wife late ARTHUR SAVAGE died Feb. 1 1954 aged 85. "Our Mother".

ANNIE ELIZABETH PERKINS died March 30 1955 aged 76 also WALTER PERKINS died Aug. 1 1967 aged 83

Double Grave to: "OUR SONS"

RONALD HENRY LURKINGS killed in motor crash at Shrewley Cross Roads August 17 1951, also his friend HOWARD GEOFFREY WHITEHEAD died as result of above. Sept. 5 1951. Verse: "They were lovely and pleasant in their lives" etc.,

THOMAS FRANK STANLEY Aug. 8 1955 aged 53. "Dear Brother"

ALLAN HENRY FARREN died March 21 1970 aged 7 27. (~~21~~ perhaps)

JESSIE HUNT died June 11 1948 aged 66 husband. Also JANE.

Our father, mother and brother:-

MARGARET HARVEY ARCHIBALD died Feb 18 1936 aged 86
also JOHN KIRKWOOD ARCHIBALD died Jan.6 1920 aged 61
also HUGH KIRKWOOD ARCHIBALD died April 3 1909 aged 13

IRENE MARY WHEELER died May 9 1936 aged 7

CLARICE HUTCHINSON died Dec. 10 1939 aged 52

PHILLIS ELIZABETH BIRD Sept. 15 1943 "Our Mother"

ABRAHAM CHARLES FROST died July 2 1944 aged 77, wife MARY ANN THOMAS FROST died Nov. 19 1955 aged 90

FREDERICK Wm. HUTTON May 15 1865 - Feb. 25 1946 of the HUTTON family of sicklesmiths for 300 years at Eckington, Derbyshire also his wife MARY ANN ELIZABETH HUTTON born Chipping Campden born Jan 31 1866, died October 28 1952 aged 87. Parents of FREDERIC FRANCIS and GLADYS MARY HUTTON, and Grandparents of SHEILA & BARRY HUTTON & G.W. & R.G.N. REEVES. (Gladys Hutton related to following being wife of G.N. REEVES).

GEORGE NEWCOMBE REEVES born Billesley Farm, Kings Heath Feb. 24 1893 died June 26 1971. Farmed Bills Farm, Shirley: Box-trees Farm, Hockley Heath: Grove Farm, Honiley, and Holly Lane Farm, Balsall Common. Wife GLADYS MARY REEVES nee HUTTON born Nov. 2 1891 died May 29 1976, parents of GLADYS WINIFRED and ROBERT GEORGE NEWCOMBE REEVES grandparents of DIANA WINIFEWS and CAROL MARY WHEATCROFT and JANE, SHERRY, CHRISTOPHER, ANNE-MARIE and LUCY REEVES.

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ANNIE LOUISA WATTRUS died Aug 26 1944 and FREDERICK WATTRUS died Nov 3 1941 (kept the grocer's shop at Beausale).

CAROLINE MAUD TILSON died July 1953 aged 76 "our sister"

DENNIS BARNWELL died Jan 16 1959 aged 73 wife GERTRUDE MAY BARNWELL died Sept 28 1962 aged 77 "Dear mother of MARJORIE" (double grave)

ALICE POWERS died Oct 17 1973 aged 84. A wife.

HERBERT THOMAS FARREN died Nov 5 1974.

GEORGE HAROLD TOMPKINS 1892-1974 wife JANE KATHARINE 1897-1974

HERBERT C. SHELTON died Jan 31 1973 aged 75

JOHN SOUTHAM died Jan 15 1968 aged 57. Husband & Father (open book)

JAMES FLETCHER died July 29 1966 aged 83.

WILLIAM SOUTH April 19 1934 aged 71 "our father"

MARY ANN ARNOLD died Sept 30 1929 aged 81 Also JOHN husband died Aug 7 1937 aged 86

GEORGE SHELDON 1863-1937 and BERTHA 1871-1961

JONATHAN son of GODFREY & EDNA MERRICKS died Oct 2 1931 one day old.

JESSIE BEATRICE NICHOLLS died Nov 23 1940 aged 74

EDITH ANNIE HURST died June 25 1968 aged 76 also FRED HURST died Aug 9 1976 aged 91 "our parents"

FREDERICK GEORGE SIMMONS died May 11 1970 aged 58 (Rose motif)

FREDERICK WILLIAM RILEY Jan 28 1971 aged 81

IDA HELEN CHALMERS M.A. of Beausale House died Nov 23 1960 aged 65. "Wife, mother and grandmother"

FREDERICK GRANT CHALMERS husband of JANE and the late IDA HELEN died April 4 1967 "Adored by his family". (Family of Chalmers ran milk delivery business at Henley-in-Arden in 1930's)

JOSEPH Wm. BULLOCK died Feb 12 1963 aged 67 (grave completely alone by church wall).

PHYLLIS VIOLET LOUISA WILSON died April 29 1972 aged 50 also husband JAMES WILSON died April 17 1976 aged 61

EDITH MARY ARNOLD died Oct 18 1971 aged 82

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PETER BARBER died Feb 19 1946 aged 82 and MARGARET BARBER died Sept. 30 1943 aged 76 (related, it is reputed, to Edward Barber of Rotherhams Oak Farm, Hockley Heath, father of Alan and deceased daughter, who came from Cheshire to Warwickshire.)

STEPHEN MEDCRAFT (metal plate)

PATRICIA MORRIS April 29 1920 - June 25 1939

MAURICE ERNEST NASON Dec. 2 1950 - Jan 21 1931

ROBERT SIMMONS died Oct 27 1928 aged 46 husband of LILY, also WALTER JOHN son of Lily and Robert died Dec. 27 1927 aged ... and 5 five weeks? (double grave)

FREDERICK RILEY died June 5 1927 aged 73, also LOUISA wife April 21 1934 aged 78 (double grave)

WILLIAM HENRY DRAPER Dec 19 1855 - Aug 9 1933

Vase only to: A.E. BEALE

Scratch on Church Porch - G.L. LOWE 1896 (17) and many more.

250th anniversary 1973 tree planted by Mrs. G.J. ROGERS

INSIDE CHURCH

Only memorial to:

HERBERT LOUIS WADE J.P. Lord of the Manor of Honiley died in Bombay Feb 19 1923 aged 67 also LILY VICTORIA his wife March 14th 1944 aged 83

Centre altar window dedicated to above, also right hand side dedicated by son DENNIS WADE and left hand side dedicated by son CHARLES WADE.

Wooden lectern by HERBERT LOUIS WADE.

Completed to 20th April, 1981.

ADDITION

ROBERT GEORGE NEWCOMBE REEVES born Bills Farm, Shirley, November 16th 1931, only son of GEORGE NEWCOMBE REEVES, farmer, and his wife GLADYS MARY nee HUTTON, died July 9th 1981, buried 14th July. Husband of RUTH nee JENKINSON, married at Berkswell, father of Jane born 1955 (Mrs. Robert Boulton), Sherry born 1956, Christopher Robert born 1957, Anne-Marie born 1960, Lucy born 1967, grandfather of Benjamin Boulton born 1980, of Fernbank, Beausale.

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	John Kirkwood 4		Thomas 2
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	John 5	<u>GRAHAM</u>	William 1
	John Henry 4	<u>GREENWAY</u>	Kathleen 3
	Kate 4		Robert John 3
	Mary Ann 5	<u>GREVES</u>	Isaac 1
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	Joseph 2**	<u>HALLOWS</u>	Mildred 2
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	George 1*		Frank 2*
	Harriet 1	<u>HUDSON</u>	Christopher Paul Douglas 3
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	Ida Helen M.A. 5*		Sheila 4
	Jane 5		
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<u>PENHALE</u>	Ida 1 Richard 1 Richard Anthony 1	<u>TILSON</u>	Caroline Kaud 5
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