BABINGTON

MEMORIAL INSCRIPTIONS

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Introduction



The church of St Margaret, Babington

In 1870-72, the *Imperial Gazetteer of England and Wales*:

BABINGTON, a parish in Frome district, Somerset; 5 miles WNW of Frome r. station. Post Town, Mells under Frome. Acres, 607. Real property, £1,448. Pop., 129. Houses, 25. The property is divided among a few. Babington House is the seat of W. F. Knatchbull. The living is a rectory in the diocese of Bath and Wells. Value, £170. Patron, the Rev. T. R. Jolliffe. The church is good; and there are an endowed school with £15, and other charities with £10.

From the Bath Chronicle of Thu 4 Jul 1844 p3 In the House of Commons yesterday (Wednesday) week, Mr, Miles presented petitions from Babington, Kilmersdon, and other places in the country of Somerset, against the agitation of the Anti-Corn-Law League, and in favour of protection to agriculture.

From the Bath Chronicle of Thu 4 Jul 1844 p3:
A grand ball and supper was given, last week, by W. F. Knatchbull, Esq., M.P., at his seat at Babington. There were about 200 visitors, including the Marquis of Bath, Lord H. Thynne, Colonel Sir William Miles, M.P., J. M. Paget, Esq., and family, and the élite of the neighbourhood. Dancing was kept up till five o'clock the following morning. The mansion was brilliantly illuminated by Mr. Symes, of Bath.

As reported in several newspapers, in 1862 the proprietors of the Westbury Iron works were prosecuted for obstructing the footway to Babington church by digging it up for a private railway to a coal pit. (Wells Journal Sat 12 Apr 1862 p2).

From the Bath Chronicle of Thu 5 Jul 1866 p5: SHOCKING COLLIERY ACCIDENT.—The adjourned inquest (as we mentioned last week) on the bodies of two men who were killed at the Newbury coal pit, Babington was resumed at the Anchor Inn. in that parish, on Saturday, by Dr. J. Wybrants. After hearing the evidence of Stephen Steeds, brother of one of the deceased, Abraham Hamblin, Mr. Lionel Brough, the Government Inspector, Sergeant Whitting, and Albert Plumber, the jury, after upwards of two hours' deliberation, returned a verdict of manslaughter against James Palmer, the engine driver, and William Baker, the manager of the works, and they were accordingly committed for trial at the ensuing Assizes, to be held at

Wells on the 3rd of August. Bail to the amount of £600 was offered and accepted.

From the *Bath Chronicle* of Thu 11 Feb 1869 p3 in an article on grammar schools in Somerset and Wiltshire:

We glean the following particulars relating to the endowed schools in Somerset, anciently founded for the primary instruction of boys and girls; they are styled non-classical schools because by foundation they were nor intended to afford instruction in grammar. At Babington (population 129) there is a school founded in 1758 by Elizabeth Long, which is managed by two trustees, by whom the teacher (a master) is appointed. The number of boys under instruction in 1867 was 8, who paid no weekly fee, and the whole endowment of the school, £15, is applied to education. There is a house for the teacher.

From the Bath Chronicle of Thu 11 May 1871 p3:

THE LATE MR. W. F. KNATCHBULL.-The remains of this lamented gentleman (whose death we noticed last week) having been removed from London to his late residence at Babington, were interred at that village on Saturday last in a new vault opposite the church door. A very large crowd of spectators was present to witness the ceremony at which the Rev. Prebendary Horner, of Mells, and the Rev. T. P. L. Yewens, curate of Babington officiated. The coffin was borne by six of Mr. Knatchbull's servants. The immediate mourners were the Rev. W. Knatchbull (brother of the deceased and heir to the property), Capt. Wyndham Knatchbull (both of Cholderton Lodge, Hants), Capt.

Wadham Knatchbull and Mr. Norton Knatchbull of Sherborne (nephews of the deceased). There also joined the procession Sir W. Miles (so long Mr. Knatchbull's colleague in representation of East Somerset) and Mr. W. H. Miles, of Leigh Court, Major Paget, M.P., Mr. E. B. Napier, Mr. E. H. Dickinson, Mr. C. C. Tudway, and Mr. J. G. Mogg (magistrate for the county), Mr. George Mackay, solicitor, and Messrs, J. and C. Wainwright, stewards of the estates, and all the tenants on the Manors of Stratton, Stoke Lane, Holcombe, and Babington. On Sunday afternoon Mr. Yewens preached to a large congregation in the parish church an impressive sermon having reference to the melancholy event, his text being the 25th and 26th verses of the 6th chapter of St. John's Gospel.

From the *Bath Chronicle* of Thu 18 May 1871 p3: DEATH OF MRS. KNATCHBULL.—The vault which received the remains of Mr. William Francis Knatchbull, of Babington, only a few days back, has been re-opened to receive all that was mortal of his widow, Emma Louisa, whose death took place somewhat suddenly in London, having survived her husband only nine days. The remains were removed to Babington over night, and the funeral took place at noon on Tuesday. It was attended by Mr. J. Gray, her brother, Rev. W. Knatchbull, Captain Knatchbull, Mr. Wadham Knatchbull, Captain Norton Knatchbull, Mr. Luscombe, and the family solicitor. Mr. Mackay, Mrs. Grav and Mrs. Gully, Mr. Wainwright, of Shepton Mallet (the agent), Mr. Blewer (butler), and Mr. Nicoll (head gardener). The rich violet pall was held by six of the principal tenants, Messrs. S. Steed, J. Steed, Swenton,

Butler, Osborn, and Ruth. The outer coffin was of oak covered with black cloth with bronzed mediæval handles and The plate bore this ornaments. inscription: "Emma Louisa, widow of William Francis Knatchbull, Esq., died 11 May, 1871, aged 67 years." The burial service was jointly and very impressively read by the Rev. Prebendary Horner and the Rev. E. L. Yewens. After the service the members of the family entered the vault, and as a last tribute of affection placed elegant wreaths of flowers upon the coffin.

From the Bath Chronicle of Thu 30 Dec 1886 p2:

On Sunday evening the neighbourhood of Kilmersdon was visited with such a severe snowstorm as has not been known for many years, doing a considerable amount of damage to trees, especially in Lord Hylton's park, and also in Babington wood, where a great number of fine trees, the property of Captain Knatchbull, have been blown down in all directions. In the roads the snow in some places reaches a depth of four or five feet.

From *The Somerset Standard* of Thu 10 Jan 1902 p8: BABINGTON.

CONCERT AT BABINGTON HOUSE.—A concert of classical music was given by Mrs. Knatchbull, at Babington House, on Wednesday, on behalf of the Babington Church Improvement Fund. Invitations to purchase tickets bad been issued to all the gentry of the neighbourhood, and resulted in a large gathering, amongst whom being the Duchess of Somerset and party from Maiden Bradley, the Countess Waldegrave and Lady Margaret Knowles, Lord and Lady Hylton, Mrs. Horner (of Mells Park) and party, the Rev. F. and Lady Frances

Tufnell, Lady Paget. Mrs. Harvey Bruce and Miss Paget, Mr. and Mrs. Batten Pooll, the Rev. W. A. Duckworth, the Hon. Mrs. Duckworth and party, Mr. and the Hon. Mrs. Helyar. the Rev, and Mrs. Randolph, Miss Jarrett and party, Mr. R. J. Bayntum Hippisley, Mrs. Henry Hippisley, and many others, while amongst those who arrived at the house for the concert were Mr. and Mrs. Napier Miles (of King's Weston), and Miss de Hochepied Sarpent.

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An Item of great interest in the programme was the singing of Mrs. Herbert Gladstone, who made her first local appearance since her marriage on this occasion, and this opportunity was taken for the presentation of a silver cup by those with whom she was so long associated in the operatic company of the "Babington Strollers." The Rev. S. Hailstone, on behalf of the "Strollers," asked Mrs. Gladstone to accept the gift with hearty wishes for her future happiness, to which the recipient made a most graceful reply. It only remains to add that Mrs. Knatchbull kindly played two pianoforte solos, and (as it seemed to many of the audience) with even more force and beauty of expression than ever. At the close of the concert the Rev. J. J. Coleman made a statement as to the financial position of the Church Improvement Fund. As the Rector of the Parish he thanked Mrs. Knatchbuli and all those who had contributed to the success of the concert, which resulted in a sum of about £50 being added to the fund.

The press report of the funeral of Emma Pickford (1845-1913) in April 1913 refers to it being 'the first interment in the recently consecrated portion of the new burial ground at the parish church'.

From the Western Daily Press of Wed 24 Nov 1937 p8:

Restoration of Babington Church

Mrs Knatchbull will give three concerts for the interior restoration of Babington Church, Frome. on Saturdays December January 1 and January 15. The artists who will assist her (on the dates when professional engagements permit) are Isolde Menges, Antonia Butler, Zara Nelson, Herbert Heyner, and Benjamin Dale. F.R.A.M. The Marquis of Bath will speak at the first concert. Lady Horner at the second, and Mr Cyril Maude at third.

From the *Shepton Mallet Journal* of Fri 24 Dec 1937 p5:

BABINGTON. CHURCH RESTORATION FUND.

The Babington House concerts for the restoration of the little Wren Church on the lawns began it's series on Saturday last before an enthusiastic audience. The Marguis of Bath opened the proceedings with an explanation of the work to be done, and being—as he said —a staunch Conservative, he was exceedingly glad to know all the features of the church, including the old square pews, and the clerks desk, were to remain exactly as before. Madame Isolde Manges has never played better-she was absolutely brilliant-;—and the Schumann songs delighted her hearers. Lastly was Mrs. Knatchbull's playing, too well known in this neighbourhood to need description. It only remains to say that she appeared to be at her very best. It is seldom that country people are offered such exceptional music as is promised at these concerts.

From the Somerset Standard of Fri 22 Jul 1938 p6:

The Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells, Dr. Francis Underhill, opened the afternoon performance by making reference to the many lovely Gothic churches to be found in Somerset, including the fifteenth century buildings at Chewton Mendip and Wrington. He had seen in the 'Times' a photograph of a church, and found to his great joy that it was in his diocese; it was a photograph of the little church at Babington, which was in need of restoration. Babington church was of the George II period, it had undergone no horrible restoration, it had lain forgotten until now. They were all most grateful to Mrs. Knatchbull for her help in working for its restoration.

From the Somerset Guardian of Fri 13 Oct 1939 p1: Babington Church Work

Apropos of the note a few weeks ago. I understand that, owing to the war-time difficulty of raising further funds for Babington Church repairs, the architects, Messrs. Caroe and Passmore, have temporarily eliminated from the proposed work all that is not absolutely essential to save the roof from collapse. For this vitally important work a sum of about £260 is required, of which it is believed £197 is now available. A matter of £63 is thus needed before the work can be commenced. Anxiety is felt about the position, for, should the roof collapse, rebuilding will be far more costly than repair. The postponed part of the work originally specified by the architects includes repairs to the masonry, floors and windows, as well as the spraying of the

pews and floors to prevent the ravages of the death-watch beetle. This work will have to be done when circumstances permit, after the roof has received attention. On account of the isolated position of Babington Church. and the fact that most of the 248 inhabitants of the parish live nearer to other churches, the preservation of the church seems to concern lovers of buildings of architectural merit rather than the majority of the inhabitants. The latter have, however, done what they are able and have subscribed a sum in the neighbourhood of £40.

From the *Somerset Guardian* of Fri 22 Oct 1943 p7: Babington Church

Sir,—In the account of the harvest festival held at Babington Church, which appeared in your last issue, I see that it is described as a Christopher Wren church. I think that your correspondent is in error. Sir Christopher Wren died in 1723, but, according to this month's issue of the Kilmersdon magazine, the church was not built until 1750. The description given conveys the impression that Wren built it himself, whereas at the most, it is a copy of one of his churches or built in his style. Perhaps someone interested in the church, would, through vour correspondence column, endeavour to settle this point?

ALSO INTERESTED.

Yeovil.

The church is about 50 metres east of Babington House. It no longer holds regular services. It was designated as Grade I by Historic England in 1968. A group of three monuments to the east of the church have been designated as Grade II by Historic

England. These are described as "Three chest tombs. Two C17, one C18. Dressed stone. Oblong chests on plinths with hipped slab tops. That to John Shute to south dated 1688; that to north to Thomas Branch of 1779, though chest earlier. Chest to centre with all inscriptions decayed. Outer chests with fine C17 ornament."

It is managed by a charitable trust whose objective to hold the lease to the Church and Churchyards of St Margaret's Babington in the Parish of Kilmersdon with Babington and to utilise the income generated by the property for the maintenance thereof. According to the latest accounts in 2018, income is mainly from holding events.

The parish itself is part of the East Mendip Benefice which also includes Coleford, Holcombe and Kilmersdon.

There is a Knatchbull chapel as a part of St Vigor's church, Stratton on the Fosse. Rebuilt in 1782 it forms the northern aisle. There are some Knatchbull burials there.

There are memorials to the east of a church and a separate rectangular area with graves arranged in a grid.

Survey

A preliminary survey was carried out in September 2022 to establish the general layout.

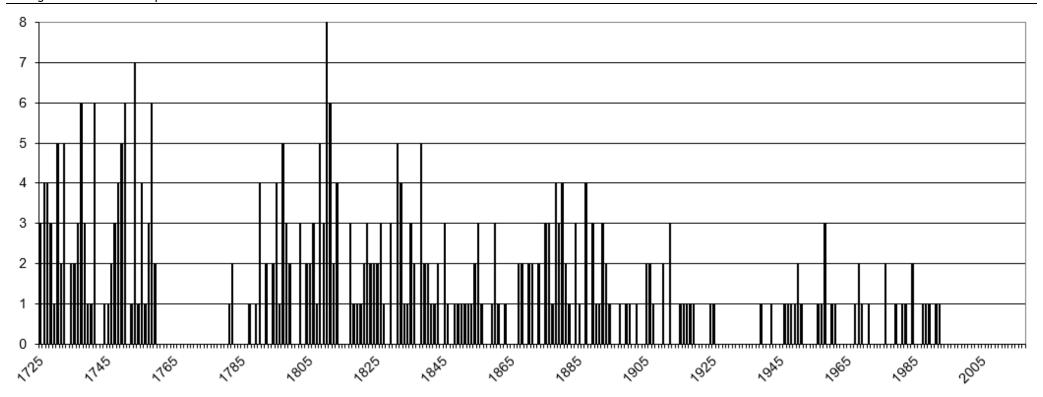
Burial Registers

At Somerset Heritage Centre: D/P/bbn/2/1/1 Marriages 1725-1754, Baptisms 1726-1804, Burials 1725-1804 D/P/bbn/2/1/3 Baptisms and Burials 1804-1812 D/P/bbn/2/1/7 Burials Babington 1813-1992 and Kilmersdon 1980-92

In the register with burials 1725-1804 there is an annotation that there was a retrofitting of entries in the late 1740s by enquiring of families. There is also a gap from 1760 to 1780. Ages are present from 1804 when a pro-forma register was used before the statutory registers were introduced in 1813.

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I am grateful to Andrew T P Jolliffe of Ammerdown House for giving access to the current burial register.



Layout

Churchyard

	Names	Inscriptions	Notes
0.1	Names Emily Blower (1840- 1873) William Henry Blower (1836-)	In Memory of EMILY WIFE OF WILLIAM HENRY BLOWER WHO DIED DECEMBER 22 1873 AGED 33 YEARS	Notes
			Slab. Incised inscription. In the 1871 census at 11 Cavendish Square, London in the household of William F & Emma L Knatchbull: William H Blower, aged 34, widower, servant, butler domestic serv, born in London.
			The marriage of William Henry Blower to Emily Harris was registered 1871/Q4 Holborn.
			A 'Mr Blewer, butler' is mentioned in the press report of the burial of Emma Louisa Knatchbull at Babington (<i>Frome Times</i> Wed 17 May 1871 p2).
			The death of Emily Blower, aged 34, was registered 1873/Q4 Frome. From the burial register: Emily Blower, aged 33, of Babington, was buried on 26 Dec 1873. From the <i>Frome Times</i> of Wed 24 Dec 1873 p3: BLEWERDecember 22, at Babington, Emily the beloved wife of Mr. Blewer, of Babington House, aged 35 years.

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Names O.2 Paul Reakes (1852-1905)	In Loving memory of PAUL REAKES OF PAGE HOUSE, BABINGTON DIED MARCH 1 ^{5T} 1905 AGED 52 YEARS.	Baptised on 28 Dec 1853 at Evercreech: Paul, son of Mark Mullins & Elizabeth Reakes of Southwood, Evercreech, father's occupation: farmer. On 6 Jan 1876 at Ditcheat: Paul Reakes, aged 22, married Ellen Creed, In the 1881 census at Lipyeat, Kilmersdon (Som): Paul Reakes, aged 28, farmer 128 acres employing 3 labourers and one woman, born at Evercreech, wife Ellen, aged 28, born at Ditcheat (Som), two children and a servant. On 22 Jun 1892 at St Marylebone: Paul Reakes, aged 39, widower, farmer, of Hill House, Lipyeate, Somerset, son of Mark Reakes, farmer, married Harriet Pike, aged 31, spinster, of 27 King Street, St Marylebone, daughter of Job Usher Pike, farmer. In the 1901 census at Page House, Babington: Paul Reakes, aged 48, farmer, born at Evercreech (Som), wife Harriet, aged 38. Born at Hardenhuish, Chippenham (Wilts), three children and a servant. The death of Paul Reakes, aged 51, was registered 1905/Q1 Frome. From the National Probate Calendar 1905: REAKES Paul of Page-house Babington Somersetshire died 1 March 1905 Probate London 18 May to Harriet Reakes widow and Edward Moore, Thomas Paul Reakes and

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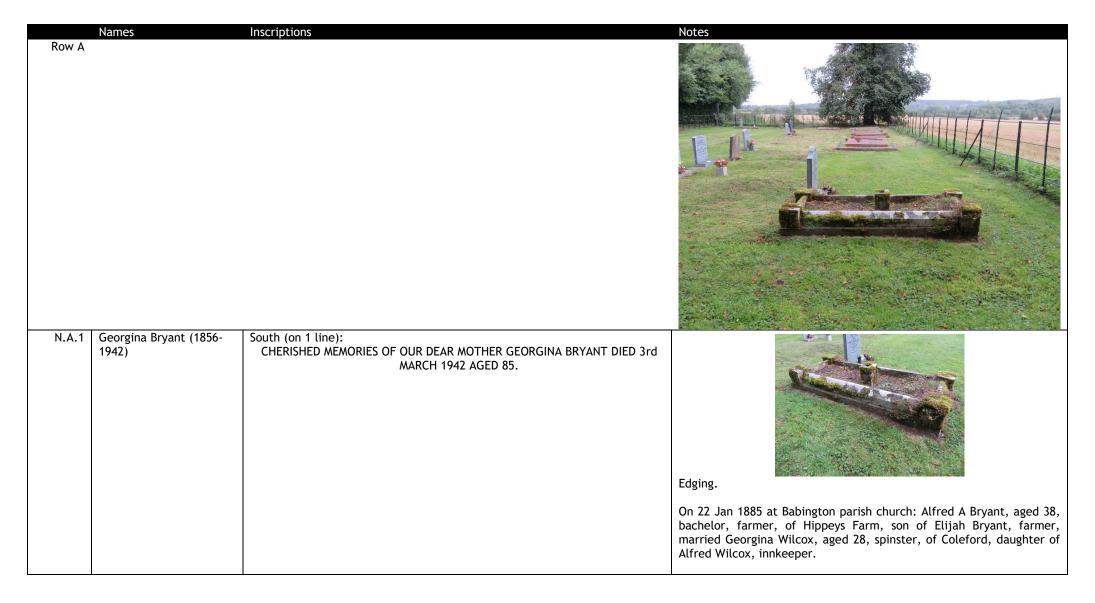
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0.7	Robert Swanton (1810- 1884) Elizabeth Swanton (1816- 1897)	South: REMEMBRANCE OF ROBER SWANTON WHO DIED AT BABINGTON JANUARY AGED 73 YEARS ME ALL YE THAT LABOUR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST MATTHEW XI.28 North: ALSO OF ELIZABETH, WIDOW OF ROBERT SWANTON, WHO DIED AUGUST 18-1897, AGED 81 YEARS. THERE REMAINETH THEREFORE A REST TO THE PEOPLE OF GOD.	Pitched kin the form of a cross with a raised cross on the upper ridges. Incised inscription. Parts of the inscription are obscured by lichen. In the 1881 census at Batch Farm, Babington: Robert Swanton, aged 70, farmer of 225 acres employing 4 man and 2 boys, born at Glastonbury, wife Elizth, aged 65, born at Baltonborough (Som), two children and a grandchild. The death of Robert Swanton, aged 73, was registered 1884/Q1 Frome. From the National Probate Calendar 1884: 18 February. The Will of Robert Swanton late of Babington in the County of Somerset Yeoman who died 13 January 1884 at Babington was proved at Wells by Elizabeth Swanton of Babington Widow the Relict the sole Executrix. Personal Estate £2,009 2s. 4d. In the 1891 census at Newtown, West Pennard (Som): Elizabeth Swanton, aged 75, living on own means, born at Baltonborough, and daughter Elizabeth, aged 45, single, born at Glastonbury. The death of Elizabeth Swanton, aged 81, was registered 1897/Q3 Wells.
0.8	Matilda King (1819-1877) James King (1815-1879)	In Memory of MATILDA KING WHO DIED AT NEWBERRY FARM. JAN 14·1877, AGED 53 Also of JAMES KING HUSBAND OF THE ABOVE, WHO DIED JUNE 10·1879, AGED 60 YEARS. AND IS INTERRED AT PILTON. "UNTIL THE DAY BREAK AND THE SHADOWS FLEE AWAY."	

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	Names	Inscriptions	Notes Shallowly pitched 4 ways with a raised cross along the topmost ridge. Raised metal letters.
			On 23 Sep 1843 at Ditcheat: James King, aged 28, bachelor, servant, of East Cranmore, son of Edward King, servant, married Matilda Hobbs, aged 24, spinster, of Ditcheat, daughter of Isaac? Hobbs, yeoman.
			In the 1851 census at Downhead (Som): Matilda King, aged 32, servant's wife, born at Alford (Som), two children and a visitor.
			In the 1851 census at Cranmore Hall, East Cranmore in the household of James Moore Paget JP: James King, aged 35, married, servant, butler, born at Pilton (Som) (one of eleven servants).
			In the 1871 census at Newbery Farm House, Babington: James King, aged 56, farmer 136 acres employing 2 men, born at Pilton (Som), wife Matilda, aged 52, born at Alford (Som), two children, a visitor and a servant.
			The death of Matilda King, aged 57, was registered 1877/Q1 Frome.
			The death of James King, aged 65, was registered 1879/Q2 Shepton M. From the Pilton burial register: James King, aged 64, of Pilton, was buried on 14 Jun 1879.
0.9	Edwin Ethelbert Bryant (1843-1899) Emma Ann Nuth (1838- 1910)	IN LOVING MEMORY OF EDWIN ETHELBERT BRYANT WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE	
	Alfred Augustus Bryant (1847-1912)	ALSO EMMA ANN	
		WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE	Slab. Incised inscription.
		ALSO A	On 25 Jan 1871 at Babington: Edwin Ethelbert Bryant, bachelor, farmer, of Babington, son of Elijah Bryant, farer, married Mary Jane Balton, spinster, of Coleford, daughter of Jamess Balton, draper.
		OBIT DEC 27 [™] 1912 AGED 64 YEARS · · · · · · ·	In the 1881 census at Goodeaves Farm, Vobster Road, Babington: Edwin Ethelbert Bryant, aged 37, farmer, born at Babington, wife Mary Jane, aged 31, born at Kilmersdon, and four children.

	Names	Inscriptions	Notes
			The death of Edwin Ethelbert Bryant, aged 56, was registered 1899/Q4 Frome. From the <i>National Probate Calendar</i> 1900: BRYANT Edwin Ethelbert of Goodeaves-farm Babington Coleford Bath farmer died 9 October 1899 Probate London 25 January to Arthur George Bryant farmer and Jane Maria Bryant spinster Effects £254 11s. 6d.
0.10	Thomas Branch (1689- 1779)	South: HERE LYETH Y BODY OF THOMAS BRANCH WHO DIED JULY YE 13 1779 AGED 90 YEARS OFSAVED MY LIFE WHEN OTHERD. ALL EARTH AND OF DUST EARTH	Altar/chest tomb.
0.11			Altar/chest tomb.
0.12	Mary Shute (1622-1696) John Shute (-1688)	South: HERE LIETH THE BODY OF MARY THE WIFE OF IOHN GENT WHO DIED IULY THE 11 1696 AGED 74 YS	Altar/chest tomb. Incised inscription.

Cemetery



	Names	Inscriptions	Notes In the 1911 census at Rush Ash Farm, Coleford: Alfred A Bryant, aged 64, farmer & licensed victualler - own account, born at Babington, wife Georgina, aged 54, married 27 years 6 children, assisting in both businesses, born at Ashwick (Som), and children: William F, aged 24, single, assisting father in both businesses, born at Coleford, Christopher H, aged 19, assisting in both businesses, born at Coleford, and Dorothy E, aged 12, born at Coleford.
			The death of Alfred A Bryant, aged 64, was registered 1911/Q4 Frome. Alfred Augustus Bryant, aged 64, was buried at Babington on 2 Jan 1912. From the <i>National Probate Calendar</i> 1912: BRYANT Alfred Augustus of the Anchor Inn Coleford Somersetshire died 27 December 1911 Administration London 1 February to Georgina Bryant widow. Effects £556 5s.
			The death of Georgina Bryant, aged 85, was registered 1942/Q1 Frome. From <i>The Somerset Guardian</i> of Fri 27 Mar 1942 p12: BRYANT.—March 3rd, 1942, Newbury Farm, Babington, Georgina Bryant, widow of Alfred Augustus Bryant, of Anchor Inn, Coleford, aged 85.
			From the <i>National Probate Calendar</i> 1942: BRYANT Georgina of Newbury Farm near Frome Somersetshire widow died 3 March 1942 Administration Bristol 1 April to William Francis Bryant farmer. Effects £158 10s. 10d.
N.A.2	Joseph George Kelly (1909-1980) Victoria Mary Kelly (1913-2014) Reginald George Kelly (1936-1939)	IN LOVING MEMORY OF JOSEPH KELLY 14.12.1909 - 4.12.1980 AGED 70 AND HIS WIFE VICTORIA 'MOLLIE' KELLY 30.4.1913 - 31.5.2014 ALSO THEIR SON REGGIE 18.12.1936 - 8.3.1939 AGED 2 TOGETHER AGAIN	Small light-grey headstone on a base. Inscribed inscription coloured
			black.

	Names	Inscriptions	Notes
			The marriage of Joseph G Kelly to Victoria M Moon was registered 1936/Q4 Frome. The marriage was reported in <i>The Somerset Guardian and Radstock Observer</i> of Fri 30 Oct 1936 p16 and starts 'The marriage took place at Coleford Parish Church, of Mr. Joseph George Kelly, fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. George Kelly, of Kilmersdon, with Miss Victoria Mary Moon, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moon, of the Bungalow, Coleford. The Vicar, the Rev. H. F. Ralph-Bowman, officiated.'
			The birth of Reginald G A Kelly was registered 1937/Q1 Frome, mother's maiden name: Moon.
			The funeral of Reginald Kelly was reported in <i>The Somerset Guardian</i> of Fri 17 Mar 1939 p9.
			In the 1939 Register at 1 Batch Cottage, Babington: Joseph George Kelly, born on 14 Dec 1909, general labourer agriculture, and Victoria Mary Kelly, born on 30 Apr 1913, unpaid domestic duties.
			The death of Joseph George Kelly, born on 14 Dec 1909, was registered 1980/Q4 Bath.
			From the <i>Bath Chronicle</i> of 5 Jun 2014: KELLY Victoria Mary (Mollie) Formerly of Coleford, latterly of Frome. Passed peacefully away at Rossetti House, Frome, with her family at her side on 31st May 2014, aged 101 years. Much loved mum, gran and great gran. Funeral service at Holy Trinity Church, Coleford, on Tuesday 17th June at 11.30am. Family flowers only, please, but donations if desired for Holy Trinity Church Coleford, may be sent to William Adlam Funeral Service, 68A Locks Hill, Frome, BA11 1NH. (01373 452100).
N.A.3		North:	
	1913)	IN LOVING MEMORY OF EMMA	TP
	John Pickford (1843- 1918)	THE BELOVED WIFE OF JOHN PICKFORD OF NEWBERRY FARM WHO DIED APRIL 17 TH 1913, AGED 66 YEARS.	
		South:	
		IN LOVING MEMORY OF JOHN PICKFORD	
		OF NEWBERRY FARM	Double-width plot. Edging and a slab pitched in the form of a cross with
		WHO PASSED PEACEFULLY AWAY APRIL 15 TH 1918, AGED 74 YEARS. PEACE PERFECT PEACE.	raised metal inscriptions with some letters missing.

Names	Inscriptions	Notes
	·	Baptised on 11 Jun 1843 at Laverton: John, son of George & Joanna Pickford.
		The marriage of John Pickford to Emma Howell was registered 1868/Q4 Frome.
		In the 1911 census at Newberry Farm, Coleford: John Pickford, aged 67, farmer, born at Laverton (Som), wife Emma, aged 63, married 45 years 4 children, born at Monkton Farleigh (Wilts), and a lady's help.
		From The Somerset Guardian of Fri 25 Apr 1913 p5: BABINGTON. FUNERAL OF MRS. EMMA PICKFORD.—The first interment in the recently consecrated portion of the new burial ground at the parish church took place on Tuesday afternoon, when the remains of the late Mrs. Emma Pickford, wife of Mr. John Pickford. of Newberry Farm, were laid to rest. The funeral ceremony was fully choral. Mr Arthur Edgell, of Coleford, being organist. The Rev. Cecil G. Morton. M.A rector of Kilmersdon, impressively conducted the funeral ceremony. The coffin was of English oak, unpolished, and the breastplate bore the inscription:—"Emma Pickford; died April 17. 1913, aged 68." Many relatives and friends attended to show the last token of respect. There was a number of very beautiful tokens of regret.
		The death of John Pickford, aged 74, was registered 1918/Q2 Melksham. From the <i>National Probate Calendar</i> 1918: PICKFORD John of Westlands Farm Beanacre Melksham Wiltshire died 15 April 1918 Probate London 5 June to Herbert Henry Pickford and Walter Pickford farmers Jane Caroline Ryall (wife of Albert Ryall) and Lillian Emma Cary (wife of Fred Cary). Effects £3774 11s. 8d.

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N.A.4	Names Cecil Ralph Stevens (1899-1958) Minnie Lovell Stevens (1891-1968)	Inscriptions South (on 1 line) IN LOVING MEMORY OF CECIL RALPH STEVENS 27 OCTOBER 1899 - 7 APRIL 1958. North (on 1 line): ALSO OF HIS WIFE MINNIE LOVELL STEVENS 2_ FEBRUARY 1891 -17 FEBRUARY 1968	Edging in red polished granite. Raised metal letters coloured gold, with some letters missing. The birth of Minnie Lovell Hales was registered 1891/Q1 Bath, mother's maiden name: Salter. The births of Cecil Ralph and Dorothy Margery Stevens were registered 1899/Q4 Clutton, mother's maiden name: Bailey. The marriage of Cecil Ralph Stevens to Minnie Lovell Hales at St Julian's, Wellow was registered 1925/Q1 Bath. In the 1939 Register at 54 Fosseway, Midsomer Norton: Cecil R Stevens, born on 27 Oct 1899, railway signalman, Minnie Lovell Stevens, born on 30 Jul 1891, school mistress, and a domestic help. The death of Cecil R Stevens, aged 57, was registered 1958/Q2 Bath. From the National Probate Calendar 1958: STEVENS Cecil Ralph of 54 Fosseway Midsomer Norton near Bath died 7 April 1958 at The Royal Unted Hospital Bath Probate Bristol 6 June to Minnie Lovell Stevens widow. Effects £2629 17s. 7d. The death of Minnie L Stevens, aged 76, was registered 1968/Q1 Bath. From the National Probate Calendar 1968: STEVENS Minnie Lovell of 11 Shelley Rd Bath died 17 February 1968 Probate Bristol 20 March. £3913.

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N.A.5		Edging, west: IN LOVING MEMORY OF STANLEY VICTOR HOUSE WHO PASSED AWAY1956, AGED 69 YEARS. Edging, south: ALSO OF MURIEL PARSONS HOUSE 1895-1994	Edging in red polished granite. Raised metal letters. The birth of Stanley Victor House was registered 1887/Q4 Frome. The birth of Muriel Parsons Treasure was registered 1895/Q3 Wincanton. The marriage of Stanley V House to Muriel P Treasure was registered 1923/Q4 Wincanton. In the 1939 Register at Stalls Farm, Corsley (Wilts): Stanley V House, born on 21 Sep 1887, dairy farmer, <minnie (blanked="" (wife="" 14="" 1895,="" 19="" 1932.="" 1956="" 1957:="" 1994="" 2="" 28="" 6="" 69,="" 6d.="" 8s.="" a="" according="" aged="" and="" ansley="" at="" australia.<="" bath="" bath.="" born="" bristol="" calendar="" death="" died="" domestic="" dowding="" dowding).="" duties,="" effects="" family="" farm="" farmer="" feb="" fitz="" from="" frome="" hospital="" house="" house,="" january="" joan="" john="" jun="" martins="" muriel="" national="" near="" newbury="" nov="" november="" of="" on="" others="" out)="" page="" parsons="" peter="" probate="" published="" q4="" queensland,="" registered="" s="" somersetshire="" st.="" stanley="" td="" the="" three="" to="" toowoomba,="" tree:="" unpaid="" v="" victor="" was="" widow="" {arson="" £10435=""></minnie>

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N,A.6		South: TREASURED MEMORY OF RALPH B. BEAUCHAMP MAY 18 TH 1948 North: HARRIET WINIFRED BEAUCHAMP NOVEMBER 10 TH 1958	
			Edging. Incised inscription.
			On 26 Apr 1905 at Kingswood parish church: Ralph Beachim Beauchamp, aged 35, bachelor, gentleman farmer, of Lingfield, Surrey, son of Walter Beachim Beauchamp, gentleman, married Harriet Winifred Strange, aged 27, spinster, of Kingswood, daughter of William David Strange, sanitary engineer.
			In the 1911 census at Park Farm, Lingfield (Surrey): Ralph Beauchamp, aged 42, farmer (dairy), born at Stratton-on-the Fosse nr Bath, wife Winifred, aged 31, married 6 years no children, born at Kingswood, Bristol, Harold Beauchamp, aged 39, single, brother, working on farm, born at Stratton on the Fosse, a servant and a farm labourer.
			In the 1939 Register at Newbury House: Ralph Beauchamp, born on 2 Jun 1869, self-employed various businesses, Winifred H Beauchamp, born on 23 Jan 1878, helping generally domestic, one other (blanked out), and a cook.
			The death of Ralph B Beauchamp, aged 79, was registered 1948/Q2 Frome. From the <i>National Probate Calendar</i> 1948: BEAUCHAMP Ralph Beachim of Newbury House Newbury near Frome Somersetshire died 18 May 1948 Probate Bristol 1 June to Harriet Winifred Beauchamp widow and Henry Warry Faulkner solicitor. Effects £33942 16s. 5d.
			The death of Harriet E Beauchamp, aged 80, was registered 1958/Q4 Weston. From the <i>National Probate Calendar</i> 1959: BEAUCHAMP Harriet Winifred of 1 Ellenborough Park North Weston-super-Mare widow died 10 November 1958 Probate Bristol 6 February to Midland Bank Executor and Trustee Company Limited and George Brownell Nathaniel Creswick solicitor. Effects £36537 15s.

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			(The combination 'Beachim Beauchamp' occurs at Stratton on the
			Fosse.)
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Row B	Names	Inscriptions	Notes
N.B.1	Raymond Alfred Bryant (1933-1961) Esme Bryant (1929-2012) William Francis Bryant (1886-1979) Vera Bryant (1901-1984)	TREASURED MEMORIES OF RAYMOND ALFRED BRYANT DIED 25. OCT. 1961. AGED 28 ALSO HIS WIFE ESME BRYANT DIED 16. JAN. 2012 AGED 82 AND RAYMOND'S PARENTS WILLIAM F. BRYANT DIED 14. MAR. 1979 AGED 92 VERA BRYANT DIED 5. DEC. 1984 AGED 83.	Small red headstone on a base with an integral vase. Incised inscription coloured black. The birth of William Francis Bryant was registered 1886/Q4 Frome. Baptised on 31 Oct 1886 at Coleford: William Francis, son of Alfred Augustus & Georgina Bryant, of Coleford, father's occupation: innkeeper.

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		The birth of Vera Dunford was registered 1901/Q4 Clutton. (From the
		1911 census, daughter of William & Georgina, born at Chilcompton.)
		The marriage of William F Bryant to Vera Dunford was registered 1932/Q3 Clutton. The report on the wedding at Chilcompton in the
		Somerset Guardian and Radstock Observer of Fri 30 Sep 1932 p7 refers to 'Mr. William Francis eldest son of the late Mr. Alfred Bryant and Mrs.
		Bryant, of Midsomer Norton. and Miss Vera Dunford, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Dunford, of Shell House, Chilcompton'.
		The birth of Esme Cradock was registered 1929/Q3 Sturminster, mother's maiden name: Spear.
		The birth of Raymond A Bryant was registered 1933/Q3 Shaftesbury, mother's maiden name: Dumford.
		In the 1939 Register at Newbury Farm, Coleford: William F Bryant, born on 15 Oct 1887, farmer, Vera Bryant, born on 11 Sep 1900, unpaid domestic duties, Raymond A Bryant, born on 13 Aug 1933, and Georgina Bryant, born on 29 Jan 1857, widow, domestic duties (retired).
		The marriage of Raymond Bryant to Esme Cradock on 26 Aug 1958 at Evercreech was registered 1958/Q3 Wells.
		The death of Raymond A Bryant, aged 28, was registered 1961/Q4 Bath. From the <i>National Probate Calendar</i> 1962: BRYANT Raymond Alfred of Newbury Farm Newbury near Frone Somersetshire died 25 October 1961
		at Manor Hospital Bath Administration Bristol 22 June to Esme Bryant widow. Effects £3692 14s.
		The death of Vera Bryant, born on 11 Sep 1901 was registered 1984/Dec Bath.

N.B.3 Christine R. Boorer (1939-2012) IN LOVING MEMORY OF CHRISTINE R. BOORER 1939 - 2012 Forever in our thoughts	Names	Inscriptions	Notes
Small light-grey headstone on a base with an integral vase. Inci inscription coloured black. The birth of Christine R Allward was registered 1939/Q2 Bris mother's maiden name: Hull. From Postal Service Appointment Books, 1737-1969: Christine R Allw 70225 Sep 1955 Tpnst Shepton Mallet. The marriage of Christine R Allward to Alan Boorer was registe 1963/Q2 Wells. From the Bath Chronicle of 22 Nov 2012: BOORER Christine Passed away peacefully at The Royal United Hospi Bath on 131th November 2012. Dearly loved wife, mum, nan and gr nan. Funeral service on Tuesday 27th November 2012, 2.15pm Mendip Crematorium. Family flowers only please, but donation desired for Dorothy House and The Forever Friends Appeal R.U.H.	N.B.3 Christine R. Boorer	IN LOVING MEMORY OF CHRISTINE R. BOORER	Small light-grey headstone on a base with an integral vase. Incised inscription coloured black. The birth of Christine R Allward was registered 1939/Q2 Bristol, mother's maiden name: Hull. From Postal Service Appointment Books, 1737-1969: Christine R Allward 70225 Sep 1955 Tpnst Shepton Mallet. The marriage of Christine R Allward to Alan Boorer was registered 1963/Q2 Wells.

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Names N.B.4 John Green (Winifred Hild (1924-1981)	(1925-2010) In Loving Memory of	Small light-grey headstone on a base with an integral vase, this on a flagstone. Incised inscription coloured black. The marriage of John Green to Winifred H Street was registered 1954/Q3 Frome. The death of Winifred Hilda Green, born on 21 Nov 1924, was registered 1981/Q2 Mendip. From the Western Daily Press of 20 Aug 2010: GREEN John. Of Mells, formerly of Babington, passed peacefully away at Shepton Mallet Community Hospital on August 12, aged 85 years. He will be sadly missed by his Son Christopher, Daughter Angela and all who knew him. Funeral service to take place at Haycombe Crematorium, Bath on Wednesday, August 25 at 10.30 a.m. Family flowers only please but donations made payable to The League of Friends of Shepton Mallet Community Hospital may be sent c/o Wm. Adlam Funeral Services, 68a Locks Hill, Frome, BA11 1NH. Telephone

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	(1893-1984)	ALFRED CHARLES	
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			Small stone headstone on a base.
			The birth of Alfred Charles Street was registered 1893/Q3 Frome. Baptised on 12 Nov 1893 at Buckland Dinham: Alfred Charles, son of
			Albert & Mary Street, of Buckland Dinham, father's occupation: haulier.
			The birth of Annie Octavia Love was registered 1900/Q1 Shaftesbury.
			The marriage of Alfred C Street to Octavia A Love was registered
			1923/Q3 Mere.
			The hirth of Charles U Street was registered 1024/04 Frame methor's
			The birth of Charles H Street was registered 1934/Q4 Frome, mother's maiden name: Love.
			In the 1939 Register at 4 Railway Cottages, Ammerdown: Alfred Charles, born on 23 Aug 1893, maintenance staff in railway, Octavia
			Ann Street, born on 16 Feb 1900, unpaid domestic duties, one other
			(blanked out), and Charles Henry Street, born on 17 Sep 1934.
			The death of Alfred Charles Street, born on 22 Aug 1893, was registered
			1984/Mar Mendip.
			From the National Bushata Calanda 1000 STREET O
			From the <i>National Probate Calendar</i> 1990: STREET, Octavia Ann of 4 Railway Cotts Kilmersdon Bath died 18 December 1989 Probate Bristol
			17 January Not exceeding £1000000.

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N.B.7 Arthur N (1918-19	orman Candy 92) ary Candy (1924-	IN LOVING MEMORY OF EAR HUSBAND AND FATHER THUR NORMAN CANDY FELL ASLEEP 2nd OCT. 1992 AGED 74. ALSO LOVED WIFE AND MOTHER DIANA MARY DEC. 1924 - 11th APRIL 2015 AGED 90 REUNITED The birth of Arthur N Candy was registered 1918/Q1 Frome, mother's maiden name: Bourne. In the 1939 Register at the family home at Edney's Farm near Mells: Arthur N Candy, born on 14 Feb 1918, single, farm carter assisting father. The marriage of Arthur N Candy to Diana M Glass was registered 1946/Q1 Frome. The marriage was reported in the Somerset Guardian and Radstock Observer of Fri 22 Feb 1946 p8. This starts: KLIMERSDON AT PARISH CHURCH Mr Arthur Candy Weds Miss Diana Glass The wedding took place at Klimersdon Parish Church on Feb. 12 of Mr. Arthur Candy, eldest son of Mr and Mrs. Candy, of Edny's Farm. Mells, with Miss Diana Mary Glass. youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glass, of Huish Farm, Klimersdon. The death of Arthur Norman Candy, born on 14 Feb 1918, was registered 1992/Oct Bath. From the Bath Chronicle of 16 Apr 2015: CANDY Diana (Dibby) Passed away peacefully at home on 11th April, aged 90. Much loved by John and Sally, Susan and Richard, grandchildren. Funeral service at St Margaret's Church, Babington, on Friday, 24th April, at 4.00 pm. Family flowers only. Donations payable to 5t Peter and 5t Paul PCC, Klimersdon, ny

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		be sent to William Adlam Funeral Service, 68A Locks Hill, Frome BA11 1NH (01373 452100).
Gladys Frances Boorer (1924-2017)	In Loving Memory of GLADYS FRANCES BOORER Died 28th March 2017 Aged 93 A Loving Mother, Grandmother. Rest In Peace.	Small light-grey headstone on a base with an integral vase. Incised inscription coloured black. The birth of Gladys F Keen was registered 1923/Q3 Frome, mother's maiden name: Fields. The marriage of Gladys F Keen to Jack R Boorer was registered 1943/Q1 Frome. From the Western Daily Press of 6 Apr 2017: BOORER Gladys Frances Our cherished mum, granny, great-granny and great-great-granny. Passed peacefully away on 28th March 2017, aged 93 years, after a short stay at Catherine House, Frome. Dearly loved and she will be greatly missed. Funeral service at St. George's Church, Whatley on Tuesday 18th April at 2.00pm, followed by private interment at Babington. Family flowers only, please, but donations payable to Mendip Country Practice may be sent to Clarkson's Independent Funeral Directors Ltd, Martha's House, Broadway, Frome BA11 3HA (01373 463888).

	Names	Inscriptions	Notes
N.B.9	Ben Jacob Crutchley (2002-2012)	Precious memories of Ben Crutchley Aged 9 8 March 2002 23 February 2012 Sometimes the shortest stories are the most beautiful	The birth of Ben Jacob Crutchley was registered 2002/Mar Bath & NE Somerset, mother's maiden name: Ball,
N.B.10			Slab with chamfered edges. A raised cross on the upper surface.
N.C.1	Ronald Francis White (1920-1976)	RONALD FRANCIS WHITE PRIEST OF KILMERSDON RECTOR OF BABINGTON 1960 - 1978 DIEDTH MARCH 1976 AGED 55 YEARS	Slab with chamfered edges. Incised inscription on the upper surface. The induction of Rev R F White to Kilmersdon and Babington on 8 Apr 1960 was notified in the report in the Somerset County Herald of Sat 12 Feb 1960 p9.

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		The death of Ronald Francis White, born on 2 Jun 1920, was registered 1976/Q1 Mendip.

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N.D.1		Bryan John Dunbar Died 25th January 2022 Aged 86 Years	The birth of Bryan J Dunbar was registered 1935/Q2 Cuckfield (Sussex), mother's maiden name: Dicks.
			The marriage of Bryan J Dunbar to Elizabeth R Brady was registered 1956/Q1 Frome.
			In the electoral registers 2003-2010: Bryan J Dunbar Cloonellan Farm, Newbury, BA11 3RL
			From the Somerset Guardian and Frome Standard of 9 Feb 2022: DUNBAR Bryan John of Newbury, passed away peacefully at Royal United Hospital, Bath on 25th January 2022 aged 86 years. Funeral service at St. Margaret's Church, Babington on Wednesday 16th February at 2:00pm. Family flowers only please. Donations if desired for the Stroke Unit, R. U. H may be forwarded to Curtis Ilott Independent Family Funeral Directors, Beechcroft, Anchor Road, Coleford, Radstock, BA3 5PB Tel: 01373 812248
N.D.2	Horace John Dunbar (1907-1991) Rosa Nita Dunbar (1905- 2005)	In Loving Memory Of Horace John Dunbar Died 7th December 1991 Aged 84 Churchwarden for 35 years And his dear Wife Rosa Nita Died 20th June 2005 Aged 100	Committee Control Duraging Control Con
		Rest in Peace	Small light-grey headstone on a base with two integral vases. Incised inscription coloured black.

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			The birth of Horace John Dunbar was registered 1907/Q2 Tiverton. The birth of Rosa Nita Dicks was registered 1905/Q1 Taunton. Baptised on 1 Jan 1905 at Curland (Som): Rosa Nita, daughter of Daniel George & Emmah Jane Dicks, of Curland, father's occupation: farmer.
			National Archives ADM 159/174/22731 Dunbar, Horace John, 22731, born 3 May 1907, Royal Marine Light Infantry - Plymouth Division, enlisted on 29 Sep 1925.
			The marriage of Horace J Dunbar to Rosa N Dicks, was registered 1931/Q2 Wellington Som.
			In the 1939 Register at Chauffeur's Cottage, Hadspen House, Hadspen (Som): Horace J Dunbar, born on 3 May 1907, chauffeur handyman, Rosa N Dunbar, born on 24 Mar 1905, unpaid domestic duties and one other (blanked out).
			The death of Horace John Dunbar, born on 3 May 1907, was registered 1991/Dec Bath.
			The death of Rosa Nita Dunbar, born on 25 Nov 1904, was registered 2005/Jun Mendip.
N.E.1	Kevin James Boorer (1964-2019)	In Loving Memory Of Kevin James Boorer "Jimmy" 24.12.1964 21.10.2019 R.I.P Those we love don't go away They walk beside us every day, Unseen, unheard, but always near, Still loved, still missed and very dear.	
			Black plaque with an incised inscription carved to resemble an open book, this on a light-grey granite rectangular plaque.
			The birth of Kevin J Boorer was registered 1964/Q4 Wells, mother's maiden name: Allward.

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