Findings of the ST MARY THE VIRGIN CHURCHYARD, NORTON: TAS RECORDING PROJECT 2021-2022 Teesside Archaeological Society (TAS)

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BACKGROUND

From the summer of 2021, until late 2022, members of Teesside Archaeological Society undertook a survey of 'above ground archaeology' – surviving grave monuments – in the churchyard of St Mary the Virgin, Norton: its full name being THE COLLEGIATE AND PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION.

In total, we recorded a total of 142 'historic' monuments, and the results are summarised below.

Some of those whose names are recorded were born in the 1600s; others died in the 1900s.

In each case, the earliest date of death recorded is over 100 years old (1922) although in some cases, later dates on these same monuments extend into later dates in the 20th century.

Fuller reports are contained in two articles in the Teesside Archaeological Society BULLETIN 2022, No 26, also – along with this report - published in the Teesside Archaeological Society website:

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MONUMENTS, SOUTH OF CHURCH

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	TYPE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
1 (1A)	1902	Headstone	East	n/a	sandstone	Displaced	Mainly	incised	Roman	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Waller		(Gothic)	80 ⁰			but sound	legible				back,			
		pointed				(separated					sides			
		top, sides				from base,								
		indented,				lying face								
		No base				up)								

This monument has fallen down and is currently lying face up on the ground.

John Waller c.1836- 1902 born c.1836 in Middleton (in Stranton), West Hartlepool: parents believed to be agricultural labourer Henry Waller (born outside County Durham) and his wife Elizabeth (born c.1807 in Hart, Durham) (census data). By the 1851 census, John's mother Elizabeth is a 44-year-old widow and laundress, living in Stranton with three children aged 7 to 16 years; and 15-year-old John Waller is an 'engine man', lodging in Newcastle upon Tyne. Elizabeth seems to have struggled financially for most of the rest of her life: in subsequent censuses she is 'laundress' and (in 1881, aged 76) as 'charwoman'. She also seems to have been cared for mostly by her daughter Elizabeth (John's sister), as Elizabeth lives with her in 1861, and in the 1881 census her grandchildren (surname Wilson, children of daughter Elizabeth) are listed with her (census data).

Jane Elizabeth Waller nee Bennison/Benison, c.1841- 1913, his wife. Born to tailor Henry Bennison/Benison and his wife Mary Lazenby, both born in Middleton Tyas, [North] Yorkshire (census data). Henry and Mary married in Middleton Tyas on 12 Dec 1833 (England Select Marriages, 1538-1973: Ancestry website). In the 1841 census they were resident in Sunderland where Jane Elizabeth was born; by 1851 had moved back to Middleton Tyas (census data); and by 1861 had moved yet again, to Stranton, West Hartlepool (census data).

Occupation: For most of his working life, John Waller is an iron shipwright, or plater, in a shipyard: a skilled occupation, laying plates of steel to form a ship's hull.

1860: John Waller and Jane Elizabeth Bennison/Benison married in Hartlepool registration district in 1860 (FreeBMD).

Family: Jane's 1911 census entry states they had 4 children in total, of whom only 2 were still living. However, only three children appear on the censuses: daughter Mary A (1861-before 1871), son Henry Waller born 1866, and daughter Emily Jane Waller born 1874 (commemorated here). Henry and Emily Jane were born in Stockton; and Henry is believed to have remained single.

1861 census: they are living in Stranton, West Hartlepool with their 3-month-old daughter, Mary A (who died before the following census); Jane's parents and older sister Rachel (dressmaker) are living in the same building *(census data)*. Jane's father died aged 57yrs in 1870, in Stockton registration area *(FreeBMD)*. By **1871**, John and his family had moved permanently to Stockton. Subsequently, Jane's mother Mary is either living close by (1881) or living/staying in their home (1871, 1891) *(census data)*.

Emily Jane Spence nee Waller, 1874- 1961, his daughter: birthplace Stockton, county Durham (FreeBMD, census data).

Robert Hy Spence 1872- 1948, husband of Emily Jane Waller: birthplace Norton, county Durham (census data). Parents: William Spence (a 'slotter' in marine works: born in Yarm) and his wife Elizabeth (born in Ayton/ KIldale) (census data; FreeBMD).

Occupation: Robert Spence worked as 'loom moulder' in an iron foundry (census data).

1898: Emily Jane Waller and Robert Spence married (*FreeBMD: Emily's forename transcribed as 'Emley'*). They shared their home with Emily's parents (now retired) and brother Henry (also a shipyard plater): living in 1901 in West Hartlepool, and by 1911 in Norton. Their 1911 census entry states they had had 2 children, both of whom had died (*census data*). **They later had at least one more child, son Robert Norman Spence born 23 April 1912** (later, a grocery manager: *1939 England and Wales register*), who married in 1940 and died childless in 2000 in old age.

Date inferred from first mentioned individual.

Inscription:

IN LOVING MEMORY

JOHN WALLER
WHO DIED JULY 26_{TH} 1902
AGED 65 YEARS
ALSO
JANE ELIZABETH
BELOVED WIFE OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED APRIL 18_{TH} 1913
AGED 72 YEARS
REST IN PEACE
ALSO
EMILY J. SPENCE

Notes: 1991/1992 transcription notes an extra line/s at the bottom:

DIED JUNE 6_{TH} 1961

AGED 86 YEARS.

Also Robert SPENCE d. 6 Dec 1948 aged 76yrs (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society 1991/1992)

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2 (A38)	1870	Headstone	East	H 1380mm	sandstone	Sound, in	Mainly	incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Clark		(Gothic)	80°	W 720mm		situ	legible			outline	back,			
		pointed top		D 93mm							sides			
		No base												

George Clark 1802- 1870: birthplace Whitby, (north) Yorkshire (census data)

Mary Clark nee Dobson, 1804- 1858, his wife: from Lyth (Lythe) north Yorkshire (*Census data*). Probably daughter of Robert and Rachel Dobson (*below*) Hannah Clark c.1836- 1847, his daughter: birthplace Bishopwearmouth, Sunderland (*census data*). St Mary's burial record: buried, aged 11 years (of Norton) on 7 Nov 1847 (St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Occupation of George Clark: Master Mariner (Merchant Navy) and shipowner: From 1850, examination-based Certificates of Competency were required for new (Merchant Seamen) Mates and Masters. 'Grandfather' exceptions were allowed for those who served as Mates and Masters pre-1851: these were granted Certificates of Service. George's Certificate of Service, number 36,561 (issued London 3 Jan 1852) states he was born at Whitby, County of York 13 Feb 1802, and had been employed as Seaman, Mate and Master for 28 years in the British Merchant Service in the Coastling and Foreign trade. (UK and Ireland Masters and Mates Certificates 1850-1927: Ancestry website). In the 1861 census, widower George (shipowner and Master) is listed at the Stranton, West Hartlepool, home of his married daughter Sarah (Sharp): Sarah's husband is also a Master Mariner. In 1869 (now shipowner, late Master Mariner, of Scarborough Street, West Hartlepool) he was appointed a Nautical Assessor for the County Court of Durham (at Stockton and Middlesbrough) (London Gazette, 23 March 1869, p.1881: Google search). Nautical Assessors were 'experienced shipmasters, or those with special knowledge of navigation or nautical affairs, called to give assistance of a Court of Admiralty in difficult cases involving questions of negligence, who sit with the Judge during the argument and advise on questions of seamanship or the weight of testimony' (Black's Law Dictionary, in Academic dictionaries and enyclopedias, online). His address on death (1870) is Norton (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society), although this may be the home of his son George (below).

1 Sept 1823: George and Mary married in Lyth [Lythe], Yorkshire. Mary was 'of this parish [Lyth]'; George, bachelor of 'Whitby parish' (Yorkshire, England, Church of England parish records: parish of Lyth (transcripts) 1838-1873, in Ancestry website). Family: Their four youngest children were born in Bishopwearmouth, Sunderland, between 1827- 1839: George b.1827; Sarah (later SHARP) b.1832; Hannah b.1836; Robert born c.1839. There is also an earlier 15 April 1825 christening record in London for Mary Clark (daughter of George Clark and Mary Dobson; maternal grandparents Robert Dobson and Rachel) (census data: England births and christenings 1538-1975, in Family Search website). Mary and their children are listed in BIshopwearmouth, Sunderland, without George, on the 1841 and 1851 censuses (presumably he is at sea) (CLARKE on 1851 census). Probably, they travelled at times with George: there is a christening record (above) for a (possible) daughter Mary in London in 1825.

In 1858: Mary dies in London. Her burial record states she was buried 20 Jan 1858 in the City of London and Tower Hamlets Cemetery [also known as Bow Cemetery]; her address is given as Wapping Wall; age 54yrs (London, England, City of London and Tower Hamlets Cemetery Registers, 1841-1966: in Ancestry website). Wapping Wall was in Stepney, London, and close to the river.

George left a Will (probate 1871) Probate documentation: 'The Will of George Clark late of Norton in the County of Durham shipowner and master mariner who died 26 December 1870 at Norton was proved at DURHAM by George Clark of Norton Master Mariner the son the sole executor' (Find a Will, GOV.UK). This son George (c.1828- after 1901) is on later censuses as a Master Mariner with his family in his birthplace, Bishopwearmouth.

Date inferred from latest individual of a group first inscribed together

Inscription:

IN MEMORY OF
GEORGE CLARK, OF WHITBY
MASTER MARINER
DIED DEC. 26th 1870 AGED 69
YEARS
ALSO OF
MARY HIS WIFE
DIED IN LONDON JAN.16TH 1858
AGED 54 YEARS
BURIED IN BOW CEMETERY
AND OF
HANNAH THEIR DAUGHTER
DIED ... AGED ... YEARS

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3 (A39)	1861	Headstone	East	H 1606mm	h/stone	Sound, in	Mainly	incised	Roman,	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Gaskill		Round top,	80 ⁰	W 950mm	and base	situ	legible		Roman	outline	back,			
		Plus base		D 150mm	yellow				italic,		sides			
				Base:	sandstone				Gothic					
				H 74mms										
				W										
				1040mms										

Elizabeth Gaskill, c.1854 – 1861; Robert Gaskill c.1856- 1861; Joshua Gaskill c.1859- 1861: 2nd, 3rd and 4th children of Jonathan and Frances Gaskill: died within days of each other.

John Gaskill, eldest child of their parents (b.18 April 1852, christened 6 June 1852, died 21 July 1852. Born and died in Elland before the family moved to Norton (*West Yorkshire, Church of England births and baptisms, 1813-1910, in Ancestry website*)

Jonathan Marley (1) Gaskill, 1867-1868, their brother (same parents)

Mary Elizabeth Manning nee Gaskill, c.1874-1894., their sister (same parents). Married 1893 to Edward Thorrald Manning, of North Ormesby, North Yorkshire, in Stockton (brother of Thomas Garibaldi Manning, husband of her sister Isabella Margaret). They moved to Mexico, where she died the following year.

Jonathan Gaskill c.1819- 1905, their father: birthplace Bowes, Yorkshire (census data). **Occupation:** Jonathan was a joiner all his working life (census data).

Frances Gaskill nee Marley, c.1818- 1907, their mother: birthplace Fishburn, Durham (census data). On 21 July 1851: Jonathan Gaskill aged 22 years, and Frances Marley aged 23 years, married in Parish of Halifax, Yorkshire; both then living in Elland, Yorkshire. Jonathan's father was John Gaskill, cordwainer; Frances' father, Robert Marley, blacksmith (West Yorkshire, Church of England marriages and banns, 1813-1935, in Ancestry website). Family: 10 children, 8 commemorated here. Their first was born and died in Elland, Yorkshire; the next three died in Norton in 1861. At this time, Frances was pregnant with her 5th child, daughter Frances Ann, b. 19 July 1861, christened 4 Aug 1861 in St Mary's, Norton (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Their remaining children were born between then and 1874. 1905 Jonathan died and left a will: probate documentation reads: Gaskill, Jonathan, of Norton, county Durham, died 15 June 1905. Probate 10 August to William Henry Gaskill [son] commercial clerk, and Jonathan Marley Gaskill [son] grocer (Find a Will, GOV.UK)

Jonathan Marley (2) Gaskill, 1869 – 1942, their brother (same parents). Namesake for a previously deceased sibling; unmarried, lived all his life in Norton. Occupation: grocer (census data; 1939 Register; father's Will above)

William Henry Gaskill, 1865- 1945, their brother Unmarried, lived in Norton with brother Jonathan Marley Gaskill. Occupation: commercial clerk (census data; 1939 Register; father's Will above)

Their other children: Frances Ann married 1884 in Stockton to Thomas Robson (*FreeBMD*), had a family, and remained in Norton: on the 1939 Register, she is a widow living a few doors away from her brothers. **Isabella Margaret** married in 1888 in Stockton (*FreeBMD*): her first 2 children were born in Norton; her 3rd in Mexico in 1893; and two younger children (b. 1900, 1904) in Johannesburg, Transvall, South Africa.. In the 1911 census, the family are in Oldham, Lancashire (1911 England census data).

Date inferred from latest individual of a group first incised together Inscription:

SACRED

TO THE MEMORY OF THE BELOVED

CHILDREN OF

JONATHAN & FRANCES GASKILL

OF NORTON

ELIZABETH WHO DIED FEB 9, 1861, AGED 7 YEARS
ALSO ROBERT WHO DIED FEB 17, 1861, AGED 5
YEARS

ALSO JOSHUA WHO DIED FEB 20, 1861, AGED 2 YEARS

ALSO JOHN WHO DIED IN INFANCY JUNE 21 1852 AT ELLAND YORKSHIRE

SUFFER LITTLE CHILDREN TO COME UNTO ME ALSO JONATHAN MARLEY, WHO DIED NOVEMBER 24TH 1868, AGED 1 YEAR ALSO MARY ELIZABETH

WHO DIED AT TORREON, MEXICO

APRIL 5TH 1894, AGED 20 YEARS

ALSO THE ABOVE JONATHAN GASKILL

WHO DIED JUNE 15TH 1905, AGED 75 YEARS

ALSO FRANCES BELOVED WIFE OF THE ABOVE

WHO DIED NOVEMBER 21ST 1907 AGED 79 YEARS

ALSO J M GASKILL, BORN OCT 5TH 1869

DIED NOV 24TH 1942
ALSO W.H. GASKILL BORN JUNE 23RD 1865

DIED AUG. 24TH 1945 AT REST

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4 (A40)	1865	Headstone	East	H 1520mm	Yellow	Sound, in	Partially	Incised	Roman,	See below	Mason's	None	None	None
Seymour		(Gothic)	80 ⁰	W 790mm	sandstone	situ	legible		Gothic		name:			
		pointed top		D 120mm			(traces)				bottom			
		No base				Marked					of south			
						erosion					side			

Decoration: Gothic tracery in relief; fleur-de-lys; decorative border. BASE: Decorative lines on all sides (forward slash)

Miriam Seymour 1846- 1865: birthplace Stockton on Tees, county Durham (census data).

Born 1846 (FreeBMD); christened 6 June 1847, St Thomas' Stockton (England births and christenings 1538-1975, in Family Search website)

Burial record: Miriam Seymour, 18 years (of Norton), buried 3 May 1865 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Newspaper death notice: At Norton, 29th ult [April 1865], Miriam, daughter Mr William Seymour, aged 18 (*Durham County Advertiser, 5 May 1865, p.8, col 6, in British Newspaper Archives*)

Family:

William Seymour (her father) c.1817- 1897: birthplace Bridport, Dorset. On christening record 19 Feb 1817 in Bridport, parents' names given as Richard Seymour and Miriam (England births and christenings 1538- 1975, in Family Search). His father Richard was a twine merchant (census data). Catherine Atkinson Seymour nee Frankish (her mother) c.1818- 1902: birthplace Barrow-on-Humber or nearby Barton-on-Humber, North Lincolnshire (census data). Christened 11 Sep 1818, Barrow-on-Humber, Lincolnshire: parents Thomas Frankish and Catherine (England births and christenings 1528- 1975 Family Search website). 12 Jan 1839: her parents married in Kingston-Upon-Hull. The newspaper notice reads: On Saturday last, at the Holy Trinity church, Mr. William Seymour, mate of the brig Isabella, of Newcastle, to Miss Catherine Atkinson Frankish, barmaid of the Crown-and-Anchor, Humber-Street, Hull (Northern Star and Leeds General Advertiser, 19 Jan 1839, p.5, col.6, in British Newspaper Archives).

Her father William Seymour was a Master Mariner (Merchant Navy), and sometime harbour master. His official Merchant Navy Certificate of Service was issued (when these became mandatory) in Chester on 17 Jan 1851: it states he was born in Bridport, Dorset, on 11 Feb 1817, and on the date of issue of the certificate (1851) he had been employed as Seaman, Mate, and Master in the British Merchant Navy service for 19 years in the Coastling and Foreign Trade (UK and Ireland Masters and Mates Certificates 1850-1927: Ancestry website). In the 1851 census (in Cheshire), William SEYMORE is described as 'harbour master'. On subsequent censuses, William is successively as Ship Captain, Master Mariner, and Retired Master Mariner.

Miriam was one of four siblings: **Richard Seymour**, 1st son, christened 20 Dec 1843, St Thomas' Stockton: buried weeks later, on 6 Feb 1844 in Stockton; **Miriam Seymour**, born 1846, christened 6 June 1847, St Thomas' Stockton; **William Thomas Seymour**, 2nd son, born 1849, christened 21 Nov 1849, St Thomas' Stockton; **Richard George Frederick Seymour**, born 1851, christened September 1851 (exact date not recorded), in St Mary's on the Hill, Chester, Cheshire [he was born in Saltney, a cross-border town partly in Cheshire, partly in Wales; and was born in the Wales part: *census data*): Apart from a time in Cheshire around 1851, the family settled permanently in and around Stockton on Tees, Durham. In the 1851 Census, (name spelt SEYMORE) the family are visitors in the home of one Thomas Price in Chester: the youngest sibling Richard's birthplace was near here later in 1851. In the 1861 census, they are back in the northeast, now resident in Norton, Durham (where Miriam dies in 1865). From the 1871 census onward, they are in Stockton (*FreeBMD*; *England births and christenings 1538-1975 in Family Search website*; *census data*)

Miriam's father William died 1897 in Sedgefield, and her mother Catherine died in 1902 in Stockton (*FreeBMD*). Her brothers both married and had families and continued to live in the northeast: William in Stockton, Richard in Darlington (*census data*).

Date inferred from date of those commemorated, not relevant to monument date (Newspaper death notice, burial record)
Inscription:

SACRED
TO
...HE MEMORY ...
MIRIAM D... OF
WILLIAM AND
CATHERINE
SEYMOUR
...O DIED APRIL ...
AGED 1... YEAR...

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5 (A41)	1823	Headstone	East	H 1580mm	Yellow	Sound, in	Traces	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Simpson		(Gothic)	80 ⁰	W 830mm	sandstone	situ				outline	back,			
		pointed top		D 150mm						(margins)	sides			
		No base				Partial				Pilasters				
						erosion				with				
										capitals				
										and bases				

The first two names commemorated here are:

Thomas Simpson, c.1757- 1823: burial record: Simpson, Thomas; 66 yrs (of Norton), buried 3 Nov 1823 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Isabella Simpson nee Robinson, his wife c.1776- 1841: burial record: Simpson, Isabella; 75 yrs (of Norton), buried 26 Mar 1841 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Place/s of origin: In the surviving christening records of their children, Thomas Simpson was a labourer from Hilton [Hylton], Sunderland; and his wife was Isabella Robinson, from Tanfield, Yorkshire (Family Search website; St Mary's christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

23 March 1791: Thomas Simpson and Isabella Robinson married in Billingham, Norton (England, select marriages, 1538- 1973, in Ancestry website). At least one of their children was christened here in 1793. By 1796, the family had moved to Norton, where three of their children were christened.

Occupation: labourer. This information is also included on the 1811 burial record of his 16-year-old son Thomas, who was buried as 'son of Thomas Simpson labourer' (Bishops transcripts, Durham, Norton, St Mary the Virgin, in Family Search catalog).

Children: the available surviving christening records refer to a **third daughter** (Dorothy) and a **second son** (Joseph), suggesting they had at least 5 children. So far, records have been found for only four of their children.

It is likely that the semi-legible name inscribed below that of Thomas and Isabella is that of one of their children (possibly Thomas or Dorothy, who are both buried in this churchyard).

Their four known children are:

1793- 1867: Ann Simpson, christened in Billingham 26 Dec 1793 (Family Search website). On 1851 census, her birthplace is given as Norton. Married in St Mary's Norton on 17 June 1815 to Charles Proud of Elton (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, n/d). They later moved to Benton (Newcastle upon Tyne), where at least three children were born between about 1831 and 1837 (there were probably older children), and by the 1851 census to Gateshead (census data). In the 1851 census, Charles (c.1791-1867) is a cow-keeper and Ann a milk-woman: in the 1861 census, Charles is a dairyman. In both censuses, his birthplace is Cornforth, county Durham. Ann died in 1866 and her husband Charles died in 1867, both in Gateshead (FreeBMD) 1796- 1811: Thomas Simpson, christened St Mary's Norton, 12 June 1796 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, n/d). Died 2 July 1811 and interred in St Mary's churchyard, Norton. Burial record gives his age as 16 years, and describes him as son of Thomas Simpson, labourer (Bishops' transcripts, Norton, image 86: in Family Search website)

1799- 1867: Dorothy Simpson, 3rd daughter, born 3 Aug 1799, christened St Mary's Norton 26 Dec 1799. Died unmarried in Norton 1867: buried in St Mary's churchyard 26 June 1867, age 67 years (of Norton) (transcriptions: Cleveland Family History Society, n/d). 1851 census: living alone in Norton, unmarried, occupation agricultural labourer. 1861 census: living alone in Norton, unmarried, independent means.

1807- ?: **Joseph Simpson, 2**nd **son,** born 4 Oct 1807, christened St Mary's Norton 8 May 1808 (*transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, n/d*). No further information currently known.

Date inferred from first named individual Inscription:

IN
MEMORY OF
THOMAS SIMPSON
(?OF) (?NORTON)
WHO DIED ...BER (?) 1823
AGED 66 YEARS
ALSO OF
ISABELLA SIMPSON
WIFE OF THE ABOVE
... D... MARCH ...
AGED 7(?5) YEARS
ALSO OF
(...) (SIMPSON?)

(Several illegible lines)
Last mentioned name illegible

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6 (A42)	1818	Headstone:	East	H 980mms	Yellow	Sound, in	Mainly	incised	Other	none	Smooth	none	none	age of
Jordison		See below	80 ⁰	W 700mms	sandstone	situ	legible		Not		back			second
				D 90mms					classi-		and			name,
									fied		sides			d.1818,
														removed
														and re-
														incised

Headstone: Flat top, Semicircular central feature, shape of top repeated 3 times, Concave shoulders

John Jordison, senior c.1753- 1808: birthplace unknown

Jane Jordison, his wife c.1844- 1818: birthplace and maiden surname unknown.

Occupation of John Jordison senior: his burial record describes him as a farmer: John Jordison, farmer, died 22 April 1808, buried 24 April 1808: (Bishops Transcripts, Norton: image 90 of 342: in Family Search website). The Land Tax Redemption records, 1798 and 1799, list him as a tenant farmer in Norton: landowner, John Hogg Esq (the local 'lord of the manor'). The sum assessed in 1799 was £1-0-8d (Ancestry website)

Children: There are christening records in St Mary's Norton for (at least some of) the children of John and Jane Jordison: John 1781, William 1784, Mary 1786 (transcribed: Cleveland Family History Society, n/d)

John Jordison, junior, c.1781- 1828 (commemorated here, son of John and Jane): christened in St Mary's Norton 23 Sept 1781. Buried 18 December 1818: address given as Marton on burial record.

Jane Jordison nee ROBINSON, his wife, c.1787- 1856 (name spelt ROBSON on some records): birthplace Stockton on Tees (census data)

There is a birth record for a Jane Robinson born 23 Oct 1787 to John Robinson and his wife Ann, grocer of Stockton (Quaker Birth Marriage Death records, Durham, monthly meeting of Darlington 1724- 1837; in Ancestry website). Buried 17 Feb 1856, address given as Stockton on burial record.

Occupation of John Jordison, junior: 'farmer' on St Mary's Norton christening records of several of his children: possibly he initially took over the family (tenanted) farm after his father's death in 1808 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, n/d). After his own death in Marton in 1828, his widow Jane is 'farmer's widow' on the 1851 census.

27 July 1808: John Jordison and Jane Robinson married in Stockton parish (England Select Marriages 1538- 1973, Ancestry website)

Children: at least 9 children born between 1809 and 1826. The 8 older children were christened in St Mary's Norton between 1809- 1824; another was born 1826 in Marton, Yorkshire. Their first son, born c.1813, was also named John (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, n/d). Among their children are two daughters both named Margaret (born 1820 and 1824) and two sons both named Thomas (born 1818 and 1826). The younger Thomas was born in 1826 in Marton, Yorkshire (census data). It thus appears that John moved with his family to Marton between 1824 (when daughter Margaret was born in Norton), and the 1826 birth of his youngest known child (Thomas, in Marton); and farmed there until his premature death in 1828.

After death of John Jordison junior: in the **1841** census, widow Jane is listed in Stranton (Hartlepool), Durham, with two of her children: Bell (Isabella) b.1810 and Thomas b.1826. Their occupation is not given, and living with them is one Thomas Conlan, 25yrs, labourer. By the **1851** census (the last before her death), his widow Jane is back in Stockton. She is now living in Clarence Street, Stockton, with her youngest son Thomas (a smith) born c.1826 in Marton, her youngest (married) daughter Margaret (Brown), and Margaret's two children (census data).

Date inferred from latest individual of a group first incised together

Inscription:

IN MEMORY OF JOHN JORDISON WHO DIED THE 22ND OF APRIL 1808 AGED 55 YEARS.

ALSO JANE WIFE OF THE ABOVE JOHN JORDISON WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE SEPT 13TH 1818 AGED 74 YEARS

ALSO JOHN SON OF THE ABOVE

NAMED JOHN AND JANE

JORDISON

DIED DEC^R 15TH 1828 AGED

47 YEARS

ALSO OF JANE JORDISON

WIFE OF THE ABOVE WHO

DEPARTED
THIS LIFE FEB 1(?) 1856 AGED 67
YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DECOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	TYPE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
7 (A43)	1905	Headstone	n/a	Headstone	h/stone	Collapsed,	Mainly	incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	none	none	none
Robinson		with base		n/a	and base	fragments,	legible			outline	back			
				Base:	yellow	but					and			
				H 215mms	sandstone	recognisable.					sides			
				W 800mms		Base intact								

The monument is in large fragments, face up on the ground; the inscription is still legible.

Ralph Robinson 1898- 1904

Kate (Catherine Ann) Robinson

1888- 1982, his sister

Ellen Robinson

1890- 1892, his sister

Christopher Robinson

1896- 1896, his brother

Annie Robinson

1900- 1900, his sister

(Children of John and Catherine Robinson)

Catherine Ann Robinson nee Humble c.1859- 1945, their mother: birthplace Stockton-on-Tees, Durham (census data)

One of a large family of children all born in Stockton, Durham to Richard Humble (coachman and horse-breaker from Crathorne, Yorkshire) and his wife Ann, maiden name uncertain, from Coatham, Yorkshire (census data). In the 1861 census, the family are living at the Three Tuns Inn, in Stockton: one of the household is a 13-year-old girl general servant.

John William Robinson 1860- 1946: their father: birthplace Stockton-on-Tees, Durham (census data): christened 1 July 1860 in St Thomas, Stockton. Parents: George Robinson (sawyer) from Bishopwearmouth, Sunderland, and Margaret Ann Robinson nee Bell from Stockton (census data; FreeBMD; England birth and christening records 1538- 1975, in Family Search website).

Occupation: John William Robinson was a brass moulder: a skilled role, making the moulds that were then used to cast brass.

13 March 1882: John and Catherine married in St Thomas, Stockton, Durham (England select marriages 1538-1973 in Ancestry website; FreeBMD). They settled initially in Stockton, moving to Norton sometime between the 1891 census and 1898, when their son Ralph was born in Norton (census data). They had seven children born between 1883 and 1903, of whom five died in childhood (above). Of these five, only the last to die, Ralph 1898- 1904, is interred in St Mary's churchyard: the burial place/s of the others is unknown.

By the 1911 census (in Norton, Durham), only the oldest and youngest of their children were still living:

Richard Humble Robinson, 1883- 1943. He married in 1912 to Grace Donaldson Atkinson (named on his probate documentation in 1943) (*FreeBMD, Find a Will, GOV.UK*) and had a family, with whom he is resident in Stockton in the 1939 England and Wales Register. He died in Middlesbrough 1943, predeceasing his parents (*FreeBMD*).

John Robinson, born 1904 in Norton, Durham (census data), was still alive on the 1911 census. Currently no further information.

1939: John and Catherine are now living in the Almshouses, Stockton (*England and Wales 1939 Register*). They died five months apart, a few years later in Stockton in 1945 and 1946 (*FreeBMD*)

Date inferred from latest individual of a group first incised together Inscription:

RAL ... THE ...

THE ...

J.W. & C.A. RO...ON

WHO DIED ... 05

AGED 7 YEARS

... ATE AGED 4 YEARS

...LSO ELLEN AGED 2 YEARS

DAUGHTERS OF THE ABOVE

ALSO CHRISTOPHER AND ANNIE

WHO DIED IN INFANCY.

ALSO THE ABOVE

CATHERINE A. ROBINSON

DIED 20 SEP 1945 AGED 86 YEARS

An earlier transcription (1991/1992) reads:

In loving memory of Ralph the beloved son on J.W. & C.A. Robinson who d. Dec 4 1905 aged 7yrs. Also Kate aged 4yrs, also Ellen aged 2 yrs, daus of the above. Also Christopher & Annie who d. in infancy. Also the above Catherine A. ROBINSON d. 20 Sep 1945 aged 86yrs. Also John W. ROBINSON d.16 Feb 1946 aged 85yrs.

Last mentioned name, John W Robinson d.1946, not now visible (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, 1991-1992)

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DECOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
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8 (A44)	1910	Latin cross,	Plinth:	Cross:	Cross and	Cross fallen,	All legible	inlaid	Roman	none	n/a	none	none	none
Jackson		3-layer	East	H 558mms	plinth:	intact, sound								
		plinth	800	W 404	Sandstone									
				mms	(NOT	Plinth sound								
				D n/w	marble)	and in situ								
				Plinth:										
				H 460mms										
				W 610mms										

The 3-step base of this memorial is intact. The Latin cross, originally on it, is now lying on the ground in front of the base.

John Williamson Jackson, 1888-1910, son of John Jackson senior and his second wife Annie Elizabeth nee Williamson:

birthplace Norton, Durham (census data). The younger of his parents' two children. He is listed with his parents and sister in their home (market garden business) just outside Norton in the 1899 and 1901 Censuses. It is not known when or for what reason he travelled to South Africa, where he died of sunstroke, or what his occupation was at the time.

John Jackson senior c.1833-1916, his father: birthplace Norton, Durham (census data)

One of at least four children born in Norton to Jonathon Jackson c.1800-1878 and his wife Mary Parkinson c.1803-1895, both of whom are commemorated nearby in this churchyard. John was christened in St Mary the Virgin on 3 December 1833 (St Mary the Virgin christening records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Occupation: market gardener at Rankler House/Gardens (in some Censuses, Rankely House), a 46-acre plot just outside Norton to the east, taking over the business on the deaths of his parents in the 1870s. The address then was Portrack Lane, later renamed North Road. (Census data). The site is now partly underneath the A19 dual-carriageway road.

He married twice: His first wife, Elizabeth c.1825- 1877 (maiden name unknown) is commemorated on the adjacent monument. There are no known surviving children to this marriage.

Annie Elizabeth Jackson nee Williamson c.1849- 1925, second wife of John Jackson senior: birthplace Lythe, (north) Yorkshire (census data). Parents: Thomas Williamson (a gardener) and his wife Elizabeth (census data). The family had moved to Norton, Durham, by the 1861 Census.

1882: John Jackson senior (childless widower) and Ann Elizabeth Williamson (15 years his junior) married in Stockton registration district (FreeBMD)

Family: John Jackson and Annie Williamson had two children, Mary Elizabeth (later, Williamson) born 1884, and John (commemorated here) born 1888 (census data; FreeBMD)

Later: John Jackson senior c.1834-1916 retired between the 1901 and 1911 Censuses. He and his wife Annie then moved into the home of their married daughter Mary Elizabeth Williamson nee Jackson in Norton, until their respective deaths (census data). His first wife Elizabeth, and his parents, are interred in the two adjacent graves to this.

Date inferred from first mentioned individual Inscription:

(East elevation): Top step:

IN LOVING MEMORY

OF

Second step:

JOHN W JACKSON

WHO DIED IN SOUTH AFRICA OF SUNSTROKE, SEP 26TH 1910

AGED 22 YEARS

Third step:

THY WILL BE DONE

ALSO JOHN JACKSON (LATE OF RANKLER) WHO DIED FEB 13TH 1916 AGED 82 YEARS

(North elevation): top step:

ALSO

Middle step:

ANNIE ELIZABETH HIS DEAR WIFE WHO DIED SEP 4TH 1924

AGED 76 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DECOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	TYPE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
9 (A45)	1916	Headstone	East	h/stone:	H/stone	Sound, in	All legible	incised	Roman,	Star, head	Smooth	None	None	None
Jackson,		(Gothic)	80 ⁰	H 1530mm	and base:	situ			Roman	of Mary,	back			
Smiddy		pointed top		W 740mm	Yellow				italic	sheaths of	and			
		With base		D 100mm	sandstone	Front				wheat.	sides.			
				Base:		covered with				Decorative				
				H 190mm		green algae				border,	Mason's			
				W290mm						with also	name			
										border	on front			
										outline	of base			

This monument to John Jackson's first wife Elizabeth, carved while her husband's second wife and adult daughter by the second marriage are living, suggests a specific desire to remember her.

Elizabeth Jackson, maiden surname unknown c.1825-1877, first wife of John Jackson senior: Birthplace: Harewood, Yorkshire (census data). Date/ place of marriage of John Jackson and Elizabeth are unknown. No known children. 1861 census, Elizabeth (37 years) and her husband John (27 years) are living in Rawden Hill, Arthington [Otley], North Yorkshire (not far from Harewood). John is a 'gardener' and there are no children listed with them. On 1871 census, Elizabeth (46 yrs) and John (37 yrs) are listed with John's parents in John's father's market garden/farm, just outside Norton; no children listed with them. Either the marriage was childless, or their children were born and died between censuses (census data).

John Williamson Jackson 1888- 1910: her stepson, son of her husband's second marriage to Annie Elizabeth Williamson: birthplace Norton. Also commemorated on adjacent monument (8(A44) – above)

John Jackson senior c.1833- 1916: husband of Elizabeth Jackson and father of John Williamson Jackson: birthplace county Durham *(census data)*. Also commemorated on adjacent monument (8(A44)— above). **Occupation:** market gardener (Rankley House, Norton)

Jane Smiddy 1866-1926, unmarried niece of John Jackson senior c.1833-1916: birthplace Norton, county Durham (census data) Christened 13 May 1866 in Norton, Durham (England, Select births and christenings 1538-1975, Ancestry website). Her parents were Joseph Smiddy and his wife and Isabella Smiddy nee Jackson (census data). Isabella Smiddy nee Jackson, born in Norton, county Durham c.1839, was a younger sister of John Jackson senior (census data). Joseph Smiddy, born in Greatham county Durham, was a shoemaker and dealer with his own business (census data). Joseph and Isabella married in Norton, Durham, England on 16 September 1862; (England, Select marriages 1538-1973 in Ancestry website; Census data).

Occupation of Jane Smiddy: 1891 census: shop assistant in the boot trade, a 'boarder' living in Skelton, (north) Yorkshire (census data). 1911 census: employed by the Board of Guardians as 'foster mother' of 17 boys (3years - 13years) in Stockton-on-Tees (census data)

1925: Probate documentation states she died 30 Aug 1925 (not 31 Aug); her address was Fox Almshouses, Norton. Probate granted to Thomas Smiddy (assistant manager), her brother (born c.1871 in Norton) (*Find a Will, GOV.UK*)

Date inferred from latest individual in a group first inscribed together Inscription:

IN AFFECTIONATE REMEMBRANCE OF ELIZABETH

THE BELOVED WIFE OF JOHN JACKSON
WHO DIED ON THE 16TH DAY OF DEC 1877
AGED 53 YEARS

ALSO JOHN W. JACKSON
DIED IN SOUTH AFRICA OF SUNSTROKE
SEP 26TH 1910, AGED 22 YEARS
THE LORD KNOWETH THE DAYS OF THE
UPRIGHT AND THEIR INHERITANCE SHALL
BE FOR FVFR.

ALSO JOHN JACKSON, WHO DIED FEB 13^{TH} 1916, AGED 82 YEARS.

HE GIVETH HIS BELOVED SLEEP.

ALSO JANE, THE BELOVED DAUGHTER OF

JOSEPH & ISABELLA SMIDDY,

WHO DIED AUG 31ST 1925

AGED (??)

Death record of Jane Smiddy, died July/August/September 1925, in Stockton, gives her age as 59 years (Free BMD website)

Mason's name (base, front elevation): T BOWMAN, NORTON ROAD

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DECOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	TYPE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
10 (A46)	1878	Headstone	East	H 1670mms	Yellow	Sound, in	All legible	incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	none	none	none
Jackson,		Complex	80 ⁰	W 800mms	sandstone	situ				outline,	back			
Parkinson		shape		D 80mms						shoulders	and			
										protrude,	sides			
										stylised				
										flowers at				
										apex				

Headstone: flat top, surmounted by round arch, surmounted by Gothic top with decorative apex. Lateral shoulder protrusions.

Jonathan Jackson c.1802 – 1878, market gardener: birthplace Ormesby, Yorkshire (*Census data*). Location: Rankler House, Norton, a 46-acre farm to the east of Norton, now partially under the A19 dual carriageway.

Father/grandfather of family interred in adjacent two graves (to the south).

Isabella Parkinson 1793-1882, his sister-in-law (wife's sister): birthplace Brancepeth, Durham (census data). Unmarried sister of Jonathan's wife Marv

Christened 3 Nov 1793 in Brancepeth, Durham (England births and christenings, 1538-1975, in Family Search website).

1871 Census: living alone as an 'Annuitant' in St Thomas' Parish, Stockton

1881 Census: listed with her sister Mary Jackson (market gardener) and nephew John Jackson (widower; gardener) at their home/business (market garden, Rankler House) off Portrack Lane (later, North Road) just outside Norton *(census data)*

Mary Jackson nee Parkinson c.1803- 1895, wife of Jonathan Jackson: birthplace Brancepeth, Durham (Census data)

Born 12 Jan 1803, christened 10 June 1805 in Brancepeth: parents Christopher Parkinson and Ellen Jeffries/Jeffrey (England births and christenings 1538- 1975, in Family Search website). The family later moved to Kirk Merrington, Durham, where her brother William was born in 1807; and soon afterwards to Redmarshall, Durham (about 4 miles from Norton), where her brother Clement was born in 1809. (Family search website: England births and Christenings, 1538-1975: search for children of Christopher Parkinson, Brancepeth).

22 June 1828: Jonathan Jackson married Mary Parkinson in Kirkleatham, Yorkshire (*Principal England marriages 1538-1973, in Family Search website*).

By 1837, they had settled in Norton, Durham, where their son James Jackson was born c.1837 (census data). (In the 1841 census, Jonathan is listed as JOHN JACKSON)

Family: known children: Jane b.1831, John c.1833- 1916 (both in county Durham); James b.1837, Isabella b.1839 (census data)

Occupation of Jonathan Jackson c.1802- 1878: farmer and market gardener (census data).

1851 Census, Jonathon is listed with wife Mary and two of their children at Rankler House, Norton: described as 46-acre farm.

1871 Census: running market garden business on same site with son John. Although named Rankley House in later Censuses, it appears as Rankler Gardens in the 1916 newspaper death notice of son John: presumably 'Rankler' is the name by which the business was locally known (Stockton Herald, South Durham and Cleveland Advertiser, 19 Feb 1916, p 8, col 7, in British Newspaper Archives).

Date inferred from first named individual Inscription:

IN MEMORY OF
JONATHAN JACKSON
OF NORTON
WHO DIED AUGUST 9TH 1878
AGED 76 YEARS
ALSO ISABELLA PARKINSON
SISTER IN LAW TO THE ABOVE
DIED NOVEMBER 27TH 1882
IN HER 90TH YEAR
ALSO MARY, WIFE OF THE ABOVE
JONATHAN JACKSON,
WHO DIED JULY 6TH 1895
AGED 92 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN- TATION	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION MONUMENT	INSCR	ITION IPTION	INSCRIBED STYLE	LETTER TYPE	DECOR- ATION	TOOL- ING	TEXT BOXES	EXTRA ELEMENTS	REPAIRS
11 (A47) Jackson?	n/a	Headstone (Gothic) Pointed top No base	n/a	H 1550mms W 980mms D 90mms	Yellow sandstone	Sound, displaced	Face	down	n/a	n/a	n/a	Smooth back	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Monur	nent lying 1	ace down on the	ground			an earlie	e inscription r record identif nd Family Histo			ne – illegible	, .		

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DECOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	TYPE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
12 (A48)	1913	Headstone	East	H/stone:	H/stone	Sound, in	All legible	Raised	Gothic,	Decorative	Smooth	none	none	none
Cummings		(Gothic)	800	H 1310mms	and base:	situ		inlaid	Roman,	border	back,			
		pointed top		W 740mms	sandstone				Roman	and	sides.			
		with base		D 80mms					italic	decorative	Mason's			
				Base:						base	name			
				H 370mms							on base			
				W 920mms										

George Cummings 1842- 1913: birthplace Stockton on Tees (census data)

In 1848, his 36-year-old mother Mary Ann Cummings (maiden name unknown) married 45-year-old widower (with children) William Taylorson: a highway, and later agricultural, labourer (*FreeBMD*, census data). 1851 Census, the family are living in Norton: his mother's birthplace is given as St Mary's, London; and his step-father William Taylorson's as Neasham, Durham. No children of this marriage appear on this or on subsequent censuses (*Census data*).

Occupation: In adulthood George Cummings worked as a railway platelayer, and also as general labourer (Census data).

Jane Cummings 1844- 1903, formerly Catterson, nee Walt, his wife: Born in Kildale, Yorkshire (1881 and later censuses) or in Fishburn, Durham (1871 census, although Fishburn may have been the birthplace of her maternal half-sister (described as 'servant') listed with the family).

She married twice:

1869: married in Stockton Registration District to her first husband, Bishopton (Durham)-born Thomas Catterson (c.1841-1889) a railway platelayer (FreeBMD; Census data). At the time of her first husband's death in 1889, she had two known children: John George Catterson, born either 16 March 1871 (1939 Register) or around 1876 (census data) (the 1876 date is more likely correct, as he was aged 20 years and 9 months on joining the Army in 1897; and the census data consistently suggests a birth date of c.1876); and Dorothy Hannah Catterson, born 18 August 1878 (census data; 1939 England and Wales Register). Jane and Thomas settled in Norton Junction where Thomas worked as a railway platelayer and labourer (1871, 1881 censuses): in the 1871 census, her younger maternal half-sister (described as 'servant') is living with them. Jane's son John Catterson became a professional soldier (at age 20 years and 9 months) in the Royal Artillery in 1897, spending 14 years of his military career in India (UK British Army World War I pension records, in Ancestry website). He is not currently known to have married. In 1939, he and his sister Dorothy Catterson (also believed single) are both retired and living together in High Street, Norton [Stockton] (1939 England and Wales Register).

1891: the now-widowed Jane, mother of two children, is working as a charwoman, and now living in Wilkinson's Yard, Norton (1891 census).

<u>1893: Jane Catterson nee Walt remarried</u> to bachelor George Cummings married (*FreeBMD*). There are no biological children of George and Jane on subsequent censuses.

*Note: both of Jane's husbands (George Cummings and Thomas Catterson) are buried in this churchyard; and Jane is commemorated with each, on each memorial. Unknown at present which one is her actual grave.

Dog-tooth decorative border. Base in four layers, alternative rough and smooth finish with smooth finish top of base

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

Inscription:

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
GEORGE CUMMINGS
WHO DIED FEB 3RD 1913
AGED 69 YEARS
ALSO JANE, WIFE OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED NOV 12TH 1903
AGED 60 YEARS

Mason's name (base, front elevation): BOWMAN & SONS, NORTON RD

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	TYPE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
13 (A49)	1887	Headstone	East	H /stone:	h/stone	Sound, in	All legible	incised	Gothic	Yorkshire	Smooth	None	None	none
Bell		Round top	80 ⁰	H 1430mms	and base	situ			Roman	roses at	back			
		(with		W 760mms	sandstone					apex and	and			
		decorative		D 76mms						shoulders;	sides			
		elements)		Base:						Leaves				
		and base.		H 240mms						with				
				W 890mms						berries				

Mary Bell, formerly 'Toulson alias Tate' c.1830-1887: first wife of Thomas Bell c.1832-1917: birthplace Little Maltby, Yorkshire (census data).

Thomas Bell c.1832- 1917: birthplace given on Censuses as, variously, Croft, Hurworth, and Middleton, in County Yorkshire/ Durham: all near Darlington (census data). As his father was then a railway engineer in the locality, it is likely Thomas was born somewhere between these locations. By 1841, the family are settled in Norton Junction, where Thomas grew up (census data). His parents and several siblings are interred close by in this churchyard.

2 July 1855: Mary and Thomas married in St Mary the Virgin church, Norton. Thomas is 'of Ormesby, officer of customs; father, Thomas, engineer'; and Mary is 'Mary Toulson (alias Tate); father, John, farmer'. The witnesses were John Toulson and Elizabeth Toulson. *(Transcription: Cleveland Family History Society n/d)*. It is not known whether Mary was previously unmarried, or if she was a widow, at the time of this marriage.

Occupation: Unlike most of his family, Thomas did not pursue a career in the Railway industry. He was briefly an apprentice (black)smith; and later (permanently) a Customs (Preventive) Officer based at Cargo Fleet/ North Ormesby, Middlesbrough, living with his family in housing (Customs Cottages) provided at Cargo Fleet, where their six known children were born (census data). The family are listed here in the 1861, 1871 and 1881 Censuses, along with other Customs Officers and their families. Between the 1881 and 1891 Censuses, this housing ceased to be provided for Customs Officers, and in the 1891 census Thomas (now widowed) is living in Thornaby, north Yorkshire (census data).

1887: Mary died and is interred here. The decorative motifs on her monument include three Yorkshire Roses.

1890: Thomas remarried in Middlesbrough Registration District to 40-year-old Jane Story (born c.1850, Brompton, near Northallerton): no known children of this marriage (*FreeBMD*, *census data*).

1891 census: Thomas is listed in Thornaby with his second wife, Jane; and some of his children and a grandson. At this stage, Thomas is still working as a Customs Officer. In the 1901 census, Thomas and Jane are living in Middleton One Row (Middleton St George), Durham.

1904: Thomas' second wife Jane nee Story died aged 54 years in 1904, in Stockton Registration District (FreeBMD), burial place unknown.

1911 Census: Thomas has returned to Norton, where some of his children by his first marriage now live *(Census data)*. He died in 1917: probate documentation gives his address as Grange Road, Norton, county Durham, died aged 85 years. Probate was granted to two of his sons, Silvester Charles Bell, engineer's assistant, and Robert Anthony Foster Bell, accountant *(Find a Will, GOV.UK)*

Date inferred from first mentioned individual Inscription:

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
MARY BELL
THE BELOVED WIFE OF
THOMAS BELL
LATE OF CARGO FLEET
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
DECEMBER 30TH 1887
AGED 57 YEARS
COME TO ME ALL YE THAT
LABOUR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN
AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST
ALSO THOMAS BELL
BELOVED HUSBAND OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED MARCH 17TH 1917
AGED 85 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DECOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	TYPE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
14 (A50)	1871	Headstone	East	H/stone:	h/stone	Sound, in	All legible	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	None	none
Bell		(Gothic)	80 ⁰	H 1330mms	and base	situ				outline,	back,			
		Pointed top		W 760mms	sandstone					Scroll,	sides.			
		(with		D 80mms						Small	Mason's			
		embellishment)		Base:						pedestal	name			
		and base		H 240 mms						at apex	on front			
				W 220mms										

Young Bell 1839- 1871: birthplace Norton, county Durham (census data).

Son of civil engineer (and railway superintendent) Thomas Bell 1801-1875 and his wife Barbara Story 1808- 1870. The first of his parents' children to have been born in Norton, and the family subsequently remained in Norton Junction (census data). His parents and several siblings are interred nearby in this churchyard.

Occupation: engine fitter (census data).

In May 1862, he married Elizabeth Sandick (born c.1841, Egglescliffe: *census data*) in St Thomas' Church, Stockton-on-Tees (*English Marriages 1538-1975, in Family Search website*): they settled in Stockton-on-Tees.

Family: two sons: Thomas William Bell, 1863- 1899, and John Bell born c.1867: both born in Stockton on Tees (census data, FreeBMD). Unfortunately, Young Bell died aged 32yrs in 1871, pre-deceasing his parents; leaving a widow and two sons aged 8yrs and 4yrs (FreeBMD; Census data). His widow Elizabeth later remarried to John Vasey, schoolmaster, in 1879 in St John's, Acklington, Northumberland (Northern Echo, 27 Oct 1879: p.2, col.1, in British Newspaper Archives)

Thomas William Bell 1863 – 1899, the elder of Young Bell's two sons: birthplace Stockton-on-Tees, county Durham (census data)
Occupation: marine engine fitter (1891 census data).

1887: married in Stockton Registration District to Anne Dawes/ Dayes, a domestic nurse born c.1868 in London, Middlesex (*FreeBMD, census data*).

Family: known children:

William Young Bell born 1889 in Stockton Registration District (*FreeBMD*; census data), and (possibly) Francis Bell born c.1891 (*listed as his stepfather's stepson in the 1911 census data*)

Later: in 1903 in Stockton registration district, his widow Annie remarried to William Hutchinson, a commercial clerk born c.1866 in Hutton Rudby, Yorkshire (who was one of two boarders listed in the Stockton home of Annie and her son William in the 1901 census) and had a further two children (FreeBMD, Census data).

The Jerrison's, whose name appears on the monument as the masons, are a family of monumental masons, based in Rutland Terrace, Oxbridge Lane, Stockton (Census records, 1890 Kelly's Directory of Durham p.314). The business is listed under the name of Mrs Mary Jerrison, who is therefore possibly the mother of the H Jerrison who carved this monument.

Cracks on top edge of monument

Date inferred from first mentioned individual Inscription:

IN MEMORY OF
YOUNG BELL
OF STOCKTON ON TEES
WHO DIED DECR 25TH 1871,
AGED 32 YEARS.
ALSO THOMAS. W. BELL,
WHO DIED JAN 26TH 1899,
AGED 35 YEARS

Mason's name (bottom of monument, front elevation):
H JERRISON

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
15 (A51)	1850	Headstone	n/a	H 1550mms	sandstone	Sound but	Partially	Incised	Roman	Gothic	n/a	None	None	None
Shields		(Gothic)		W 840mms		displaced	legible			tracery in				
		pointed		D n/a		(fallen, face	(traces)			relief,				
		top, no				up)				pilasters				
		base												

Samuel Shields c.1796-1850

Burial record St Mary's: Shields, Samuel, 66 yrs. (of Norton) buried 9 Aug 1850 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Margaret Shields nee Bell c.1793- 1864, his wife

Burial record St Mary's: Shields, Margaret, 77 yrs. (of Norton) buried 25 May 1864 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Samuel and Margaret were parents of at least seven children christened in Norton in the early 1800s: existing christening records for their children (some of which contain the maiden surname of their mother Margaret) range from 1808 – 1826 (Family Search website).

Nothing is known about Samuel Shields.

His widow Margaret died suddenly in her sleep on the 22nd/23rd May 1864, and was found dead in bed the next morning by her 6-year-old unnamed granddaughter. An inquest on her death was reported in local newspapers: verdict – natural causes. The newspaper account gave her age as 79 years (not 77, as on the burial record) (*Shields Daily Gazette, 25 May 1864, p.2, col.2, in British Newspaper Archives*).

Eleanor Shields does not appear among the surviving christening and/or St Mary the Virgin burial records of Samuel and Margaret's children There is no burial record for her under this name at St Mary the Virgin churchyard; and no record (on FreeBMD website) of an Eleanor Shields having died locally.

She may have been known by a different name (perhaps Ellen, as there is a St Mary the Virgin burial record for an Ellen Shields, 31 years, buried 14 Sept 1860 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society), and perhaps been an in-law rather than biological relation.

If she is the Ellen Shields buried here, her stated age at death of 31 year suggests a birthdate of c.1829, which is outside the range of birthdates of the known children of Samuel and Margaret (1808 to 1826).

The last (illegible/ obscured) name on the memorial is **POSSIBLY** that of Samuel and Margaret's **son John**, a labourer, buried in this churchyard on 24 November 1880. The age is 66 on the monument; 65 on his burial records (*transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*); and birth/ christening records (*Family Search website*) give his birthdate as 1817, suggesting 63yrs on death.

John Shields was a twice-married labourer living in Norton (census data). It is likely both his wives died of childbirth complications. His first wife, Elizabeth, had her last child, Christopher, in 1842. He was christened in March 1842 and buried here days later, on 18 March 1842, with his mother Elizabeth also buried here less than two weeks later, on 27 March 1842.

John's second wife Catherine gave birth to her last child, Robert Robinson Simpson in February 1869. He died when a week old; and he and his mother were buried here on the same day: 15 Feb 1869.

(St Mary the Virgin burial records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Decorative motifs: Gothic tracery in relief, with a series of cusped circles, continued downwards as pilasters

Date inferred from first mentioned individual Inscription:

IN MEMORY OF SAMUEL SHIELDS

... 66 years
Also of
MARGARET SHIELDS
His wife who
AGED (77?) ...

(illegible/ obscured)
ELEANOR SHIELDS

... (DIED?) ...

(multiple Illegible/obscured lines)
(Illegible/ obscured line – looks like a different name)

WHO DIED AT NORTON NOVEMBER 23RD 1880 AGED 66 YEARS

No death or burial record found for Eleanor Shields. There is a burial record for this graveyard for Ellen Shields, 31 years, Norton, buried 14 September 1860

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	TYPE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
16 (A52)	1871	Headstone,	East	H 1230mms	sandstone	Sound, in	All legible	incised	Roman	Stylised,	Smooth	None	None	None
Thorman		Round top	80 ⁰	W 740mms		situ				joined,	back			
		No base		D 75mms						leaves	and			
											sides			

Robert Thorman c.1814- 1854: birthplace Gosforth, Northumberland (census data). He was the second son of Newcastle-upon-Tyne iron agent, Joseph Thorman and his first wife Elizabeth (nee Thomson). On 23 January 1814, he was christened in Gosforth, Northumberland (Family Search website). His inscribed date of death incorrect: his newspaper death notice gives his date of death as 5 June 1854; and the burial records give his burial date as 7 June 1854 (Newcastle Courant, 16 June 1854, p.8, col.4, in British Newspaper Archives; and St Mary the Virgin burial records 1813-1900, transcription Cleveland Family History Society)

Eleanor Thorman nee Cuthbertson c.1809- 1871, his wife: birthplace Bishopwearmouth Sunderland *(census data).* Her family were living in Gateshead by the time of her marriage.

30 August 1835: Robert Thorman and Eleanor Cuthbertson married in Heworth, Co Durham. The newspaper marriage notice reads: *Married – at Heworth, on Sunday last, Mr Robert Thorman, engineer, to Eleanor, eldest daughter of Mr John Cuthbertson, joiner and cabinet-maker, all of Gateshead (Durham County Advertiser, 4 Sept 1835, p.3. col.3, in British Newspaper Archives). Family: five children (two born in Bavaria).*

Occupation of Robert Thorman: engineer and engine builder. He spent some years in Bavaria, where his second and third children were born (census data). In 1847 he obtained an appointment as Chief Engineer to the Ottoman government (Durham Chronicle, 15 Oct 1847, p.4, col.5). This would have been a well-paid post, but it is uncertain how long he stayed abroad, as his next two children were born in England in 1848 and 1850 (census data, FreeBMD).

In **1848** he became a member of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, in the second year of this body's existence (*UK Mechanical Engineer records 1847-1938*, in Ancestry website). In the **1851** Census: Thomas and Eleanor are listed with their family in Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Thomas' occupation: Steam engine builder and millwright. By **1852**: There may have been financial difficulties leading to him accepting later paid employment: he is listed among potential bankrupts in January 1852 (*The Atlas, 3 January 1852*, p.14, col.2, in British Newspaper Archives).

His later work included marine engines for ships built at Stockton on Tees, for the firm of Fossick and Hackworth:

'Fossick and Hackworth of Stockton-on-Tees:

1853 [Fossick and Hackworth] supplied the first pair of marine engines for the first two ships built at Stockton. These were built under the direction of Robert Thorman who died soon after; eventually marine engineering replaced the railway work' (*Grace's guide to British industrial history, online*) **1854**: account of his funeral:

'the remains of the late Mr Thorman were interred in Norton churchyard on Wednesday last, and were followed to the grave by Messrs. Fossick and Hackworth and by 200 of their workmen, together with a large number of relatives and friends. For the last two years, Mr Thorman acted as foreman in Messrs Fossick and Hackwork's Ironworks, and was esteemed and trusted by both masters and men, all of whom deeply regret his loss. He leaves a widow and five children' (Darlington and Stockton Times, Ripon & Richmond Chronicle; 10 June 1854, p.2, col.5, in British Newspaper Archives)

1861 census: now-widowed Eleanor is living in Princess St, Stockton with four of her children, a younger unmarried 'sister' Joanna Thorman (probably her husband's sister), and two unmarried boarders. **Eleanor died in 1871** (before the Census) in Stockton Registration District (*census data*). At least one of their children (John, born c.1841 in Germany) remained permanently in Stockton where he married and had a large family (*census data*).

Date inferred from latest individual of a group first inscribed together.

Inscription:
SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF
ROBERT THORMAN
ENGINEER OF NEWCASTLE UPON
TYNE

WHO DIED JUNE 21ST 1854
AGED 41 YEARS.
ALSO ELEANOR, HIS BELOVED WIFE
WHO DIED JANUARY 19TH 1871,
AGED 62 YEARS.
THEIR REST IS WITH GOD.

Inscribed date of death is incorrect

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE		ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
17 (A53)	1902	Headstone,	East	H 1386mms	marble	Sound, in	All legible	inlaid	Gothic	Diamond shape;	Smooth	None	None	None
Atkinson,		(Gothic)	80 ⁰	W 740mms		situ			Roman	also Clasped hands	back			
Hall		pointed		D 75mms						in recessed oval;	and			
		top,								also	sides			
		No base								Stylised leaves				

Edith Atkinson c.1882- 1902: birthplace Norton, Durham (census data)

One of a large family, all born in Norton, to William Atkinson (labourer, later driller in the iron industry, born c.1851 in Tow Law, Durham) and his wife Elizabeth Hall (laundress, born c.1852 in Norton, Durham), who had married in Stockton Registration District in 1875 (*FreeBMD*; census data). 1891 Census: The Atkinson family are living in High Street Norton, the household consisting of (father) William, born c.1851 in Tow Law, Co Durham, labourer; (mother) Elizabeth, born c.1852, Norton, Co Durham, laundress; seven children, all born in Norton (including Edith, William and Elizabeth, named on this monument); and two boarders both surnamed Hall (possibly relations of Elizabeth). 1901 Census: The household (High St, Norton) now consists of a total of 14 people: the two parents, ten children (all born in Norton), and the same two boarders. (Father:) William is now a 'driller, iron'; there is no paid occupation given for (mother) Elizabeth; and all but one of the children aged 14 years and over have paid employment. Possibly the absence of a paid occupation for the mother could indicate that the family's financial status had improved. 1911 Census: The household (Pine Street, Norton) now consists of the two parents (father William employed at Tees Bridge Iron Works), four children including Edith, one grandchild, and one of the earlier boarders. The 1911 census states that the parents (William and Elizabeth Atkinson) had been married 38 years and had had 10 children, two of whom had died. One of these children who had died was Edith, who died aged 20yrs; at the time of writing, it is unknown which of their other children had died (or when, other than between the 1901 and 1911 censuses).

Occupation of Edith Atkinson c.1882- 1902: 'dressmaker' (1901 census). Believed unmarried.

William HALL (Atkinson) 1869- 1954 her brother: birthplace Norton, Durham. His stated age on Censuses suggests a birthdate of c.1871, before his parents' marriage. He appears consistently in the earlier censuses (including 1911) as William Atkinson (son of William Atkinson senior). However, in the 1939 Register, there is an unmarried William Hall (b.12 Oct 1869) (his mother's maiden surname) living with his unmarried sister Elizabeth (also commemorated here) in Norton. The FreeBMD death index does not (currently) contain a William Atkinson (d.1954) with details corresponding to the monumental inscription. However, it lists a 'William Hall', died in Southeast Durham Registration District in the 3rd quarter of 1954, aged 85 years (*FreeBMD*). It appears likely he used his mother's maiden name as his surname in later life.

Occupation: labourer in Blair's marine engineering works, Norton (1911 census data)

In the 1901 and 1911 censuses, he is unmarried and living with his parents and some siblings in the family home in Norton, Durham.

1954: died 29 Nov 1954, age 84 years (monumental inscription): place unknown. There is a FreeBMD record of the death of one **William Hall**, aged 85 years, in Southeast Durham Registration District in the last quarter of 1954.

Elizabeth Ann Atkinson c.1876-1961, her sister. Unmarried. Born 11 June 1875 (England and Wales 1939 Register).

Occupation: assistant laundress in her parents' home; later (1911) a live-in domestic servant in The Manor, Norton (census data).

1939: living in the family home, 1 Pine St Norton, with unmarried William Hall (b. 12 Oct 1869), a 69-year-old age pensioner approximately the same age as suggested by the earlier censuses for her brother William Atkinson. Possibly this is the same person as her brother William Atkinson: if so, he is now known under his mother's maiden name (England and Wales 1939 Register)

1961: probate documentation: Elizabeth Ann Atkinson of 1 Pine Street Norton Stockton-on-Tees spinster died 4 March 1961 at the General Hospital Sedgefield county Durham. Probate Durham 20 June to [brother] Charles Atkinson retired engine room artificer and [sister] Ethel Maul Atkinson spinster (Find a Will, GOV.UK)

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

Inscription:

IN MEMORY OF
EDITH

DEARLY BELOVED DAUGHTER
OF
WILLIAM & ELIZABETH
ATKINSON
DIED MAY 24TH 1902
AGED 20 YEARS
ALSO WILLIAM
SON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED NOV 29TH 1954
AGED 84 YEARS
ALSO ELIZABETH
DAUGHTER OF ... ABOVE
DIED MARCH 4 1961

AGED 85 YEARS

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18 (A54)	1893	Headstone	East	H'stone:	sandstone	Sound, in	All legible	incised	Roman	Branches	Smooth	None	None	None
Rowbotham,		with base.	80 ⁰	H 1190mms		situ				with buds	back			
Redfern,		Complex		W 748mms							and			
Wiley		design		D 77mms							sides.			
				Base:							Mason's			
				H 340mms							name			
				W 875mms							on base			

Headstone with base. Sloping protrusions at shoulders, surmounted by round arch, surmounted by flat surface, surmounted by small Gothic arch. Slopes outwards near base, with small lateral protrusions just above this.

Multiple surname spellings: Rowbotham, Rowbotham, Rowbotham, Robatham, Rowbottom, Rowbottom, Rowbatham, Robattham, etc; Wiley, Willey

John Rowbotham c.1828- 1893: birthplace Manchester (1861 census) or in Lancaster, Lancashire (1881 census). Occupation: blacksmith, later
boiler smith (census data). 1893: probate of John's Will granted to daughter Elizabeth: ROWBOTHAM John, of Paradise-place Norton near
Stockton-on-Tees county Durham boiler smith died 14 January 1893 Probate DURHAM 6 February to Elizabeth Eleanor Wiley (wife of George
Wiley). (Find a Will: GOV.UK)

Elizabeth Rowbotham nee Crow, c.1822-1883, his wife. birthplace Norton, county Durham (census data).

Marriage: John RUBOTHAM and Elizabeth CROWE married in Stockton registration district, last quarter of 1847.

Family: Seven known children (including Mary Jane, born before marriage): all born in Norton, county Durham (census data). Another surname is associated with the family: 'Jane Barker, widow, born Ravensworth, county Durham. [c.1798], 83 years: described as 'mother' (1881 census): unclear if she is mother of John Rowbotham, or of his wife Elizabeth.

Mary Jane Redfern, nee CROW, 1845-1866, their daughter. Christened (before her mother's marriage) in St Mary's, Norton, 16 Feb 1845: mother, Elizabeth, spinster. Married to William Redfern in Stockton, first quarter of 1866 (FreeBMD). She had one son, Thomas William Redfern, born a few months later on 17 May 1866, christened in Norton 20 May 1866 (England select births and christenings, 1538- 1975, Ancestry website). Unfortunately, he died when a few weeks old; and was buried in this churchyard on 7 Jun 1866, two months before his mother died.

John George Rowbotham c.1851- 1873, their son. No further details known at present; and he is not listed with the family on the 1861 census [RABATTHAM]. Name spelt ROHBOTHAM on burial record transcription (*Cleveland Family History Society, n/d*)

Joseph Henry Rowbotham c.1854- 1879, their son. Appears with his family on the 1861 census [RABATTHAM]. No further details known.

Elizabeth Eleanor/Ellen Wilev nee Rowbotham, c.1860- 1923, their daughter.

George Wiley c.1859- 1924, husband of Eleanor/ Ellen Rowbotham: birthplace Stockton on Tees (census data)

1881: Elizabeth and her younger sister Margaret are the only children still listed in their parents' home (*Census data*). Also staying with the family in the 1881 census is 22-year-old joiner, George WILLEY (described as 'visitor'), **whom Elizabeth married later that year (1881**) in Stockton Registration District (*FreeBMD, census data*). George and Elizabeth set up home in Norton and had a large family (*census data*).

Date inferred from latest date of a group first inscribed together. Inscription:

IN

LOVING MEMORY OF JOHN ROWBOTHAM, OF NORTON,

WHO DIED JAN 14TH 1893, AGED 65 YEARS.

ALSO ELIZABETH, HIS BELOVED WIFE

WHO DIED FEB 17TH 1883, AGED 61 YEARS.

ALSO MARY JANE, THEIR DAUGHTER

WHO DIED AUG 12TH 1866, AGED 21 YEARS.

ALSO JOHN GEORGE, THEIR SON

WHO DIED NOV 17TH 1873, AGED 22 YEARS.

ALSO JOSEPH HENRY, THEIR SON

WHO DIED APRIL 6TH 1879,

AGED 25 YEARS.

ALSO ELIZABETH ELEANOR THEIR DAUGHTER & DEARLY BELOVED WIFE OF GEORGE WILEY OF NORTON WHO DIED JUNE 10TH 1923,

AGED 63 YEARS.

ALSO THE ABOVE GEORGE WILEY

WHO DIED JUNE 29TH 1924 AGED 65 YEARS Mason's name on front of base: W BULMER,

BRIDGE ROAD, STOCKTON

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19 (A55)	1859	Headstone,	East	H 1440	sandstone	Sound, in	Partially	Incised	Gothic,	Decorative	Smooth	None	None	None
Hopper		round top,	80°	mms		situ:	legible		Roman	border	back			
		concave		W 780mms		Leaning	(traces)				and			
		shoulders,		D 80mms		markedly					sides			
		No base				forward								

Monument leaning markedly forward; forward leaning increased between August 2021 and December 2022; marked erosion on centre portion of inscription. **William Hopper, c.1808-1859,** birthplace Staindrop, Durham *(census data).*

Burial record, St Mary's: Hopper, William, 51 yrs (of Norton), buried 1 May 1859 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Isabella/Bella Coxon Hopper, c. 1807- 1891, birthplace Blanchland, county Durham (1851, 1871 census) or nearby Jeffries Rake (near Durham/ Northumberland border, 1861, 1891 census). Her maiden surname name is unknown: however, an older widow, Elizabeth DIXON (relationship unknown), is living with the family in the 1841 census (census data). An earlier transcription of the memorial gives Isabella/Bella's age at death as 84 yrs and 8 months (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, n/d)

William's occupation: agricultural labourer (in Staindrop, 1841 census), farm and garden labourer (in Norton, 1851 census) (census data).

In the **1841** census, the family (William, Isabella, Elizabeth) are in Staindrop, county Durham. Living with them are carpenter Richard Hopper, 25 years (possibly William's brother) and 80-year-old widow Elizabeth Dixon (possibly Isabella's mother): all born in County Durham (census data). In the 1851 census, the family (William (farm/garden labourer), Isabella, Elizabeth) are now in Norton.

William died in 1859. In the 1861 census, widowed Isabella is a laundress living in Stockton. Listed with her is a 23-year-old leather currier from Hexham, Charles Varley – later, her daughter Elizabeth's husband (census data).

Family: their only known child is Eiizabeth Varley nee Hopper c.1836-1871 (who erected this monument). Born c.1836 in Middleton, county Durham (1841 census) or in Stanhope, Durham (1871 census) (census data). On 19 Sept 1861, Elizabeth Hopper married Charles Varley c.1826- 1898 in St Thomas' church, Stockton on Tees (England, Select marriages 1538-1973, Ancestry website). They had 3 known children: Jessie born c.1863, Florence born c.1865, and Mary Elizabeth, died in infancy 1868 (Census data; Find a Grave). In the 1871 census, the family (Elizabeth, Charles, their 2 surviving children (Jessie 8 years, and Florence 6 years, both born in Bishop Auckland) and Elizabeth's mother Bella), are living in Bishop Auckland (census data).

Later that year (1871), Elizabeth Varley nee Hopper died aged 35 years in Auckland, Durham (FreeBMD). Her burial place is unknown.

Charles Varley c.1826- 1898, William and Isabella's son-in-law and Elizabeth's husband: birthplace Hexham, Northumberland. Parents: basket maker John Varley (originally from Ulleskelf, Yorkshire) and his wife Jane (originally from London) (census data). Occupation: 'leather currier' and later a successful leather merchant, employing men and boys (census data). He had been currier's apprentice in Hexham by the age of 13 years (1851 census). 1881 census: by now, Charles had remarried to Mary/Margaret c.1828- 1895 (maiden name uncertain), born Nenthead, Cumberland: no children to this marriage (census data). Isabella Hopper continued to live in Bishop Auckland with Charles, her granddaughters, and Charles' second wife (named Mary on census data, and Margaret on her own gravestone) (census data; Find a Grave). 1891 census: the family, including Isabella and Charles' second wife, have now moved to Bishopwearmouth, Sunderland (census data).

1891: Isabella Coxon Hopper dies in Durham registration district (*FreeBMD*); and is interred at West Auckland.

In 1898: her son-in-law Charles Varley (now 'of Darlington') died in 1898 aged 72 years and is interred in Darlington. He is commemorated there with his infant daughter Mary Elizabeth (d.1868); his second wife (named here as Margaret) d.1905 aged 77 years; his daughter Florence d.1925 aged 60 years; Florence's husband Charles Meynell d.1910 aged 48 years; and Florence's daughter Alice Mary d.1893 (died in infancy) (Find a Grave)

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
WILLIAM HOPPER,
WHO DIED APRIL 27TH 1859,
AGED ... YEARS
ALSO ... BELLA HOPPER
...FE ... HE ABOVE
WHO DIED MAY 1(9?)TH 1891.
A...D 84 Y ... 8 ...
B..RIE.. AT WEST AUCKLAND
ERECTED BY ... DAUGHTER
ELIZABETH VARLEY

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20 (A56)	1876	Headstone,	East	H'stone	Sandstone	Sound, in	All legible	Incised	Roman	Decorative	Smooth	None	None	None
Dickinson		round top,	80 ⁰	H 1352mms		situ				border	back, sides			
		with base		W 788mms										
				D 90mms							Mason's			
				Base:							name on			
				H 257mms							base			
				W ?										

Multiple surname spellings across records, including Dickinson, Dickenson, Dickson, Dixon; and Taylorson, Taylerson.

Hannah (also spelt Anna) Dickinson c.1799- 1876, maiden name unknown: birthplace Littleport, Cambridgeshire (census data). Susan (Ann?) Taylorson, her daughter c.1837- 1866: also born in Littleport, Cambridgeshire (1861 census data).

Although the name on the monument is Susan, **St Mary the Virgin burial records name her as Ann Taylorson**, 29 years (of Norton), buried 6 June 1866 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). She may be the same person as **Ann DIXON**, who married William TAYLERSON, 1855, in Stockton Registration District (FreeBMD). **1861 census:** Ann and William Taylerson are living in Darlington Lane, Norton, Stockton. This Ann Taylerson's birthplace is Littleport, Cambridgeshire (the same as the birthplace of her mother Hannah). Ann/Susan's husband William was also an agricultural labourer. There are no children listed with them; and as far as is currently known they had no known children (census data)

William Dickinson c.1804- 1897, husband of Hannah/Anna Dickinson: birthplace Little Homead Bury, near Buntingford, Hertfordshire. Birthplace written as ORMET BERRY (1871 census); LITTLE NORMETBERRY (1881 census); ORM(ON?)DBURY (1891 census). There are various Listed Buildings in Little Hormead, including the Manor House (Little Hormead Bury) (Historic England listed buildings).

William's occupation: agricultural labourer; later labourer in Norton Iron Works (census data).

1861: The first definite record of the family is the *1861 Census*. William Dixon (agricultural labourer) and Hannah are living in Seaton Carew, Hartlepool, with their *son George, b.1854 in Stranton, Hartlepool*. Also living nearby in Stranton, West Hartlepool, is a **John Dickinson, mariner, married, born c.1835 in Littleport, Cambridgeshire – he may be an adult son of William and Hannah (***census data***).**

William's and Hannah's ages as given on the 1861 Census (William 42years, so born c.1819; Hannah 50 years, so born c.1811) are out-of-step with all other records, making them each about a decade younger than all other records suggest. All other census records suggest that, at the time of George's birth in 1854, William would be around 50 years old, and Hannah around 55 years old. This raises the thought that their 'son' George b.1854 may have been their grandson rather than son (census data). William and Hannah continued to live with George (later, with George and his own family) for the remainder of their lives (census data).

1871 and 1881: William Dickinson is a labourer in Norton Iron Works; the family are now living in housing provided for employees in *Norton Iron Works Cottages, Norton* (1871 Census), renamed *Furnaces, The Green, Norton* in later censuses *(census data)*.

1891: William finally stops working somewhere between the 1881 and 1891 censuses (when aged in his late 70s, or 80s). He is described in the 1891 census, in the home of son George, as 'of independent means' (census data)

Reason for monument date: Inferred from latest date of a group first inscribed together.

In

AFFECTIONATE REMEMBRANCE
OF HANNAH DICKINSON
THE BELOVED WIFE OF WILLIAM DICKINSON
OF NORTON,
WHO DIED JUNE 17TH, 1876
AGED 77 YEARS.
BLESSED ARE THE DEAD WHICH ARE IN THE LORD

SUSAN TAYLORSON

OLDEST DAUGHTER OF HANNAH DICKINSON,

OF NORTON WHO DIED JUNE 4TH 1866.

ALSO

AGED 29 YEARS.

ALSO THE ABOVE NAMED

WILLIAM DICKINSON,

WHO DIED JULY 31ST 1897,

AGED 93 YEARS.

Mason's signature on front of base: Scotson, Wolviston

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-ING	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION		BOXES	ELEMENTS	
21 (A57)	1898	Headstone,	East	Н	sandstone	Sound, in	All legible	Incised	Sans	Flowers	Smooth back	None	None	None
Smith		flat top,	80 ⁰	1310mms		situ, some			serif	in circles	and sides			
		See below		W		dampness				at top				
		no base		770mms		near bottom								
				D 70mms										

Headstone: semi-circular central feature, shape of top repeated 3 times, concave shoulders, Two circular bosses on top, each containing carvings of flowers. **Thomas Smith c.1789-1873,** born Deighton, North Yorkshire (census data).

Hannah Smith nee Harrison, c.1800- 1880, his wife, born Ripon, North Yorkshire (census data).

Thomas' occupation: Husbandman (small tenant farmer) on his 1823 Marriage Allegation (below); later described variously as farmer, gardener, labourer, retired agricultural labourer (census data).

1823: Thomas Smith and Hannah Harrison married in Houghton-le-Spring, Co. Durham: on their 'marriage allegation' (application for marriage licence) dated 9 March 1823, Thomas was a bachelor, of Shincliffe Grange in county of Durham, occupation husbandman; and Hannah Harrison was spinster (no other details) (Family Search website).

Family: Six known children. The oldest (Robert) was christened in Chester-le-Street, County Durham, on 25 May 1823, and son John was also christened in Chester-le-Street 1827 (Family Search website). Daughter Elizabeth was born in 'about' 1826 in Elwick or Wolviston (both County Durham) (Census data). By 1829 the family had presumably settled in Norton, where three more daughters were subsequently christened in St Mary the Virgin church, Norton: Sarah 1828 (father: labourer); Anna [Hannah] Maria 1833 (father: farmer); and the youngest, Margaret, in December 1835 (father; labourer) (Christening records, St Mary the Virgin; transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Of these children, at least two married and had families: Robert married Elizabeth Snowball and worked as a woodman/forester in Co Durham (*Ancestry website*; *Census data*); and his sister Elizabeth married James Coulson, who worked mainly as a labourer (at one stage, railway truck inspector), and settled with her family in the Coatham/Redcar area, North Yorkshire (*FreeBMD*, *census data*).

On the 1841 census, the family (in Norton) consists of Thomas, Hannah and their four daughters (census data).

On the **1851** census, Thomas is now a 'garden labourer' living in Norton with Hannah and their two youngest daughters Hannah M aged 16 and Margaret aged 14 (both, scholars). A 'boarder', 81-year-old Catherine Bowker is now living with them (census data, 1851): she is described in the entry for Thomas footstone (Monument 22 (A57) Smith).

In subsequent cenuses, Thomas is retired. In the **1861** census, he is a 'retired farmer' living with wife Hannah and daughter Margaret; and in the **1871** census, a 'retired agricultural labourer' living in Norton with wife Hannah (census data).

Margaret Smith c.1835-1898, their daughter and youngest known child: birthplace Norton, county Durham (census data). She remained unmarried and was still living with her parents during the 1861 Census: at the time of writing, her whereabouts and occupation in the next few decades are unknown. However, probate records give her address at the time of her death in 1898 as 30 Hume Street, Stockton on Tees (Find a Will, GOV.UK).

Reason for monument date: inferred date from latest date of a group first inscribed together.

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF THOMAS SMITH OF NORTON WHO DIED FEBRUARY 24TH 1873 AGED 84 YEARS THE MEMORY OF THE JUST IS BLESSED ALSO OF **HANNAH SMITH** WIDOW OF THE ABOVE DIED JULY 25TH. 1880. AGED 80 YEARS SHE HATH DONE WHAT SHE COULD ALSO OF MARGARET SMITH DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE. WHO DIED MARCH 12TH 1898. AGED 58 YEARS.

AT REST

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN- TATION	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION MONUMENT	CONDITION	INSCRIBED STYLE	LETTER STYLE	DÉCOR- ATION	TOOL- ING	TEXT BOXES	EXTRA ELEMENTS	REPAIRS
22 (A57) Smith (notes on BOWKER)	1873	Footstone	n/a	H 540mms W 340mms D ?	Slate	Sound, displaced (lying face up on ground)	All legible	incised	Egyptian	None	None visible	None	None	None

From relatively small size, may have been footstone to adjacent memorial 21 (Smith) Believed displaced from original location.

The biography of Thomas Smith c.1789- 1873 is described in his headstone monument above: 21 (A57).

On the 1851 Census, living in Norton with Thomas and his family is one Catherine Bowker, unmarried, 81 years, annuitant, born in Deckham Hall (written as Beckham Hall) Co Durham (census data).

In the previous (1841) Census, this **Catherine Bowker c.1770- 1855** is living (also in Norton) with her older sisters **Dorothea Scurfield c.1758- 1847** and **Elizabeth Bowker c.1757- 1848**; all listed as living on independent means, and with two servants, Ann Lightfoot and Mary Golightly *(census data)*.

These were **daughters of Thomas Bowker c.1727- 1810**, of Deckham Hall (a small estate near/south of Gateshead, County Durham), a wealthy businessman and (small) landowner in Newcastle/Gateshead.

There are various (British Newspaper Archive) newspaper notices relating to the Bowker family, including:

- Dorothea's wedding to William Scurfield Esq, Coatham, near Darlington 19 Dec 1781 (Newspaper Chronicle, 22 Dec 1781, p.2 col.4)
- Elizabeth Bowker's death aged 93 in Norton 20 Sept 1848 (Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury, 30 Sept 1848, p.8 col.3)
- Catherine's death in Norton on 7 July 1855, as the youngest and last surviving daughter of Thomas Bowker, formerly of Deckham's Hall, Newcastle upon Tyne (Durham County Advertiser, 13 July 1855, p.8, col.1)
- A 'change of partnership' notice inserted by Thomas Bowker (Newcastle Courant, 22 Jan 1763, p 3, col 1)
- Sale of Bowker Hall (a compact 34-acre estate), late in possession of Mr Bowker (Newcastle Courant, 8 April 1797, p 1, col 3)

(All in British Newspaper Archives).

One brother, Benjamin 1760- 1794, a shipowner, died shipwrecked on HMS Santa Leocadia in the Baltic Sea (Ancestry website).

Their other brother Miles Bowker 1758- 1839 emigrated (age 61yrs) in 1820, with his wife and 8 children, to South Africa, where he became a 'gentleman farmer': two more of Miles' children were born in South Africa. Miles Bowker and his family are celebrated among early British 'pioneers' in South Africa (Ancestry website; British 1820 settlers to South Africa - Miles Bowker, online).

Her **sister Dorothea Scurfield nee Bowker c.1756- 1847** was widowed early in her marriage; she and her husband are interred in Hart Church, Hart Village, county Durham. One of Dorothea's grandsons was William Scurfield Gray, of Norton, High Sheriff of Durham 1867.

Her sister Elizabeth Bowker c.1755- 1848, unmarried, is also buried in the churchyard of St Mary the Virgin (surname recorded as BOOKER)

There does not appear to be a monument to either Elizabeth or Catherine Bowker.

It is possible that, at the time of her death, Catherine Bowker was still living with and being cared for by Thomas and Hannah Smith.

Reason for monument date: inferred date from associated headstone (22, A56, above)

THOMAS SMITH

Notes: footstone

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
23 (A58)	1867	Headstone,	East	H 1220mms	sandstone	Sound, in	Mainly	incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth	None	None	none
Golightley		(Gothic)	80 ⁰	W 720mms		situ	legible		Roman,	outline;	back			
		pointed		D 90mms		Erosion on			Roman italic	scrollwork	and			
		top,				front lower					sides			
		No base				third,								
						Slightly sunk								
						into soil								
						beneath								

Bottom of monument sunk into soil, partially obscuring end of inscription.

Variant surname spellings: Golightly (on most records), Golightley (on monument)

Ellington Bell Golightly, 1865-1867, eldest child, buried 29 May 1867

Jane Wright Golightly, 1869-1870, third child, buried 12 Feb 1874

Ralph Golightly, 1871-1885, ourth child, buried 20 Sept 1885

Children of Joseph and Alice Goliahtly (Burial records, St Mary, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Joseph Golightley c.1841- 1910: birthplace Thorpe, Durham (Stockton registration district). Born into a farm worker's family (FreeBMD, census data).

Occupation: 1861 census onwards: locomotive engine driver (census data)

Death record: Joseph Golightly, 69 yrs, died 3rd quarter 1910, Middlesbrough registration district (*FreeBMD*)

Alice Golightley nee Bell 1841- 1874, his wife: birthplace Norton Junction, Norton (census data)

Parents: railway Civil Engineer Thomas Bell c.1801- 1874 and his wife Barbara/ Barbery Bell nee Story c.1808- 1870 (census data). Alice's parents and several siblings are interred nearby in this churchyard.

31 Oct 1863: Joseph Golightly and Alice Bell married in Stockton on Tees registration district; and settled in Stockton (*FreeBMD*; census data). **Family:** 5 children.

1874: Alice died in February 1874, aged 32 years, a few months after the birth of her 5th child Barbara Bell Golightly (born 1873: *FreeBMD*); and was buried here (*St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*).

1875: Joseph remarried after Alice's death, to Sunderland-born Elizabeth Johnson (born c.1838) (*FreeBMD*). There were no children of the marriage of Joseph and Elizabeth. The family (Joseph; his surviving daughters by his first wife Alice - Esther b.1867 and Barbara b.1873, and second wife Elizabeth) continued to live in Stockton-on-Tees. Both daughters later married and had families of their own (*census data, FreeBMD*)

Possibly, Elizabeth Johnson may have had a daughter from a previous marriage: in the 1911 census, now-widowed Elizabeth is living with a 'daughter' Jane Blakeburn, single, 37 yrs, born c.1874 in Sunderland. However, as this Jane (Mary Jane) appears in earlier censuses as 'daughter' to other parents, it is possible she is a relative rather than daughter (census data).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

SACRED

TO THE MEMORY OF

ELLINGTEN B. GOLIGHTLEY

THE SON OF

JOSEPH AND ALICE GOLIGHTLEY

STOCKTON ON TEES

WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE MAY 27 1867

AGED 1 YEAR AND 9 MONTHS

ALSO JANE W. GOLIGHTLEY

THEIR DAUGHTER

WHO DIED JULY 1(?) ...

AGED 9 MONTHS

....

•••

A ... YEARS

... RALPH GOLIGHTLEY

THEIR SON

WHO DIED SEPTEMBER 15TH 1885

AGED ... YEARS

ALSO ... ABOVE

JOSEPH GOLIGHTLEY

WHO DIED JULY 30 1910

... YEARS

1991/1992 transcription gives missing (central) inscription

 \dots Also the above Alice GOLIGHTLEY who d. Feb 8 18? 4 aged 32yrs \dots

(Cleveland Family History Society, n/d)

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
24 (A59)	1859	Headstone,	East	H 1570mms	sandstone	Sound, in	All legible	Incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Bell		(Gothic)	80 ⁰	E 850mms		situ			Roman,	outline,	back			
		pointed		D 100mms					Roman italic	scrollwork	and			
		top,									sides			
		No base												

Mary Bell, nee Bell, c.1830-1859: birthplace Croft, Co Durham (census data)

One of a large family born to Civil Engineer and railway inspector Thomas Bell c.1801- 1874 and his wife Barbara/Barbary Story c.1808- 1870. The family settled permanently in Norton Junction, Norton, in the late 1830s (census data). Her parents and several siblings are interred and/or commemorated nearby within this churchyard.

Family:

1855: Mary Bell married John Bell (c.1827-?) in Stockton registration district (*FreeBMD*). His birthplace was Darlington, Durham. **Occupation:** agricultural labourer in his teens, when he lived in Darlington with his mother (Elizabeth, a washerwoman) and two younger siblings (1841 Census). Later: railway stoker (1851 census); engine driver (1861 census); railway porter (1871 census); subsequently labourer (census data). They had one **son, Wilson Bell, born c. 1859** in Norton Junction, the home of Mary's parents (census data), and christened 13 Feb 1859 in St Mary the Virgin, Norton (christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

1859: Mary died when her son was a few months old, aged 29 years, on 30 April 1859,

Subsequently: In the following (1861) Census, now-widowed engine driver John Bell and their son Wilson (name written as WILLIAM Bell) are living in Norton (census data). Listed with them are an engine-driver nephew; and a married servant/housekeeper, Elizabeth Hadden (born c.1822 in West Auckland), whom John later marries in 1879, in Tynemouth Registration District, presumably after her own husband died (FreeBMD). John, Wilson and Elizabeth later move to Tyneside (1881 census) and to West Hartlepool (1891 census): in both places, John works as a labourer.

From 1891 onwards, Mary and John's son Wilson Bell (1859-1921), also a labourer, is married and settled in West Hartlepool with a large family of his own (census data).

George Bell, 1834-1869, brother of Mary Bell: birthplace Cornforth, Co Durham (census data)

Son of Civil Engineer and railway inspector Thomas Bell c.1801- 1874 and his wife Barbara/Barbary Story c.1808- 1870.

Occupation: blacksmith (1851, 1861 Censuses). His employer's name is not given - possibly this was in the railway industry, as most of his family were employed in the railway industry. In the 1861 Census, he is single and living with his parents at Norton Junction. At the time of writing, it is not known whether he subsequently married; but the burial records of St Mary the Virgin give his address at death as Norton Junction, where his parents lived (St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN
REMEMBRANCE OF
MARY BELL
THE WIFE OF JOHN BELL
DAUGHTER OF
THOMAS AND BARBARA BELL
NORTON JUNCTION
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE APRIL 30TH
1859
AGED 29 YEARS.
ALSO GEORGE BELL THEIR SON
WHO DIED DECEMBER 25TH 1869

AGED 35 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
25 (A60)	1870	Headstone,	East	H 1380mms	Sandstone	Sound, in	Mostly	Incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Bell		(Gothic)	800	W 830mms		situ; marked	legible		Roman	outline	back			
		pointed		D 90mms		erosion top	(traces)				and			
		top,				of front					sides			
		No base												

Barbara (Barbery) Bell, nee Story, 1808- 1870: born Aycliffe, county Durham (census data)

wife of Thomas Bell c.1801- 1874, railway Civil Engineer, who is also interred in this churchyard.

Parents: George Story and Mary nee Graham. Christened in Aycliffe parish 26 Oct 1808, first daughter of George Story and his wife Mary nee Graham (native of this parish) (Bishops transcripts, Durham, Aycliffe, image 68 of 514, in Family Search website (catalog)).

St Mary burial records: Barbara Bell (of Norton Junction), aged 62yrs, buried 23 November 1870 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

13 June **1826**: Barbara Story married Thomas Bell in Aycliffe parish, Durham (Bishops transcripts, Aycliffe, image 204 of 514, in Family Search website, catalog). Both were described as 'of this parish'.

Family: Together they had a large family, with at least 11 children surviving to adulthood; and numerous grandchildren and descendants. From the late 1830s the family had settled in permanently Norton Junction (where their fourth child was born in 1836); and remained there the rest of their lives. By now, Thomas was a Resident (superintendent) railway engineer, based in West Hartlepool Railway Office (later, also an Associate of the Institute of Civil Engineering); and the family lived in the two-storey Inspector's house in Norton Junction overlooking a row of single-storey railway worker's cottages, all beside the railway (Stockton Borough Council: Stockton Picture Archive, online).

Michael Bell c.1836-1885, their third child: birthplace Cornforth, Durham.

1859: Michael Bell married Jean Lynn nee March (1830-?) a farmer's widow seven years his senior with two surviving children; and together they had a further four children (*FreeBMD*, *census data*).

Occupation: Michael was a station master for much of his career – initially in Billingham, county Durham (1861 Census data) where his children were born; later in Seaton Carew, county Durham (1871 Census) and after that in North Shields (Tyne and Blyth railway) and finally in Whitley (Tyne and Wear), where he died in 1885 (obituary in Shields Daily News, 30 July 1885, p.3, col.4, in British Newspaper Archives).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

(IN?)

...ED

... OF

(BARBARA?) BELL

THE (BELOVED WIFE OF THOMAS BELL
OF (NORTON?) JUNCTION
WHO DIED NOVEMBER 20TH 1(?)70
IN THE 63.. YEAR OF HER AGE
ALSO MICHAEL BELL
SON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED JULY 28 188(?)

AGED 49 YEARS
AND IS INTERRED AT WHITLEY

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
26 (A61)	1859	Pedestal, 3	East	Pedestal:	Pedestal	Sound, in	Mint	Incised	Gothic,	Draped	Smooth	None	None	None
Bell		stages plus	80°	H 2280mms	and base:	situ			Roman,	urn;	back			
		base,		W 540mms	sandstone				Roman	wreath	and			
		topped		D 530mms					italic	containing	sides;			
		with		Base:						interwoven	mason's			
		draped urn		H 310mms						IHS	name			
				W 620mms							on base			

Wreath containing interwoven IHS on front of second stage of monument, below draped urn.

Other central decorative markings above and beside 'in Memory of'

Thomas Bell c.1801- 1874 Birthplace Lofthouse (Loftus), North Yorkshire (census data)

18 Oct 1801: Christened in Loftus; father George Bell (*Yorkshire baptisms, in Find My Past website*). The family may have been originally from Aycliffe, Durham, as an older brother was born there five years previously (*census data*); and when Thomas married his wife Barbara (aka Barbary) Story in Aycliffe, Durham, **in 1826**, both were recorded as 'of this parish' (*Durham bishops transcripts, Aycliffe – in Family Search website* (*catalog*)).

Occupation: His early adult life coincided with the birth of the railways; and his entire career was spent in the railway industry.

In 1854, he applied successfully to become an Associate of the Institute of Civil Engineers. His work history to 1854 is detailed on his application:

... after being practically engaged in Works for many years, he was employed for 3 years as Inspector on the Stockton and Darlington Railway, then for 3 years as Contractor, for 9 years as Superintendent and for 2 years as Resident Engineer on the Clarence Railway and for 9 years as Resident Engineer on the Clarence and West Hartlepool Railway [his place of work was given as the West Hartlepool Railway Office]

(UK, Civil Engineer Records 1820-1930, in Ancestry website)

From this, it appears he commenced work in his teens as a labourer; and is described as such on the christening records of his first child, Jane, christened 20 May **1827** in Aycliffe, Durham (*Bishops Transcripts, Aycliffe, image 210 of 514, in Family Search website*). Also from the above application, his initial appointment as Inspector for the Stockton and Darlington railway can be dated to **c.1828** (counting the years backward from 1854): possibly this involved the Croft branch (running to Hurworth) as at least one son was born in Croft.

In his early working life, he was likely illiterate: on his 1826 marriage documentation, both he and his wife signed 'their mark X' (Bishops' transcripts, Aycliffe, image 204 of 514, in Family Search website, catalog). Despite this, however, his career from Inspector onwards required high-level fluent literacy and numeracy, and his 1854 signature on the above application is polished.

Family: on 13 June 1826: Thomas Bell married Barbara (Barbary) Story c.1808- 1870 in Aycliffe parish, Durham (Bishops 'transcripts, Aycliffe, image 204 of 514, in Family Search website, catalog). Both were described as 'of this parish'. In the 1841 Census, Thomas and his family were permanently settled in Norton Junction, in the two storey Inspector's house overlooking a row of single-storey railway workers cottages alongside the railway line (Stockton Borough Council: Picture Archive Stockton website); and he remained here for the remainder of his life. They had a large family, with at least 11 children surviving to adulthood, and numerous grandchildren and descendants. Most of his sons and sons-in-law were also employed in the railway industry (census data).

At least one older brother (John Bell born c.1795 in Aycliffe) also pursued a career as railway engineer – Thomas is listed as a visitor with him in St Pancras, London, in the 1851 census (census data).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IHS

THIS MEMORIAL WAS ERECTED
BY NUMEROUS FRIENDS
IN MEMORY OF
THOMAS BELL. C.E.
OF NORTON JUNCTION
WHO DIED FEBRUARY 20TH 1875
AGED 74 YEARS.

IN TOKEN OF THEIR ESTEEM
AND RECOGNITION OF HIS
STERLING WORTH.
AND TO PERPETUATE THEIR
APPRECIATION OF
HIS EMINENT ABILITY AS
RAILWAY ENGINEER
TO THE CLARENCE, WEST HARTLEPOOL HARBOUR. AND NORTH
EASTERN RAILWAY COMPANIES
FOR 47 YEARS.

Mason's signature on front of base: I. WALLACE & SON WEST HPOOL

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
27 (A62)	1883	Headstone,	East	Headstone:	Headstone	Headstone	Mainly	Incised	Roman	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Judson		(design not	800	H n/a	and base	broken off	destroyed,			visible	back	visible		
		visible),		W 680mms	sandstone	near base	remnant				and			
		with base		D 90mms			remains				sides			
				Base										
				W790mms										

Most of inscription collapsed. Monument Identified from monument location and from visible portion of inscription.

Esther Judson nee Bell, 1843- 1883: birthplace Norton, Durham (census data)

One of a large family of children born to Thomas and Barbara Bell, and christened in St Mary the Virgin, Norton, 12 April 1846 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). Her parents and several siblings are interred nearby in this churchyard.

Age and name: Her christening record is dated 1846 (above), whilst census data consistently suggests her date of birth was c.1843. Esther does not appear by name with her parents in the 1851 Census, Instead, there is a 'daughter' Elizabeth, also born c.1843: and there are local birth records for both an Esther Bell and an Elizabeth Bell in different months in 1843 (census data; Free BMD). However, there is no christening record for an Elizabeth Bell (daughter of Thomas and Barbara), and there are no subsequent census records of a daughter 'Elizabeth' of Thomas and Barbara Bell (census data). Possibly, Elizabeth and Esther were the same person, with the forename entered erroneously in the 1851 Census.

Name written **HESTER BELL on 1861** census.

Occupation: 'dressmaker' in 1871 census, living in her parents' home in Norton Junction (census data)

Siddle Judson, 1842- 1893, her husband: birthplace South Hetton, Durham (census data). He was the eldest child of Samuel Judson, a carrier, born in Cheshire: and his wife Margaret Siddle, born Northumberland (census data)

22 August **1874**, Esther Bell and Siddle Hudson married (*FreeBMD*; *England*, *Select marriages 1538-1873*; *Ancestry website*). There were no children of the marriage.

Occupation: Siddle Judson was employed in the railway industry for much of his working life, initially as a 'railway feeder' (1861 census), then an engine driver (1871 census): on both occasions whilst living with his parents in Coxhoe, Durham (census data). After his marriage, he is an engine fitter (1881 census, now living in Norton with his wife) (census data)

1883: Esther died on 20 July 1883, at 13 Haffron St, Stockton on Tees (*FreeBMD; York Herald, 24 July 1883, in British Newspaper Archives*). **Burial records St Mary's:** Esther Judson, Stockton on Tees, 40 years, buried 22 July 1883 (*transcribed: by Cleveland Family History Society*) **1893:** Ten years after Esther's death, Siddle also died in 1893 – accidentally: he fell into the docks at Hartlepool, as he was attempting to board a steamer, likely on work-related business (as he had been an engine fitter); and died the following day in hospital. His address at the time of his death was given as 'late of Fleetham Street, Middlesbrough' (*Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough, 19 July 1893, p.3. col.4 (North Country News):in British Newspaper Archives*)

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date, Taken from 1991/1992 transcription and burial records

Broken stone, only lower part of inscription remaining:

WHO ... AGED ARS

An earlier (1991/1992) transcription of inscription reads:

In loving memory of Esther JUDSON the beloved wife of Siddle JUDSON & dau of the late Thomas BELL C.E. of Norton Junction who d. Jul 20 1883 aged 40yrs. Also the above Siddle JUDSON who d. Jul 19 1893 aged 50yrs (Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE				BOXES	ELEMENTS	
28 (A63)	1896	Headstone,	East	Headstone:	Headstone	Sound and	All legible	Raised	Gothic,	Wreath	Smoo	th back and	None	None	None
Kirtley		(Gothic)	800	H 1510mms	marble	in situ		inlaid	Roman,	(eroded)	sides				
		pointed top,		W 640mms					Roman		Maso	n's name			
		with base		D 70mms	Base				italic		on ba	se			
				Base:	sandstone										
				H 370mms											
				W 880mms											

Some discolouration due to red moss; Decorative shapes both sides of decorative wreath. Small footstone, no visible inscription, at front of monument (towards left side as one views it)

Robert Kirtley c.1820- 1896, birthplace Sedgefield (census data).

On the **1851** Census, Robert is listed in Norton as 29-yrs-old, living with his 33-yr-old brother William and William's wife Mary (nee Roper) Kirtley and their family. Both brothers were agricultural labourers: both remained permanently in Norton (and both eventually had sons called Robert). *(census data)*. Christening records for Robert's brother William name their **parents** as Joseph and Ann Kirtley *(England Select Births and Christenings 1538-1975, Ancestry website)*. Robert's brother William married Mary Roper in St Mary the Virgin, Norton, on 5 March 1842 (witnesses Thomas and Ann Kirtley): on the marriage records, William is said to be from Castle Eden, and their father Joseph is described as a 'countryman' [employed in 'rural' occupations]. *(St Mary the Virgin marriage records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society, n/d)*.

Occupation: Robert Kirtley was, for much of his working life, an agricultural labourer. In the **1841** Census he was a 'male servant' on a farm (farmer: George Goundry) at 'Merrington', Co Durham. He had moved permanently to Norton by the **1851** Census, when a number of farms still existed in the immediate vicinity of Norton. Subsequently, apart from the **1871** Census (when Robert is a labourer at the ironworks), Robert is consistently described as 'agricultural labourer' on Census data from his arrival in Norton onwards (*census data*).

Jane Kirtley nee Hall, c.1837- 1891, his wife: birthplace Dalton, Yorkshire (census data)

Parents: William Hall (labourer at brickworks) and his wife Ann, both from Yorkshire (1851 census data). Although born in Dalton, Yorkshire, Jane is living in Norton with her parents and siblings in the 1851 Census.

1856: Robert Kirtley and Jane Hall married in the first quarter of **1856** in Stockton Registration District (*FreeBMD*): Robert was 38 years, and Jane 19 years. Jane was then probably pregnant with their daughter Ann, who died in infancy and is commemorated here.

Family: Together, Robert and Jane had at least 8 children born between 1856 and 1874 (Census data), 3 of whom are commemorated here. Only one of their children, Margaret, was christened in St Mary the Virgin (11 Sept 1859: St Mary the Virgin christening records: transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society, n/d).

Jane Ann Kirtley, 1858- 1874, their unmarried daughter, born 1858 in Norton, county Durham (census data, FreeBMD). St Mary's burial records: Jane Ann Kirtley, 17 years (a year younger than the inscription), Norton, buried 12 Nov 1874 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). In the census preceding her death (1871 census) she is listed as a 12-year-old scholar in her parents' home (census data).

Ann Kirtley 1856- 1856, their daughter. Buried age 3 months on 20 August 1856, address given as Norton (*St Mary the Virgin burial records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*). This age and date of burial suggests her mother was pregnant with her on her marriage.

Elizabeth Kirtley, 1865- 1866, their daughter. Buried aged 4 months on 29 March 1866, address given as Norton (*Norton (St Mary the Virgin burial records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*). Another daughter born later in c.1874 was also named Elizabeth (*Census data*)

Reason for monument date: Inferred from latest date of a group first incised together

IN

LOVING MEMORY OF
ROBERT KIRTLEY
WHO DIED APRIL 2ND 1896.
AGED 76 YEARS.
ALSO JANE,
WIFE OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED APRIL 10TH 1891
AGED 54 YEARS.
ALSO JANE ANN,
DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE,
WHO DIED NOVEMBER 10TH 1874
AGED 18 YEARS
ALSO ANN & ELIZABETH,
DAUGHTERS OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED IN INFANCY

Mason's signature on base: BOWMAN AND SON, STOCKTON

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-ATION	TOOL-ING	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE			BOXES	ELEMENTS	
29 (A64)	1896	Headstone,	East	H 1050mms	Marble	Sound and	All legible	Raised	Gothic,	Decorative border	Smooth	None	None	None
Wanless		triangular	80 ⁰	W 640mms		in situ		inlaid	Roman,		back;			
		top, with		D 80mms					Roman					
		base							italic		decorative			
											tooling on			
											sides			

Tooling along sides and top: decorative zig-zag pattern in relief

Mary Ann Wanless nee Robinson c.1820- 1896: birthplace Stokesley. Exact birthdate unknown: her varying ages as stated on Censuses suggest a birthdate anywhere between 1817-1896 (census data). Parents: Wiliam Robinson and his wife Sarah (census data). In the 1851 Census, her father William, shoemaker, is living with now-married Mary Ann and her husband Joseph Wanless at Blakiston Hall (a market garden business).

19 March 1839: Mary Ann Robinson married Joseph Wanless in St Thomas' church, Stockton on Tees (*England Select Marriages, 1538-1973, Ancestry website*). Both were single on marriage. **Family:** six children (*census data*).

1855: there was a premature newspaper death notice for Mary Ann Wanless: 'On the 18th inst ... same day, aged 38, Mary Ann, wife of Mr Joseph Wanless, of Blakeston Hall, Norton, leaving him six children under 11 years of age to feel her loss' (North & South Shields Gazette and Northumberland and Durham Advertiser, 23 Aug 1855, p.5, col.5, in British Newspaper Archives). These details accurately fit 'this' Mary Ann Wanless nee Robinson; however, it was a case of mistaken identity.

Joseph Wanless, c.1799- 1862, her husband: Third generation of a county Durham market-gardening family with family connections in Colchester: birthplace either Colchester, Essex (1851 census) OR Norton, Durham (1861 census). Christened in Colchester 28 July 1799 (England, Essex parish registers 1538-1997, in Family Search website). Son (and first child) of the second marriage of Joseph Wanless c.1747- 1847 (to Margaret Brotton c.1768- 1852). All known siblings born in county Durham. Both parents are interred in this churchyard, although there does not seem to be a surviving monument to them.

History: from the 1300s to early 1600s, Blakiston Hall and estate (north of Norton) was the home of the Blakiston family, one of whose extended family members (John Blakiston of Sedgefield c.1603-1649) was among those signing the death warrant for King Charles I. The estate was bought in c.1625 by Alexander Davison c.1565-1633, merchant of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, who was killed in battle aged 81 years during the Civil War (fighting as a Royalist) on the walls of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, defending the city from an ultimately successful siege by the Scottish Covenanter Army (on the side of the Parliamentarians). The estate changed hands again in the late 1700s/ early 1800s (*British History online: Parish of Norton: Blakiston*).

Market garden: Joseph's father Joseph Wanless senior (c.1765-1847) rented or bought the remaining habitable part of Blakiston Hall and 16 acres of land from its new owners around the turn of the 1700s/1800s; and set up a marketing gardening business here. There is an 1817 newspaper account of a theft from the 'house of Joseph Wanless [the elder, d.1847] of Blakiston' by employee Robert Cloughton, who was convicted and sentenced to death (*Tyne Mercury, Northumberland and Durham and Cleveland, 19 Aug 1817, p 4, col 2, in British Newspaper Archives*).

The business was later taken over by his son, 'this' Joseph Wanless (c.1799- 1862): an older half-brother, James Wanless, by their father's first marriage to one Mary Young (d.1793), also became a market gardener in Gainford, county Durham (Wanless web: tree 25: Wanless gardeners of the Norton-Sedgefield area, Co. Durham, England (online); Individual family trees, Ancestry website).

After Joseph's death in 1862, the market gardening business was continued by his widow Mary Ann and three of their sons (census data). When Mary Ann died in 1896, the lands and business remained in the hands of their second son, James Wanless (c.1851-1927) and their fourth daughter Harriet Wanless (c.1859-1931), both unmarried (Census data). The remains of Blakiston Hall were eventually demolished in the 1970s.

Reason for monument date:
Inferred date from latest date of
a group first inscribed together

IN
LOVING MEMORY
OF
MARY ANN WANLESS
OF BLAKISTON HALL
WHO DIED MAY 25TH 1896
AGED 73 YEARS.
ALSO JOSEPH
BELOVED HUSBAND OF THE
ABOVE
WHO DIED FEB 27TH 1862
AGED 62 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-ING	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION		BOXES	ELEMENTS	
30 (A65)	1862	Headstone,	East	H 1440mms	Yellow	Sound and	Traces (very	Incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth back and	None	None	None
Unknown		Pointed	80 ⁰	W 640mms	sandstone	in situ	little		Roman	outline	sides			
		top, curved		D 80mms			legible)							
		shoulders,												
		No base												

Name unknown: front of monument severely eroded by abrasive branches of an adjacent yew tree.

The remaining legible lettering on the monument appears to be a forename beginning with 'WILL ... 'The earlier 1991/1992 transcription suggests the name 'William (forename)' and '...SON' (surname).

St Mary the Virgin burial records suggest the following:

William Swenson, Norton, 53yrs, buried 10 November 1862; and **William Anderson, 33 years,** buried 31 December 1862

(St Mary the Virgin burial records 1813-1900, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

William Swenson (c.1809-1862), 53 years, buried 10 November 1862:

Norton-born cabinet maker (1851 Census) and later a 'joiner and grocer' in Norton (1861 Census), whose wife Mary nee Hodgson (c1805-1860) had died in 1860 and was also buried in this churchyard. William and Mary had married in St Mary the Virgin on 11 Nov 1835. Although their ages as given on censuses and on the burial records suggest they were both of full age, the marriage took place with parental consent. Five children of William and Mary were christened in St Mary the Virgin between 1839-1847; two of these (probably twins) died in early childhood and were buried in this churchyard in 1844 and 1846. Because of the erosion on the monument, it is not known whether there are more names recorded after the date '1862' (although this looks unlikely on the monument).

(census data; St Mary's christening, marriage and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

William Anderson, Norton, 33 years, buried 31 December 1862: two possibilities appear on the 1861 census:

- William Anderson (1861 census): 31-yr-old unmarried butcher (born c.1830 in Stockton) living in Ramsgate St, Stockton, with his father Francis Anderson (born c.1791) and sister Elizabeth Anderson (born c.1833).
- William Anderson (1861 census): 29-yr-old unmarried labourer, boarder (born c.1832 in Newcastle upon Tyne), living in Darlington Lane, Norton, with 29-yr-old engine stoker John Hodgson and family in Darlington Lane, Norton.

No further definite information found about either of them. *(census data)*

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

WILL ... (a number of illegible lines)

... n ... 1862 ... Years

1991/1992 transcription:

Sacred to the memory of William...SON -2 lines illegible - Norton who d...? ...? 1862 aged?

(transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-ING	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION		BOXES	ELEMENTS	
31 (A66)	1853	Headstone,	East	H 1670mms	Sandstone	Sound and in	Traces (very	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth back	None	None	None
Potter,		(Gothic)	900	W 830mms		situ	little legible)			outline	and sides	visible		
Ord		pointed		D 110mms										
		top,												
		No base												

Inscription severely abraded by yew tree branches: Monument Identified from position in churchyard, and from remaining inscription.

Ann Potter c.1782- 1853, maiden name unknown: birthplace Billingham, Co Durham (census data). Buried in St Mary's, aged 71 years (of Norton) on 22 Sept 1853 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Thomas Potter c.1778-1861, her husband: birthplace Billingham, co Durham (census data). Christened 21 June 1778, Billingham, parents Thomas and Elizabeth Potter (English birth and christenings 1538-1975, in Family Search). Buried in St Mary's, aged 83 years (of Norton) on 24 March 1861 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). Occupation: farmer, Longnewton, Co Durham (1841 census); later innkeeper of the George and Dragon, Norton (1851 census).

Family: 1841 census, Thomas Potter (farmer) and wife Ann live in Longnewton, Co Durham with **four adult children**: Thomas 22yrs, Ann 20 yrs, Elizabeth 18yrs, George 15yrs. No further information on son Thomas, although two 'Thomas Potter's' died in Stockton Registration District in 1844 and 1846 (*Free BMD*).

Mary Potter c.1780- 1869, unmarried sister of Thomas Potter, born Billingham, co Durham (census data). Occupation: schoolteacher living alone in Norton (1841, 1851 censuses). In the 1861 census, she is now living in the family Inn in Norton, with Thomas' and Ann's children George Smith Potter and Ann Potter (census data). Buried in St Mary's, aged 89 years (of Norton) on 30 Aug 1869 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

George Smith Potter c.1826- 1881, son of Thomas and Ann Potter: birthplace Longnewton, Durham (census data). Buried in St Mary's, aged 55 years (of Norton) on 7 March 1881 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). Unmarried. After his parents died, George became an innkeeper in Norton (probably his father's inn), living with sister Ann Potter and aunt Mary Potter (1861 census). Later, (1881 census), a nephew George Selby Ord (c.1857-1882: unmarried pattern maker, son of his sister Elizabeth) moved in with them: George Selby Ord is also buried in St Mary's churchyard.

Elizabeth Ord nee Potter, c.1823- 1893, daughter of Thomas and Ann Potter: birthplace Longnewton, Durham (census data). Death record: Elizabeth Ord, aged 69 years, died in 1893, in Pancras, London (FreeBMD). (Forename transcribed in 1991/1992 as 'Mary', but no record of a Mary Ord connected with this family).

18 Sept 1855: Elizabeth married in St Mary the Virgin to Westminster-born William Smith ORD (his estimated birthdate varies across censuses from c.1841). On their marriage records, he was the son of a Physician (also called William Ord) (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). Occupation: carver and gilder (census data: mostly picture frames and mirrors). Family: 3 children (one dying in childhood); no known grandchildren. They lived initially in West Hartlepool; and by the 1861 census had moved to Stockton where William had two businesses: the Cleveland Inn (Bridge St) and an adjacent Carver/Gilder's studio (Census data; Northern Echo, 6 April 1874, p.4, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives). They remained in Stockton until at least 1874; then moved with daughter Annie Mary Ord to Pancras, London, where Elizabeth died in 1893 (census data; FreeBMD). Possibly Elizabeth's husband had developed mental health problems: there is a record of a William Smith Ord, woodcarver, born in Strand (Westminster), lunatic, in the Metropolitan Asylum, Leavesden, Watford, Herts (1901 census); where he dies later that year (Free BMD). His age on the 1901 census is given as 60 years: but the other details correspond with those of the husband of 'this' Elizabeth Ord nee Potter.

Ann Potter c.1821- 1902, daughter of Thomas and Ann Potter: birthplace Longnewton, Durham (census data). Death record: Anne Potter, aged 79 years, died in third quarter of 1902, in Stockton registration district (FreeBMD). Unmarried, childless. In the 1891 census (after her brother George's death), Ann Potter is running the family inn – the George and Dragon. In the 1901 census, the year before her death, Ann is a 'lodger' in the home of one George H Shepherd, Norton, Durham (the Shepherd family presumably caring for her) (census data).

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date:

Da.. THO..

WHO (DI?)ED AU...

An earlier transcription (1991/1992) reads: Sacred to the memory of Ann POTTER wife of Thomas POTTER of Norton who departed this life Sep 20 1853 aged (7?)1yrs. Also of the above Thomas **POTTER** who departed this life Mar 21 18?? aged (92)yrs. Also of ? POTTER late of Billingham who d. at Norton Aug 27 18?? aged 69?vrs. Also of George Smith POTTER son of the above who d. Mar 4 18(98?)aged ?yrs.& Mary ORD wife? of -line illegible-& Ann dau of the above Thomas & Ann POTTER who d. Aug (9?) 1902 aged 6(4?)yrs (transcribed 1991/1992, Cleveland Family History Society)

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION			BOXES	ELEMENTS	
32 (A70)	1858	Headstone,	n/a	Headstone:	Headstone	Displaced,	Partially	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	Non	co	None	Mortor/
Caygell		Flat top		H 1120mms	yellow	headstone	legible			outline	back				concrete/
		with semi-		W 830mms	sandstone,	separated	(traces)				and				Adhesive,
		circular		D 150mms		from base					sides				horizontally
		central			Base:										across
		feature,		Base:	Yellow										headstone
		convex		170mms	sandstone										
		shoulders,		W 820mms	plus iron										
		plus base			struts										

Monument separated from base (which now remains immediately behind monument). Base: sandstone, with vertical iron struts Adhesive repairs extending horizontally across monument.

Surname spelling variations: CAYGELL/ CAYGILL (used interchangeably across different records).

William Caygell 1857- 1858: the 6th of 7 children, and first son, of William Caygell senior and Mary Ann Caygell nee Donkin. Christened as William CAYGILL in St Mary the Virgin on 31 Aug 1857; and buried in St Mary's churchyard, aged 10 months (of Norton) on 30 June 1858 (St Mary the Virgin baptismal and burial records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

William Caygell senior c.1820-1889, his father: birthplace Mickley, Yorkshire (1861 Census) or in nearby Ripon (1871, 1881 Censuses). Buried in St Mary's churchyard, aged 69 years (of Billingham) on 9 Aug 1889 (burial record transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Occupation: tenant farmer. He farmed 48 acres in Norton (1861, 1871 Census); and by the 1881 Census had moved to Tibbersley House, Billingham, where he farmed 150 acres (Census data). He was active in local affairs: in 1875, still living in Norton, he organised a charity concert for the local poor (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough, 22 January 1875, p.3, col.1, in British Newspaper Archives)

Mary Ann Caygell nee Donkin c.1819- 1871, his mother: birthplace Crathorne, North Yorkshire (census data). Buried in St Mary's (as CAYGILL), aged 52 years (of Norton) on 27 June 1871 (burial record transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

1845: William Caygell senior and Mary Ann Donkin married in Stockton registration district (*FreeBMD*). Family: at least 7 children born between 1846 and 1859. Three were born in Billingham between 1846 and 1851 (*census data*); their 4th child (Ellen) in 1853 in Yorkshire or Norton (*census data varies*); the youngest 3 children in Norton and christened in St Mary the Virgin (as CAYGILL and as CAYGELL) in 1855, 1857 and 1859 (*census data; church baptism records, transcription: Cleveland Family History Society*). The couple's only other son was born in 1859, the year after the death of baby William; and was christened Thomas William CAYGELL in St Mary the Virgin, Norton (*ibid*).

1873: now-widowed William remarried in Stockton registration district (*Free BMD website*) to widow Alicia Messer nee Thompson (c.1835-1891); a Shropshire-born widow over ten years younger than him, with two surviving children then aged 13 and 9 years, both born in Wales (Thomas Arthur Shaw Messer (Arthur Messer on the 1861 Census), born c.1860; and Frances Johnson Messer, born c.1864). On the 1871 Census, these children were staying with Alicia's mother and sister in Shropshire whilst Alicia was listed as (widowed) housekeeper to one William Pickles, schoolmaster, West Cornforth, Co Durham *(census data)*. No known children of the marriage of William Caygell and Alicia. Alicia died in 1891 (*Free BMD*) and is not buried in this cemetery. At least some of William and Mary Ann's children remained in Norton *(census data)*. Alicia's children are believed to have settled in London.

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated, not relevant to monument date: Taken from burial records

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY
OF
WILLIAM CAYGELL

TH ... BELOVED SON OF WILLI ...

MARY ANN CAYG...

(WHO?) DEPARTED TH...

(repairs across stone)

... ... AGED ... YEARS

AL(SO?) ... E ... ABOV(E?)
WILLIAM CAYGELL
... (...ARTED?) ... LIFE

1991/1992 transcription reads: Broken & repaired stone. Sacred to the memory of William CAYGILL [sic] the beloved son of William & Mary Ann CAYGILL [sic] who departed this life - 2 lines illegible - Also of Mary Ann CAYGILL [sic] who departed this life Jun ? ...? aged...? yrs. Also the above William CAYGILL [sic] who departed this life Aug 6 1839 – remainder sunk. (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society 1991/1992)

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33 (A72)	1898	Latin cross,	East	Cross:	Cross	Sound and in	All legible	Raised	Gothic,	Cross	Smooth	None	None	None
Usher		three -	80°	H 1212mms	marble	situ		inlaid	Roman	with	back and			
		stepped		W 600mms						anchor	sides			
		pedestal		D 120mms	Base					and chain				
		base		Base:	marble					Base:				
				H 760mms						border				
				W 900mms						outline				

Latin cross, supporting anchor and chain. 3- stepped base, top step in two curves, steps of uneven height and sloping inwards from ground upwards. Second step of base (the most prominent): obelisk shape. Inscriptions on second step of base.

William Coates Usher 1869-1898, birthplace Norton, Co Durham: son of Robert and Catherine (nee Coates) Usher (census data). Occupation: Master Mariner (Merchant Navy). In 1889, he gained his Certificate of Competency, Second Mate, Merchant Service; followed in 1893 by his Certificate of Competency, Master, Merchant Service (UK & Ireland, Masters and Mates Certificates 1850-1927, Ancestry Website). 1896: the Ariel, the ship of which he was captain, ran onto rocks on 8 December 1896 in Plymouth Sound during a gale (no casualties). Despite the atrocious weather (and a cable securing her had snapped whilst inside Plymouth breakwater, causing her to be driven out into the Sound), the subsequent Board of Trade inquiry (January 1897) considered him partially at fault, and suspended his certificate for 3 months (Shipping Gazette and Lloyd's List, 4 January 1897, p.3, col.1 in British Newspaper Archives). 1898: died and interred in Gibraltar: his gravestone in Gibralter is inscribed 'Capt William Usher, died 22nd May 1898' (Ancestry website)

Family: in 1894, William Coates Usher married local (Norton) girl, Mary Elinor/Eleanor Wilkinson, 1869-1953 (a teacher, one of whose brothers was also a mariner), and set up home in Norton (*FreeBMD*; census data). When William died, they had two pre-school daughters. Following William's death, his widow and children initially moved in with her parents William and Eleanor Wilkinson in Norton (1901 census data): and in 1902, his widow re-married to Hartlepool-born marine engineer George Meredith (1868- 1943), in Gloucester registration district (*FreeBMD*). George was a widower with 2 children around the ages of her own, and initially they lived in Norton (census data). No known children of this marriage. By 1939, she and George were living in Whitby, N. Yorkshire (1939 England & Wales Register); and it is understood she died there in 1953 and was buried in Ormesby (Teesside) Yorkshire (*Ancestry website*).

James Usher, 1864- 1864, his brother: died aged 2 days, buried in St Mary's churchyard 6 September 1864
Frances Alice Usher, 1878- 1879, his sister: died aged 7 months, buried in St Mary's churchyard 5 February 1879

Robert Usher 1843-1907, his father: birthplace Norton, Co Durham *(census data)*. Christened in St Mary the Virgin 8 Oct 1843; parents James Usher (Stockton-born master tailor) and Eston-born Jane (maiden name unknown) - both interred in this churchyard.

Catherine Usher nee Coates 1844- 1925, his mother: birthplace Monk Hesledon, Durham *(census data)*. Parents William COATS, Staindrop (Co Durham)-born master shoemaker and his wife, Ann, from Hesledon *(census data)*.

1864: Robert and Catherine COATES married in Hartlepool (*FreeBMD*). **Occupation**: before marriage, Catherine had been a dairymaid on a farm in Norton (*1861 census*). After marriage, Robert and Catherine were **tenant farmers** of 59 acres at Grange Farm, Norton (*1871 census*); and Robert and Catherine are still here in the 1901 census. in the **1911** census, now-widowed Catherine is living with her daughter and son-in-law (Kate Isabel and Henry William Palmer) in Grange Terrace, Stockton Road, Norton.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

Front (east) elevation:

IN LOVING MEMORY

OF

WILLIAM COATES USHER
MASTER MARINER
THE DEAR SON OF

ROBERT & CATHERINE USHER

WHO DIED OF FEVER IN GIBRALTER MAY 22ND 1898

AGED 28 YEARS

PEACE PERFECT PEACE

"WITH LOVED ONES FAR AWAY"

ALSO JAMES & FRANCES ALICE WHO DIED IN INFANCY.

Side (north) elevation:

IN LOVING MEMORY

OF

MY DEAR HUSBAND

ROBERT USHER

OF GRANGE FARM NORTON

WHO DIED OCT 13[™] 1907,

AGED 64 YEARS

"FATHER IN THY GRACIOUS KEEPING"
LEAVE WE NOW THY SERVANT SLEEPING"

ALSO CATHERINE

WIFE OF THE ABOVE

WHO DIED JANUARY 9TH 1925

AGED 81 YEARS

"FOR EVER WITH THE LORD"

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION		BOXES	ELEMENTS	
34 A(73)	1836	Headstone,	East	H 1300mms	Yellow	Sound and in	Mainly	Incised	Roman,	None	Smooth	None	One of a	none
Ingledew		Complex	800	W 840mms	sandstone	situ	legible		Roman		back and		complex of	
		design		D 110mms					italic		sides		three	
													memorials	

One of group of 3 monuments linked by small stones. Small central Gothic arch at apex, flanked by two curved sides each with concave shape cut-out.

Three of the four known children of Edward Ingledew and his wife Ann, nee Paley:

Mary Ingledew 1836- 1836, buried here aged 10 weeks (of Stockton) on 29 Feb 1836

Thomas Ingledew 1838- 1838, died aged 11 days. NOTE: civil birth records give his birth and death dates (both) as 1838, not 1837.

St Mary the Virgin burial records: Thomas INGLEDON, infant (of Stockton), buried 30 August 1838

Edward Ingledew 1839- 1839, buried here aged 14 weeks (of Stockton) on 24 Dec 1839

Only one other known sibling (William Paley Ingledew 1837- 1893) suggesting that Thomas and Edward respectively were the 3^{rd} and 4^{th} child, rather than 3^{rd} and 4^{th} sons, of their parents.

Edward Ingledew c.1805-1845, their father: birthplace county Durham (census data). Buried in St Mary's churchyard, aged 40 years (of Stockton) on 14 Jan 1845 (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Parents: Robert Ingledew c.1770-1846 and his first wife, Mary Stonehouse c.1770-1818 (his father is commemorated on the adjacent monument). Occupation: iron founder and nail maker, initially in partnership with his father Robert in business premises in Silver Street and the Quayside (both, Stockton on Tees). By 1833, his father's business was re-named from 'Robert Ingledew' to 'Robert Ingledew and son' (Trade directories 1822-23 & 1833-4 South Durham (part), surnames I-L). By 1841, Edward's father had retired; and the business had been taken over entirely by Edward. At this date, the two families (Edward, Ann, and their only surviving child, son William; and Robert and his second wife Ellen) live next door to each other in Maratime [sic] St, Stockton. Edward is an 'iron founder', and his father and stepmother are living on 'independent means' (1841 Census). Unfortunately, Edward died prematurely in 1845, aged about 40yrs; and his father Robert died the following year in 1846. The business ended; and in line with Robert's Will the business assets and various family properties were sold to fund annuities to support family members. Ann (now described as an Annuitant) continued to live locally until her own death in 1860 (census data; FreeBMD).

Ann Ingledew nee Paley c.1802- 1863, his wife: birthplace Stockton on Tees (census data). Buried in St Mary's churchyard aged 58 years (of Stockton) on 4 June 1860 (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). A 1904 account of a new memorial window in St James' church, Stockton on Tees, erected by his widow to the memory of their son William Paley Ingledew, states that William Paley Ingledew [and, hence, his mother Ann nee Paley] is a collateral descendant of Archbishop Paley (Stockton Herald, South Durham and Cleveland Advertiser, 19 March 1904, p 8, col 2, in British Newspaper Archives). William Paley 1743-1805 was Archbishop of Carlisle; and prolific author of (at times, controversial) theological and philosophical works (Dictionary of National Biography, Vol 15: Paley, pp.101-107, in Ancestry website)

27 Dec 1834: Edward Ingledew (of Stockton) and Ann Paley (of Norton parish) **married** in St Mary the Virgin. The marriage took place with parental consent: the reason for this is unknown as both parties appear of full age (St Mary the Virgin marriage records, transcribed by Cleveland Family Society, n/d). **Family:** four known children (all commemorated in this complex of memorials; only one survived to adulthood), no grandchildren. After the deaths of her husband and father-in-law, she (financially, as an Annuitant) continued to live locally until her own death.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN

MEMORY OF
MARY INGELDEW
DAUGHTER OF
EDWARD AND ANN INGLEDEW
WHO DIED FEB ... 1836 AGED 10 WEEKS.
AND OF THOMAS THEIR THIRD SON.
WHO DIED AUG ... 1837 AGED 11 DAYS.
AND EDWARD THEIR FOURTH SON.
WHO DIED DEC 24 1839 AGED 14 WEEKS.
ALSO THE ABOVE EDWARD INGELDEW.
WHO DIED JANY ... 1845 AGED 40 YEARS.
ALSO THE ABOVE ANN INGLEDEW

WHO DIED MAY 31 18... AGED 58 YEARS

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35 (A74)	1846	Headstone,	East	H 1270mms	Yellow	Sound and in	Partially	Incised	Gothic,	None	Smooth	None	Central of	None
Ingledew		triangular	80 ⁰	W 880mms	sandstone	situ	legible		Roman		back and		three	
		top,		D 100mms			(traces)				sides		linked	
		indented											memorials	
		sides, no												
		base												

One of three Ingledew monuments, linked by small (sand)stones.

Robert Ingledew c.1770- 1846: from Lackenby, parish of Wilton, North Yorkshire (christening record of 1st son Robert, christened 20 Feb 1798 in St Thomas', Stockton on Tees, Co. Durham). Buried in this churchyard aged 76 years (of Stockton) on 29 Aug 1846 (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Married twice:

27 Nov 1795, to Mary Stonehouse c.1770- 1818 in St Thomas' Stockton on Tees: both 'of this parish' (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). However, the same christening record of their first son Robert (20 Feb 1798, St Thomas, Stockton on Tees) states she is a 'native of Guisborough' (Family Search catalog))

Family: three known children: Mary Ingledew 1796-?: his daughter: born 15 Aug 1796, christened 27 Dec 1796 in St Thomas', Stockton (St Thomas' records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Not mentioned in her father's 1846 Will, no other details known. Robert Ingledew 1797 – 1828, his first son: born 17 Dec 1797, christened 20 Feb 1798, and buried 19 June 1828 (aged 31 years) in St Thomas', Stockton-on-Tees. Believed unmarried. His burial record gives his address as 'Stockton, behind the Workhouse' (one of the properties owned by his father, below). Edward Ingledew, c.1795- 1845, his son: commemorated on adjacent monument. (St Thomas church records: in Family Search catalog, also transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Robert's first wife Mary nee Stonehouse died in 1818: buried in St Thomas', Stockton on 8 Sept 1818, aged 48 years (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

14 Feb 1821: Robert Ingledew, widower, re-married to Eleanor/ Ellen Weldon c.1777- 1863, spinster (both of this parish) in St Thomas', Stockton: the record notes 'she signs as Ellen' (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). No children of this marriage. Ellen (Helen on 1851 census) was born in Northallerton (census data) and buried (age 86 years, of Norton) in this churchyard, although not commemorated on this monument. Her newspaper death notice: 'At Norton ... 30" ult [Jan 1863], aged 86, Ellen, relict of Mr Robert Ingledew' (Durham Chronicle, 6 Feb 1863, p,8, col.6, in British Newspaper Archives).

Occupation: wealthy iron-founder, nail maker. The 20 Feb 1798 christening record of his first son Robert describes him as 'nail maker'. By 1822 he had a successful business as iron founder/ironmonger/nail maker/anchor smith, with business premises in Silver Street and in Quayside, Stockton on Tees; by 1833, the business was re-named 'Robert Ingledew and son' (*Trade directories 1822-23 & 1833-4 South Durham (part), surnames I-L).* On the 1841 Census, he is retired, living 'on independent means', with the business now taken over by his son Edward who lives next door to him in Maratime [sic] Street, Stockton (1841 Census). 1845-1846: Unfortunately, son Edward died in 1845, aged 40yrs; and Robert died the next year, 1846, aged 76yrs. Robert left a Will dated 24 Aug 1846, days before his death (signing this with 'his mark X'), dictating business assets and various properties be sold to provide for his family (*Durham wills, pre-1858, in Family Search*). The subsequent 'for sale' notice (1847) includes his iron foundry, shops/dwelling houses in Silver Street and behind the Alms Houses, 21 other dwelling houses/cottages, vacant/ building lands, and building land/weighing machine beside the Clarence Railway (*British Newspaper Archive: Durham Chronicle, 20 Aug 1847, p.1, col.4*). Beneficiaries: unnamed wife (Ellen: annuity, plus enough china and furniture to furnish a room); widowed daughter-in-law Ann Ingledew (annuity); his sister Sarah Storey (annuity); and to Sarah Storey spinster, daughter of his sister Sarah Storey, his 'customary dwelling house adjoining the Primitive Methodist chapel in Stockton'. Main beneficiary: 9-year-old grandson William Paley Ingledew (his only named descendant). Confusingly, there is also mention of a 'grandson Robert Ingledew'. However, this name 'Robert' is almost certainly a handwritten typo (in mistake for the deceased Robert's name). 'Grandson Robert' is mentioned only once, whereas there are repeated references to William Paley Ingledew; any legacy to a grandson Robert is not incl

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

ERECTED
IN MEMORY OF
ROBERT (IN?)GLEDEW
LATE OF ... TON
WHO DIED ON THE ... OF
AUGUST 1846,
A(GED?) ...

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-ING	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION		BOXES	ELEMENTS	
36 (A75)	1893	Headstone,	East	H 1220mms	Sandstone	Sound and in	All legible	Incised	Gothic,	Scrollwork	Smooth	None	One of	None
Ingledew		Complex	800	W 840mms		situ			Roman,		back and		three	
		design		D 100mms					Roman		sides		linked	
									italic				memorials	

One of group of 3 monuments linked by small stones. Small central Gothic arch at apex, flanked by two curved sides each with concave shape cut-out. William Paley Ingledew, 1837- 1893: birthplace Stockton-On-Tees (census data)

The last of three generations of his family (commemorated here in three linked monuments): the only one of his grandfather Robert Ingledew's (died 1846) known grandchildren to survive to adulthood.

His parents, Edward Ingledew and Ann Paley, had married in St Mary the Virgin, Norton, on 27 Dec 1834. William was christened in St Thomas, Stockton on Tees on 24 April 1837 (England, select births and christenings 1538-1975: Ancestry website). His grandfather and father, Robert (d.1846) and Edward Ingledew (d.1845) (both commemorated in these linked graves) had had a successful iron foundry (also iron monger/ nail maker/ anchor and chain smith) business in Stockton on Tees, with business premises in Silver Street and Quayside, Stockton (Trade directories 1822-23 & 1833-4 South Durham (part), surnames I-L; transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Unfortunately, his father Edward died aged 40yrs in 1845, and his grandfather Robert died the following year, 1846. With presumably no-one to take over the business, his grandfather's will stipulated that the business assets and various family-owned properties be sold to provide ongoing financial support for the family.

Occupation: in 1846, William Paley Ingledew, then aged 9 years, received a legacy of £100 from his grandfather Robert Ingledew, with the proviso that interest from this be used for his education and maintenance during his minority (his grandfather Robert was uneducated, signing his will 'with his mark X') (*Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search website*). In adulthood, William became a solicitor's (bill) clerk, and remained in this occupation (*census data*).

On 2 July 1863, William Paley Ingledew and Elizabeth Dyer Longstaffe c.1830-1925 married in Norton (England Select Marriages, 1538-1973: Ancestry website) and the couple remained living in Norton (census data). His wife was from a locally-prominent family: their newspaper marriage notice describes Elizabeth as the eldest daughter of the late Mr W H Longstaffe, surgeon of Norton (Durham County Advertiser, 10 July 1863, p 8, col 5, in British Newspaper Archives). They had no children (1911 Census). Elizabeth outlived him by decades, dying in Stockton-on-Tees on 20 Feb 1921 (Find a Will, GOV.UK)

Famous relations:

William's wife Elizabeth Dyer Longstaffe c.1830- 1925 was a member of a prominent Norton family. Her brother, William Hylton Dyer Longstaffe (1826- 1898) was a solicitor and a noted genealogist and antiquarian; and author of (among other works) 'The history and antiquities of the Parish of Darlington, in the Bishoprick' (1854).

A 1904 account of a new memorial window in St James' church, Stockton on Tees, dedicated by his widow to the memory of William Paley Ingledew, states that **William Paley Ingledew is a collateral descendant of Archbishop Paley** (Stockton Herald, South Durham and Cleveland Advertiser, 19 March 1904, p 8, col 2, in British Newspaper Archives). William Paley 1743-1805 was Archbishop of Carlisle; and prolific author of (at times, controversial) theological and philosophical works (Dictionary of National Biography, Vol 15: Paley, pp.101-107, in Ancestry website)

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
WILLIAM PALEY
INGLEDEW,
WHO DIED OCTOBER 22_{ND}
1893,
AGED 56 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-ING	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION		BOXES	ELEMENTS	
37 (A76)	1842	Headstone,	East	H n/a	Sandstone	Sound but	Face down,	n/a	n/a	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Wilkinsor		Complex	800	W 820mms		displaced	not visible			visible	back and	visible		
		design		D 120mms		(collapsed					sides			
						face down)								

Headstone: flat top, semi-circular central feature, concave shoulders. No base.

Inscription face down, not visible. Monument identified from its position in the churchyard.

Henry Wilkinson c.1764- 1842: birthplace unknown: in the 1841 Census, he is recorded as 'not' born in Durham.

Buried in St Mary's, aged 78 years (of Norton) on 5 Nov 1852 (St Mary the Virgin burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Dorothy Wilkinson nee Sowerby c.1775- 1868, his wife: birthplace Cockermouth (census data). Buried in St Mary's, aged 93 years (of Norton) on 20 Oct 1868 (St Mary the Virgin burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

22 May 1798: Henry Wilkinson and DOROTHEA Sowerby married in Bolton on Swale (Marriage bonds and Allegations: Ancestry website); and settled in nearby Scorton (near Richmond, north Yorkshire). Family: Christening records for Bolton-on-Swale, Yorkshire, record 5 children born to Henry and Dorothy Wilkinson of Scorton between 1799 and 1811, the two youngest commemorated here: Elizabeth (1806) and John (1811). There is also a burial record in Bolton-on-Swale the following year, 19 May 1807, for their firstborn child, 8-year-old Henry (England select births and baptisms 1538-1975, Ancestry website). Occupation of Henry Wilkinson: tenant farmer. in 1841 Henry and Dorothy (with daughter Dorothy) are tenant farmers at Mount Pleasant, near Stockton (census data). On old maps, there was a Mount Pleasant farm west of the railway lines, bounded by the eastern side of Durham Road, and the southern side of Junction Road, and it may be this that was meant rather than the Mount Pleasant area on Norton Road. Henry died in 1842. In subsequent censuses, widow Dorothy and unmarried daughter Elizabeth are no longer living on the farm: Dorothy is an 'annuitant' and Elizabeth (living with her) has no occupation. (Census data: NOTE: surname recorded as WELSON/ WILSON on 1871 Census).

Elizabeth Wilkinson 1806- 1876, their daughter: birthplace Scorton, (north) Yorkshire (census data). Christening record: born 10 May 1806, christened 15 Oct 1806 in the parish of Bolton-on-Swale (England select births and baptisms 1538- 1975, Ancestry website). She was buried in St Mary's churchyard on 7 July 1876: age given as 61 years (of Norton), suggesting a birthdate of c.1815 (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). However, there is no corresponding christening record for Elizabeth Wilkinson for 1815.

John Wilkinson 1811- (1885 or 1886), their son: birthplace Scorton (north) Yorkshire (census data): unmarried. Christening record: born 14 March 1811, christened 15 March 1811, in the parish of Bolton-on-Swale (England select births and baptisms 1538- 1975, Ancestry website).

Occupation: draper; co-head of a successful drapery business in Stockton-on-Tees (corner of High St and Finkle Street) (census data: 1851, 1861). Following John's retirement and their mother's death, John and Elizabeth set up home together. John is now described as 'retired draper', and also has income from several houses (1871 Census). In the 1881 Census, after the death of sister Elizabeth, he has a live-in widowed housekeeper (1881 Census).

The date of John's death was not visible when the inscription was transcribed in 1991/1992 (by Cleveland Family History Society). There are St Mary's burial records for two John Wilkinson's: (1) 68 years (of Norton) buried 3 June 1885 and (2) 74 years (of Norton) buried 18 Jan 1886 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). The 1886 date (74 years of age) more closely corresponds with his 1811 christening record (above)

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date, as no inscription visible:

Talen from 1991/1992 transcription and burial records

An earlier transcription 1991/1992 reads:

Sacred to the memory of Henry WILKINSON who departed this life at Mount Pleasant near Norton 1st Jan [sic] 1842 aged 78yrs. Also Dorothy the beloved wife of the above who departed this life 1(3?) 18(6?) aged ?yrs. Also Elizabeth WILKINSON dau of the above who d. Jul 5 187(6) aged? (6) [sic] yrs. Also John WILKINSON son of the above – remainder sunk.

(transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

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38 (A77)	1882	Headstone,	East	Headstone:	H/stone:	Sound and in	All legible	Raised	Other -	Leaves at	Smooth	None	None	None
Lax		(Gothic)	800	H 1500mms	sandstone	situ		inlaid	not	apex and	back and			
		pointed		W 840mms					classified	shoulders;	sides			
		top,		D 100mms	Base:					columns				
		decorative		Base:	Sandstone					at sides,				
		apex,		H 280mms						border				
		With base		W 1000mms						outline				

Monument widens at base. Monument surmounted by an extra, central, pointed feature containing carved leaves.

Jane Lax, c.1809- 1882, maiden name unknown, second wife of John Lax: birthplace Scorton, Yorkshire (census data).

John Lax (c.1803-1889), her husband: birthplace Merrington, county Durham (census data). His estimated birth date from his age on the monument (c.1803) differs from that suggested by census data (c.1809).

John Lax married twice: John's first wife is identified as Mary Shephard on the 1867 Scottish death certificate of daughter Mary Ann Wren nee Lax (Scotlands People website). Two known children of this marriage. John Lax remarried to Jane sometime between the 1851 and 1861 censuses: in the 1851 census, John is a widower with a son John; in the 1861 census he has a wife, Jane. No known children of this second marriage.

Occupation of John Lax c.1803- 1899: mill-owner: owner of Mount Pleasant (wind-)mill and farm at Mount Pleasant, Norton Road, Norton: both taken over in his old age by his son (also John). In 1898 a newspaper reporter was given a tour of the mill, then owned by John Lax (junior) c.1803-1899. The detailed report describes this as the only windmill still active in Norton (another windmill, Norton Mill, now having 'been standing for some three years or so'). Mount Pleasant windmill had been built in 1825; and had been working pretty regularly ever since. In 1845, the owner's father [John Lax senior c.1803-1889) bought the mill for c.£400 from the then proprietor, Mr Corner. In 1847, a seven-horsepower steam engine was introduced into the mill 'but this is little used, indeed this class of mill is falling into disuse rapidly throughout the land, improved modern machinery and the still more potent factor of foreign competition having ... made it better to buy flour than to mill it. The steam engine is only used when there is a long calm, and a heavy pressure of work ...' (Northern Weekly Gazette, 9 July 1898, p 7, col 3, in British Newspaper Archives). The Mount Pleasant mill finally stopped operations in c.1920: an early 1900s photograph of it is on the Stockton Picture Archives website (Stockton Borough Council).

Family: Known children of John Lax d.1889 and his first wife, Mary Shephard:

Mary Ann Lax c.1830- 1867, married on 16 Aug 1849 to George Wren (a member of a locally prominent family) in St Mary the Virgin, Norton. Marriage notice: 'At Norton, on the 16th inst., [Aug], Mr George Wren, of Stockton, to Mary, eldest daughter of Mr Lax, miller, near Norton' (Darlington and Stockton Times, Ripon and Richmond Chronicle, 25 Aug 1849, p 2, col 2, in British Newspaper Archives). Both were stated as of 'full age' (church marriage records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society), although census data and her death certificate suggest a younger age (born c.1830). Her husband George Wren was a son of another local mill-owner who owned nearby Norton Mill (and other mills, including one in the area later called Wrensfield, off Bishopton Road in Stockton): his father Thomas Wren and a brother, John Hansell Wren, later became Mayors of Stockton. By the 1851 census, George and Mary Ann had settled permanently in Leith, in Scotland, where George was a Corn-factor. She died in childbirth 1867, giving birth to her 13th child, a stillborn baby (census data; Scotlands People website).

John Lax junior c.1836- 1914 never married. He lived with father John and stepmother Jane until their deaths (census data), taking over the family mill on his father's retirement.: he died a wealthy man on 19 Dec 1914. Probate documentation for his Wil will describes 'effects £23,809-11s-2d' (England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations, in Ancestry website)

Although we do not currently know of any other children of John Lax senior (c.1803-1889) Mary Ann's newspaper marriage notice describes her as 'eldest daughter' of Mr John Lax, of Mount Pleasant, Norton, near Stockton (York Herald, 18 Aug 1849, p.5, col.6, in British Newspaper Archives).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first named individual

IN
LOVING MEMORY
OF
JANE
THE BELOVED WIFE OF
JOHN LAX OF MOUNT PLEASANT
WHO DIED OCTOBER 11TH 1882,
AGED 73 YEARS.
ALSO OF THE ABOVE
JOHN LAX
WHO DIED JUNE 15 1889,
AGED 86 YEARS.

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39 (A78)	1810	Headstone,	East	h/stone:	h/stone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman,	Border	Smooth	None	None	none
Jones		Flat top,	80 ⁰	H 1160mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		Roman	outline	back and			
		curved		W 820mms					italic		sides			
		central		D 110mms	base									
		feature,			sandstone									
		concave		Base:										
		shoulders.		H 280mms										
		With base		W 920mms										

Edward Jones c.1736- 1810: 'from Oxford'. The christening records of some of his children state Thomas Jones (c.1740-1810) is from Oxford (*St Mary the Virgin christening records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society, n/d*). Birthdate uncertain – on his monument, he died in 1810 aged 74yrs (suggesting born c.1736); burial records give his age as 70yrs (suggesting born c.1730).

Occupation: Shopkeeper (St Mary's 1803 christening record of son Thomas Sherrington Jones). The burial record of his son Ritson Jones (1787- 1810) also describes Edward as 'shopkeeper': however, his own burial record of a few months later describes Thomas as 'hawker and pedlar' (Bishops' transcripts 1639-1919, Durham, Norton: Family Search website, catalog).

Family: 25 Dec 1785: Edward Jones of Norton married Elizabeth SHERATON (c.1765-1846) of 'this' (St Thomas, Stockton) parish (St Thomas marriage records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Her name is written as SHERRINGTON of STOCKTON on the christening records of her children. Christening records, St Mary the Virgin, Norton, record 8 sons (no daughters) of Edward Jones (c.1740-1810) and his wife Elizabeth nee Sherrington/Sheraton (1765-1846) between 1787 and 1803: Ritson chr.1787; Edward (1) chr.1789; Edward (2) chr.1791; Christopher chr.1793; George chr.1794; Benjamin chr.1796; Henry Seth chr.1800; and Thomas Sherrington Jones chr.1803 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Several family members are interred in this churchyard.

Later: There was at least a 25-year age difference between Edward and his wife Elizabeth. A few years after his death, Elizabeth (now in her late 40s) remarried in St Mary the Virgin, on 24 Feb 1813, to one Joseph Owens. Both are described as 'of this parish' (Norton), and one of the witnesses was Henry (Seth) Jones, Elizabeth's son. Elizabeth died in Norton aged 81yrs in 1846, and her second husband Joseph died in 1849 aged 90yrs: both are also buried in this churchyard (St Mary's burial (1813-1900) and marriage records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society; FreeBMD).

Ritson Jones, 1787-1810, his oldest child; christened 4 Feb 1787 ('Ritson' is his maternal grandmother's maiden name). Believed unmarried.

Thomas Sherrington Jones, 1803-1829, his youngest child: believed unmarried. There are discrepancies between his inscription and other records: (1) Inscribed age at death 20 years, suggesting born c.1809. Christening records St Mary's: Born 18 May 1802, christened in St Mary's 8 Feb 1803 (no record dated 1809), and (2) Inscribed date of death DECEMBER 10, 1829. Church burial records: buried 25 NOVEMBER 1829.

Famous relations: Edward's wife Elizabeth was one of a large family born to Thomas SHERATON and Phoebe RITSON, who married in Stockton-on-Tees on 3 Oct 1763. The marriage documentation of her parents describes them as Phoebe Ritson, spinster of 23yrs and upwards, and Thomas Sheraton, 'schoolmaster, widower'; both of this parish' (England, Durham Diocese, Marriage Bonds & Allegations, 1692-1900: Family Search website). Her older half-brother, Thomas Sheraton 1751- 1806, born near Stockton Durham in 1751, became one of the most famous furniture designers in England (one of the 'big three' furniture makers, considered on a par with Chippendale). He married in St Mary the Virgin on 8 Feb 1779 to Margaret Mitchinson, both described as 'of this parish' (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society); had two children; and died in London on 22 Oct 1806 (Montgomery Antiques and Interiors/ 'the big three' of English style (online))

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

MEMORY OF
EDWARD JONES.
WHO DIED MAY THE 30, 1810:
AGED 74 YEARS:
ALSO
RITSON (HIS SON.)
WHO DIED MARCH 25TH 1810
AGED 23 YEARS:
ALSO
THOMAS (SON OF
EDWARD JONES.) WHO DIED

DECR 10 1829 ... E 20 YEARS.

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40 (A79)	1847	Headstone,	East	H 1130mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman	Decorative	Smooth	None	None	None
Jones		Round top	80 ⁰	W 700mms		in situ	legible			border (7	back and			
				D 110mms						small	sides			
										semicircles				
										at regular				
										intervals)				
										Scrollwork				

Border decorative: a series of seven semi-circles in relief along front edge of monument. Monument widens slightly at bottom.

Elizabeth Jones, 1842- 1847, daughter of George and Jane Jones: christened in St Mary's, Norton, 2 January 1842; buried in St Mary's, aged 5 years (of Norton) on 2 March 1847 (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Mary Ann (Marianne) Jones, 1836 – 1854, her sister, daughter of George and Jane Jones: birthplace Norton, Durham (census data). Christened Marianne Jones in St Mary's, Norton, 3 January 1836; no occupation given in the 1851 census. Buried in St Mary's churchyard, aged 18 years (of Norton) on 8 Aug 1854 (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Believed unmarried.

William Jones, 1843- 1872, her brother, son of George and Jane Jones: birthplace Norton, Durham (census data). Christened in St Mary's, Norton, 31 Dec 1843: Buried aged 28 years (of Norton) on 26 March 1872 (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Occupation: banker's clerk (1861 census). He died in March 1872, shortly before the 1871 census. Believed unmarried.

George Jones, 1794-1876, their father: birthplace Norton, county Durham; christened in St Mary the Virgin on 2 Nov 1794 (*christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society, n/d*); son of Edward Jones who is interred in the adjacent grave. Several family members are interred in this churchyard. Buried in St Mary's churchyard, age 82 years (of Norton) on 27 Sept 1876 (*burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*).

29 Nov 1834: George Jones married Jane GIBBIN c.1805- 1883 in St Mary the Virgin, Norton. Both were described as 'of this parish' (*christening and marriage records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*), although census records give Jane's birthplace as, variously, Lackenby or Lazenby, Yorkshire.

Occupation of George Jones: labourer on the 1836 christening record of his daughter Elizabeth; and a bootmaker and/or shoemaker on all subsequent records (christening records, St Mary's; Census data). George and one of his brothers (Henry Jones, also bootmaker, who was a witness at George's marriage) were probably working in their own business/businesses, as they are listed under their own names/occupations in 1858 (1858 Post Office Directory p.463, Commercial entries for Norton, Durham, in Ancestry website).

Family: George and Jane had five children (three commemorated here), and grandchildren. From Census data, it appears that all their children attended school till the age of 14yrs (not a given at the time). Two of their sons were both in occupations requiring fluent literacy and numeracy – son William Jones (1844-1872), commemorated here, a banker's clerk; son George (1847-1872), a naval draughtsman (Census data). Another, his first child Edward, became a joiner and cabinet maker (census data).

George's wife Jane Gibbin/Gibbon c.1805- 1883: The bottom-most part of the inscription on this monument has been illegible for over thirty years: it is not known whether or not it contains her name. She was born in Lackenby or Lazenby, Yorkshire (Census data) and christened as Jane GIBBON in nearby Wilton near Redcar, Yorkshire on 5 May 1805. Her parents were George Gibbon and Ann Oliver, who had married twenty years earlier, on 1 July 1785, in Wilton near Redcar, Yorkshire (christening/marriage records: Family Search website). By the time of her marriage on 29 Nov 1834, Jane was resident in Norton as her marriage record describes her as 'of this parish' (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). She died in 1883, after the dates visible on this monument; and was buried in this churchyard on 18 Oct 1883, aged 77yrs (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Reason for monument date: inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN MEMORY OF **ELIZABETH JONES** DAUGHTER OF **GEORGE AND JANE JONES** WHO DIED FEB 18TH 1847 AGED ... YEARS. ALSO OF MARY ANN JONES THEIR DAUGHTER WHO DIED AUG 4TH 1854 **AGED 18 YEARS** AND OF WILLIAM JONES, THEIR SON WHO ... 22ND 1872 AGED ... YEARS ALS..O ... ABOVE **GEORGE JONES** WHO ... 1876 ... YEARS

(other 'marks', possibly another illegible inscription)

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41 (A44)	1824	Low	East	Тор:	Тор:	Sound and in	All legible	Incised	Egyptian	Border	Smooth	None	None	*Uncertain
Wilkinson		monument	80 ⁰	L 2080mms	Sandstone	situ				outline	sides			
		flat top		W 1110mms										
		On base		D 290mms	Base:									
				Base:	Brick, and									
				H 140mms	sandstone									

LISTED BUILDING: Top slightly displaced from base, still present; Concave edging on monument. Base: bottom layer brick, sandstone blocks above this; sandstone ledger monument on top; no piers. The bricks now partly supporting the base may constitute repairs.

Differing depths of carving suggest the last two names (John Wilkinson d.1841, Ann Wilkinson d.1863) are later additions to the inscription.

James Wilkinson c1722-1811. Occupation: his burial record describes him as 'labourer, of Norton' (Bishops Transcripts, Norton, in Family search website). However, the quality and type of monument suggests affluence. Also, information relating to his daughter-in-law Ann, commemorated here, suggests either that the family subsequently became more affluent (or that the description 'labourer' did not cover all his work).

Jane Wilkinson c.1735-1817, his wife: burial record: Jane Wilkinson, aged 82 years (of Norton), buried 19 June 1817 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Family: there are christening records of 8 children of James Wilkinson and Jane (no surname) in south County Durham between 1760 and 1779: Robert 19 July 1760, Redmarshall; Ralph 28 Aug 1761 Redmarshall; Richard 1 March 1763 Great Stainton; James 17 April 1765 Great Stainton; John 17 March 1767 Redmarshall; Elisabeth 1769 Norton; Jane 10 March 1776 Norton; William 8 July 1779 (St Mary's) Norton (England births and christenings, in Family Search website).

Richard Wilkinson c.1762/3- 1801, their son: christened 1 March 1763, Great Stainton (above); believed unmarried. **James Wilkinson c.1765-1824; their son:** christened 17 April 1765, Great Stainton (above); believed unmarried.

John Wilkinson c.1767-1841, their son: christened 17 March 1767, Redmarshall (above); died days before the first national (1841) census. His wife is described as 'gentleman's widow' in the 1861 census.

Ann Wilkinson nee Coulthard, c.1783-1863, John's wife, born Norton, county Durham.

John Wilkinson and Ann Coulthard married 29 May 1809, in St Mary's Norton: 'both of this parish'. Neither's father's name is recorded. Witnesses: Michael Rayne, Hilary Lamb [churchwardens] and Mary Coulthard (possibly her sister). No known children (marriage records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Now-widowed Ann Wilkinson nee Coulthard is listed in Norton in censuses from 1841 until her death in 1863. In each census, she is living alone (no relatives or live-in servants): successively listed as living on independent means (1841), proprietor of houses (1851), and gentleman's widow (1861) (Census data). In her will, her sole executor is her nephew, Timothy Crosby of Norton, gentleman (Find a Will: GOV.UK). From census data, this Timothy Crosby c.1826- 1896 is an affluent solicitor, also born in Norton. In 1841 he is living in Norton with his mother Mary Crosby, the family living on independent means. It appears probable his mother Mary was sister of Ann Wilkinson nee Coulthard; and possibly the same Mary Coulthard who witnessed John and Ann's wedding. By 1851, Mary Crosby nee Coulthard (now 'widow) is a proprietor of houses: the same occupation as Ann Wilkinson in 1851 (Census data).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from latest date of a group first inscribed together

IN MEMORY OF

JAMES WILKINSON WHO DIED OCTR

THE 9TH 1811, AGED 89 YEARS.

ALFO JANE HIS WIFE WHO DIED JUNE THE 15TH

1817 AGED 82 YEARS.

ALFO RICHARD THEIR SON WHO DIED THE 27TH

OF AUG^T 1801 AGED 39 YEARS.

ALFO JAMES THEIR SON DIED THE 20TH OF

NOV^R 1824, AGED 59 YEARS.

ALFO JOHN THEIR SON WHO DIED APRIL 22ND

1841, AGED 74 YEARS.

ALFO ANN WILKINSON. WIFE OF THE SAID

JOHN WILKINSON. WHO DIED MARCH 31ST

1863

AGED 80 YEARS.

Archaic lettering with 'f' for 's' in 'Also'
LISTED BUILDING: listing information:
Entry Name Table Tomb to South of Church;
Listing Date 21 June 1985; Grade: II
Source Historic England; Source ID 1140014;
English Heritage Legacy ID: 59349
ID on this website: 101140014NZ 4422 SW
NORTON THE GREEN (West side), 20/310.
Table Tomb to South of Church, GV II, To Jane
[sic] Wilkinson who died 1811 [sic]. Fluted
corner piers [sic]; concrete sides [sic]; ends
slightly convex.

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42 (A45)	1875	Headstone,	East	H 1260mms	Sandstone	Sound and in	Mainly	Incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Clay,		Round top,	80 ⁰	W 790mms		situ	legible		Roman,	outline	back and			
Leng		No base		D 80mms		(partially			Roman		sides			
						sunk into			italic					
						ground)								

John Dowell Clay, 1861- 1875, son of John and Elizabeth Clay: born in Norton *(census data)*. Died aged 14 years.

John Clay c.1824- 1887, his father: birthplace Norton, county Durham (census data)

Occupation: rail labourer (1851 census), agricultural labourer (1861 census). Later (1871, 1881 censuses), he was a foreman at the Norton Iron Works (a major local employer, with 600-700 employees). The family moved to Furnaces, Norton (housing for employees of these Iron Works); and supplemented their income through lodgers in the family home *(census data)*.

Elizabeth (Betsey) Clay c. 1825- 1912, maiden name unknown, wife of John Clay c.1824- 1887, born Redcar, North Yorkshire (census data).

Date and place of marriage of John Clay and his wife Elizabeth/ Betsey – unknown.

Family: John and Elizabeth/Betsey had three known children: Hannah M (b.1858), John Dowell (c.1860-1875, commemorated here), and Jane Ann (born c.1866). Both daughters survived to adulthood, married, lived locally, and had families.

1887 onwards: After John's death in 1887, his widow Elizabeth/ Betsey may have had financial difficulties. The surviving children had left home before the 1881 census. In the 1891 census, Elizabeth is a domestic servant in the home of James Charlie, engine fitter, in Eastbourne Terrace, Norton; and by the 1901 census (now aged in her 70s), she has moved in with her daughter and son-in -law Jane Ann and Francis Frederick Leng (who married in 1892: *FreeBMD*) and their children in Cambridge Terrace, Norton. She continued to live with them until her death (*census data*).

John Frederick Leng, 1900- 1903, son of Jane Ann nee Clay (c.1866-?) and Francis Frederick Leng (c.1866-?); and grandson of John and Elizabeth/Betsey Clay: birthplace Norton, Durham (census data). Aged 4 months at the time of the 1901 census; hence aged about 2 years and 4 months at the time of his death (census data). His father Francis Frederick Leng was born in Scalby, Yorkshire, and is described as a coachman in the 1901 Census. However, by 1911 he and John's mother Jane Ann are running a drapery business together (census data). On the 1911 census, Jane Ann and Francis Frederick Leng are recorded as having had three children in total, of whom two (listed with them) were still living (census data).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

(IN?)

LOVING MEMORY

OF

JOHN DOWELL,

SON OF JOHN AND ELIZABETH CLAY,

OF NORTON:

WHO DIED DECEMBER 19TH 1875,

AGED 14 YEARS.

"HE SLEEPS WITH JESUS AND IS BLEST"

ALSO JOHN CLAY.

FATHER OF THE ABOVE

WHO DIED OCTOBER 31ST 1887,

AGED 64 YEARS.

"THY WILL BE DONE"

ALSO ELIZABETH.

BELOVED WIFE OF THE ABOVE

WHO DIED FEB 20TH 1912

AGED 87 YEARS

"GONE TO BE WITH JESUS".

ALSO JOHN FREDERICK BELOVED SON OF

FREDERICK AND JANE ANN LENG.

AND GRANDSON OF THE ABOVE JOHN CLAY.

WHO DIED APRIL 27TH 1903

(REMAINDER SUNK)

1991/1992 transcription notes an extra, and now buried, line at the very bottom of the inscription: aged (?) years and (?) months

(transcription: Cleveland Family History Society 1991/1992)

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43 (A46)	1882	Headstone,	East	h/stone:	h/stone	Sound and in	All legible	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Oliver		(Gothic)	800	H 1590mms	sandstone	situ				outline.	back and			
		pointed		W 810mms							sides			
		top with		D 120mms	base					Leaves,				
		vertical			sandstone					Fruit,	Mason's			
		protrusion,		Base:						columns	name on			
		Indented		H 190mms							base			
		sides.		W 960mms										
		With base												

Centre of top has decorative vertical protrusion.

Dorothy Carter Oliver nee Crosby 1846- 1882, birthplace Norton, county Durham (census data); christened 22 Nov 1846 in St Mary the Virgin to Anthony Crosby (bricklayer) and Dorothy (christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Her parents were Anthony Crosby (1805-1874) and Dorothy Crosby nee Crowe (c.1802-1873), both of whom are buried in this churchyard. On census data, her mother Dorothy was born in Cowpen Bewley, and her father Anthony in Norton – he, in turn, was the son of Anthony Crosby senior, from Trimdon, shoemaker, and Mary Garrett of Easington (St Mary the Virgin christening records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society; census data). Several extended family members are interred in this churchyard.

Dorothy's father Anthony Crosby (1805-1874) was a master bricklayer, employing 6 to 7 men (*Census data*). He is listed in Trade Directories as a 'mason and builder' (1851) and 'bricklayer and plasterer' (1858) (*UK City and County Directories 1766-1946, entries for Norton, Durham: 1851, p.327, image 328 of 523; and 1858, p.463, image 477 of 759: in Ancestry website).* (His niece was the wife of William Coates Usher, monument 30, master mariner who died in Gibraltar)

12 April 1877, Dorothy Carter Crosby married in Norton to farmer's son Henry Oliver c.1843- (1922?) in Norton (*England Select Marriages 1538-1975, Ancestry website*). Although born in Eston, both his parents were born in Co Durham: his father Thomas in Monk Hesleton and his mother Mary Ann in Stranton (*census data*). His family had moved about a bit, his father being successively a tenant farmer of 200 acres in Stanghow, east of Guisborough (1851); a farm bailiff in Eston (1861); and a tenant farmer of 82 acres in Green Lane, Norton (1871) (*census data*).

Occupation: in 1878, the year after Dorothy and Henry's marriage, Hurbuck farm near Lanchester, Co Durham, became vacant: Henry Oliver became the new tenant farmer, and farmed here until his retirement from farming in 1907 (Consett Guardian, 26 April 1878, p.8, cols 1-4; Durham County Advertiser, 5 April 1907, p.4, col 5, in British Newspaper Archives).

Family: Dorothy and Henry had two children, one of whom, baby DOROTHY CROSBY 1878- 1879 died in infancy and is commemorated here: the other, Thomas, born 1880 (who survived), was 8 months old at the time of the 1881 census (census data). Unfortunately, Dorothy died the following year, in December 1882, aged 36yrs.

1883: Three months after Dorothy's death, on 22 March 1883, **Henry Oliver remarried** to Sarah Ann Thompson, then aged 26yrs, and had more children by her (*English Select Marriages 1538-1973*, in Ancestry website; Census data). He appears to have been quite active among the local community, as his name occurs relatively frequently in newspaper articles relating to farming in the area (*British Newspaper Archives*). There is a death record for one Henry Oliver, 80 years, in the third quarter of 1922 in Lanchester (county Durham) Registration District (*FreeBMD*).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN

LOVING MEMORY OF

DOROTHY CARTER.

WIFE OF HENRY OLIVER.

OF HARBUCK HOUSE LANCHESTER,

BORN OCTR 10TH 1846,

DIED DECR 12TH 1882,

IN THE MIDST OF LIFE WE ARE IN DEATH

ALSO DOROTHY CROSBY,

DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE,

WHO DIED JANY 10TH 1879,

AGED 7 MONTHS.

THE FLOWER FADETH

Mason's signature on front of base: BOWMAN/ NORTON ROAD

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44 (A47)	1846	Headstone,	East	H 1400mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman,	Border	Smooth back	None	None	None
Thompson		triangular	80°	W 830mms		in situ	legible		Roman	outline.	and sides			
		top, no		D 80mms					italic	Eye with				
		base								radiance,				
										serpent				
										eating its				
										tail				

Central decoration: the eye with radiance (often associated with Freemasonry: serpent swallowing its tail (symbol of resurrection/ rebirth)

Margaret Thompson 1845- 1845, daughter of Joseph and Hannah Thompson: birthplace Norton, Durham: christened in St Mary the Virgin 11

Oct 1845, and buried here as an 'infant' the following day 12 Oct 1845 (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Inscribed date of her death (1846) is incorrect.

Mary Ann Thompson, 1853- 1861, her sister: christened in St Mary the Virgin 18 Mar 1853 (born 26 Feb 1853) Died weeks before her 8th birthday: buried 13 Jan 1861 (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Joseph Thompson c.1805- 1885, their father: birthplace Winton (near Kirby Stephen), Westmorland (census data). Occupation: Labourer; later 'platelayer', occasionally 'labourer' in rail works; later (1871) labourer in the [Norton] Iron Works (census data).

Hannah Thompson nee Bell c.1816- 1895, their mother: birthplace given variously as Ormside (near Appleby); Bolton, Westmorland; and Hornsby, Cumberland (census data)

1837: Joseph Thompson and Hannah Bell married in West Ward district, Westmorland (FreeBMD website).

Family: Hannah's first child Betsey was born in Bolton (near Appleby) in 1836, before their marriage (England, births and christenings, 1538-1973: Family Search website). Joseph and Hannah then had 12 further children, the first born in Joseph's own birthplace Winton (1838) (England, births and christenings 1538-1973, Family Search website). Their remaining 11 children were born and christened in St Mary the Virgin, Norton, between 1840- 1860 inclusive. Among these are christening records for two 'Joseph's' in 1844, nine months apart: but no corresponding burial record between these dates in St Mary's. A younger sister, Mary Ellen on her 1851 christening record, is named 'Margaret Ellen' on later censuses. (St Mary the Virgin records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society; census data).

Hannah's firstborn daughter Betsey Bell (b.1836) took Joseph's surname Thompson as her own. By **1881**, most of their children had left home: some were married with families. The remaining household now comprised of mother Hannah, father Joseph (infirm), son George (invalid), and unmarried daughters Sarah and Agnes (both imbeciles) (*Census data*). It appears the main burden of caring for them was falling on Hannah. Joseph died in 1885, and on the 1891 census George seems to have recovered: still living in his mother's home, he is now working as a 'Carrier'.

George Thompson 1858- 1895, sister of Mary Ann and son of Joseph and Hannah: birthplace Norton, Durham (census data). Christened in St Mary's, Norton, 14 Feb 1858. Believed unmarried: lived in the parental home until his death. In 1895, he attempted to separate two fighting dogs outside a nearby pub. In the process he received a dog bite – and died later of rabies (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail, 11 Sept 1895, p.3, col.4, in British Newspaper Archives). His elderly mother Hannah died two weeks later. In later censuses, Agnes and Sarah are, separately, each living with a married sister (census data).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN MEMORY OF

MARGARET DAUGHTER OF JOSEPH & HANNAH

THOMPSON WHO DIED IN INFANCY OCT^R 11 1846

ALSO MARY ANN DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE

NAMED

JOSEPH & HANNAH THOMPSON
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JANUARY 9TH 1861
AGED 8 YEARS.

ALSO THE ABOVE NAMED JOSEPH THOMPSON.
WHO DIED APRIL 8TH 1885 AGED 80 YEARS.
...LSO THE ABOVE NAMED HANNAH THOMPSON.
DIED SEP 21ST 1895 AGED 79 YEARS
ALSO GEORGE SON OF THE ABOVE
DIED SEP 9TH 1895 AGED 37 YEARS

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45 (A49)	1871	Headstone,	n/a	H'stone:	h/stone	Sound but	Not visible	n/a	n/a	n/a	Smooth back	None	Kerb:	None
Breckon		no base,		H n/a	sandstone	displaced	(face down)				and sides	visible	H'stone	visible
		surrounded		W 780mms		(face down)							and	
		by kerb		D 140mms									displaced	
				Kerb:									urn within	
				L 2130mms									this	
				W1800mms										

Memorial has broken off near bottom, lying face down; Displaced urn within kerb stones. Identified from positioning, and from description in earlier transcription (1991/1992, Cleveland Family History Society).

Mary Breckon 1856- 1871, daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Breckon: birthplace Norton (census data). Christened in St Mary the Virgin on 3 May 1856. Died aged 15yrs, days after the 1871 census; buried 4 April 1871 (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Richard Breckon 1828- 1893, her father: birthplace Scarborough (census data): born 13 Sept 1828, and christened in St Mary, Scarborough, 22 March 1829 (Yorkshire baptisms, Find My Past website). One of several children of Joseph Breckon and his wife Sarah Rippon: he was. His father Joseph c.1796- (?1847) was a straw hat/ bonnet maker (census data); his parents had married in Kingston upon Hull in 1821 (Yorkshire marriages, Find my Past website).

Elizabeth Breckon nee Hutchinson, c.1828- 1894, her mother: birthplace Norton (census data): her father Joseph was a tenant farmer of c.110 acres in Holme House, Norton, in the 1841 Census (the farm unnamed on the 1851 census) (Census data).

28 June 1855: Richard Breckon and Elizabeth Hutchinson married in St Mary the Virgin, Norton (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society).

Occupation of Richard Breckon: Farmer. In the 1841 (aged 14) and 1851 (aged 23) censuses, Richard Breckon is living with his aunt and uncle, John and Mary Saunderson/Sanderson, farmers in Norton, who had no known children of their own. Uncle John Sanderson was born in Eston; aunt Mary Sanderson in Lofthouse, Yorkshire (census data); and in the 1871 census, now-widowed John Sanderson is living with Richard and his family (census data).

After their marriage, Richard and Elizabeth were farmers of an un-named farm in Norton until 1878 (Census data). A 'closing sale' of farm equipment upon Richard's retirement from farming in 1878 states the farm is in the centre of the village of Norton (British Newspaper Archives: Northern Weekly Gazette, 4 May 1878, p.4, col.1, in British Newspaper Archived). During their farming career, Richard had won prizes for livestock in agricultural shows. After his retirement, the surviving family moved to West Hartlepool and then to Seaton Carew, where Richard and Elizabeth died in 1893 and 1894. The 1891 census states Richard and Elizabeth are now living on their 'own means' and that Richard is 'deaf' (census data).

Family: Richard and Elizabeth had two known children (one, Mary, commemorated here). Their other known child was Francis Oliver Breckon 1862-1921, born 24 March 1862 in Norton (England births and christenings 1538-1973: Family Search website). He (and later also his wife and family) lived with his parents until his parents' deaths. Francis appears to have had no interest in farming: his occupation is successively 'clerk'; 'engineer's clerk' (1891); 'accountant' (1901); and 'iron and brass foundry manager - out of work' (1911) (Census data). There are various references to him participating in local amateur 'shows' in Seaton Carew in the newspaper archives. Francis' wife Mary Annie (c.1866-?) was born in Scarborough (his father's birthplace) (census data). Her maiden surname was Breckon (same surname as his own), and they married in Scarborough in 1888 (FreeBMD website): possibly he and Mary Annie were (distant) relations. Together, Francis and Mary Annie had 7 children, of whom 2 had died before 1911 (census data). He died in Warwickshire in 1921, but the probate documentation (1922) gives his residence at the time of death as Whitchurch, Glamorgan (Find a Will, GOV.UK)

Reason for monument date:
Dates of those commemorated
not relevant to monument date:
taken from 1991/1992
transcription and burial records.
Inscription not visible
(monument face down)

An earlier transcription (1991/1992) of the inscription reads:

(Kerb plot) In memory of Mary Breckon the beloved daughter of Richard & Elizabeth Breckon who died April 30 [sic] 1871 aged 15 years. Also of the above Richard Breckon who died November 27 1895 aged 66 years. Also the above Elizabeth Breckon who died October 11 1896 aged 66 years (transcribed 1991/1992 by Cleveland Family History Society)

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46 (A50)	1807	Headstone,	East	Н	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Other,	Border	None	None	None	None
Christopher		Bespoke	80°	1370mms		in situ			Not	outline				
		design,		W 810mms					classified					
		no base		D 80mms										
		See below												

Headstone with bespoke features: Flat top with semi-circular central feature, two additional semi-circles on top, cut away either side of centre, concave shoulders. Similar design to adjacent 'Christopher' and 'Marshall' monuments.

Elizabeth Christopher 1799- 1807, daughter of John and Elizabeth Christopher. Christened 11 July 1799 in St Thomas, Stockton, daughter of John (plumber and glazier), Norton, and Elizabeth (ANDERSON) of Houghton-le-Spring. (christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Died 12 Aug, buried 14 August 1807 (Bishops transcripts, Norton, image 89 of 342, in Family Search website)

John Christopher 1757-1830, her father: one of the locally prominent Christopher family with their own entry in the *Topographer and Genealogist* (*Vol 2, 1853*). His ancestor Richard Christopher (buried here 22 Dec 1708) moved from Billingham to Norton; and several of his descendants married into local prominent families and/or became extremely wealthy (*'The Topographer and Genealogist, Vol.2, 1853 (para 69th: pp.109-112)*. John Christopher was the youngest (10th) child of William Christopher (son of Robert Christopher, elder son of Richard Christopher d.1708) and his wife Margaret Christopher nee Pooley (of Eston, Cleveland, Yorkshire (*'The Topographer and Genealogist, Vol.2, 1853 (para 69th: pp.109-112)*)
Occupation of John Christopher: plumber and glazier (christening record of daughter Elizabeth, above)

Family: His **wife was Elizabeth Anderson** (date/place of marriage unknown). Two daughters: **Elizabeth** (1799- 1807) and **Frances** c.1805- 1861 **The 1853 'Topographer and Genealogost' entry for JOHN CHRISTOPHER (1757-1830) reads:**

"... [he] entered trade at Stockton, and was long the most respectable in his vocation there. He married Elizabeth Anderson, a remote relative of the late Lady Vane Tempest of Wynyard (who brought her up from her earliest infancy as a dependant or retainer), and daughter (and with her sister Grace, wife of Ralph Anderson Esq of Houghton Hall, Houghton le Spring, co-heiress) of John Anderson, gent. of the ancient civic family of Anderson, Newcastle upon Tyne, by his wife Elizabeth, daughter (and only child who had grandchildren) of Robert Shadforth of Houghton le Spring.

Mr John Christopher died 11 July 1830, leaving by her a daughter Frances Christopher, [who] married at Gretna in Scotland 14 Dec 1844 to William

D'Oyly Bayley, eldest son of William Bayley, of No 8 Paradise Row, Stockton, Esq., solicitor' ('The Topographer and Genealogist, Vol.2, 1853 (para 69th: pp.109-112).

In 1844, Gretna, Scotland (above) was popular for elopements: Frances was then c.39 years, and her husband c.23 years. **1861: newspaper death notice:** 'At Norton, near Stockton ... 25rd ult [February]., Frances, wife of Mr Wm. Doyley Bayley, solicitor' (Durham Chronicle 1 March 1861, p.8, col.6, in British Newspaper Archives): and was buried aged 56 yrs in this churchyard on 1 March 1861 (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Her husband died age 84 years in Darlington in 1905 (estimated birthdate c.1821) (FreeBMD). No known children of the marriage.

Famous relations: In 1761, one of John Christopher's cousins, William Christopher 1739- 1797, discovered the passage through Chesterfield Inlet, Hudson's Bay (Canada), to Baker Lake, eliminating it as a possible 'northwest passage' (William Christopher, Cleveland and Teesside Local History Society online). He was born in Stockton, christened (7 Dec 1762) in St Mary the Virgin. His burial record reads '1797: Nov 2nd: William Christopher, Capⁿ of the Hudson Bay Company, from Stockton'. There is a mural monument to him inside St Mary the Virgin church ((Bishops Transcripts, Durham, Norton 1762-1846: Family search website (catalog); Christening records St Mary's transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society n/d).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

ELIZABETH CHRISTOPHER

DAUGHTER OF JOHN AND

ELIZABETH CHRISTOPHER

OF STOCKTON DIED AUG^T THE 12TH

1807 AGED 8 YEARS.

ALSO THE ABOVE NAMED JOHN CHRISTOPHER

WHO DIED JULY. 11TH 1830.

AGED 63 YEARS.

Burial records, St Mary's John Christopher, 65 years, Stockton, buried 15 July 1830 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society n/d)

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47 (A51)	1785	Headstone,	East	Н	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	incised	Other,	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Christopher		bespoke	800	1170mms		in situ			not	outline	back			
		design,		W 820mms					classified		and			
		No base		D 80mms							sides			
		See below												

Headstone with bespoke features: Flat top with semi-circular central feature, two additional semi-circles on top, cut away either side of centre, concave shoulders. Similar design to the three adjacent 'Christopher' and 'Marshall' monuments.

William Christopher 1714- 1785: father of John Christopher and of Tamar Marshall nee Christopher (adjacent monuments):

a member of the locally prominent Christopher family with their own entry in the *Topographer and Genealogist (Vol 2, 1853)*, whose ancestor Richard Christopher (buried here 22 Dec 1708) moved from Billingham to Norton. Several of Richard Christopher's descendants married into local prominent families and/or became extremely wealthy (*'The Topographer and Genealogist, Vol.2, 1853 (para 69th: pp.109-112)*. William Christopher 1714- 1785 was Richard Christopher's (d.1708) grandson by the elder son from his first marriage, Robert Christopher, who married Frances Cooke in St Mary the Virgin on 24 Nov 1709: *(church marriage and christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society; 'The Topographer and Genealogist, Vol.2, 1853 (para 69th: pp.109-112*.

Occupation: William Christopher 'of Norton parish, gent. ... owned a small estate there which he farmed himself' ('The Topographer and Genealogist, Vol.2, 1853 (para 69th: pp.109-112). His St Mary the Virgin burial record names him as 'yeoman', whilst that of his wife describes him as 'farmer' (burial records St Mary's in Bishop's Transcripts Durham, Norton, in Family Search website).

Mary Christopher 1712- 1799, his sister and only sibling: owned tenements in Norton; and died unmarried (*'The Topographer and Genealogist, Vol.2, 1853 (para 69th: pp.109-112)*

Margaret Christopher nee Pooley 1717- 1801, wife of William Christopher 1714- 1785: 'of Eston in Cleveland' (North Yorkshire); however, we have no other details as to her birth family ('The Topographer and Genealogist, Vol.2, 1853 (para 69th: p.110).

Family: William Christopher 1714-1785 and his wife Margaret nee Pooley had ten children, seven of whom (4 sons and 3 daughters) survived to adulthood: these include Tamar wife of George Marshall, and son John husband of Elizabeth (Anderson), both named on adjacent monuments. The family estate was sold after the death (without issue) of William's eldest son, also called William, date of death not known (*'The Topographer and Genealogist, Vol.2, 1853 (para 69th: pp.109-112*).

Famous relations: One of William Christopher's nephews, also named William Christopher (son of William's brother John and his wife Margaret Williamson) was the discoverer in 1761 of the passage through Chesterfield Inlet, Hudson's Bay (Canada) to a lake now called Baker Lake, eliminating it as a possible 'northwest passage' to the sea (William Christopher, Cleveland and Teesside Local History Society online).

He was born in Stockton; christened (7 Dec 1762) in St Mary the Virgin (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society); and also buried here (2 Nov 1897), his burial record reading '1797: Nov 2nd: William Christopher, Capⁿ of the Hudson Bay Company, from Stockton' (Bishops Transcripts, Durham, Norton: Family search website (catalog)). There is a mural monument to him inside St Mary the Virgin church.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN MEMORY OF
WILLIAM CHRISTOPHER
WHO DIED JANUARY THE 11TH 1785
AGED 71 YEARS.

ALFO

MARY CHRISTOPHER
HIS SIFTER WHO DIED JUNE THE 21
1799. AGED 87 YEARS.

ALFO

MARGARET WIFE OF
WILLIAM CHRISTOPHER
WHO DIED APRIL THE 15TH 1801.
AGED 84 YEARS

Burial records, St Mary the Virgin:

William Christopher, yeoman (age, address, not given) buried 12 January 1785 (image 31 of 342)

Mary Christopher, 87 years, died June 20 1799, buried 25 June 1799 (image 63 of 342) Margaret Christopher, 84 years, widow of William Christopher, farmer, buried 19 April 1801 (image 66 of 342)

Family Search website: Catalog: Norton, Durham, Bishops transcripts) Archaic spelling of 'f' for 's' in 'Also'

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48 (A52)	1814	Headstone,	East	Н	Red	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Other:	Border	None	None	None	None
Marshall,		Bespoke	80 ⁰	1310mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		Not	outline				
Waugh		design		W 820mms		(partially			classified					
		with base		D 80mms		sunk into								
		see below				ground)								

Headstone with bespoke features: Flat top with semi-circular central feature, two additional semi-circles on top, cut away either side of centre, concave shoulders. Similar design to adjacent 'Christopher' monuments

George Marshall c.1766-1814: Church warden of St Mary's Norton in the first decade of the 1800s.

Occupation: The 'Christopher' entry in The Topographer and Genealogist, Vol.2 (p.111) states he was a printer; on his Will he is 'book seller, Stockton' (Durham wills pre-1858 in Family Search); and on the 1802 St Mary's burial record of his month-old twin daughters 'shop keeper' (Bishops transcripts, Norton, in Family Search). A premature newspaper death notice for his wife (below) suggests 'draper and grocer'.

George Stephen Marshall c.1797-1826, John Marshall c.1793-1826, William Marshall c.1805-1828; Margaret Marshall c.1795-1828

Unmarried children of George and his wife Tamar Marshall, who died within two years of each other. Five other siblings died in infancy or early childhood, and are also interred in this churchyard: daughter Ann (1791-1792); son George (?-1793); daughter Elizabeth Frances (1801-1802); and twin daughters Jane and Frances (1802-1802) (Bishops' transcripts, Norton, image 44 of 342, in Family Search)

Tamar Marshall nee Christopher 1762-1829, his wife and mother of his children: member of the locally prominent Christopher family (with their own entry in the Topographer and Genealogist Vol 2, 1853). Her ancestor Richard Christopher (buried here 22 Dec 1708) moved from Billingham to Norton; several of his descendants married into locally prominent families and/or became extremely wealthy ('The Topographer and Genealogist, Vol.2, 1853 (para 69th: pp.109-112).

On 16 Dec 1790, George Marshall and Tamar Christopher married in St Mary the Virgin, Norton: both 'of this parish' (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Family: Ten known children born between 1791-1805.

1828: a premature newspaper death notice (later retracted) appeared for Tamar in mistake for reporting the death of her son William (Durham County Advertiser, 19th January 1828, p.2, col.2, in British Newspaper Archives)

Mary Ann Waugh (nee Marshall) c.1799- 1837, their daughter: Christened 8 Sept 1799; buried as Ann Waugh, aged 38 years (of Norton) on 4 Jun 1837. She is the only one of George and Tamar's children known to have married and had children. On 21 Feb 1830: Mary Ann Marshall married Robert Waugh c.1792- 1871 in St Mary the Virgin, Norton (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). Robert Waugh was born in Wilton, Lackenby, North Yorkshire (census data): they settled in Norton. His occupation: cartwright and joiner (census data)

Family: Five known children including Mary Ann Waugh 1836- 1836, buried here, aged 10 months, on 22 Nov 1836 (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

After Mary Ann's death, Robert re-married to Jane Smith c.1784-1864 (again, in St Mary's Norton) on 13 Feb 1841 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society): the family continued to live in Norton: no children of this second marriage. He died on 26 Dec 1871 (Find a Will, GOV.UK: date of probate 1892): he and his second wife Jane are also interred in this churchyard.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from date of first named individual

IN MEMORY OF GEORGE MARSHALL WHO DIED DECR (3?) 1814 AGED 48 YEARS ALSO GEORGE STEPHEN MARSHALL HIS SON WHO DIED MARCH 28 1826 AGED 29 YEARS. ALSO JOHN HIS SON WHO DIED NOVR 25 1826 AGED 34 YEARS. ALSO WILLIAM HIS SON WHO DIED JANY 8 1828 AGED 22 YEARS. AND MARGARET HIS DAUGHTER WHO DIED APRIL 1(5?) 1828 AGED 32 YEARS. ALSO TAMAR HIS WIFE WHO DIED JULY 12 1829 AGED 67 YEARS ALSO MARY ANN THE WIFE OF ROBERT WAUGH AND DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE G. AND T. (MARSHALL?) WHO DIED

ALSO MARY A(NN?) (THEIR?) DAUGHTER WHO DIED IN (INFANCY?) (REMAINDER SUNK)

MAY 11TH ... AGED ... YEARS.

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49 (A89)	1823	Headstone,	East	H 1360mms	Yellow	Sound and	Partially	Incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth	Vertical	None	none
Bursey		See below	80°	W 730mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		Roman,	outline	back and	rectangle		
				D 120mms			(traces)		Roman		sides	(empty)		
									italic					1
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Central semi-circular feature, shape of top repeated 3 times, concave shoulders, no base. One of two family graves, along with the adjacent Hutchinson grave.

William Bursey c.1751 – 1823: christened 20 Jan 1751 in Kirby Ravensworth parish, Richmondshire, North Yorkshire: son of William Bursey of Gailes (Kirby Ravensworth parish), (North Yorkshire, England, C of E baptisms, marriages and burials 1558- 1812, Ancestry website). He later moved to Yarm, and then to Stockton-on-Tees. There are also records of another William Bursey (wife: Sarah) in St Thomas parish registers, Stockton, in the 1780s (where this William later lived): not known if this is a relation (Bishops transcripts, Durham, Stockton, St Thomas, in Family Search website). Burial record: William Bursey, 72 years (of Norton), buried 26 Sept 1823 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Ann Bursey nee Hutchinson c.1759-?, his wife (possibly commemorated here): christened 25 Nov 1759 in Settrington: only known child of Matthew Hutchinson and his first wife Frances Hansel. There are no other Settrington christening records of children of Matthew and Frances Hutchinson; and Ann and her family are the only descendants named in the Will of her father Matthew Hutchinson (proved 1806: Durham wills pre-1858 in Family Search). Date/place of death is unknown: although the earlier transcription (1991/1992) seems to suggest she is commemorated here, this has not been confirmed.

4 Feb 1787, William Bursey [BURSERY] c.1751- 1823 married Ann Hutchinson in Settrington, North Yorkshire (p.185, image 96: in Yorkshire, England, Church of England Parish Records 1538-1873, parish of Settrington: in Ancestry website).

Occupation: On their marriage record transcript (above), William Bursey/Bursery was breeches maker of Yarum [Yarm] parish. By about 1790, he moved his business to Stockton on Tees and became a glove maker/manufacturer. An 1822 advertisement for the retirement sale of his premises describes him as 'Mr W Bursey, glover and hosier, who wishes to decline business' concluding with 'W.B. takes this opportunity to acknowledge the numerous favours received from his friends and he public, during a period of 50 years ...' (British Newspaper Archives: Durham County Advertiser, 25 May 1822, p.3, col.4). He is 'glover' on the Will of father-in-law Matthew Hutchinson (proved 1806: Durham wills pre-1858 in Family Search). After retiring, he moved to Norton where he was resident when he died.

In the 1798 Land Tax Redemption records, he occupies land in Stockton Borough: landlord Thomas Foxton (*UK Land tax redemption records Stockton Borough, Ancestry website*). He is included in an 1820 list of freeholders in Stockton as owner/occupier of a house in Stockton Ward (*UK poll books and electoral registers 1538-1893, Ancestry website*). An 1823 'for sale' notice describes his premises as 'commodious freehold dwelling house and excellent front shop, most eligibly situated on the east side of the Market Place, opposite the Town House, in the flourishing town of Stockton-on-Tees ... Mr W Bursey, the owner' (that is, on today's High Street, Stockton, opposite the Town Hall) (*Durham County Advertiser, 4 Oct 1823, p 1, col 2; in British Newspaper Archives*).

Family: four known children of William and Ann Bursay, christened in St Thomas', Stockton (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society):

Mary Ann BURSAY christened 29 June 1788 (born at Yarm), buried 14 May 1790 in St Thomas' Stockton

Frances BURSEY, christened 1 January 1790. Married James Nichols, bookseller (of Leeds) in Stockton on 15 Sept 1813 (England, Durham Diocese, Marriage Bonds and Allegations 1692-1900, 1813, images 672, 673 of 960: Family Search website).

Mary BURSEY, born 11 Sept 1791, christened 27 Dec 1791; married James Douglas, brewer (of Leeds) in Stockton on 28 Dec 1822 (England, Durham Diocese, Marriage Bonds and Allegations 1692-1900, 1822, images 857, 858 of 890: Family Search website).

William BURSEY (only son), christened 4 Aug 1793. Died 27 Feb 1818; interred in the adjacent grave with his grandfather Matthew Hutchinson (St Mary's Burial record: name transcribed as William BURNEY (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from date of first mentioned individual

IN
MEMORY OF
WILLIA ... URSEY
LATE ... ORTON
WHO DEP(A?) ... IS LIFE
THE ... (R?) 1823

(remainder illegible/ eroded)

1991/1992
transcription):
In memory of William
Bersey [sic] late of
Norton who departed
this life ...? 12 1823
aged ? years. Also of ...?
Wife of the above –
remainder totally
illegible
(Transcribed by
Cleveland Family
History Society,
1991/1992)

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50 (A90)	1806	Headstone,	East	H 1510mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Partially	Incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth back	None	None	None
Hutchinson,		See below	80°	W 770 mms		in situ	legible		Roman,	outline	and sides			
Bursey				D 180mms		Front of	(traces)		Roman					
						monument			italic					
						scored								

Headstone: Round top, Semi-circular central feature, concave shoulders. No base. One of two family graves, along with the adjacent Bursey grave.

Matthew Hutchinson?- c.1806, from Settrington, North Yorkshire. The surname Hutchinson is found in Settrington parish records since at least the early 1700s. Occupation: Farmer (1780: Settrington parish record of second marriage); later, gentleman of Norton (Will, 1805, in Durham wills pre-1858, Family Search). Died between date of signing his Will (28 March 1805) and date of Probate (14 June 1805)

Matthew Hutchinson married twice:

1 January 1859: Matthew Hutchinson married Frances Hansel in Settrington: both 'of this parish' (Yorkshire, England, Church of England Parish Records 1538-1873, parish of Settrington,: p.179, image 93, in Ancestry website). Family: One known child, daughter Ann Hutchinson, christened 25 Nov 1759 in Settrington parish (ibid: p.192, image 100). Matthew's wife Frances died when Ann was a teenager; and was buried in Settrington parish on 13 Nov 1776 (ibid: p.220, image 114). There are no other Settrington parish records of christenings of any other children of Matthew and Frances Hutchinson.

2 Nov 1780: Matthew Hutchinson remarried in Settrington parish: his second wife was Mary Ord (of St Leo. New Malton parish) (ibid: p.184, image 96) – there are no known children of this marriage.

Family: On 4 Feb 1787, daughter Ann (of Settrington parish), by his first wife Frances, married William Bursery (of Yarum parish: breeches maker): one of the witnesses is Mat. Hutchinson (*ibid*: *p.185*, *image 96*); they had four known children. 1805- 1806: Sometime after daughter Ann's 1787 marriage, Matthew Hutchinson left Settrington and moved to Norton. He left a Will signed 28 March 1805, probate 14 June 1806 (*Durham wills pre-1858*, *in Durham University and Family Search*). Hence, he died between these dates and was interred here: exact dates of death and burial are unknown as there is a gap in the St Mary's burial records between these dates. On his Will he is styled *'gentleman'*, *of Norton*. Matthew's Will refers to some property in Stockton on Tees, but none in Settrington. It is therefore likely he had earlier disposed of any housing/land in Settrington; and had moved to Norton to be closer to his daughter and her family. His sole beneficiaries are wife Mary (lifetime provision), daughter Ann and son-in-law William Bursey (now stated to be living in Stockton, where William is a 'glover'), and daughter Ann's present and future children once they reach the age of 21yrs. From this, and the lack of any other descendants of his in the Settrington parish records, it seems Ann is his only child (*ibid*).

William Bursey c.1794- 1818, his grandson (believed, unmarried); son of Matthew's daughter Ann and her husband William Bursey. Christened 4 Aug 1793 in St Thomas, Stockton (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). His newspaper death notice reads: 'DEATHS: ... 27th ult [Feb] ... Stockton on Tees ... same day, aged 24, William, the only son of Mr Wm Bursey, of the same place, glove-manufacturer' (Tyne Mercury, Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette, 10 March 1818, p.2, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives). (NOTE: surname is mis-transliterated as BURNEY in the Cleveland Family History transcription of St Mary the Virgin burial records).

Matthew's son in law, William Bursey senior, is commemorated on the adjacent monument. However, the death dates/sites of burial of Matthew's second wife Mary Hutchinson nee Ord, and of Matthew's daughter Ann Bursey nee Hutchinson, are unknown.

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated, not relevant to monument date

Taken from dates of WILL (1805) and probate (1806) of Matthew Hutchinson, the first named individual

ERECTED
IN MEMORY OF
MATTHEW HUTCHINSON
LATE OF SETTRINGTON NEAR
MALTON
IN THE COUNTY OF YORK
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
APRIL ...

ALSO OF W... ...Y SON
OF WILLIAM (AND ANN?) (BU?)RSEY
(AND?) BELOVED GRANDSON OF
THE ABOVE NAMED MATTHEW
HUTCHINSON WHO DEPARTED
THIS LIFE FEBRUARY 27TH 1818 IN THE
24TH YEAR OF HIS AGE

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51 (A92)	1871	Headstone	East	H 1540mms	Red	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Roman	Border outline	Smooth	None	None	none
Usher		(Gothic)	80°	W 770mms	sandstone	in situ					back			
		pointed		D 180mms							and			
		top,									sides			
		concave									Mason's			
		shoulders,									name			
		Indented									on			
		sides.									bottom			
		No base									front of			
											h'stone			

John and Jane (nee Jackson) Usher, commemorated here with their daughter Jane, are the parents and grandparents respectively of Robert Usher (son, tenant farmer) and William Coates Usher (grandson, master mariner), both interred nearby in this graveyard.

Jane Usher nee Jackson 1804-1871: born 21 January 1804; and christened 8 April 1804 in Eston, Yorkshire to parents John and Jane Jackson (England births and christenings 1538-1973, Ancestry website). Otherwise, nothing is known of her background.

Jane Jackson 1833- 1837, her daughter (and daughter of James Usher, commemorated here): birthplace Norton, Durham Christened 16 July 1833 in St Mary the Virgin, Norton. Buried here on 30 Oct 1837, aged 4 years (of Norton) (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

James Usher c.1810-1872, husband of Jane Jackson 1804- 1871: birthplace Stockton on Tees (census data)

One of at least eight children born to James Usher (brickmaker, later road labourer) and his wife Mary (also recorded as MARGARET), both of Bishopton, Durham. His mother Mary/ Margaret's surname is transcribed variously as NOOLCOCK, BULCOCK and BULLOCK on christening records of her children. His birth family moved about a bit: two siblings were born in Redmarshall (John and William, both christened 1802) (England Select births and christenings 1538-1975, Ancestry website); James was born in Stockton (c.1810, census data); and three siblings were christened in St Mary the Virgin Norton (2nd daughter Mary, born 3 May 1801, christened 11 Oct 1807; 4th son Anthony, born 23 Dec 1811, christened 23 March 1812, and a later son Robert, christened 25 December 1815) (christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

His birth family eventually settled in Norton, and his father James and mother Mary/ Margaret are both buried in this churchyard (James, d.1856, aged 81yrs; Mary/ Margaret, d.1869, 92yrs): Mary/ Margaret had spent her final widowed years living with her daughter Mary, son-in-law Joseph Cooperthwaite (a tanner born in Keswick), and their family (census data).

Occupation: James Usher c.1810- 1872 became first a master tailor (1841, 1851 censuses); and later became a grocer (1861, 1871 censuses).

17 May 1832: James Usher and Jane Jackson married in Norton (England select marriages 1538-1973, Ancestry website).

Family: Five known children, christened in St Mary the Virgin: Jane, christened 16 July 1833 (died 1837, commemorated here); James, christened 21 Nov 1837; John, christened 2 July 1840; Robert, christened 8 Oct 1843; Mary Jane christened 25 March 1845

Several family members are interred in this churchyard.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN

MEMORY OF

JANE,

THE BELOVED WIFE OF JAMES USHER

OF NORTON,

WHO DIED MARCH 2ND 1871.

AGED 68 YEARS.

ALSO OF

JANE,

DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE,
WHO DIED OCTOBER 2(0?)TH 1837

AGED 4 YEARS

ALSO THE ABOVE NAMED

JAMES USHER

WHO DIED JANUARY 21ST 1872 AGED 62 YEARS

Mason's signature – W BULMER - on bottom of monument (east elevation, towards south edge)

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52 (A93)	1845	Headstone,	East	H'stone	H'stone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Gothic,	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Duell,		With base	80 ⁰	H 1420mms	red	in situ	legible		Roman,		back			
Boddy				W 840mms	sandstone				Roman		and			
				D 120mms					italic		sides			
				Base	Base red									
				H 160mms	sandstone									
				W 250mms										

Headstone: Flat top. semi-circular central feature, concave shoulders: With base

Sarah Duell nee Chapman c.1800-1845: Burial record, St Mary's: Sarah DUEL, aged 45 years (of Norton), buried 18 June 1845

Hileary Duell 1840- 1840, her son and youngest child: birthplace Norton. Christened in St Mary's, Norton, 14 Aug 1840 as HILARY Duell; buried here as HENRY DAILE?, 2 months (of Norton) on 1 Oct 1841 (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

John Duell c.1799-1879, her husband: christened in Marske, Yorkshire, 2 Feb 1799: only his mother's name 'Hannah' is on the christening record (*Family Search website*). He died in Guisborough registration district in 1879, as JOHN DEWELL (*FreeBMD website*).

Occupation of John Duell: 'labourer' on the 1840 christening record of son Hilary; later 'stone mason' and 'bricklayer' (census data).

26 Dec 1818: John DUEL and Sarah Chapman married in Marske on 26 Dec 1818 (Family Search website). Family: nine known children: at least three died in childhood. Their six eldest children were christened in Marske-by-the-Sea between 1819 and 1827, including three sons each called William (Yorkshire, Bishops transcripts 1547-1957, and Yorkshire parish registers 1538- 2016, both in Family Search website). Sometime between 1827 and 1829, the family moved to Stockton where two more children were christened in St Thomas', Stockton (Family Search website); and later still to Norton, where their last known child, Hilary/ Hileary (commemorated here) was born.

1849: John (now widowed) remarried to Mary Jordison c.1801- 1881 in Guisborough Registration District (*Free BMD*); and from the 1851 census onwards is living with her in Marske. No known children to this second marriage. John continued in paid work: in the 1871 Census (still in Marske) he is 72yrs and a 'bricklayer'. He died in Guisborough registration district in 1879, as JOHN DEWELL (*FreeBMD website*). His second wife Mary nee Jordison died, also in Guisborough registration district, in 1881 (*Free BMD*).

Mary Boddy nee Duell 1819-1861, his daughter: birthplace Marske-by-the-Sea. Christened 7 Nov 1819 in Marske (Yorkshire, Bishops transcripts 1538-2016, in Family Search website). Later moved as a child to Stockton, and later to Norton, with her birth family.

Christopher Boddy c.1809-1865, her husband, from Middridge, county Durham (census data)

Occupation: Blacksmith, later boiler smith (census data)

1841 census: Christopher Boddy c.1809- 1865, 25, blacksmith – the future husband of daughter Mary – is listed with the Duell family in Norton *(census data)*. Mary's whereabouts at this date are unknown: she is not listed with her family.

7 March 1842: Mary Duell and Christopher Boddy (son of Christopher Boddy, countryman) married in St Mary's Norton: both are 'of this parish'. **Family:** four children christened in St Mary the Virgin, Norton, between 1843 -1850: their christening records give Christopher's occupation as 'iron founder' (1843) and as 'blacksmith' (1844 – 1850) (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society).

In subsequent Censuses, the family is living in Norton until the respective deaths of Mary and Christopher (in the 1861 Census, Christopher is now a 'boiler smith') (census data)

Reason for monument date: Inferred from date of first mentioned individual

SACRED

TO THE MEMORY OF
SAR.H WIFE OF JOHN DUELL
WHO DIED JUNE THE 12TH 18(4)5
AGED 45 YEARS.
ALSO HILEARY SON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED (OCTOBER?) ... 18(4?)0
...GED 2 MONTHS.

ALSO JOHN DUELL OF NORTON
INTERRED AT MARSKE BY THE SEA) WHO DIED
DEC 2(3?) 18(7?)9 AGED 80 YEARS.
ALSO MARY WIFE OF CHRISTOPHER BODDY
AND DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED APRIL 21
1861 AGED 41 YEARS.
ALSO CHRISTOPHER BODDY OF NORTON

ALSO CHRISTOPHER BODDY OF NORTON WHO DIED ... 1865 (A?)GED 5(.?) YEARS

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53 (A94)	1882	Headstone,	East	H 1330mms	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Duell		Round top,	800	W 790mms		in situ			Roman	outline	back			
		No base		D 110mms						(bevelled)	and			
											sides			

John Duell 1827-1882, birthplace Marske-by-the-Sea: a son of John and Sarah Duell nee Chapman, commemorated on the adjacent monument. John was born in his father's birthplace, Marske-by-the-Sea, Yorkshire, and christened there on 28 Sept 1827 (England select births and christenings 1538-1975, Ancestry website). He then moved as a young child with his family to the Stockton/Norton area, where he grew up and where more siblings were born between 1829-1840 (census data). John's mother Sarah died in Norton in 1845; by the 1851 Census his father had remarried and moved back permanently to Marske. However, John Duell (1827-1882) and some of his siblings continued to live in the Stockton/Norton area. Occupation: 'bricklayer' on census records until 1881; and 'grocer' on his will (probate 1882) (Find a Will, GOV.UK). 5 December 1859, John Duell 1826-1882 married Christiana Hodgson 1833-1899 (below) in Middlesbrough (England Select Marriages 1538-1973, Family Search website). Family: nine children, all unmarried: no grandchildren.

Sarah Annie Duell, 1862-1863;
Emily Duell 1868- 1868;
Charles Hilary Duell, 1866- 1869;
Richard Duell, 1873- 1873;
Frederick Duell, 1869- 1888; and
John Duell (occupation: cabinet maker), 1864- 1892.

Children of John and Christina Duell. All unmarried and lived in the parental home until their own deaths or those of their parents. Three other siblings (also unmarried and living in family home) survived their parents, and are interred together in this churchyard: Charles (d.1920, aged 49), Mary Jane (d.12 July 1946, aged 85), and Ethel (d.13 Feb 1952, aged 73) (St Mary's burial records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Christened in nearby Forcett Parish church on 14 June 1833: one of several children of agricultural labourer Charles and Mary (nee Temple) Hodgson born between 1823-1840 (England Births and Christenings 1538-1975, Family Search website). Her parents had married in the same church (Forcett Parish church) on 13 January 1823 (England, Select Marriages 1538-1973: Family Search website); although, on census data, Christiana's mother Mary had been born in Heighington (Durham) and her father Charles in Gainford (Durham, close to the Durham/Yorkshire County border).

Occupation: In the 1851 Census, Christiana is a 'house servant' in a farm near Marske, and 'cook' after her marriage in the 1861 Census. After this, she is 'wife', until taking over the grocery business following the death of her husband John (Census data).

After her husband's death, the now-family grocery business was continued (in Melbourne Terrace, Norton) by his widow Christiana, and after her death by their three surviving children (Census data; and Kelly's Directories of Durham 1890 and 1914).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN AFFECTIONATE REMEMBRANCE
OF
JOHN DUELL
WHO DIED APRIL 2 1882
AGED 55 YEARS.
ALSO SARAH ANNIE DAUGHTER

OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED APRIL 10TH 1863
AGED 5 MONTHS.

ALSO EMILY DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED DEC^R 1ST 1868 AGED 10 MONTHS

ALSO CHARLES HILARY SON OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED DECEMBER 25 1869 AGED 3 YEARS AND 8 MONTHS ALSO RICHARD SON OF THE ABOVE

WHO DIED FEB^R 16TH 1873 AGED 1 MONTH.

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ALSO FREDERICK SON OF THE ABOVE, WHO DIED APRIL 25 1888.

AGED 18 YEARS.

ALSO JOHN SON OF THE ABOVE, WHO DIED OCT 5TH 1892

AGED 28 YEARS.

ALSO CHRISTIANA WIFE OF THE FIRST

NAMED JOHN DUELL

WHO DIED OCT 1(3?)TH 1899 AGED 66 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-ING	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
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54 (A95)	1897	Base only	East 80 ⁰	Base:	Top step	Falling apart,	Mainly	Raised	Roman	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Harrison		remaining:		H 300mms	marble	incomplete	legible	inlaid			back			
		3-step		W 200mms		but					and			
		plinth			Bottom	recognisable					sides			
					two steps									
					sandstone									

Appearance: An earlier transcription refers to this monument as 'broken cross' (Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992) Top of base contains rectangular section, appearance is compatible with broken-off base of cross.

Reason for monument date: Inferred from date of first mentioned individual

Maud Harrison 1890- 1897, born Pocklington, North Yorkshire (census data): the youngest of her parents' seven children. IDENTIFIED THROUGH HER DEATH CERTIFICATE

Father: Robert Harrison c.1853- 1913: born Thrandestone, Suffolk (close to the Norfolk/Suffolk border) (census data)

Mother: Emma Amelia Harrison nee Wade c.1853- 1922: born Nailsworth, Gloucestershire (census data)

26 April 1876: Robert and Emma Amelia married in Cainscross, Stroud, Gloucestershire: both aged 23 years. Robert's father was James Harrison (miner), and Emma Amelia's father was Robert Wade (policeman). At the time of their marriage, Robert (then, a gentleman's servant) and Emma Amelia (servant) were both resident in the same village: Paken Hill (otherwise known as Pagan Hill, a village and manor house at Stroud, Gloucestershire). (Gloucestershire, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1754-1938: Ancestry website).

Occupation: after his marriage, father Robert Harrison is consistently described on censuses as '**coachman, domestic'** (likely the equivalent of a family 'chauffeur') (census data)

Family: After marriage, they moved about a bit, finally settling in Norton. Their eldest child Robert was born c.1877 in Gloucester; the second, Lilly Amelia c.1879 in Guisborough; then George William 1880, Arthur c.1882, James c.1884 and Edwin c.1886 in Egglescliffe, north Yorkshire; then the youngest, Maud, 1890 in Pocklington, Yorkshire (census data).

The family moved from Pocklington to Norton sometime between the 1891 and 1901 censuses; and Maud's parents then remained permanently in Norton (census data).

1897: Maud's death certificate states that the informant was her father, Robert Harrison, coachman (domestic) of 15 High Row, Norton; and the cause of her death as measles (and cardiac disease). Measles (the most severe of the 'usual' childhood UK diseases) was a not-uncommon cause of death among children in late 19th and early 20th century death certificates.

In the 1911 census, Maud's parents are reported as having had a total of 7 children, 5 of whom were still living (census data). At least two of Maud's siblings, Robert b.1877 and Arthur b.1882 lived to old age. Two others, James b.1883 and Edwin b.1886, died within a few years after the 1911 census. it is not known which of Maud's other siblings had also died before the 1911 census, or where he or she is buried. Maud's father Robert died in 1913, aged 59yrs, and her mother Emma Amelia died in 1922 aged 69yrs, both in Stockton registration district (which includes Norton) (FreeBMD website).

MAUD
(B?)ELOVED DAUGHTER OF
ROBERT & E A HARRISON
WHO DIED JUNE 20(TH?) 1897
AGED 7 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-ING	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION		BOXES	ELEMENTS	
55 (A96)	1851	Headstone	East	H 1450mms	Yellow	Sound and in	Partially	Incised	Gothic,	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Hall		Round top,	800	W 800mms	sandstone	situ	legible		Roman		back			
		cut away		D 130mms							and			
		either side									sides			
		of centre,												
		No base												

Hannah Hall c.1833- 1851: birthplace Norton, Durham (census data)

Fifth of seven known children born between 1817 and 1838, to farmers Thomas and Mary Hall (commemorated on adjacent monument). The family moved to Norton sometime before 1828, where their four youngest children, including Hannah, were christened in St Mary's Norton (christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Burial record, St Mary the Virgin: Hannah Hall, 18 years, Norton, buried 20 April 1851 (*transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*)

1841- 1851: In the 1841 census, her father Thomas c.1795-1880 was a farmer (Glebe Farm, Norton). Hannah died aged 18 years shortly after the 1851 census, in which she is living in the parental home at Glebe Farm, Norton (near St Mary's, Norton) and described as 'farmer's daughter' (census data)

Andrew Hall c.1817- 1844, her brother: birthplace Glaisdale, Danby, (north) Yorkshire.

The eldest of his parents' seven known children., born a few months after his parents' marriage of January 1817 in Danby. Christened in Glaisdale, Danby, (north) Yorkshire on 15 June 1817 (England, Yorkshire, Bishops' transcripts 1547- 1957, in Family Search website).

Marital status unknown.

The inscription regarding Andrew is only semi-legible. However an earlier transcription reads: 'Also Andrew Hall son of the above Thomas and Mary Hall who was – (line illegible) – tresh ... at si... (line illegible) -sage from the 18 ...ber aged? years' (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society 1991/1992).

An unreferenced source states that this Andrew Hall 'died at sea' in 1844 aged 27yrs (*Ancestry website*). No further details: it is unknown whether he was a mariner, or a passenger on a ship.

Reason for monument date: Inferred from first mentioned individual

IN
MEMORY OF
HANNAH HALL
DAUGHTER OF
THOMAS & MARY HALL
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
ON THE 16 (DAY OF?) APRIL 1851
AGED ... YEARS.
ALSO A(NDREW?) HALL
S(ON?) ... OVE
THOMAS ... HALL
WHO W...
.. AT ...

(AGED ... YEARS?)
BEADLE'S (GUIDE) ... YOUNG AND GAY
... IS OUR ... 'D AWAY
THOSE ... TO ...
GIVE TO ... NEW

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
56 (A97)	1871	Headstone,	East 80 ⁰	H 1660mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Partially	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Hall		No base		W 760mms		in situ	legible			outline	back /			
		See below		D 80mms						(bevelled	sides.			
										at top);	Mason's			
										daffodil	name			

Headstone: Gothic pointed top, indented sides, concave shoulders

Mary Hall nee Fawcitt c.1793-1871: birthplace Houlsike [HOULSYKE] Yorkshire (Census data).

Thomas Hall c.1795-1880, her husband: birthplace Northumberland, Stannington (1851 census) or Saltwick (1861 census) – hence, likely born in Saltwick Farm, Stannington, near Morpeth *(census data)*.

6 Jan **1817**: Thomas Hall and Mary Fawcitt married in Danby-by-Egton (Danby-with-Castleton) North Yorkshire (*Vital: England marriages 1538- 1973, in Family Search website*). **Family:** Seven known children. Their oldest child, Andrew, was christened in Glaisdale, Danby, north Yorkshire 15 June 1817 (a few months after his parents' marriage). Their four youngest children were christened in St Mary's, Norton (1825, 1830, 1833, 1838); and two daughters, both full age, were married here (Ann, married Robert Hargrave 1839; Mary, married Thomas Garbutt 1839: *records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*).

Occupation of Thomas Hall c.1795- 1880: labourer (1825, 1830) and farmer (1833, 1838) on christening records of his children: farmer on census records. He farmed at Island Farm in Bishop Middleham/ Sedgefield (1841 census); later, (1851 census) Glebe Farm, c.130acres, situated close to St Mary the Virgin church: Glebe farmhouse is now a listed building (Historic England: 1347779). He continued to farm here until sometime between the 1861 and 1871 censuses, with son John living with him and Mary.

On the 1871 census, now-widowed Thomas is a retired farmer, living with son John and his family in John's home and farm: now Middlefield house and farm (between Stockton and Thorpe Thewles) (census data)

Thomas Hall c.1825- 1862, their son: 4th of their known children; christened in St Mary's, Norton 13 March 1825 (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Emigrated to the USA sometime after the 1841 Census (not found on later UK censuses), and died in Boston Mass., USA. His death record states he died on 11 March 1862, aged 38yrs, occupation 'trader', and was married (Massachusetts US Town and Vital Records 1620-1988; Ancestry website). There is no information about his wife and any family on this record.

John Hall c.1838- 1899, their son and youngest child: birthplace Norton (census data): christened in St Mary's Norton 25 Feb 1838 (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Later farmed at Middlefield House/Farm until his death (census data).

Ann Hall c.1831- 1915, his wife (maiden name unknown): born Dinsdale, Durham (census data). Date/place of marriage unknown.

Family: 2 sons born c.1869 and c.1873, both alive on 1911 census. On the 1911 census, Middlefield House/Farm is being farmed by son John Hall, born c.1873, who is living here with his wife, children, and mother Ann. As far as is known, his descendants are still at this farm.

Reason for monument date: Inferred from first mentioned individual

INI

MEMORY OF

MARY HALL

WIFE OF THOMAS HALL

WHO DIED FEBRUARY 17 1871

AGED 78 YEARS.

ALSO THE ABOVE NAMED

THOMAS HALL

WHO DIED MARCH 16TH 1880

AGED (85?) YEARS.

... THOMAS HALL

SON OF ... ABOVE

WHO (DIED?) ... IN AMERICA

...CH 1862

AGED ... EARS.

ALSO JOHN THE BELOV ... USBAND OF

ANN HALL.

WHO DIED AT M(IDDLEFIELD?) HOUSE

JULY ...

AGED 61YEARS.

ALSO ... BOVE (ANN?) HALL

WHO DIED ...(UARY?) 10TH 191(5?)

AGED 8(4?) YEARS

...HER T... (P?)EACE

An earlier transcription records the middle part of the inscription as:

...Also **Thomas HALL son** of the above who d. at Boston in America on 11 Mar 1862 aged $37 yrs \dots$

(Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

Mason's name at bottom: W BULMER

ID	DAT	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
	E		TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
57 (A98)	?	Headstone,	East	H 1460mms	Yellow	Sound and in	Traces	Incised	Gothic,	Capstone at	Smooth	None	None	None
UNKNOWN		(Gothic)	80 ⁰	W 890mms	sandstone	situ			Roman	apex,	back			
		pointed		D 160mms						Decorative	and			
		top with								border	sides			
		capstone,												
		No base												

Decorative keystone/capstone at apex of pointed arch.

This inscription is now very eroded. A 1991/1992 transcription gives the name as 'Ann, wife of (?) Johnson'. The only St Mary the Virgin burial record of this name so far found is for an 'Ann Johnson, buried 31 October 1839, aged 42yrs, of Stockton' (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

We have to date been unable to find out more.

Date: unknown

Erected

ANN ... NSON ... (6?)1. (several illegible lines)

1991/1992 transcription:

Sacred to the memory of Ann wife of...? JOHNSON - 4 lines illegible. (Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

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58 (A99)	1806	Headstone	East 80 ⁰	H 1280mms	Yellow	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Not	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Jickels		No base		W 840mms	sandstone	in situ			classified	outline,	back and			
				D 90mms						bevelled	sides			
										edges				

Headstone, no base. Flat top, cut away either side of centre, shape of top repeated 3 times, concave shoulders

Isabella and Samuel Jickells nee Brunton c.1748- 1806, interred here, are the grandparents of William Jickells on the adjacent monument.

Multiple alternate surname spellings found across records.

Isabella Jickels nee Brunton c.1748- 1806: One of 8 children born to day labourer Anthony Brunton/Brumpton (of Barwick, (north) Yorkshire) and his wife Margaret Smith. Christened 18 March 1747 in Stainton-in-Cleveland (Yorkshire baptisms, image 11 of 61, in Find my Past); and later moved to Stockton. She died around 26 years before her husband.

Family: on 17 May 1770, Isabella BRUNTON married Samuel JECKEL c.1746- 1832 in St Thomas', Stockton on Tees: both were 'of this parish' (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). His male ancestors can be traced in records in the Norton-Billingham-Stockton area to the 1600s. Her husband Samuel is described as 'shoemaker' on 19 May 1771 christening of his 1st child William in St Thomas' Stockton (Bishops transcripts, Durham, Stockton, St Thomas 1762-1798, image 14 of 120). Later, on the second marriage in 1846 of their daughter Sarah (Henderson, to Richard Elcoate), he is 'farmer' (Yorkshire marriages, image 45 of 69, in Find my Past). In the 1798 UK and Tax Redemption records, he is tenant of (simultaneously) different premises in Stockton and in Norton (Ancestry website). He was buried in this churchyard 5 Dec 1832 (aged 86 years, of Hartburn: burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). They had seven children: four christened in St Thomas, Stockton, and three in St Mary the Virgin, Norton.

The three unnamed children, commemorated here, who 'died young' are their sons Jonathon, John, and William. All died, aged under 10 years, within days of each other in 1780; and were buried in St Mary the Virgin churchyard:

Jonathan JEKYLL, christened 4 Oct 1778, buried 10 March 1780; John **JEKYLL,** buried 13 March 1780; and **William JEKYLL,** buried 19 March 1780 (*Bishops transcripts, Durham, Norton, St Marys, image 23 of 342: Family Search website).*

Anthony Jickels c.1772- 1796, their son: believed unmarried. His inscribed date of death is incorrect: his burial record states Anthony JECKYLS was buried here on 22 January 1797 (not 1796), aged 23 years (Bishops transcripts, Durham, Norton, St Marys, image 57 of 342: Family Search website).

The remaining children of Isabella and Samuel Jickels survived both parents, married, and had families:

Son William JICKELL, 1781- 1834, a namesake for his previously deceased brother, survived his father by two years: married Jean Dixon and is father of John Jickell commemorated on the adjacent memorial. Buried age 53 years (of Stockton) in this churchyard (burial record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Daughter Margaret JICKELES c.1786- 1860 married twice in St Mary the Virgin: (1) 12 Oct 1809 to Thomas Garnett 1867- 1815 of Appleton Wiske (3 children) and (2) 19 Oct 1816 to John Stainthorpe 'of this parish' who became an innkeeper in Bradbury (6 children) (transcriptions: Cleveland Family History Society).

Daughter Sarah JICKELLS c.1790-1867 married twice: (1) to James Henderson, 1788-1837, whom she married in Appleton Wiske in 1812 (5 children) and (2) re-married to Richard Elcoate 1797-1868 in West Acklam in 1846. She was buried in this churchyard but is not commemorated on a memorial. On his probate records (1868), her 2nd husband Richard Elcoate is described as 'gentleman' 'of Norton' (Find a Will: GOV.UK, name recorded as ELCOAT)

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN

MEMORY OF ISABELLA WIFE OF SAMUEL JICKELS WHO DIED THE 11TH OF OCT^R 1806 AGED 58 YEARS. ALFO THREE OF THEIR CHILDREN WHO DIED YOUNG. ALFO ANTHONY THEIR SON DIED JAN^Y THE 17TH 1796 AGED 24 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-ING	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
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59 (A100) Jickell	1880	Headstone, (Gothic) pointed	East 80°	H 1500mms W 730mms D 80mms	Sandstone	Sound and in situ	Mainly legible	Incised	Roman	Decorative border, bevelled	Smooth back and sides	None	None	None
		top, No base												

At time of recording, inscription was in excellent condition. However, front of monument was partially covered by ivy, with the inscription potentially endangered by encroaching yew branches.

John Jickell c.1820-1867, commemorated here with his wife and two of his children, was a grandson of Isabella and Samuel JICKELS on the adjacent monument. John Jickell's parents were William JICKELL (c.1781-1834) and Jane Dixon (c.1783-1853). William and Jane had married on 15 August 1807 in Stockton on Tees (England select marriages 1538-1973; Ancestry website) and had at least six children.

John was the only one of his parents' children still alive at the time of his father William's death in 1834.

John's father William was listed as 'bricklayer and builder' based in High St, Stockton, in 1827-1828 trade directory entries (*Trade directories 1822-1834, Northumberland Durham and Yorkshire by placename, online*). His Will (dated 1833, describing him as 'bricklayer') lists his various properties: the beneficiaries are his wife Jane and sole surviving child John, then aged 13 or 14 years old (*Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search*).

Occupation of John Jickell: joiner and provision dealer (1851 census); master joiner (1861 census); and the inscription on the monument indicates that, like his father, John Jickell also became a builder.

Jane Jickell nee Millen c.1818-1893, his wife: birthplace Darlington (*Census data*): her father was a farmer near Barnard Castle (*census data*) 1844: John Jickell and Jane Millen married in Bedale, Yorkshire (*FreeBMD*).

Family: seven known children. The two oldest of their children listed on the 1851 and 1861 censuses were born in Yorkshire, in Bedale (1851 census) or Burrill (1861 census); the five other children, from 1849 onwards, were born in Stockton on Tees (census data). Unlike John's birth family, all his own children survived him. The son **James 1853- 1870** and daughter **Margaret Hobson nee Jickell c.1846- 1880** commemorated here with him were the first to die, their remaining siblings living to old age (census data). Like his father, however, John himself died at a relatively young age of 47yrs.

James Jickell 1853- 1870, his son: birthplace Stockton on Tees (census data). Unmarried. Address on burial record given as Norton (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Margaret Hobson nee Jickell c.1846- 1880, his daughter: birthplace Stockton on Tees (census data).

8 July 1871: Margaret Jickell married Michael Hobson in High Harrogate (Knaresborough registration district), West Yorkshre. Their marriage record describes them as bachelor and spinster, both full age, both living in St Peter's in High Harrogate: Michael was a potter, son of John Hobson (potter); Margaret's father John was 'joiner and builder' (*West Yorkshire, Church of England marriages and banns, 1813- 1935, in Ancestry website*). They settled in West Hartlepool where their four children were born (*census data*). Her husband, Michael Hobson (1839- 1900) had been born in Thornaby, north Yorkshire. In the 1881 census, he was a hotel keeper in Hartlepool (Commercial Hotel).

He re-married some years after Margaret's death, in 1882, in Bishops Hull (Taunton), Somerset, to **Rhoda Davies 1853- 1900**, and had another daughter born in Middlesbrough (Somerset, England, Marriage registers, bonds and allegations, 1854- 1914, in Ancestry website; census data)

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from latest of a group first inscribed together

OF
JOHN JICKELL,
BUILDER, STOCKTON
WHO DIED MAY 17TH 1867
AGED 47 YEARS
ALSO JANE, WIFE OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED MARCH 15TH 1893
AGED 76 YEARS
... JAMES SON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED MARCH 2ND 1870
AGED 17 YEARS
ALSO MARGARET HOBSON
DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED SEPTEMBER 23RD 1880
AGED 34 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
60 (A101)	1818	Headstone,	East	H 1300mms	Yellow	Sound and	Partially	Incised	Roman,	Fan,	Smooth	None	None	None
Brewer		Bespoke	800	W 740mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		Roman	Flowers,	back			
		design.		D 120mms			(traces)		italic	Diamond	and			
		No base								enclosing	sides			
		See below								flower,				
										Border				
										outline at				
										top				

Headstone: Flat top with semicircular central feature, shape of top repeated three times, cut away either side of centre. Lateral semicircles (containing flowers) at top are smaller than central semicircle (containing rising/setting sun). Lateral semi-circular depressions cut away either side of centre of top. Decorative motif: horizontal diamond contains flower (eroded) at its centre. Border outline at top of monument, just above inscription

There appears to be another, now illegible, name towards the bottom of the monument

Mary Brewer nee Weatherell c.1793- 1818, 2nd of 4 children christened in St Mary's Norton 1790- 1797) to parents Robert WEATHERILL/WEATHERAL C.1767- 1821 and Hannah GREEN c.1765- 1824 (Bishops transcripts, Durham, Norton, in Family Search website).

Burial record: Mary Brewer, 25 years, Norton, buried 21 July 1818 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society, n/d)

Her parents and siblings are also commemorated in this churchyard. Her parents married in St Mary the Virgin, Norton, on 8 December 1788: both were 'of this parish' (St Mary's marriage records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Her father Robert is described as 'labourer' on the christening record of Mary's older sister Sarah (christened 1790) (Bishops' transcripts, Norton, image 86 of 242, in Family Search website).

There appears to have been a **mistake on Mary's original 3 March 1793 christening record**, on which she is named as SARAH. However, the St Mary's christening records name an older sister (same parents) also called 'Sarah', christened 31 Jan 1790; this older sister 'Sarah' was still alive in 1793 and was later buried nearby in this graveyard in 1810 (*St Mary's christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*). The strong likelihood is that the Vicar or churchwarden accidentally mis-recorded the forename on Mary's christening record.

Mary was the only one of her parents' children to marry; and is believed to have died childless.

4 July 1816: Mary Weatherall married William Brewer in St Mary the Virgin: six witnesses including Mary's younger sister Elizabeth (*transcription: Cleveland Family History Society*). Unfortunately, Mary died only two years later, childless, on 17 July 1818.

Her husband, William Brewer c. 1793- 1869, was born c.1793 in Stockton-on-Tees (census data). Occupation: his 2 July 1816 application for a marriage licence describes him as Mariner of Stockton (Durham diocese, Marriage bond and Allegations 1692- 1900, in Family Search website), and later census records also describe him as Mariner.

William Brewer remarried after Mary's death, on 16 Feb 1822 in St Mary the Virgin, to Ann Newton c.1791- 1869: both 'of this parish'. They had three known children. The eldest (Mary, b.1823, daughter of William (sailor) and Ann) was christened in St Mary's Norton (St Mary's marriage and christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History website). Subsequently the family settled in Stockton, where two more children were christened in St Thomas' Stockton in 1827 (Thomas) and in 1830 (Ann Newton Brewer) (Family Search website). In the 1851 census, William is still a mariner and living in Stockton with his wife Ann (born c.1791 in Elwick in Durham) (census data). William died in 1869 and was buried 10 July 1869 in Stockton on Tees, Ann died a month later and was buried in Stockton on Tees on 17 Aug 1869 (England deaths and burials 1538-1991: Family Search website).

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date, Taken from 1991/1992 transcription and burial records

ERECTED IN MEMORY OF
MARY WIFE OF WILLIAM BREWER
AND DAUGHTER OF ROBERT AND
HANNAH W...RALL WH...
JULY 17TH 1...ED 25 Y...
... CT DEATH ...
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(OM?) ...
A...
A...
L. (E?) LL
WA...

1991/1992 transcription reads:

Erected in memory of Mary wife of William BREWER & dau of Robert & Hannah WETHERALL who d. Jul 17 18?? aged 25yrs.4 lines verse.

... AGED ...

Also of ?- 3 lines illegible (Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
61 (A102)	1898	Cross	Base:	Base:	Cross:	Falling	Mainly	Incised	Roman	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Clark		(broken	West	H 300mms	Marble	apart,	legible				back			
		off), with	260°	W 570mms	Base:	incomplete,					and			
		base			Marble	recognis-					sides			
						able								

1991/1992 transcription describes this as 'cross' (Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

Most of cross now missing, inscription is on what had been bottom of cross – appears incised, rather than inlaid. Remnants of cross, and base, separated. Unusual orientation suggests this may have been a footstone.

One of only a few marble monuments in this churchyard.

Emily Clark 1890- 1898: birthplace Stranton, West Hartlepool, Durham (census data)

Emily Clark was the daughter and second child of George Clark by his second wife, Elizabeth Jane nee Menhennet. Neither was local to the area: George was born c.1853 in Suffolk, and Elizabeth Jane c.1855 in Cornwall. Her father had also a son by an earlier marriage (census data).

Family:

George Clark c.1852- 1932, her father: birthplace Stradishall, Suffolk (census data). He and an older sister Emily Clark born c.1850, also in Stradishall, were the (possibly illegitimate) children of Mary Ann Clark, daughter of a farm bailiff, who later married one Josiah Cook, agricultural labourer (census data). Occupation: railway signalman throughout his working life.

Her father George married twice:

1873: George CLARKE married **Louisa Cook c.1852- 1886** in Risbridge registration district, Suffolk (*FreeBMD*): this covers Stradishall, Suffolk, where both George and Louisa were born. They had three known children: twin daughters born 1875, who both died in 1877 (*Ancestry website*); and a son Walter Clark, born 1880 in Stranton, West Hartlepool (*census data; FreeBMD*). Unfortunately, Louisa died in 1886 when her children were young.

11 Dec 1887: George CLARK re-married to **Elizabeth Jane Menhennet c.1853-1919 (Emily's mother),** in Holy Trinity, Hartlepool *(England marriages 1538-1973, in Family Search website)*

Elizabeth Jane Menhennet c.1855-1919, Emily's mother: born in Wendron Cornwall, the son of a copper miner Alfred Menhennet (census data). It is not known how she came to live in the Northeast of England, as in both the 1871 and 1881 censuses she was a servant in Cornwall (census data). When married, Elizabeth and George continued to look after George's son Walter by his first marriage; and had four children of their own between 1889 and 1895. Their three oldest children (including Emily 1890- 1898) were born in Stranton, West Hartlepool; and the youngest in Norton, Durham (census data).

By the 1901 Census, the family had moved permanently back to West Hartlepool, where George continued his occupation as railway signalman. On the 1911 Census, now-widowed Elizabeth Jane states that of her children, only one [Emily] had died (census data)

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

EMILY

BELOVED DAUGHTER OF

GEORGE & E.J. CLARK

WHO DIED APRIL 21 1898

AGED 7 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
62 (A103)	1854	Headstone,	East	H 1480mms	Yellow	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Gothic;	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Mark		(Gothic)	800	W 900mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		Not	outline	back			
		pointed		D 140mms					classif-		and			
		top, no							ied		sides			
		base												

John Mark c.1778- 1854, birthplace Hamsterley, county Durham (census data). He was buried aged 76 years in St Mary the Virgin on 19 Feb 1854 (church burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Occupation of John Mark: 1841 census, independent means; 1851 census, land proprietor; Will (dated 1851) gentleman (below)

Dinah Mark nee Moon c.1773- 1825, his wife. Commemorated here, buried in Hamsterley, Co. Durham

6 Feb 1802: John Mark and Dinah Moon married in Kirby Moorside, (North) Yorkshire: both 23 years: John Mark's residence was given as Aycliffe, Co. Durham (transcript: Yorkshire, Archbishop of York Marriage Licences index 1613-1839, in Find My Past). **Family:** they settled in Hamsterley, Co. Durham; and had 7 known children born between 1803-1816. The oldest, William, was christened here in 1803. The birthdates of the other six children (including a 'second' William) are in the Baptist church records at Hamsterley (*England Births and Christenings 1538-1975, Family Search website*). Three children survived to adulthood: Charles 1814-1873, tailor in Wolsingham, Durham; unmarried daughter Mary Ann 1804-1860; and William 1816- after 1881.

Dec 1825: 'Dinah, wife of John Mark of Hamsterley' aged 51 years, was buried in Hamsterley 6 Dec 1825 (Hamsterley Baptist records: in England & Wales, non-conformist and non-parochial parish registers, 1567-1970: Ancestry website).

In the **1841** census, widowed John Mark was living in Hamsterley with unmarried daughter Mary Ann (age 30yrs), both on 'independent means'. One son, Charles, is an (as yet unmarried) tailor in Wolsingham: another, William, is a joiner, married and living in Stockton with his family. Later, John Mark and his daughter left Hamsterley; and in the **1851** census John Mark and unmarried daughter Mary Ann are living in Stockton, next door to son William and his family in Haffron Street (census data). **1854**: John Mark 'gentleman of Stockton on Tees' and 'late of Hamsterly, Co Durham' died in 1854 and left a will (dated 1851) listing various properties (house and two portions of lands) in Hamsterley. His beneficiaries are his still-surviving children: unmarried daughter Mary Ann, and sons Charles and William and their heirs (Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search).

John William Mark c.1838- 1845, grandson of John Mark and Dinah Mark nee Moon; and eldest child of William Mark (1816-?) and his wife, Jane Mark nee Bell c.1816-?).

John WILLIAMS Mark was born in Auckland, Durham, registration district in 1838 (FreeBMD); christened in Shildon, Durham, 9 Sep 1838 (England Select births and baptisms 1538-1975: Ancestry website). Buried aged 7 years (of Stockton) in St Mary the Virgin 30 Oct 1845 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). His mother Jane Mark nee Bell was born in Feetham, Swaledale (north) Yorkshire (near Richmond) (census data): she and his father William Mark married in Auckland 1838 (FreeBMD), where John William Mark was born. Another sibling was also born in New Shildon (Isaiah, 1840) and a sister in Norton (Mary Ann, 1842); and subsequent siblings born in Stockton-on-Tees (census data). In the following census (1851), his grandfather widower John Mark was living next door to them in Stockton (census data).

His father William Mark's occupation was 'joiner' (1841 census), 'master brick and tile dealer employing 7 men and 1 girl' (1851 census) and 'grocer and provision dealer' (1971 census). In the 1881 census, William MARKS (retired grocer) and Jane are living in Haughton le Skerne, county Durham: neither appear on the 1891 or later UK censuses (census data).

Date inferred from dates of those commemorated, not relevant to monument date: from burial records

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
JOHN MARK
LATE OFLY
WHO DEPART ... FEBRUARY

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WHO DEP ... OBER

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ALSO

JOHN WILLIAM MARK
SON OF WILLIAM AND JANE MARK
AND GRANDSON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE OCTOBER 2(6?)

8(45 ?) AGED ... YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
63 (A104)	1904	(broken)	Base:	Base:	Base:	Cross	Mainly	Raised	Roman,	None	Smooth	None	None	none
Wilkinson,		cross,	East	H 600mms	Sandstone	missing,	legible	inlaid;	Gothic					
Wallace		4-step base	80 ⁰	W 600mms		base sound		incised						
						and in situ								

Remnants, compatible with broken-off cross, embedded in top of base. Inscription mostly raised inlaid; one small portion (north elevation) incised. William Wilkinson 1825-1904, birthplace Norton (census data). Christened 12 June 1825 in St Mary the Virgin, Norton (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). One of 11 children of William Wilkinson from Heighington, Durham, and Mary Mellanby (who married in Thornaby, Yorkshire). His older siblings were born in Maltby, (North) Yorkshire; and the family moved permanently to Norton, Durham, between 1818-1820, where the younger siblings including William were born (census data). His father, a successful joiner/cartwright with his own business, is described as 'yeoman' on his 1854 Will, in which all his surviving children including William receive legacies: William and two of his brothers are named as executors of the will (Durham wills pre-1858, Family Search). Occupation: William Wilkinson 1825- 1904 was a joiner and builder (census data).

Eleanor Wilkinson nee Crosby 1832-1904, his wife: birthplace Norton (census data). Christened in St Mary the Virgin 1 April 1832 Her parents were Anthony Crosby (1805-1874) from Norton, bricklayer (born in Norton to Anthony Crosby, from Trimdon, shoemaker and Mary Garrett of Easington); and Dorothy Crosby nee Crowe (c.1802-1873) from Cowpen Bewley (St Mary's christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). William and Eleanor married in 1858 in Stockton-on-Tees registration area (FreeBMD). Family: They had five known children between 1861-1875: the eldest born in Stockton and the others all born in Norton (census data).

Anthony Crosby Wilkinson 1875- 1917, their youngest son: birthplace Norton (census data): Occupation: Merchant Seaman. Obtained Certificates of Competency as Second Mate (1902) and First Mate (1908) (UK & Ireland, Masters and Mates Certificates 1850-1927: Ancestry website). In 1906, he married Ethel Thompson (born Northumberland c.1879) in Northumberland (FreeBMD website): 2 children b.1907 and b.1912, and the family settled in Whitley Bay (Census data). The circumstances of his death are unclear: he died at sea on 19 March 1917, and an unreferenced and unconfirmed note in Ancestry website states this was in the Mediterranean. However, there is also a Mercantile Marine (merchant navy) record for Anthony Crosby Wilkinson who died 19 March 1917, describing him as 'military, branch: navy', of the ship Forfar (location not given) and giving his cause of death as 'heart failure' (Great War Mercantile Marine Index Card: World War 1 Pension Ledgers and Index Cards, in Ancestry website).

William Anthony Wilkinson 1860-1891, their eldest son: birthplace Stockton on Tees *(census data),* died weeks before the 1891 census. He was a bricklayer living with his parents *(1881 census);* and is not known to have married.

Daughter Dorothy (Dossie) Wallace nee Wilkinson (1866-1918): wife of Alfred James Frederick Wallace (born in Buckinghamshire c.1869), whom she married in 1896 in Stockton registration district (*FreeBMD website*). He was a life assurance agent (later, superintendent): 2 children, 1st born in Lewisham, London, 2nd born 1901 in Norton. The family later moved to Benwell, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, where Dorothy (Dossie) died in 1918 aged 52yrs (*census data; FreeBMD*).

William (senior) and Eleanor died a month of each other, in October 1904. By then another daughter, Mary Eleanor [Usher] had been widowed (her mariner husband died in 1898); and was listed in the 1901 census as living in the parental home with William, Eleanor, and her own two small children (Census data).

Date inferred from first mentioned individual. (East elevation)

IN LOVING MEMORY

OF

WILLIAM WILKINSON

WHO DIED OCTOBER 4TH 1904 AGED 79 YEARS.

ALSO ELEAN..

WIFE OF THE ABOVE

WHO DIED OCTOBER 28th 1904 AGED 72 YEARS

(North elevation)

ALSO

ANTHONY CROSBY
WHO WAS BURIED AT SEA

MARCH 19TH 1917

AGED 40 YEARS

THEIR YOUNGEST SON

ALSO WILLIAM ANTHONY

THEIR ELDEST SON

WHO DIED FEBRUARY 6TH 1891 AGED 30 YEARS

(South elevation)

ALSO DOROTHY (DOSSIE)

THEIR ELDEST DAUGHTER

INTERRED AT NEWCASTLE APRIL 16TH 1918
AGED 52YRS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
64 (A105)	1852	Headstone,	East	H 810mms	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Roman	None	Smooth	None	None	none
Gibson		(Gothic)	80°	W 610mms		in situ					back			
		pointed		D 110mms							and			
		top, no									sides			
		base												

Inscription partially in Latin, with initial J written as I. Comparison with burial records identifies this as John Gibson, of Norton, 56yrs, buried here 10 June 1852.

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

John Gibson c.1796- 1952, 'from Liverpool' on his newspaper marriage notice (below). His 1852 newspaper death notice reads: 'At Norton, on the 3rd [sic] inst., aged 56, John Gibson, Esq' (North & South Shields Gazette and Northumberland and Durham Advertiser, 11 June 1852, p.8. col.6, in British Newspaper Archives). His daughter's newspaper 1858 marriage notice provides more information: 'BOULTON-GIBSON: on the 4th inst., [November 1858] at Norton, in the county of Durham, William Whytehead, eldest son of R. G. Boulton Esq, M.D. of Beverley, to Mary Hudleston, only surviving child of the late John Gibson, Esq, R.N' (Morning Herald (London), 8 Nov 1858, p.8, col 3, British Newspaper Archives). This suggests John Gibson spent time in the Royal Navy.

11 April 1833: John Gibson married Mary Hopper in St Mary the Virgin: their newspaper marriage notice: JOHN GIBSON ESQ **of Liverpool,** to MARY HOPPER, youngest daughter of ISAAC HOPPER ESQ of Norton (Newcastle Journal 27 April 1833, p 3, col 7).

More is known about his wife: Mary Hopper nee Gibson, his wife (dates unknown): daughter of Isaac and Mary Hopper; from Norton, County Durham. Her father Isaac Hopper was born 4 Sept 1759 in Brancepeth, Durham (England and Wales, Quaker birth, marriage, death registers 1578-1837, in Ancestry website); he died in Norton on 4 Aug 1845 (York Herald, 9 Aug 1845, p 5, col 6: British Newspaper Archives). In the early 1800s, he owned a freehold farm of 260 acres in Newham Grange, Marton-in-Cleveland: there is a newspaper account of an 1812 theft of two £5 bank notes from the property, the culprit was sentenced to death (Hull Packet, 28 July 1812, p 3, col 3: British Newspaper Archives). By the mid-1820s, the farm was taken over by his son, and Isaac Hopper moved to Norton, where he lived until his death in 1845 (above). His wife Mary (Mary's mother) died in 'her daughter's residence, St Ann's Hill, near Stockton', aged 70 years, on 13 May 1838 (Durham Chronicle, 18 May 1838, p 3, col 2: British Newspaper Archives). Isaac Hopper 1759-1845, his wife Mary c.1768-1838, and his (unmarried) sister Mary Hopper (Mary's aunt) c.1761-1837 are believed buried in the Friends Cemetery, Norton. Isaac had been born to parents who were members of the Society of Friends: the newspaper death notice of his sister Mary (died in Norton, Durham) states Isaac was a member of the Society of Friends (Durham County Advertiser 7 July 1837, p 3, col 3: British Newspaper Archives).

After Isaac retired from farming his son John Mason Hopper c.1794-1871 (Mary Gibson nee Hopper's brother) took over the farm (and won several agricultural prizes). A 'to be let' notice for the farm in 1855 states that it had been in his possession for almost three decades (*Gateshead Observer*, 6 Oct 1855, p 4, col 3: British Newspaper Archives; also 1851 census). Mary Gibson nee Hopper also had an older sister, Elizabeth Mary. On 2 Sept 1823 (with consent of parents), Elizabeth married in St Mary the Virgin to James Wilson of Rothwell, Oughton, Yorks; and they set up home in Potto Grange, Potto, (north) Yorkshire. She died there 4 April 1836 (marriage: Leeds Intelligencer 4 Sept 1823, p 3, col 7; death: Newcastle Journal 9 April 1836, p 3, col 7: both in British Newspaper Archives)

Family: two children: Isaac and Mary, are listed in the 1841 census living with their parents in St Ann Hill, Stockton: John is living on independent means.

Isaac Melbourne Gibson 1835- 1845 his son: birthplace County Durham (census data). Born 12 Oct 1835, christened 17 March 1836 in St Thomas, Stockton (*Bishops transcripts, Durham, Stockton, St Thomas, in Family Search website*). Died 29 Aug 1845, aged 10 years, at the home of his maternal uncle John Mason Hopper: Newham Grange (Marton in Cleveland), Cleveland: 'son of John Gibson Esq, of Norton' (Durham County Advertiser, 5 Sep 1845, p 3, col 5, British Newspaper Archives)

Mary Huddlestone Gibson, 1837- 1909, his daughter: birthplace Stockton on Tees (census records). Christened 6 Nov 1837, St Thomas, Stockton on Tees (England births and christenings, 1538-1975, Family Search website). On 4 Nov 1858, she married William Whytehead Boulton 1833-1897 in St Mary the Virgin (above). They set up home in Beverley, Yorks, and had a large family (Census data). William Whytehead Boulton was a surgeon, described in the 1881 Census as 'General practitioner, MRCS [member of the Royal College of Surgeons]'. Mary died in 1909 in Beverley; and is buried with her husband in Beverley Minster churchyard (Ancestry website)

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OBIT JUNE 5TH 1852
AGED 56

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
65 (A106)	1828	Headstone,	East	H 1480mms	Yellow	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Gothic,	Gothic	Smooth	None	None	None
Ward,		(Gothic)	80 ⁰	W 880mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		Roman	tracery in	back			
Emmerson		pointed		D 150mms						relief, with	and			
		top, no								fleur-de-	sides			
		base								lys;				
										Decorative				
										border				

William Henry Ward 1828-1828, son of John George Ward c.1787- 1860 and Mary Ward nee Neasham c.1793- 1873: the first of their children to die. St Mary's burial records give his age as 8 months.

Elizabeth Emmerson nee Ward c.1822- 1852, his sister (same parents). Born in Stockton on Tees. 4 May 1845, In St Mary's Norton, married Sedgefield-born Thomas Emmerson, both 'of this parish' and both of full age. They set up home in Liverpool: her parents and unmarried siblings were living with them in the 1851 census. She died a year later in 1852 aged 30yrs (believed childless). Her husband Thomas returned to his birthplace, Sedgefield, and remarried (census data); her parents and unmarried siblings returned to Norton.

John George Ward junior 1826- 1854, his brother (same parents): Born Stockton on Tees. Master Mariner, living in Liverpool in the 1851 census with his wife and daughter. He subsequently emigrated with his family to Port Natal, South Africa, where he died (drowned) 27 Feb 1854. His family did not return to England: his widow Elizabeth nee Morphet re-married and had more children by a Thomas Groom (1828- 1904), another English emigree to South Africa who became a JP and MLA (member of the Legislative Assembly) (Ancestry website).

Alfred Thomas Ward, 1833-1858, his brother (same parents): Born Stockton on Tees, unmarried, merchant's clerk; moved to sister Elizabeth's home in Liverpool with his parents (1851 census) and returned with them to Norton after her death.

John George Ward, senior c.1797-1860: their father: birthplace Dinsdale, [North] Yorkshire (census data)

Mary Ward nee Neasham, c.1793-1873, their mother: birthplace Normanby, [North] Yorkshire (census data).

19 Nov 1814: They married in Stainton-in-Cleveland, [North] Yorkshire (England, Select marriages 1538-1975: Ancestry website). Family: seven known children born 1815-1833: available data suggests these were born in Stockton on Tees. Four are commemorated here: the others are: Daughter Margaret Ward (in 1839 married John Lightfoot in St Mary's, Norton; moved out of area and had a family); son James Neasham Ward (in 1839 married Elizabeth Simms in St Mary's, Norton) – master mariner, lived in Liverpool with his family in 1851, later emigrated with them to New Zealand where he died in Auckland on 1 January 1892 (Australia and New Zealand, Find a Grave index, 1800s-current, in Ancestry); and unmarried daughter Mary who died 1893, aged 68 years in Stockton Registration District (FreeBMD).

Occupation: Initially, John George Ward senior is a schoolmaster (1841 census data; St Mary's marriage records of his children): in the 1851 census (when living with his daughter Elizabeth in Liverpool) he is a bookkeeper. At this stage (1851), all his surviving family except married daughter Margaret (and her family) are also living in Liverpool. He returned to Norton, with his wife and unmarried son and daughter, after the death of daughter Elizabeth; and opened a 'grocer's' shop in Norton Road. His unmarried son Alfred Thomas Ward pre-deceased him (in 1858). John died in 1860, and his widow Mary and unmarried daughter Mary continued to run the shop (1861 census data). His widow Mary died a few years after him, in 1863; and there is a death record for unmarried daughter Mary Ward, 68 years, in 1893 in Stockton Registration District.

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

SACRED TO THE MEMORY

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WILLIAM HENRY WARD
WHO DIED AT NORTON DECEMBER 12 1828
AGED (?) MONTHS.
ALSO OF ELIZABETH THE BELOVED

WIFE OF THOMAS EMMERSON

WHO DIED AT LIVERPOOL APRIL $(6?)^{TH}$ 1852 AGED 30 YEARS.

ALSO OF JOHN GEORGE WARD
MASTER MARINER WHO WAS DROWNED AT PORT

NATAL FEBRUARY 27TH 1854 AGED 28YEARS ALSO OF ALFRED THOMAS WARD

WHO DIED AT NORTON JANUARY 24TH 1858 AGED 25YEARS.

> ALSO OF JOHN GEORGE WARD, FATHER OF THE ABOVE

WHO DIED AT NORTON NOVEMBER 16 1860 AGED 67 YEARS

ALSO OF MARY WARD

RELICT OF THE ABOVE JOHN GEORGE WARD .

..ORTON DEC^R 30TH 1863

... 70 YEARS HE... END WAS P...

1991/1992 transcription, last line: '... her end was peace' (transcription, Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

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66 (A107)	1812	Headstone	East	H 1170mms	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Other,	Masonic	Smooth	None	None	None
Shelley		(see	80 ⁰	W 840mms		in situ			not	symbols,	back			
		below),		D 80mms					classif-	Border	and			
		No base							ied	outline	sides			

Headstone: Flat top, semi-circular central feature, shape of top repeated 3 times

Masonic symbols: square and compass; 6-pointed star with radiance and central 'G'; plumb and level

Mary Ann Shelley c.1790- 1812, maiden name unknown: birthplace BRADNINCH, DEVON; and wife of George Shelley

Other than the inscription on the monument, the only information we have on Mary Ann Shelley is her burial record. As recorded on the Bishops Transcripts for Norton, Durham, it reads: Mary Ann SHELLY, wife of George Shelly of Devon, died May 12 1812, buried May 14 1812, aged 22 years' (Bishops Transcripts, Norton: image 92 of 342: Family Search website)

This wording is a little ambiguous: it could imply that her husband George Shelly may also have been from Devon.

The name of her birthplace is misspelt on the monument: it is BRADNICH, a town and civil parish with a manor house in Devon.

Other than that, the surname SHELLEY/ SHELLY does not appear subsequently in the Norton records available at the time of writing. There are no entries for SHELLEY/ SHELLY in St Mary the Virgin church records for the remainder of the 1800s, nor in any of the Norton or Stockton 1800s census records, nor in the trade directories for 1822, 1834, or 1890, nor (currently) in the British Newspaper Archives.

Of interest, St Mary's churchyard is the family burying ground of the Hogg family, one of whose members Thomas Jefferson Hogg 1792-1862 was a close friend and biographer of the poet Percy Bysshe Shelley. It is tempting to think that Mary Ann and/or her husband George Shelley were relatives of Percy Bysshe Shelley, and happened to be in the area when she died; and chose this churchyard because of the Hogg connection.

Very striking features of the monument are the Freemasonry symbols across the top of the monument. From these, it appears almost certain that her husband George Shelley/ Shelly had been an active Freemason in the local area – and the mason who produced the monument was also most likely a Freemason. It may be that some local Freemasonry records contain more information about Mary Ann and George Shelley/ Shelly.

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

MARY ANN WIFE OF
GEORGE SHELLEY SHE WAS BORN
AT BRANDNICH DEVONSHIRE AND
DIED AT STOCKTON MAY THE 12TH
1812 AGED 22 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN- TATION	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION MONUMENT	CONDITION INSCRIPTION	INSCRIBED STYLE	LETTER STYLE	DÉCOR- ATION	TOOL- ING	TEXT BOXES	EXTRA ELEMENTS	REPAIRS
67 (A108) Leng	1811	Headstone, Flat top, Slightly curved central feature, Concave shoulders. No base	East 80°	H 1100mms W 750mms D 100mms	Sandstone	Sound and in situ	Mainly legible	Incised	Not classif- ied	Border outline: Bevelled at top	Smooth back and sides	None	None	None

Robert Leng, c.1795- 1811:

St Mary the Virgin burial record 1811:

Robert Leng son of Robt Leng of Bishopton, farmer: died May 3rd 1811, buried 5 May 1811, aged 16 years (Bishop's Transcripts, Durham, Norton,; image 86 of 342, in Family Search website).

Margaret Leng, maiden name unknown, his mother, c.1753-1818.

St Mary the Virgin burial record 1818: buried 10 **JUNE** 1818, aged 65yrs, of Bishopton (*St Mary the Virgin burial records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*).

This date differs by a month from her inscribed date of death (9 MAY 1818)

There is no St Mary the Virgin burial record for their husband and father, Robert Leng; and no subsequent 19th Century record of anyone else resident in Bishopton having been buried in this graveyard.

The only relevant information so far found:

In 1798, Robert Leng senior IS NOT RECORDED among owners and occupiers (tenants) of land in Bishopton, Durham (*UK, Land Tax Redemption, 1798 records for Bishopton, in Ancestry website*)

However, in **1828**, he is in possession of lands in Bishopton. In 1828, advertisements in newspapers from London to Newcastle upon Tyne advertising the sale by auction of several valuable estates in Stockton, Bishopton, Norton and Wolviston (all in Durham). One of these to be sold, in lots, is *'The Bishopton Estate'*, of c.117 acres including thriving timber, in the possession of Robert Leng (London Courier and Evening Gazette, 30 July 1828, p.1, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives).

It therefore appears that Robert Leng (senior) began to farm in Bishopton somewhere between 1798 and 1828; and was farming here in 1811, when his son Robert Leng (junior) died. It is not known if the family were native to Bishopton, or not.

According to a history of the area, 'The Bishopton Estate' was among lands alienated by the then landowning family to their tenants in 1610s; it consisted of 98acres freehold and the remainder (around 20acres) on a 2000-year lease (Fordyce W, 1857, The history and antiquities of the County Palantine of Durham, p.234: Google ebooks online).

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

IN MEMORY OF
ROBERT SON OF ROBERT
& MARGARET LENG WHO
DIED THE 3RD OF MAY 1811.
AGED (16?) YEARS.
ALFO THE (A?)BO(V?)ENAMED
MARGARET LENG DIED THE 9TH
OF MAY 1818 AGED 65 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
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68 (A109)	1843	Headstone	East	H 1100mms	Yellow	Sound and	Mainly	Gothic,	Incised	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Dabron		(see	80 ⁰	W 750mmd	sandstone	in situ	legible	Roman,		outline	back			
		below),		D 110mms				Roman			and			
		No base						italic			sides			

Headstone: flat top, semi-circular central feature flanked by two semi-circles; concave shoulders. Arthur Dabron's sisters and parents are interred in two adjacent graves.

Multiple surname spelling variations, including DABRON, DEBARAN, DEBRAN, DEBRON

Family ancestry: Arthur Dabron's grandparents, Arthur DABORN and Catherine Chambers, bachelor/spinster, married in Twickenham, Middlesex, on 15 June 1761: (grandfather) Arthur seems to have had some education, as he signs his own name fluently (Catherine signs with her mark X) (London, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns 1754-1936: Ancestry website). Different sources suggest both Darlington and Twickenham as the birthplace of grandfather Arthur. The couple moved to Norton, Co Durham, where there are St Mary the Virgin christening records for their children and grandchildren/great-grandchildren. There are several namesakes among their descendants (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Elizabeth Dabron nee Oliver c.1813- 1843, wife of Arthur Dabron: birthplace Billingham, Durham (census data).

1841 census: Elizabeth is living in Billingham with her parents (William Oliver, farmer, and his wife Jane) and brother William. Both Elizabeth and William are stated as being aged 20yrs: the ages on this 1841 census were rounded down to multiples of 5- and 10- years (census data).

Arthur Dabron 1807-1869, birthplace Norton, Durham (census data). Born 5 Oct 1807; christened Arthur DEBRON on 8 June 1808 in St Mary the Virgin (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). One of 9 children (3 sons, 6 daughters; all christened in St Mary the Virgin) to Robert (second son of his grandfather Arthur), and Robert's wife Elizabeth Wright. His parents Robert DEBRON and Elizabeth Wright married on 10 Feb 1793 in St Mary the Virgin, both 'of this parish'; although the christening records of their children state, variously, that Elizabeth was formerly of Hutton Rudby and of Ormesby, both Yorkshire (marriage and christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Occupation: Like his father Robert and brothers Robert and John, Arthur Dabron (1808-1869) was a **market gardener** (census data). In father Robert's will, proved 1846, Robert DABRON makes lifetime provision for his wife, with the remainder of his effects to his 8 surviving adult children – his three sons including Arthur are all named as executors of the will, and all three are described as 'gardeners'. Robert also gives Arthur the option of purchasing the family-owned house and over six acres of garden in the parish of Norton (Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search website).

30 July 1842: Arthur Dabron and Elizabeth Oliver married in Billingham, Co Durham (*England, select marriages 1538-1973: Ancestry website*). Unfortunately, Elizabeth died months later in January 1843: probably her death was related to childbirth, as their only child Jane DABRON was christened in St Mary the Virgin on 15 January 1843, three days after her mother's death (*christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*).

Arthur never remarried. Subsequent censuses record him as a market gardener, living in Norton with his daughter Jane, and his two unmarried sisters Rhoda and Jane Dabron, until their respective deaths (*Census data*). **Daughter Jane Dabron married John James Fenny** in Stockton registration district in late 1864 (*FreeBMD*) and had a family. John Fenny (c.1829-1884) was a brush maker and gardener born in Middlesex, and the family settled first in Norton and later in Stockton (*Census data*). Jane died in 1915 and is buried with her husband in Oxbridge Lane Cemetery, Stockton: her gravestone records that one of her children was given the middle name 'Oliver', another the middle name 'Dabron' (*Find a Grave website*)

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

ERECTED
IN MEMORY OF
ELIZABETH WIFE OF
ARTHUR DABRON
WHO DIED THE 12TH OF JANUARY 1843
AGED 30 YEARS
ALSO ARTHUR DABRON
WHO DIED THE 20TH ... FEBRUARY 1869
AGED 6(1?) YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
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69 (A110)	1801	Headstone	East	H 1000mms	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Not	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Debron		(see below)	80 ⁰	W 730mms		in situ			classif-		back			
		No base		D 110mms					ied		and			
											sides			

Headstone: Flat top, semi-circular central feature, shape of top repeated 3 times, concave shoulders Multiple surname spelling variations, including DABRON, DEBRAN, DEBRAN, DEBRON

Rhode/Rhoda Debron/ Dabron c.1793- 1801, birthplace Norton, Durham

The first of nine children born to (probably, market) gardener Robert Debron/Dabron of Norton and his wife Elizabeth Wright of North Yorkshire, between 1793 and 1810 (christening records St Mary the Virgin, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society); and the only one of these children known to have died in childhood.

She is named RHODA **DABRON** on both her 26 December 1793 christening record (*transcription: Cleveland Family History Society*) and burial records:

Her burial record describes her as 'RHODA, daughter of Robt DABRON, gardener, aged 7' (Bishop's Transcripts, Durham, Norton, image 66 of 342, in Family Search website) and as RHODE DEBRON on this monument.

This monument is placed between that of her brother Arthur Dabron (1808-1869) on the one side; and on the other side that of her parents Robert and Elizabeth and two of her sisters.

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

IN
MEMORY OF RHODE THE
DAUGHTER OF ROBERT AND
ELIZABETH DEBRON WHO
DIED APRIL THE 13TH 1801
AGED 7 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
70 (A111)	1847	Headstone	East	H 1460mms	Yellow	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Dabron		(see	80 ⁰	W 920mms	sandstone	in situ			Roman,	outline	back			
		below),		D 120mms					Roman		and			
		No base							italic		sides			

Headstone: flat top, central semi-circular feature, concave shoulders

Multiple surname spelling variations, including DABRON, DEBARAN, DEBRAN, DEBRON

Family ancestry: Robert Dabron's parents, Arthur DABORN and Catherine Chambers, bachelor/spinster, married in Twickenham, Middlesex, on 15 June 1761: Arthur seems to have had some education, as he signs his own name fluently (Catherine signs with her mark X) (London, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns 1754-1936: Ancestry website). Different sources suggest both Darlington and Twickenham as the birthplace of Arthur. The couple moved to Norton, Co Durham, where there are St Mary the Virgin christening records for their children and grandchildren/great-grandchildren. There are several namesakes among their descendants (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Robert Dabron 1759- 1846: birthplace Norton, Durham (census data).

Christened ROBERT **DEBARAN** on 15 Sept 1769, St Mary the Virgin: one nine children of Arthur Dabron and Catherine Dabron nee Chambers (St Mary's christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Elizabeth Dabron nee Chambers, c.1778- 1847, his wife:

the St Mary the Virgin christening records of their children state, variously, that Elizabeth was formerly of Hutton Rudby, and of Ormesby, both Yorkshire (marriage and christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

10 Feb 1793: Robert DEBRON and Elizabeth Wright married in St Mary the Virgin, both 'of this parish' (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society).

Occupation of Robert Dabron: 'gardener' on the christening records of his own children, and on his Will (proved 1846). This term was used in St Mary the Virgin records to describe both self-employed market gardeners; and employed gardeners on local estates. It seems probable Robert was a market gardener. In his Will, proved 1846, Robert DABRON ('gardener', Norton) makes lifetime provision for his wife, with the remaining effects to his 8 surviving adult children. his three sons including Arthur (all described as 'gardeners') are all executors of the Will. Son Arthur is given the option of purchasing the family-owned house and over six acres of garden in the parish of Norton (*Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search website*): later census records describe son Arthur as a market gardener.

Family: In an era of high child mortality, only one of Robert's nine children, Rhoda (1) (1793-1801, is known to have died in childhood (aged 7yrs, interred in the adjacent grave). Robert's Will names his eight surviving adult children: three married sons, three married daughters, and unmarried daughters Rhoda (2) and

Rhoda (Catherine?)Dabron (2) 1805- 1875, their unmarried daughter: Born a few years after the 1801 death of an older sister, also called Rhoda (interred in adjacent grave). This Rhoda (2) born c.1805 does not appear on St Mary's christening records: however, there is a christening record for CATHERINE DABRON, 5th daughter, born 13 May 1805, christened 25 Dec 1805 in St Mary's (St Mary's christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). it appears possible from this that the child later known as Rhoda was the child recorded as Catherine in the christening records.

Jane Dabron 1798- 1876, their unmarried daughter:

Jane, both commemorated here (ibid).

These daughters are listed on the 1841 Census as living in their parental home, and from 1851 onwards in the home of their now-widowed brother Arthur and his daughter Jane Dabron (1843- 1915) (census data)

Date inferred from latest date of a group first inscribed together

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF ROBERT DABRON WHO DIED MARCH 7TH, 1846. AGED 76 YEARS ALSO ELIZABETH HIS WIFE WHO DIED AUGUST 7TH. 1847 AGED 75 YEARS. ALSO RHODA DABRON. DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED SEPTEMBER 14TH 1875 AGED 70 YEARS ALSO JANE DABRON THEIR DAUGHTER WHO DIED JUNE 15TH 1876 AGED 78 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN- TATION	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION MONUMENT	CONDITION INSCRIPTION	INSCRIBED STYLE	LETTER STYLE	DÉCOR- ATION	TOOL- ING	TEXT BOXES	EXTRA ELEMENTS	REPAIRS
71 (A112) Newby	1767	Headstone, Triangular top, no base	East 80º	H 1040mms W 690mms D 110mms	Sandstone	Sound and in situ	Mainly legible	Incised	Not classif- ied	Decorative border; triangular top outlined; 'momento mori' on rear	Smooth back and sides	None	None	None

Headstone: Inscription on both sides of headstone. First initial 'N' reversed (on second line of front inscription). The monument contains a 'momenta mori' in fairly strong language on the reverse. The monument itself is in excellent condition.

An earlier (1991/1992) transcription includes some now-illegible details:

Here lies the body of Mark NEWBY late of Middleton in Teesdale who d. 29 Dec 1767 aged 44yrs.

Mark NEWBY the son of Mark & Ann NEWBY d. Nov 27 1767 aged 13.

Also Mary their dau d. Oct 2 1766 aged 16yrs.

(transcribed: Cleveland Family History Society 1991/1992)

This gives an estimated birthdate of c.1754 for Mark Newby junior (who died age 13 years in 1767)

Possibly relevant information:

Mark Newby (senior) c.1723- 1767:

In 1762, newspaper advertisements were placed by one William Bainbridge (Coalpig-hill [Coalpit Hill], Durham; west of Middleton-in-Teesdale and of Barnard Castle), for bleaching of linen cloth. Cloths for this purpose (along with monies covering the cost of bleaching) were to be placed with identified individuals, including 'Mark Newby, Middleton Teasdale'. In some cases, the occupation of the recipient was given (weaver, dyer, merchant, innkeeper etc): in other cases, such as Mark Newby, only the name and location of the recipient was given (Newcastle Courant, 3 April 1762, p 3, col 3; in British Newspaper Archives).

A similar advertisement by William Bainbridge the following year (1763) does not include the name Mark Newby.

Mark Newby (junior) c.1754- 1767, his son:

There is a somewhat earlier christening record for Mark Newby (junior), christened 24 June 1752 in Middleton in Teesdale: parents Mark Newby and Ann (England births and christenings 1538-1975, in Family Search website). The names match those on the inscription.

Mary Newby, c.1750- 1766, his daughter:

No information other than that on inscription

These three individuals, commemorated here, died within slightly more than a year of each other. Son Mark Newby predeceased his father by a month.

Date inferred from latest date of a group first incised together

Front elevation:

HERE LIES THE BODY OF
MARK NEWBY LATE OF
MIDDLETON IN TEESDALE
WHO DIED DEC^{BR} 29TH 1767
AGED 44 YEARS.
MARK NEWBY THE SON
OF MARK ... ANN NEWBY
DIED NO... 27TH 1767
AGED ... YEARS.
ALSO MARY NEWBY THEIR DAUGHTER DIED
OCT^{BR} 2^D 1766 AGED
16 YEARS

REAR ELEVATION:

ALL YOU THAT COME OUR GRAVES TO
AS WE ARE NOW SO MUST YOU BE
PREPARE FOR DEATH NO TIME DELAY
WE IN OUR PRIMES WERE TA'EN AWAY

SFF

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
72 (A113)	1890	Headstone,	East	H'stone:	H'stone	Sound and	All legible	Raised	Not	Bevelled	None	Nonq	None	None
Dowse		round top,	800	H 690mms	marble	in situ		inlaid	classif-	border				
		With base		W 425mms					ied;	outline				
				D 80mms	Base				Roman					
				Base:	marble									
				H 40mms										
				490mms										

Headstone: semi-circular protrusions at shoulders; one of only a few marble monuments here. IDENTIFICATION FROM DEATH CERTIFICATES

Gertrude May Dowse 1886-1886: birthplace Norton, Durham

and her sister Gertie Dowse 1887- 1890, her sister: birthplace Norton, Durham.

Two of nine children of Edward Ranyell Dowse (c.1853-1920) and Elizabeth Dowse nee Barron (1861-1949). Their other siblings were still alive in 1911 (census data).

Date inferred from latest of a group first inscribed together.

Family:

their father was Edward Ranyell Dowse, c.1856- 1920, birthplace Wrangle, Boston, Lincolnshire (census data). Occupation: Teacher. In the 1861 census, he was an 8-year-old 'boarder' in the household of one Thomas Mells (butcher) in Leake, Lincs. In the 1871 census he was a 'pupil teacher' boarding with a couple called Warrener (tailor) in Boston, Lincs: the wife of this couple was born in Stockton, Durham (census data). A few years later Edward moved permanently to Stockton, becoming in 1876 assistant master at the Blue Coat (charity) school (corner of Garbutt Street/ Norton Road, Stockton) (British Newspaper Archives: Northern Weekly Gazette, 27 April 1876, p.3, col.3). Subsequently head teacher at (by 1890) Blue Coat School; next, Bowesfield School (until 1906); Newtown School (from 1906) (all in Stockton) (Kelly's directory of Durham, 1890, Stockton p.302; Stockton Herald, South Durham and Cleveland Advertiser, 6 Oct 1906, p.8, col.2, in British Newspaper Archives:). He was active in various professional, charitable, and social societies (Stockton Herald, South Durham & Cleveland Advertiser, 16 Jan 1909, p.4, col.8, in. British Newspaper Archives)

their mother was Elizabeth Dowse nee Barron (1861-1949), their mother: birthplace Sunderland (census data). In 1871, she is in Sunderland with her aunt and uncle, Christopher Robson (grocer) and his wife Elizabeth; and in 1881 she (with husband Edward and baby Ada) is visiting her unmarried aunt Mary Gilby in Sunderland. Triangulating these family surnames (Gilby, Barron, Robson) identifies her as the daughter of Thomas Barron and Jane Gilbey (married in Bishopwearmouth, 1854); and another aunt/uncle as Elizabeth nee Gilby and Christopher Robson, who married in 1859 in Sunderland (FreeBMD). Her father Thomas Barron was a shipwright. In the 1861 census he was living with wife Jane and a daughter in Portsea/ Portsmouth, where he was working in the HM dockyard. At this stage Jane was pregnant with Elizabeth: the family moved back to Sunderland before she was born and settled there permanently (census data).

1879: their parents Edward Dowse and Elizabeth Barron married in Sunderland (FreeBMD). Nine children: their older children were born in Stockton on Tees; but from at least 1884 the family had settled permanently in Norton, where their subsequent children were born (census data).

Gertrude and Gertie's parents Edward and Elizabeth, and other family members, are also commemorated in this churchyard. A 1991/1992 transcription reads:

In loving memory of Edward Raynell DOWSE d.May 2 1920 aged 66yrs. Also Elizabeth beloved wife of E.R. DOWSE bn Aug 13 1861, d.Oct 2 1949. Also John Norman son of above who d. in France Jul 3 1916 in his 22nd yr. Also Edward Graham eldest son of the above who d.in Johannesburg, S Africa Apr 1 1929 in his 46th yr. Nellie DOWSE dau of the above d.Oct 1937 aged 45yrs. **In loving memory of Ann DOWSE bn Apr 1 1831 d. Mar 7 1915.** Ethel Annie DOWSE d.27 May 1964. (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

This unmarried Ann Dowse (1831-1915) appears close to the family. Census records for Ann Dowse, born 1831 (also in Edward's birthplace Wrangle, Lincs) record her living in Leake Lincs with her siblings (1911, 1901, 1891 censuses), close to where Edward had been a 'boarder' in 1851 (census data) – and, earlier, a servant in the household of Natt Wedd, corn merchant (1851). Ann moved north sometime after the 1911 census, dying in Stockton, Durham in 1915 (FreeBMD). Her siblings died not long after: unmarried sister Elizabeth, 1916; and widower brother John 1917, both in Boston, Lincs. (FreeBMD).

IN LOVING MEMORY
OF
GERTRUDE MAY DOWSE
BORN MAY 20TH 1886,
DIED NOV 23RD 1886.
ALSO GERTIE DOWSE
BORN OCT 10TH 1887
DIED NOV 30TH 1890

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
73 (A114)	1810	Headstone	East	H 1310mms	Yellow	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Not	Border	Smooth	None	None	none
Wetherel		(see	80 ⁰	W 850mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		classif-	outline at	back			
		below),		D 90mms					ied	top	and			
		No base									sides			

Headstone: Flat top, semi-circular central feature, cut away either side of centre (shape of top repeated 3 times), concave shoulders. Inscriptions on both sides of headstone.

The Wetherall surname (various spelling variations) is found in St Mary the Virgin records from the 1600s and throughout the 1800s.

Sarah Wetherell 1790- 1819, christened Sarah WEATHERALL 31 Jan 1790 in St Mary's, Norton, died aged 20 years. Unmarried

Thomas Wetherell 1797-1813, her brother, christened Thomas WEATHERALL 27 Aug 1797 in St Mary's, Norton; died aged 15 years. Unmarried

Robert Wetherell c.1767-1821, their father: Christened Robert WEATHERILL son of Robert, in St Mary's, Norton, 19 Jan 1767. One known sibling, Sarah WETHERELL, also christened here 14 April 1772

Occupation: labourer, on 1810 burial record of daughter Sarah (*Bishops'* transcripts, *Durham, Norton, image 86 of 242, in Family Search website*).

Hannah Weatherall nee Green c.1765- 1824, their mother

8 Dec 1788: Robert WEATHERALL and Hannah GREEN married in St Mary's, Norton: both 'of this parish' although no record of Hannah having been christened. They continued to live in Norton where they had **4 known children**, all christened in St Mary the Virgin. **Three are commemorated here**, their married daughter Mary Brewer is commemorated nearby: no grandchildren.

Elizabeth WEATHERELL 1797- 1827, their daughter, christened Elizabeth WEATHERALL 20 Dec 1795 in St Mary's, Norton. Unmarried: the only child to survive both parents. Probate documentation (dated 1826) for her mother Hannah states that the 'administrator' of her estate is her 'lawful daughter and only child', Elizabeth Weatherall, spinster, then living in Harrow-on-the-Hill, Middlesex (Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search website). Subsequently Elizabeth returned to Norton, where she also died aged 30yrs in 1827 ('usual address' recorded on the church burial records is London (St Mary's christening, marriage and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Date inferred from first mentioned individual Front elevation:

IN

MEMORY OF

SARAH WETHERELL WHO

DIED OCTOBER THE 26TH 1810

AGED 20 YEARS.

LONG AS I LIVED I BLEFT THY NAME

MY KING AND GOD OF LOVE

MY WORK AND JOY SHALL BE THE FAME
IN THE BRIGHT WORLD ABOVE.

ALFO THO^S HER BROTHER DIED MAY

THE 29TH 1813, AGED 15YRS.

ALFO ROBERT WETHERELL FATHER

OF THE ABOVE DIED JUNE THE 17TH

1821 AGED 55 YEARS.

ALFO HANNAH WIFE OF THE ABOVE

ROBERT WETHERELL DIED JUNE 11TH 1824

AGED (59?) YEARS

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
ELIZABETH WEATHERELL
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE.

Reverse:

MARCH 22ND 1827 AGED 30 YEARS.

TO ALL MY FRIENDS, I BID ADIEU

AND FRIENDS I HAD SINCERE AND TRUE

WERE TO MY FAILINGS EVER BLIND

BUT TO MY VIRTUES EVER KIND

I HOPE THE LORD WHOM I ADORE

HAS MERCY FOR ME STILL IN STORE.

Burial records, St Mary the Virgin: Hannah Wetheral, 59 yrs, Norton, buried 21 June 1824 (transcription, Cleveland Family History n/d) Archaic lettering: 'f' for 's' on front elevation

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
74 (A115)	1771	Headstone	East	H 1050mms	Yellow	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Not	None	Décor-	None	None	None
Longhorn		(see	80 ⁰	W 830mms	sandstone	in situ			classif-		ative			
		below), no		D 80mms					ied		tooling			
		base									sides			
											and			
											back			

Headstone: sinuous top, cusped top centre with central flat section between cusps

George Longhorn c.1689- 1771. Christened St Mary the Virgin. The entry is in Latin: Gorgius [George] LONGTHORNE, son of Heneryci [Henry], christened 10 Nov 1689

An older brother, Peter, was also christening in St Mary's: **Petrus [Peter] LONGTHORNE]**, son of Henerycus [Henry], christened **30 Sept 1686** (*Transcription of St Mary's christening records: Cleveland Family History Society*)

NOTE: George was buried 29th January 1771, as JOHN Longhorn (age not given), from Foxton in the parish of Sedgefield (Bishop's Transcripts, Durham, Norton, image 6 of 342, in Family Search website).

In 1727, his father Henry Longhorn, described as 'yeoman' of Norton, died, leaving a Will (dated 26 Dec 1727, probate granted 10 Nov 1727). The beneficiaries are his three sons: John (small bequest, as he had earlier provided for him); George, and Peter. Henry leaves equal shares in his lands in Norton and Hartburn to Peter and George, with the intention that they live together: presumably neither was then married. All three sons sign the necessary probate documentation (*Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search website*).

George Longhorn's brother John Longhorn (merchant, of Stockton) married a widow with children, Alice RAYNE, on 27 Nov 1726 in St Thomas, Stockton (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). John made a Will dated 13 Nov 1752, and a codicil added on 30 Dec 1757. His beneficiaries were his brother George Longhorn; his own widow Alice; and members of her family including 'daughter-in-law' Ann Hunter (identified on other records as his stepdaughter). There is no mention of any biological children or descendants, or of his brother Peter. Due to a subsequent series of deaths, probate was eventually granted decades later, in 1801.

In **1761**, George's sister-in-law, Alice, described as widow of his brother John, leaves a Will dated 1758, probate granted 1761: her beneficiaries are her own relations (*Durham wills pre-1858*, in *Family Search website*).

1771: George dies.

John Longhorn c.1733- 1768, his son: possible records:

There are local records for one John Longhorn; possibly son of George Longhorn, although confirmation on this is needed:

6 Aug 1735: christening record for one JOHN LONGHORN in Stockton, son of George Longhorn and Isabel, in High Street, Stockton (England births and christenings 1538- 1975, Family Search website)

7 Dec 1767: John Longhorn of Norton signed his official marriage licence application **to marry Jane Cutter**, of county Durham. On the document, John's age is given as 34 years, giving an approximate birth date of c.1733, corresponding to the birthdate estimated from the stated age of the John Longhorn commemorated here. The marriage took place the following day, 8 Dec 1767, in Trimdon (*England, Durham, marriage bonds and allegations 1692-1900; England marriages 1538-1975; both in Family Search website*).

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

IN MEMORY OF
GEORGE LONGHORN
WHO DIED JANUARY
HE 26TH 1771, AGED
81 YEARS:
ALFO JOHN HIS SON
DIED MAY 22^D 1768
AGED 35 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
75 (A116)	1819	Headstone	East	H 1040mms	Yellow	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Not	Horizontal	Smooth	None	None	None
Robinson,		(see below)	80 ⁰	W 890mms	sandstone	in situ			classif-	line in	back			
Vickers		no base		D 120mms					ied;	relief	and			
									Roman		sides			

Headstone: sinuous top with semi-circular central feature (this central feature immediately flanked by flat protrusions)

Isaac Robinson c.1747- 1800: birthplace unknown

Occupation: his burial records describe him as 'labourer' (Bishops Transcripts, Norton, in Family Search website); and his 1799 Will as 'innkeeper'.

His Will includes a sizeable property (his usual dwelling house) with stables and gardens, much more in keeping with occupation of 'innkeeper'. This was left to his widow for her lifetime (so long as she did not re-marry); thereafter, to be sold to provide financial support for his unnamed children (all in their minority) with an option for his eldest son William to purchase this. This financial support for his children provides for their maintenance and education according to 'their station in life', and sums of money (£50 each) to establish them in trades or in business. (*Durham pre-1858 Wills, online*).

Elizabeth Wilson, formerly Robinson, nee Gibb c.1753- 1819, his wife: birthplace unknown

27 May 1781: Isaac Robinson and Elizabeth Gibb married in St Thomas', Stockton: both 'of this parish' (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). They had three known children: William, Ann, and Henry.

26 May 1808: Elizabeth re-married (some years after Isaac's death) in St Mary the Virgin, Norton, on 26 May 1808, two of her children (William and Ann) were witnesses (*St Mary's marriage records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*).

Her **second husband was Robert Wilson c.1768- 1819, innkeeper, Norton**: he was much younger than her and (as far as is known) this was his first marriage. Robert Wilson died in 1819. His Will identifies him as 'innkeeper'; and a newspaper notice of an upcoming auction to be held in the 'the house of Robert Wilson, the Swan Inn, in the County of Durham' identifies this as his inn (Durham County Advertiser, 16 Jan 1819, p.3, col.4). Robert Wilson's Will also refers to a pre-marriage financial settlement, and the original option for Elizabeth's eldest son William to purchase her home after her death is repeated in Robert Wilson's Will (Durham pre-1858 Wills, online). Although Robert Wilson's Will (1819) provided for Elizabeth, in the event she pre-deceased him by a couple of months (he died 4 May 1819, and is buried a few graves away in this churchyard). There is no mention of the marriage of Elizabeth and her second husband Robert Wilson on either of their monuments.

Jane Vickers c.1748- 1828 (probable) mother-in-law of William Robinson (son of Isaac and Elizabeth): from Sunderland

Elizabeth and Isaac had at least three children: William, Ann and Henry. **Son William Robinson married Margaret Vickers** in Sunderland on 5 May 1806 (shortly before his mother's remarriage) (*England select marriages 1538- 1975, Ancestry website*). The couple settled in Norton: there are christening records in St Mary the Virgin for ten children of their marriage born between 1807 and 1827 (several of whom unfortunately died in childhood and are also buried in this churchyard). William's occupation is 'butcher' on the christening records of his children (*transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*) and 'innkeeper' on his Will (*1832: Durham pre-1858 Wills*). A newspaper auction of the property of William Robinson, deceased, identifies his Inn as the White Swan, Norton, Durham (that formerly owned by his stepfather Robert Wilson, then named the Swan Inn) (*Durham Chronicle 27 Feb 1835, p.1, col.4, in British Newspaper Archives*). William himself died in 1833 and is also buried in this churchyard.

Most likely, this Jane Vickers is the mother of William's wife Margaret. Multi-generational households were commonplace in the 1800s: she may have lived with William and Margaret from their marriage until her own death. The church burial records do not contain her forename: she is buried as 'Mrs Vickers' and it is possible that (not being a native of Norton) she had been known only as 'Mrs Vickers' to the church authorities during her time in Norton.

Date inferred from latest date of a group first inscribed together.

IN

MEMORY OF

ISAAC ROBINSON, WHO DIED

SEPT^R THE 6TH 1800 AGED 53 YEARS.

ALSO ELIZ^H HIS WIFE DIED MARCH

THE 11TH 1819 AGED 66 YEARS.

ALSO

JANE VICKERS,

DIED FEB 9TH 1828.

AGED 80 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
76 (A117)	1887	3-step base	Base:	Base:	Sandstone	Cross not	Mostly	Incised	Roman	None	Smooth	None	None	none
Connell		of cross	East	H 300mms		present;	legible							
			80 ⁰	W 570mms		Base sound								
						and in situ								

Headstone: remains of rectangular structure on top of top step, compatible with base of broken cross

IDENTIFICATION THROUGH DEATH CERTIFICATE

Elizabeth Connell nee Butler c.1850- 1887: birthplace unknown.

She was not a native of Norton and has been identified through her death certificate.

The stated ages on her monumental inscription, marriage record, and death certificate, all suggest a birthdate of c.1849- 1850. There are multiple birth records for 'Elizabeth Butler' born around these years (FreeBMD)

Birth family: her father is named as Joseph Butler, farmer, on her marriage record (below). but no definitive identifiable census record has currently been found for either Elizabeth or her father Joseph between 1851- 1881 inclusive.

17 Aug 1882: Elizabeth BUTLER married William CONNELL c.1850- 1913 in All Saints (Church of England), North Street, York (Ainsty and City of York), Yorkshire on 17 August 1882. Elizabeth Butler is described as 31 years, address Rougier Street [York], occupation not given, estimated birth year 1851, father Joseph Butler, farmer. William Connell is also 31 years, also of Rougier Street, occupation butler, father Thomas Connell, carrier (York, Yorkshire church of England marriages 1754-1936, in Ancestry website)

This marriage was only five years before her death: there are no known children.

1887: The death certificate of Elizabeth Connell states that she died on 24 July 1887, aged 38yrs, of 'heart disease, angina pectoris, 3 hours'. It described her as the wife of William Connell, hotel keeper: his address is given as Alexander Hotel, Redcar.

It is unusual for a 38-year-old woman to die of what is essentially a heart attack. The medical reason/s leading up to this are unknown.

William Connell c.1850- 1913, Elizabeth's husband: born in Overton, Yorkshire (census data).

1888: After Elizabeth's death, he remarried Agnes Hardie (born Newcastle upon Tyne c.1863) in Guisborough (*FreeBMD*): and subsequently had four children, all alive in 1911 (*census data*).

In the **1891** census, he is a described as a publican. He is still living at Alexandra Hotel, Portland Terrace, Redcar, (north) Yorkshire (his address at the time of the death of Elizabeth Connell nee Butler); and is now living with his second wife Agnes and 1-year-old daughter Agnes. Subsequently the family leave the area: son Thomas was born in Stratford c. 1895 and his two youngest children were born in Horton, Bucks in c.1898 and c.1900. In the 1911 census, the family is living in Willesden, Middlesex, where William is a domestic gardener, and where he died in 1913 *(census data)*

Both Elizabeth and her husband William have surnames associated with Ireland and suggesting Irish ancestry, although William was born in England, to parents also born in England (census data).

Date inferred from first mentioned individual

Top step:

ELIZABETH CONNELL

Second step:

DIED JULY 24TH 1887 AGED 37 Y...

Death certificate:

Elizabeth CONNELL, 38 years, wife of William Connell, hotel keeper (Alexander Hotel, Redcar), heart disease, angina pectoris, 3 hours (GOV.UK website)

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77 (A118)	1869	Headstone	East	H 1220mms	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Roman,	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Hardy		(see below)	80 ⁰	W 710mms		in situ			Roman		back			
		No base		D 110mms					italic		and			
											sides			

Headstone: Flat top, semi-circular central feature, concave shoulders. Somewhat unusually, Robert Hardy (1795-1870) is interred and commemorated here with both his wives.

Frances Hardy c.1810-1833, maiden surname unknown, first wife of Robert Hardy: The monumental inscription states she was from Sydenham, Kent. Date and place of marriage unknown. Burial record gives her then-address as 'Norton'.

Hannah Hardy c.1809- 1847, maiden name unknown, second wife of Robert Hardy. Birthplace, date and place of marriage: unknown. Burial record gives her address as 'Stockton'

John Jones Hardy c.1842- 1869, son of Robert Hardy and his second wife, Hannah: birthplace Norton, Durham (census data). Christened in St Mary the Virgin, Norton, on 23 Oct 1842 (son of Robert, joiner, and Hannah) Occupation: apprentice engine-smith (1861 Census). Believed unmarried. Burial record gives his then-address as Darlington (same address as his father). (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Robert Hardy 1795- 1870: birthplace Acomb, York, Yorkshire (census data). Occupation: joiner/builder (census data).

His birth/christening record in the Parish of Acomb states he was born 12 Oct 1795 and christened 25 Nov 1795. His father was William Hardy, labourer, son of Thomas Hardy of Hutton and his wife Sarah. He was born two weeks after the death of an older sibling, also called Robert (27 Dec 1792 -29 Sept 1795). (Yorkshire, England, Church of England parish records 1538-1873: register of Acomb, p.105: image 53 of 113: Ancestry website). Burial record: Robert Hardy, 76 years, Darlington, buried 6 December 1870 (transcription, Cleveland Family History Society, n/d

Family: Robert and his first wife, Frances, had one child, daughter Eliza (on census records, Eliza F), born 10 May 1831, christened 15 August 1831 in Richmond (St Mary Magdalene), Surrey. The family's then address was Kew Road, parish of Richmond. Her parents are given as Robert, carpenter, and Frances. (Surrey, England, Church of England baptisms, 1813-1917, image 24 of 168: Ancestry website). Shortly afterwards, the family moved north to Norton, Durham, where Frances died aged 23 years ('of Norton') and was buried in 1833.

Sometime between 1833 and 1842, Robert remarried to Hannah and had two further known children. Their daughter Helen/Ellen (spellings vary across census records) was christened in St Maurice, York, Yorkshire on 13 Sept 1840 (England select births and christenings 1838-1975: Ancestry website). On the 1841 census, Robert, Hannah, Eliza and Ellen, are living in Eldon St, St Maurice, York, Yorkshire (1841 census). Later, they return to Norton where son John James was christened in 1842; and subsequently move around a bit (census data). Hannah died aged 38yrs ('of Stockton') and was buried in St Mary the Virgin, Norton, in 1847. In the 1851 census (after Hannah's death), John and his sister Helen are visitors in the home of their now married half-sister Eliza and her husband, Richard Peacock (born c.1829 Ingleby Greenhow), a grocer in Stokesley. In the 1861 census, the family are now living in Thornaby, Yorkshire: this now consists of widowed Robert, 'retired builder'; son John Jones Hardy, apprentice engine-smith; now-married Helen and her husband, Worcester-born Alfred Wilkinson, 'general accountant'. Meanwhile, in 1861, half-sister Eliza and her family are now in Pudsey (census data). The family later move again: the address of Robert (d.1870) and his son John (d.1869) is given as 'Darlington' on their burial records.

Date inferred from latest date of a group first inscribed together

IN MEMORY OF FRANCES HARDY WIFE OF ROBERT HARDY LATE OF SYDENHAM IN KENT WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE DECR 14TH 1833 AGED 23 YEARS. ALSO HANNAH HARDY. WIFE OF THE ABOVE WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE SEPTR 25TH 1847 AGED 38 YEARS. ALSO OF JOHN JONES HARDY SON OF ROBERT AND HANNAH HARDY WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE MARCH 14TH 1869 AGED 26 YEARS ALSO THE ABOVE ROBERT HARDY WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE DEC (3RD?) 1870 AGED ... YEARS

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78 (A119)	1882	Headstone	East	H'stone:	H'stone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman	Decorative	Smooth	none	None	None
Brooks		with base	800	H 1380mms	Sandstone	in situ	legible			border	back			
		see below		W 760mms							and			
				D 130mms	Base					Central:	sides			
				Base:	sandstone					Leaves,				
				H 370mms						fruit				
				W 960mms										

Headstone: Gothic pointed top, Indented sides, Stepped shoulders

Mary Ann Brooks c.1863- 1882: birthplace Elwick, Durham (census data). 'Waitress' in her mother's Inn, Wheat Sheaf Inn, Stockton on Tees (census data). Unmarried. Her newspaper death notice: BROOKS – on the 24th inst., [December 1882] at the Wheat Sheaf Inn, Stockton, aged 19 years, Mary Ann, the only daughter of J. and E. Brooks (York Herald 30 Dec 1882, p 14, col 6, in British Newspaper Archives)

William Brooks c.1853- 1864, her brother: birthplace Elwick, Durham (census data). St Mary's burial record: William Brooks, 13 yrs, Stockton, buried 18 Oct 1864 (transcription, Cleveland Family History Society).

Elizabeth Brooks nee Wilkinson c.1823- 1888, their mother: birthplace Norton, Durham (census data). Christened 30 March 1823, in St Mary the Virgin (christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). One of 11 children of William (born in Heighington, Durham) and Mary (nee Mellanby) Wilkinson, who married in Thornaby, (north) Yorkshire, in 1811. Her older siblings were born in Maltby, (north) Yorkshire. Between 1818-1820, the family moved permanently to Norton, Durham, where the younger children including Elizabeth were christened. Her father, a successful joiner/cartwright, is described as 'yeoman' on his 1854 Will, in which all his surviving children incl. Elizabeth receive substantial legacies (Durham wills pre-1858, Family Search). 1888: St Mary's burial record: Elizabeth Brooks, 65 years of Stockton, buried 25 Sept 1888 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

In 1847, Elizabeth Wilkinson married John Brooks c.1822- 1870 in Stockton on Tees (*FreeBMD*. He had been born in Bonsall, Derbyshire; and in the 1841 Census, he and Elizabeth were unmarried servants in Elwick Hall, Durham (*census data*). They set up home in Elwick, where John is 'house servant' (1851) and later 'butler (1861) (*census data*). Later, they moved to Stockton (probably between the 1863 birth of daughter Mary Ann and 1864 death of son William), where John Brooks died in 1870 aged 48yrs (*FreeBMD*). In the 1871 census, Elizabeth is proprietor of the Wheat Sheaf Inn, High Street, Stockton. Most likely the licence to run it was originally in her husband's name and transferred to Elizabeth after he died. Elizabeth never remarries; and continued to run the Wheat Sheaf Inn until her death (*census data*).

Family: six known children all born in Elwick: five sons born between 1849-1860, and daughter Mary Ann in c.1863 (census data). **No grandchildren.** Five of their children, all unmarried, died between 1876 and 1882, predeceasing their mother Elizabeth (*FreeBMD: St Mary's burial records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*).

Mellanby Brooks c.1860- 1915, their son and youngest child (and only child to survive both parents): birthplace Elwick (census data). Like his siblings, he did not marry. Elizabeth left a Will making life-long provision for her sole surviving child, son Mellanby (British newspaper archives: Newcastle Daily Chronicle, 19 April 1889, p.5, col.5: 'local wills'). He seems never to have worked for a living: in contrast, his brothers had trades and his sister Mary Ann was a waitress in her mother's inn (Census data). Instead, in the 1881 census (before his mother's death) Mellanby is described as 20-years-old 'annuitant' (and a 'lodger' in Gilling (north) Yorkshire). In later censuses he is a 'lodger' of 'independent means' in Co Durham (1891, 1901, 1911 censuses).

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date, taken from burial records and newspaper notices/articles.

Main body of monument:

MAR...

THE (ON?)LY DAUGH...
JOHN & ELIZABETH (B?)...(K?)..

WHO DI... DEC 24TH ...

AGED 19 YEARS

ALSO WILLIA...

SON OF THE ABO..

WHO DIED OCT 15TH ...

AGED 14 YEA...

ALSO THE (AB?)...

ELIZABETH BROOK(S?)

WHO DIED (SEP?) 23 ...8

AGED 65 ...

Bottom of monument, above base:

ALSO MELLANBY SON OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED MAY 6TH 1915

An earlier transcription gives the surname BROOKS for the family commemorated here (Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992

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79 (A120)	1857	Headstone	East	H 1370mms	H'stone	Sound and	Traces	Incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth	None	None	none
Corner		with base,	800	W 850mms	Sandstone	in situ	(partially		Roman,	outline	back			
		Gothic		D 120mms			legible)		Roman		and			
		pointed		Base	Base				italic		sides			
		top		partially	sandstone									
				sunken										

Mary Corner nee Bayles c.1830- 1857: birthplace c.1830 in Ravensworth, North Yorkshire (census data).

Occupation: in the 1851 census she is a 21-year-old unmarried housemaid, employed in the same household as her future husband William Corner (census data).

William Corner c.1826- 1897, her husband: birthplace is given variously as Houghton-le-side, Heighington, and Dalton (all Durham): these locations are within a few miles of one another; hence he may have been born in a semi-rural location in their vicinity (census data).

Occupation: servant/ coachman, later gardener (census data). In the 1851 census he is a servant/coachman in a private home in Melsonby, Richmondshire, North Yorkshire. The 'master' of the house is James Barmby, a clergyman, whose wife is described as 'Rector's wife' (hence, most probably this is a Rectory) (census data)

1853: Mary Bayles and William Corner marry in the registration district of Richmond, Yorkshire, in 1853 (*FreeBMD website*): we have no definite record of any children. Sometime after this, they move to Norton, where William works as 'coachman':

1857: Mary dies in 1857, after only a few years of marriage, and is buried in St Mary the Virgin, Norton: her newspaper death notice reads 'At Stockton, on the 17th inst [August], aged 27, Mary, wife of Mr William Corner, coachman, of Norton' (British Newspaper Archives, 28 Aug 1857, p.8, col.1).

She was buried in St Mary's churchyard on 20 August 1857 (aged 20 years of Norton) (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

On 26 March 1861, William re-married to Mary Ann Elliot/Elliott (c.1829-1879) in Newcastle upon Tyne (England select marriages 1538-1973: Ancestry website): subsequent census data gives her birthplace as West Moor and as Hexham, both Northumberland, and birthdate as c.1829 (census data).

By the **1861** census, William has returned to Melsonby. William is now listed as a married servant back in Melsonby Rectory (this time, a different Rector lives here), and his wife Mary Ann is listed as 'wife' in 'Corner's house' a couple of doors away (1861 census).

Family: William and his second wife Mary Ann subsequently have at least two children: daughters Elizabeth M, born c.1863 in Melsonby; and Margaret Jane, born c.1869 in Stanhope (census data). In the 1871 census, the family (William, second wife Mary Ann, and their two daughters Elizabeth and Margaret) are living in Crawleside (Stanhope) Durham, where William is now working as a gardener. Such a change of role was not then unusual: the expansion of railways resulted in fewer job opportunities for grooms/coachmen, who often obtained other 'outdoor servant' roles. His wife Mary Ann died in Newcastle-upon-Tyne in 1879 (FreeBMD). In the 1891 census, William is still a gardener, now in Whickham, Durham: and a widower living with his 22-year-old daughter Margaret as housekeeper (daughter Elizabeth was a servant in a vicarage in East Cowton, north Yorkshire, in the 1891 census) (census data).

1897: St Mary the Virgin burial records: William Corner, 73yrs, of Whickham, buried 15 July 1897 (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). We do not know the date or place of his second wife Mary Ann's death.

It does seem that he had lived only a short time in Norton, and there are no known family ties to Norton.

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date, Taken from burial records

ERECTED
IN MEMORY OF
MARY THE WIFE OF
WILLIAM CORNER
OF NORTON ...(D?)IED A... 185...
AGED 2(8?) YEARS

...

ALSO
WILLIAM CORNER
OF WHI.K(AM?)
HUSBAND OF ... BOVE
WHO DIED JULY ... 18(9?)7
AGED 73YRS

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illegible central section of inscription is in italics: appears to be a 3- or 4- line verse

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80 (A121)	1870	Headstone,	East	H 1520mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman,	Marginal:	Smooth	None	None	none
Watson		No base,	80°	W 890mms		in situ	legible		Roman	Border	back			
		Round top		D 105mms					italic	outline,	and			
										columns	sides			
										with				
										capitals.				
										Central:				
										None				

Monument severely eroded at rear.

Robert Watson c.1807- 1870: christened on 19 Aug 1807 in Great Ayton, (North) Yorkshire (Yorkshire, Church of England Parish Records, 1838-1873, image 58: Ancestry website). His parents Thomas Watson and Jane Smith married in Ingleby Greenhow, (north) Yorkshire on 12 April 1804 (England, select marriages, 1538-1973: Ancestry website). On his parents' marriage and on Robert's christening records, his father Thomas is a 'butcher'. On Robert's 1838 marriage to his first wife Elizabeth Wilson in St Mary the Virgin, Norton, his father Thomas is now a 'farmer' (St Mary's marriage records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Occupation of Robert Watson: On his first marriage (to Elizabeth Wilson c.1819- 1850), and on the christening records of their first five children, Robert Watson is a 'butcher'; on christening records of his later children (1848 onwards) he is a 'farmer' (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). 1851 Census, Robert is a farmer of 250 acres at Glebe House, Norton: on the 1861 Census he is farming 152 acres at William Row, Norton (census data).

13 Dec 1838, Robert married his first wife Elizabeth Wilson c.1818- 1850 in St Mary the Virgin: her stated age was 18 years old, his was 28yrs old; both 'of this parish' (St Mary's marriage records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Family: Robert and Elizabeth had 8 children born between 1840 and 1850: all christened in St Mary the Virgin. In 1850, Elizabeth died (childbirth-related) and was buried nearby in this churchyard on 24 Dec 1850, aged 31 years. Their daughter Ellen died aged 13 days and was also buried in this churchyard on 28 Dec 1850 (St Mary's christening and burial records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Elizabeth Watson c.1848- 1868, his daughter by Elizabeth: birthplace Norton (census data). Christened St Mary's 10 Feb 1848, died aged 20 years (St Mary's christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Mary Watson c.1819- 1869, maiden name unknown, his second wife: born Norton, Durham (census data)

Sometime between the 1851 and 1861 Censuses, Robert remarried to Mary: maiden name and marriage date unknown. There were no children to this second marriage. Mary was buried here 10 Sept 1869, aged 52 years (of Norton): in the burial records her name is written as Mary WALTON (St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Margaret Watson c.1849- 1872, his daughter by Elizabeth: birthplace Norton (census data). Christened in St Mary's 25 Jan 1850, died aged 23 years (St Mary's christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). In the last census before her death, she is living with a sister and brother (both unmarried): this brother Thomas is now a farmer of 37 acres in Norton (census data).

Reason for monument date: Latest date of a group first inscribed together

IN

MEMORY OF

ROBERT WATSON,

OF NORTON,

WHO DIED JANUARY 2ND 1870

AGED 61 YEARS

ALSO OF

ELIZABETH WATSON,

DAUGHTER OF ROBERT AND

ELIZABETH WATSON

WHO DIED JUNE 27TH 1868

AGED 20 YEARS
AND OF
MARY WATSON
HIS SECOND WIFE,
WHO DIED SEPTEMBER 7TH 186(9?)
AGED 52 YEARS

ALSO OF
MARGARET WATSON,
DAUGHTER OF ROBERT AND
ELIZABETH WATSON.

WHO DIED DEC EMBER 17TH 1872, AGED 23 YEARS.

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81 (A122)	1831	Headstone,	East	H 1410mms	Yellow	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman,	None	Smooth	None	None	none
Wilson,		no base.	800	W 790mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		Roman		back			
Brown		See below		D 100mms					italic		and			
											sides			

Headstone (5187) flat top, central semi-circular feature, Cut away either side of centre, Concave shoulders. Row of extended family monuments.

Robert Wilson c.1766- 1819: Christened St Mary's Norton 18 Nov 1766: father, Mr John Wilson (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society).

Occupation: His Will describes him as 'innkeeper': newspaper notice (of an auction) identifies this as Swan Inn, Norton (*Durham County Advertiser*, 16 Jan 1819, p.3, col.4, in British Newspaper Archives). On 26 May 1808: aged 42, Robert Wilson married 55-year-old Elizabeth Robinson nee Gibb (widow of a Norton innkeeper, with 3 adult children) in St Mary's Norton (*marriage records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*). No children to this marriage. Robert left a Will: beneficiaries include wife Elizabeth and other family members, but no direct descendants of his own (*Durham wills pre-1858: Family Search website*). In the event, wife Elizabeth pre-deceased him by a month and is buried with her first husband Isaac, a few graves away. Neither memorial mentions her marriage to Robert.

Thomas Brown, 1801- 1819, nephew of Robert Wilson, and teenage son of Henry Brown and Margaret Brown nee Wilson. Buried here as WILLIAM BROWN, 18 years (of Norton) on 19 July 1819 (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Mary Wilson nee Brown c.1795- 1882, niece of Robert Wilson, and daughter of Henry Brown and Margaret Brown nee Wilson: birthplace unknown. On 27 June 1818, Mary Brown (of Sunderland) married John Wilson (of Norton, Durham) in Sunderland, Durham (England, Select marriages 1538-1973: Ancestry website). They settled in Norton, Durham, where their only known child (daughter Elizabeth) was christened in St Mary's Norton on 6 Jan 1820. Mary died two years later: buried, aged 27 years (of Stockton), on 23 June 1822 (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Henry Brown, 1752- 1828, brother-in-law of Robert Wilson; husband of Mary Brown nee Wilson. Born and baptised in Mansfield parish, Nottinghamshire, on 26 July 1758 to Thomas Brown and Dorothy (England select births and baptisms, 1538-1975: film number 468119, Ancestry website). Buried here, aged 70 years (of Norton) on 29 Feb 1828 (St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Date and place of marriage of Margaret Wilson and Henry Brown is unknown. Occupation of Henry Brown: Described in his Will as 'gentleman of Norton', with properties in Bishop Auckland. Beneficiaries include close relatives in Mansfield, wife Elizabeth; and granddaughter Elizabeth Wilson [c.1819-1850, the only living descendant named in his will] (Durham wills pre-1858, Family Search).

Margaret Brown nee Wilson c.1758- 1831, older sister of Robert Wilson: Christened in Bowes, Yorkshire 28 March 1758; father, Mr John Wilson (Yorkshire, Church of England parish records 1538-1873, in Ancestry website). Beneficiary in Will of her brother Robert (Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search website). Buried here, aged 69 years (of Norton) on 23 Feb 1831 (St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). She survived her husband and left a Will: beneficiary her now-widowed son-in-law, John Wilson (below), father of her only surviving grandchild, Elizabeth (Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search website).

John Wilson c.1791-1834, nephew-in-law of Robert Wilson; husband of Mary Wilson nee Brown: birthplace unknown. Occupation: butcher in Norton (on daughter's christening records and 1827/28 and 1833/34 trade directories). Beneficiary in the will of his mother-in-law Margaret Brown nee Wilson (Durham wills pre-1858: Durham University and Family Search website). Died when his daughter Elizabeth (adjacent monument) was a minor, leaving her orphaned; he was buried in this churchyard, aged 43 years (of Norton) on 12 Oct 1834 (St Mary's christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Reason for monument date: Latest date of a group first inscribed together (two sets of names, carved at different times)

IN

MEMORY OF ROBERT WILSON WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE THE 4TH OF MAY 1819 AGED 50 YEARS. ALSO THOMAS BROWN, SON OF HENRY AND MARGARET B...WN. AND NEPHEW. OF THE ABOVE WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE THE 16^{TH} OF JULY ...81(9?) AGED 18 YEARS. ALSO MARY WIFE ... JOHN WILSON, AND DAUGHTER OF H ... MARGARET BROWN WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE THE 13TH OF ... D 26 YEARS. ALSO HENRY (B?) ... DEPARTED THIS LIFE THE 14TH OF FEBRUA... 28 AGED 70 YEARS. ALSO MARGARET WIFE OF THE ABOVE HEN... BROWN (WHO?) DEPARTED THIS LIFE THE 21ST JANUARY 18(3?)1 AGED 69 YEARS AL... OF ... JO... HO DIED

An earlier transcript of now-illegible last name: 'John Wilson, died Oct 10 183?'. (Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992).

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82 (A123)	1842	Headstone,	East	H n/a	Yellow	Sound but	Traces	Incised	Gothic	None	Smooth	None	None	none
Wilson,		No base,	80 ⁰	W 800mms	sandstone	displaced	(partially		Roman,		back			
Watson		See below		D 140mms		(partially	legible)		Roman		and			
						fallen)			italic		sides			

Headstone (5107) flat top, central semi-circular feature, Concave shoulders

Monument mostly collapsed face-down: remnant remaining. Identified from position and from remaining visible inscription.

Elizabeth Wilson c.1769-1842: birthplace unknown: unmarried sister of Robert Wilson and of Margaret Brown nee Wilson in the adjacent grave. Like her sister Margaret Brown nee Wilson, Elizabeth was a beneficiary (and named as sister) in the Will of her brother Robert Wilson c.1766-1819 (Durham wills pre-1858, Family Search website). Maternal great-aunt of Elizabeth Watson nee Wilson c.1819-1850 (commemorated here), who was orphaned in her childhood. From the prominence of her name on this monument, probably heavily involved in Elizabeth Watson's upbringing. In the 1841 census, Elizabeth c.1769-1842 (of independent means) is living with this great-niece and her family in Norton (census data). Buried here aged 76 years (of Norton) on 16 June 1842 (St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Robert Watson 1844-1846, great-great-nephew of Elizabeth Wilson, son of Elizabeth Watson nee Wilson: birthplace Norton, Durham: christened in St Mary's Norton, 3 May 1844 (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Died in childhood.

Elizabeth Watson nee Wilson c.1819- 1850, great-niece of Elizabeth Wilson: birthplace Norton, Durham. Christened in St Mary's Norton on 6 Jan 1820: parents John Wilson and Mary Brown (Elizabeth Wilson's niece) (adjacent grave) (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). Her mother died in 1822, her father in 1834 (when Elizabeth was in her early teens): they are interred in the adjacent grave. On 13 Dec 1838, Elizabeth Wilson married Robert Watson (1807- 1870, born in Great Ayton) in St Mary's Norton. The marriage record states she was 18 years old: he, 28 years old: both 'of this parish' (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). On their marriage, and on the christening records of their first five children, her husband Robert Watson is a 'butcher'; on subsequent christening records (1848 onwards) he is a 'farmer'. Family: Together, they had eight children born between 1840 and 1850: all christened in St Mary the Virgin (St Mary's marriage and christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). In 1850: Elizabeth died and was buried here 24 Dec 1850, aged 31 years (of Norton). Her death was childbirth-related, and only a few days later (on 28 Dec 1850) their youngest child Ellen (aged 13 days) was also buried in this churchyard (St Mary's burial records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Her husband Robert Watson 1809- 1870 later remarried (no children by his second wife): he is interred nearby with his second wife, and two other of Elizabeth's and Robert's children.

'Lillie' [Ellen] Watson 1850- 1850, great-great-niece of Elizabeth Wilson, daughter of Elizabeth Watson nee Wilson: birthplace Norton, Durham. 'Lilley' is likely a nickname, as there is no burial record for a Lilley Watson who died in infancy. The only 'match' between St Mary's christening and burial records is for her un-christened baby ELLEN, buried here on 28 Dec 1850 (aged 13 days, and buried four days after her mother's burial) (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Mary Ann Watson 1841- 1853, great-great-niece of Elizabeth Wilson, daughter of Elizabeth Watson nee Wilson her daughter: christened in St Mary's 27 Jan 1842 (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Burial records St Mary the Virgin: Mary Anne Watson, 12 years of Norton, buried 9 July 1853

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date,

Taken from first-mentioned date in earlier transcription and from burial records

Headstone largely collapsed: remaining visible inscription:

(ALS?)
DA...
WHO DEPARTE(D?)
AGED 12 YEARS

Earlier transcription 1991/1992:

Erected in memory of **Elizabeth WILSON** who departed this life Jun 13 1842 aged 73 [sic].

Also **Robert son of Robert & Elizabeth WATSON** who departed this life Dec 25 1846 aged 2yrs & 9mths.

Also of the abovenamed **Elizabeth WATSON** who departed this life Dec 21 18(5)0 aged (5)1yrs [sic].

Also of **Lilley dau of the above** who d. in infancy.

Also of **Mary WATSON** dau of the above who departed this life Jul (6) 1857 aged 12 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society 1991/1992)

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83 (A121)	1759	Low	East	Тор:	Тор:	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Other	Border	Smooth	None	None	none
Brown,		monument	80°	L 2020mms	Yellow	in situ	legible		Not	outline	sides			
Rayne		flat top,		W 1060mms	sandstone				Classif-					
		On base		H 99mms	Base:				ied					
				Base:	Sandstone									
				L 2250mms	and brick,									
				W 1010mms	See below									
				H 350mms										

Base: bottom layer of brick, with sandstone blocks above this, supporting sandstone monument

Thomas Brown c.1732- 1741, son of Thomas and Margaret Brown: birthplace Norton. Christened in St Mary's, Norton, 11 April 1732.

John Brown c.1740- 1759, his brother (same parents): birthplace Norton. Christened in St Mary's, Norton, 7 Aug 1740. Died in his teens, believed unmarried. (St Mary's christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Margaret Brown nee TWEDDLE c.1705- 1776, their mother: birthplace unknown

Thomas Brown c.1699-1793, their father: birthplace unknown.

6 May 1731: Thomas BROWN and Margaret TWEDDEL married in St Mary the Virgin, Norton (*transcription: Cleveland Family History Society*). No other identifying details are given.

Margaret Rayne, 1768- 1769, granddaughter of Margaret and Thomas Brown, daughter of Michael and Margaret (nee Brown) Rayne: buried 25 March 1769 as Margaret RAINE (*Bishops transcripts, Durham, Norton, image 3 of 342, in Family Search website*). Her father's Will mentions various relations and in-laws, but no children or descendants: Margaret was most likely his only child (*Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search website*).

Morgan Rayne c.1760- 1805: (extended family in-law of Margaret and Thomas Brown) and nephew of Michael Rayne: Occupation: Mariner, and yeoman. Believed unmarried. His inscription states 'mariner'; St Mary's burial record describes him as 'yeoman', Norton; 45 years; died 21 Sept 1805, buried 24 Sept 1805 (Bishops transcripts, Norton, in Family Search website). The Will of Michael Rayne refers to properties) in Newcastle upon Tyne, inherited from his nephew Morgan Rayne (whose own will is currently redacted) (Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search website)

Margaret Rayne nee Brown c.1746- 1812, sister of Thomas and John Brown; daughter of Margaret nee Tweddle and Thomas Brown: birthplace Norton. Christened in St Mary's 10 Aug 1746 (St Mary's christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Michael Rayne c.1740- 1818, her husband: birthplace Staindrop, County Durham. Christened on 4 June 1740 in Staindrop, Durham as Michael RAINE; parents John RAINE and Hannah (England, Select births and christenings 1538-1975: Ancestry website).

5 Oct 1767: Margaret Brown married Michael RAYNE, farmer (c.1740-1818) in St Mary the Virgin (marriage records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). One known child, Margaret Rayne died 1769, commemorated here.

Occupation of Michael Rayne: yeoman farmer and landowner; churchwarden of St Mary's. On his 1767 marriage record he is 'farmer' and 'of this parish [Norton]'. In 1798, he is proprietor of several parcels of land in Norton, some as owner and one as a tenant (UK, Land Tax Redemption, 1798, entries for Norton, Durham: Ancestry website). In his Will (written 1816) he is 'yeoman' with lands in Norton (Durham wills pre-1858).

Michael Rayne also had a close personal connection with St Mary the Virgin: from 1791 to 1812, his name appears as a churchwarden on St Mary the Virgin records (*Bishops transcripts, Durham, Norton, in Family Search website*).

Reason for monument date: Latest date of a group first inscribed together

THOS SON OF THOS & MARGARET BROWN DIED THE 17TH OF NOVR 1741 AGED 9 YEARS. ALFO JOHN THEIR SON DIED THE 29TH OF JULY 1759 AGED 19 YR. ALFO MARGT BROWN DIED TH TH OF MARCH 1776 AGED 70 ... RS. AND THOS BROWN DIED JAN ... (T?)HE 13TH 1793 AGED 94 YEARS. ALFO MARGTRAYNE THEIR GRAND DAUGHTER DIED IN HER INFANC... ALFO MORGAN RAYNE MARINER ... THE 21 (ST?) OF SEPTR 1805 AGED 4(5?) ... MARGRET WIFE OF MICHAEL RAYNE ... DEPARTED THIS LIFE OCTR THE 13TH 1812 AGED 66 YEARS. HERE ALSO ARE DEPOFITED THE REMAINS OF THE SAID MICHAEL RAYNE, HE DEPARTED THIS LIFE NOV^R THE 14TH 1818

..ED 78 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
84 (A125)	1699	Headstone,	East	H 1040mms	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Other,	None	Decorat-	None	None	None
Pattison		sinuous	80 ⁰	W 610mms		in situ			not		ive			
		top,		D 130mms					classified		tooling			
		cusped top									back			
		centre									and			
											sides			

Tooling: corrugated decorative tooling along sides, top, and back, of monument

The date of Jane's death on the monument is 'double dating'. At this stage, New Year in Scotland was 1 January, and in England 25 March. To avoid potential confusion, 'double dating' was commonly used for the overlapping dates, giving the year in both systems.

Thomas Pattison c.1672- 1699: birthplace unknown

Jane/ Jan Pattison nee Rawling c.1673- 1731/2, his wife: birthplace unknown. There are a couple of possible christening records for a Jan Rawling/Rawlings in county Durham around her estimated year of birth, but identification has not been confirmed.

20 Nov 1697: Thomas Pattison, and JAN Rawling of Stockton, were married in St Mary the Virgin (*transcription: Cleveland Family History Society*).

25 Nov 1699: there is an Administration record for the estate of one Thomas Pattison of Norton, giving date of probate as 25 Nov 1699. Unfortunately, details are not available online (*Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search website*)

They had one known child:

Thomas PATISON, son of Thomas, christened 16 March 1699 in St Mary the Virgin (christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

HERE

LIETH THE BODY OF
THOS PATTISON, WHO
DEPARTED THIS LIFE
OCTR THE 4TH A.D. 1699
AGED 27 YEARS.
AND
JANE HIS WIFE WHO DIED
JANUARY THE 9TH 1731 -2
IN THE 60TH YEAR OF
HER AGE

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN- TATION	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION MONUMENT	COND	ITION IPTION	INSCRIBED STYLE	LETTER STYLE	DÉCOR- ATION	TOOL- ING	TEXT BOXES	EXTRA ELEMENTS	REPAIRS
85 (A126) Unknown	n/a	Presumed headstone	East 80 ⁰	H 490mms W 320mms D 77mms	sandstone	Collapsed, form unknown	Illegik destr	ole,	n/a	n/a	n/a	Smooth back and sides	None	None	None
											1	sides		1	
Severely ero	oded sand	Istone, no insc	ription visik	ole				No visik	le inscription						
Presumed to	o have be	en a headston	e; hence in	cluded for comp	leteness.			No insc	ription visible	in 1991/199	92 recordings	by Cleveland	d Family Hist	tory Society	

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
86 (A 127)	1746	Headstone,	East	H 720mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Traces	Incised	Other,	Marginal,	Smooth	None	None	None
Robinson		See below	80 ⁰	W 480mms		in situ	(partially		not	border	back			
				D 90mms			legible)		classified	outline.	and			
										Central:	sides			
										cherub				
										head and				
										wings				

Headstone (4609): sinuous top, stepped shoulders (also, central curved structure at apex)

Ann Robinson c.1670- 1746:

No details known beyond the information on the monument.

Not known if married or if single

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date. Taken from 1991/1992 transcription

Visible inscription:

Н...

ANN ROBINSON
WHO DEP(AR?)TED (T?)H(I?)S LIFE
MA(Y?) ... 17 ..

1991/1992 transcription:

Here lies the body of Ann ROBINSON who departed this life May 4? 1746 aged 76 (Cleveland Family History Society)

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
87 (A128)	1839	Ledger	East	L 1800mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Farrow,			800	W 880mms		in situ	legible				sides			
Thompson				H 60mms										

John Farrow 1806- 1839 of Stockton, first husband of Ann nee Dale: Christened 30 March 1807 in St Mary's Norton (born 8 Nov 1806): parents John Farrow of Norton (yeoman and gentleman) and Ann Maughan (of Sedgefield). A younger unmarried sister Mary 1808- 1833 was also christened in St Mary's Norton, and buried with their parents (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). John's mother Ann c.1765- 1836 died in Stockton aged 71yrs on 7 Dec 1836; her newspaper death notice describes her as 'widow of John Farrow of Norton' (Newcastle Courant, 17 Dec 1836, p.4, col.5, in British Newspaper Archives). John Farrow was buried here, aged 32 years (of Stockton) on 13 July 1839 (burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Reason for monument date:
Dates of those
commemorated, not relevant
to date of monument,
taken from burial records

Ann THOMPSON, formerly Farrow, nee Dale c.1811- 1844, wife of John Farrow of Stockton; buried in Middlesbrough.

Daughter of Maurice Dale and his wife Ann Dale nee Garbutt. Christened 12 Aug 1811 in West Acklam (Acklam in Cleveland), Yorkshire (Family Search website). Ann's father Maurice Dale c.1778- 1819 appears at least comfortably off. In 1815, there is a newspaper advertisement of the sale of a thoroughbred horse, a Cleveland Bay stallion, the property of Maurice Dale of Newport, near Stockton (Durham County Advertiser, 18 Nov 1815, p.1, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives). He and Ann's mother Ann Garbutt married on 14 April 1811 in Acklam, North Yorkshire. Maurice Dale died aged 41yrs: buried 23 Nov 1819 in West Acklam, Middlesbrough (Family Search website). Known siblings of Ann Farrow nee Dale: sister Elizabeth Dale b.1814, married 1835, in Acklam-in-Cleveland, to John Hutchinson Wood, a linen draper in Stockton (Newcastle Journal, 26 Dec 1835, p.3, col 7, in British Newspaper Archives; Ancestry website). They continued to live locally; and had a family. Another sister Frances Dale b.1819 married 8 Dec 1864 in Osmotherley to Hodgson Muncaster, son of Richard Muncaster, a tea dealer and later cattle salesman, and had a daughter (Family Search website, Ancestry).

28 June 1834: JOHN FARROW and ANN DALE married in Acklam, Middlesbrough: On Saturday last, Acklam, by the Rev. J. Benson, Mr John Farrow, of the firm of Farrow and Crosby, wholesale tea dealers, Stockton-upon-Tees, to Anne, eldest daughter of the late Mr Maurice Dale, of Newport, Cleveland (Durham Chronicle, 4 July 1834, p.3, col.4, in British Newspaper Archives). **No known children.**

Occupation of John Farrow: his newspaper marriage notice (above) describes him as tea dealer, firm of Farrow and Crosby, Stockton on Tees. This firm is not in the 1827 Trade Directory; and the partnership (John Farrow and John Crosby, wholesale tea dealers) was dissolved in 1835 (*Durham Chronicle, 10 July 1835, p.1, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives*). John Farrow then entered another partnership: Messrs John Farrow and Walker, grocers, Stockton; and was in this partnership at the time of his death in 1839 (*newspaper death notice in Durham Chronicle, 13 July 1839, p. 3, col 2, in British Newspaper Archives*). He was interested in local affairs: elected 1836 as **Stockton town councillor**, east ward, for a 3-year period (*Durham Chronicle, 15 Jan 1836, p.2, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives*).

14 May 1844: Ann Farrow nee Dale remarried in St Thomas', Stockton, to Henry Thompson (1814-1893), chemist and druggist in Middlesbrough (*Find My Past website; Family Search website; Durham County Advertiser 17 May 1844, p.3, col.4, in British Newspaper Archives*). Unfortunately, she died later that same year (1844) aged 33 years (*FreeBMD*): there are no known children of this marriage. Ann's second husband, Henry Thompson 1814-1893 was born in Sunderland to James Thompson and Patience Robinson. In the 1841 census, his birth family are living in Middlesbrough where James is a postmaster, and Henry a chemist and druggist (in the 1851 census, a member of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain) (*census data*). Henry never remarried. in the 1881 census, he is a Magistrate living in Coatham, Kirkleatham, North Yorkshire. His 1893 obituary describes him also as one of the oldest tradesmen of Middlesbrough, ex-Mayor of Middlesbrough 1855-1856, Freemason, a director of Jordison and Co, Printers, Middlesbrough; buried in Middlesbrough Old Cemetery (possibly with Ann) (*Northern Weekly Gazette, 26 Aug 1893, p.5 col.6, in British Newspaper Archives*). Probate documentation (1894) describes him as 'gentleman' (*Find a Will, GOV.UK*)

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF JOHN FARROW OF (S?)TOCKTON SON OF JOHN & ANN FARROW LATE OF NORTON WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JULY THE ... 18.. AGED 32 YEARS ALSO ANN THE WIFE OF THE **ABOVE NAMED** JOHN FARROW OF STOCKTON WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE (O?).. 2(5TH?) 18(44?) AGED (33?) YEARS **BURIED IN MIDDLESBROUGH** CHURCH YARD

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
88 (A129)	1841	Headstone,	East	H 1440mms	Yellow	Sound and	Traces	incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Wilkinson		No base	80 ⁰	W 670mms	sandstone	in situ	(Partially		Roman,	outline	back			
		see below		D 120mms			legible)		Roman		and			
									italic		sides			

Headstone (5107) flat top, central semi-circular feature

Margaret Wilkinson 1820- 1841, one of 11 known children of William and Mary (nee Mellanby) Wilkinson: birthplace Norton, Durham. Christened in St Mary's 19 March 1820. Buried here, aged 21 years (of Norton) on 2 May 1841 (St Mary's christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Unmarried.

Mary Ann Wilkinson 1814- 1845, her sister (same parents): birthplace Maltby, Yorkshire; christened Stainton-in-Cleveland 28 Aug 1814 (England, Select births and christenings 1538- 1975, Ancestry website). In the 1841 census, she was a 'straw bonnet maker' living with her parents. Buried here, aged 31 years (of Norton) on 4 Aug 1845 (St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Unmarried.

Mary Wilkinson nee Mellanby, c.1789- 1850, their mother: birthplace outside county Durham (census data).

Recorded on St Mary's burial records as MARY WILLIAMS, 61 years (of Norton), buried 22 April 1850 (St Mary's burial records: transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

William Wilkinson c.1786- 1854, their father: born Heighington, Durham (census data)

Buried here aged 68 years (of Norton) on 21 March 1854 (St Mary's burial records: transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

25 May 1811: William Wilkinson and Mary Mellanby married in Thornaby, Stainton in Cleveland, Yorkshire: the marriage record states William was then resident in Ormesby and Mary in Stainton, both North Riding of Yorkshire (*England, Yorkshire, Bishop's transcripts, 1547-1957: Family Search website*)

Family: 11 children. Their first five children including Mary Ann (b.1814) were born in Maltby, (North) Yorkshire and christened in Stainton-in-Cleveland (two of these dying in childhood). Sometime between 1818 -1820, the family moved to Norton, where their youngest six children including Margaret (b.1820) were born and christened in Norton (St Mary the Virgin christening records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). The family settled permanently in Norton: St Mary the Virgin christening and burial records include several of William and Mary's grandchildren.

Occupation of William Wilkinson:

'cartwright' (St Mary the Virgin christening records of his children); 'cartwright and joiner' (1841 Census); 'joiner employing 3 men and an apprentice' (1851 Census), and 'yeoman' on his 1854 Will (Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search).

The family became comfortably-to-well-off: William's Will (signed in his own handwriting) leaves substantial legacies to his children. This Will refers to property near Paradise Row, Stockton (now Church Road; then a highly desirable area). Three of his sons are executors (John, cartwright; William, joiner; and Robert, cartwright – all of Norton). All his surviving children are beneficiaries in the will: four sons John, William, Robert, Thomas; and three married daughters Catherine Leng/Laing (who in the event pre-deceased her father William), Elizabeth Brooks, and Maria (H/anna Maria) White (ibid).

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date; Taken from burial records

ERECTED
IN MEMORY OF
MARGARET THE DAUGHTER OF
WILLIAM & MARY WILKINSON.
WHO DIED APRIL ... (41) AGED 21 YEARS.
VAIN ARE THE (PLEASURES?) OF A WORLD LIKE THIS!
FIND ANOTHER AND A (HAPPIER?) SHORE
ALSO OF MARY ANN THEIR DAUGHTER
... (D?)IED ... AGED 31 YEARS.

MARY WILKINSON ... APRIL ...

WILLIAM WI(LKINS?)ON

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ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
89 (A130)	1847	Headstone,	East	H 1100mms	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Roman	Central:	Smooth	None	None	None
Wilkinson		No base	80 ⁰	W 660mms		in situ				Scrollwork	back			
		slightly		D 90mms						pattern,	and			
		curved top								heart	sides			

John Wilkinson (c.1817-1885), commemorated here with his wife Margaret (c.1817-1901) and daughter 2-year-old Margaret, is the brother of the Margaret and Mary Ann Wilkinson on the adjacent monument.

Margaret Wilkinson 1845- 1847: birthplace Norton, Durham.

christened in St Mary the Virgin on 13 April 1845; parents John (parish clerk) and Margaret. She **died in 1847** and was buried here aged 2 years on 31 March 1847 (*St Mary the Virgin christening, and burial, records: transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*).

The monument mistakenly records her year of birth (1845) as her year of death.

John Wilkinson 1817-1885, her father: born Maltby, (north) Yorkshire (census data). Christened 26 January 1817 in Stainton-in-Cleveland, (north) Yorkshire (England, select births and christenings 1538-1975, Ancestry website). Son of William (cartwright and joiner) and Mary (nee Mellanby) Wilkinson (commemorated on the adjacent monument): his parents had married in nearby Thornaby in 1811, although census data gives his father's birthplace as Heighington, Durham.

Sometime between 1818-1820, the family moved permanently to Norton, Durham, where John grew up and more siblings were born. Along with his other siblings, John received a substantial legacy in his father's Will (*Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search*)

Margaret Wilkinson nee Simpson c.1817- 1901, her mother: born Stockton on Tees (census data).

28 May 1842, John Wilkinson and Margaret Simpson married in St Thomas, Stockton on Tees, Durham (*England marriages 1538-1973: Family Search website*). The marriage documentation gives Margaret Simpson's father's name as William Simpson; otherwise at the time of writing nothing else is known of her background.

Family: They settled in Norton, where they had three children, all christened in St Mary the Virgin: William (b.1843), Margaret (1845-1847, commemorated here), and John (b.1852) (St Mary the Virgin christening records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Occupation of John Wilkinson: Like his father and two of his brothers, John Wilkinson (c.1817-1885) was a **joiner**; and in the early years of his marriage lived next door to his father and siblings (*Census data*). However, for part of his life he was also the **Parish Clerk at Norton**: he is so described on the christening record of daughter Margaret 1845, and the 1851 census describes him as 'joiner, also parish clerk'. In the 1861 Census (no longer parish clerk) he was an **Auctioneer**; in the 1871 Census once more a joiner, employing his son and another man, and remained so (*Census data*).

John died in 1885. Margaret remained in Norton until her own death in Feb 1901. She lived close to their family: on the 1891 census she is living on independent means, and her 9-year-old grandson is listed with her (census data).

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated, not relevant to monument date

Taken from burial records (cross-checked with baptismal records)

IN MEMORY OF
MARGARET,
DAUGHTER OF JOHN & MARG^T. WILKINSON
WHO DIED MARCH 27TH, 1845, AGED 2 YEARS.
ALSO OF THE ABOVE.
JOHN WILKINSON,
WHO DIED MAY 30TH 1885,
AGED 68 YEARS.
ALSO OF THE ABOVE NAMED
MARGARET WILKINSON,
WHO DIED FEBRUARY 15TH 1901
AGED 84 YEARS.

Inscribed year of death of the first-named Margaret Wilkinson incorrect

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90 (A131)	1883	Headstone	East	H'stone:	H'stone	Sound and	Mint	Incised	Roman,	Border	Smooth	None	None	none
Cummings		with base,	80 ⁰	H 1210mms	(Black)	in situ			Roman	outline.	back			
		Round top		W 650mms	granite;				italic	Central:	and			
				D 140mms	Base					daffodils	sides			
				Base:	(black)									
				H 320mms	granite									
				W 820mms										

Jane Cummings nee Dawson c.1807- 1883. Born in Ovington, Yorkshire (now in Co. Durham) (census data).

Christened 13 Sept 1807 in nearby Hackness, Yorkshire, daughter of Francis Dawson and his wife Mary (England births and christenings 1538- 1975, in Family Search website).

Robert Cummings c.1811- 1885, her husband: birthplace Castle Eden, Durham (census data).

Christened 14 July 1811, the son of John Cummings and his wife Margaret (England births and christenings 1538-1975, in Family Search website).

3 April **1841:** marriage licence issued for Robert Cummings, bachelor, aged 30 years, of South Hetton, parish of Easington (some miles north of Castle Eden): occupation not stated; and Jane Dawson, spinster of '30 years and upwards', of the Parish of Bishopwearmouth (England, Durham diocese, marriage bonds and allegations, 1692-1900, in Family Search)

Family: No known biological children: a niece Jane Dawson aged 22 years is living with them in the 1871 census.

They settled permanently in Norton, Durham, where they appear on records from the **1851** census onwards. Jane's 79-year-old widowed mother Mary Dawson (also born in Jane's birthplace Ovington, Yorkshire) is living with them in the 1851 census (*census data*).

Occupation of Robert Cummings: market gardener, later coal merhant.

1851- 1871: Robert is a **market gardener** on Portrack Lane (*census data*). There is a newspaper article in which he demonstrates a new variety of potato in Norton (*South Herald, South Durham and Cleveland Advertiser, 29 May 1863, p.2, col.7*).

Later, he changes occupation and in the **1881** census, he is now a **coal merchant** living in Victoria Place, Norton, where his wife Jane dies in 1883 (census data).

He had an interest in politics: in 1868 he appears among the extensive list of names on the Election Committee of Lord Ernest Vane Tempest (Stockton Herald, South Durham and Cleveland Advertiser, 16 Oct 1868, p.2, col.2).

Jane died in 1883 her home at Victoria Place, Norton, in her 76th year (*Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail, 23 Sept 1883, p 3, col 6, in British Newspaper Archives*).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN MEMORY OF
JANE,
THE BELOVED WIFE OF
ROBERT CUMMINGS,
OF NORTON,
WHO DIED SEPTEMBER 18TH 1883,
AGED 76 YEARS.
ALSO OF THE ABOVE,
ROBERT CUMMINGS,
WHO DIED JULY 26TH 1885,
AGED 75 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
91 (A132)	1872	Headstone,	East	H 1500mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman	Decorative	Smooth	None	None	None
Rudd		no base,	80 ⁰	W 700mms		in situ	legible			border	back			
		Round top		D 80mms						with 3	and			
										circles;	sides			
										Central:				
										banner				

Erosion on rear of monument. Central decorative motif: banner containing words 'IN MEMORY OF'

Anthony Rudd, c.1820 – 1872: birthplace Bricknell [Hull] Yorkshire (1851 census) or Bilston [near Hull] Yorkshire (1871 census)

Ann Rudd, maiden name unknown, c.1810- 1884: born Heighington, county Durham (census data)

Occupation of Anthony Rudd: labourer, coachman, groom

Over the years, he worked at different roles: labourer (1841), coachman (1851), again labourer (1861), and retired groom (1871) (census data). Possibly, when he could, Anthony worked as a coachman/groom; reverting to 'labourer' when such work was unavailable. With the spread of railways, opportunities for work as a coachman/groom diminished as the 19th century progressed.

Date/place of marriage of Anthony Rudd and Ann - unknown.

On the earliest (1841) census, Anthony and Mary are already married. Their eldest known child (Isabella) was born c.1834, so the marriage date was likely before 1834 (census data).

Family: four known children (daughters). The family moved about a bit. Their eldest daughter, Isabella, was born in Hartlepool and christened there in 1834 (census data; Durham Records online, index). The family later moved to Bishopwearmouth, where three more known daughters were christened in Bishopwearmouth, Sunderland: Mary Ann (1839), Ann (1842) and Eliza (1843) (census data; Durham Records online index).

By 1851, the family had moved to Byker, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, where Anthony worked as a coachman; and by 1861, Antony and Mary had settled in Norton. At this stage, all four daughters are not listed with their parents. However, after Anthony's death, their second daughter, unmarried Mary Ann, is once more living with her mother, now in Stockton-on-Tees in the 1881 census (census data).

Mary Ann Rudd, c.1838-1899, their second daughter. Unmarried.

Born in Hendon/Hendon Bridge, Bishopwearmouth, Sunderland (census data). In the 1861 and 1871 censuses, she is a general servant for an Atkinson family in Gainford, county Durham. In the 1881 census, she is living with her widowed mother in Stockton-on-Tees. In the 1891 census, she is living alone in Brompton, Yorkshire 'on her own means' (census data). Her usual address is given as East Hartburn on her 1899 burial record (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). Mary Ann never married.

Reason for monument date: inferred from date of first mentioned individual.

IN MEMORY OF ANTHONY RUDD, WHO DIED JUNE 3RD 1872 AGED 60 YEARS. O TASTE AND SEE THAT THE LORD IS GOOD: BLESSED IS THE DEAD THAT TRUSTETH IN HIM ALSO OF ANN RUDD, WIFE OF THE ABOVE, WHO DIED FEBRUARY 28TH 1884 **GED 74 YEARS REST IN PEACE** ALSO OF MARY ANN, DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE, WHO DIED MAY 7TH, 1899, AGED 61 YEARS. WITH JESUS WHICH IS FAR BETTER.

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
92 (A133)	1858	Headstone,	East	H 1260mms	Cast iron	Sound and	All legible	Relief	Roman	Border	Machine	Four:	None	none
Middleton		No base	80 ⁰	W 730mms		in situ				outline	cut	See		
		See below		D 80mms							tooling	below		
											sides			
											and			
											back			

Headstone (5107) flat top, semi-circular central feature, concave shoulders. Text boxes, all containing part of inscription: 3 x horizontal rectangles with concave corners: 1 small, 2 large; 1 x semi-circular

Elizabeth Middleton nee Webber c.1825- 1858: birthplace Stockton-on-Tees (census data). The first of William Middleton's three wives. Her age on the inscription suggests a birthdate of c.1828. However, she was christened in St Thomas, Stockton-on-Tees, on 14 Sept 1825, to Thomas and Ann Webber (England births and christenings 1538-1973: Family Search website), and is a 16-year-old servant in Stockton on the 1841 census; both suggesting a 1825 birthdate.

William Middleton c.1828-1888, her husband: born Heighington (census data). Parents: John Middleton, a joiner (born c.1801, Newcastle-upon-Tyne - 1881) and his wife Catherine (born c.1807, Hamsterley -1875) (census data; FreeBMD). In the 1861 census, parents John and Catherine lived close by in Norton (census data): after Catherine's death, now-widowed John moved in with William and his family (census data). Both John and Catherine are buried in this churchyard.

17 Oct 1848: William Middleton and Elizabeth Webber married in Holy Trinity, Stockton-on-Tees (*England marriages 1538-1973, in Family Search website*); and settled in Norton. They had **6 known children** together by the time of Elizabeth's death in February 1858 (*census data*).

Her monument is unique in this graveyard, being made of cast iron. Throughout his working life, William Middleton was a 'pattern maker': making the 'patterns' used to make moulds, which were in turn used to cast iron (census data). The choice of monument appears a very personal tribute to Elizabeth.

Subsequently, William remarried twice. All three of William's wives - Elizabeth, Ellen and Ann - are buried in this graveyard.

19 September 1859, to Stockton on Tees-born 18-year-old Ellen Heslop c.1841- 1863, in Holy Trinity church, Stockton (England marriages 1538-1973: Family Search website). Ellen was the daughter of William Heslop: probably the William Heslop born c.1810, shoemaker in Stockton, and his Irish wife Mary Ann, who appear in the 1851 census (in the 1851 census, Ellen is staying in the Stockton home of her aunt and uncle (Clara and William Power)). Two more children were born; but Ellen also died, aged 22yrs, in 1863 (FreeBMD website).

1867, to widow Ann Crawford, maiden name unknown c.1830-1878 in Stockton registration district (*FreeBMD website*). Ann was born in Richmond, Yorkshire c.1830. Her husband John Crawford c.1832-1866 (joiner) died the previous year aged 34 years; and was buried in this churchyard 26 Dec 1866 (*Census data, FreeBMD; burial records St Mary's transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*). Ann and John had had 6 known children, who later lived with their mother Ann and William Middleton in Norton in the 1871 census: Robert born c.1853 (Richmond, north Yorks); Thomas born c.1856 (Middlesbrough, north Yorks); and 4 younger children born in Norton between 1859 and 1865 (of whom two were christened in St Mary the Virgin, Norton (parents: John, joiner, and Ann) in 1859 and 1861 (*Census data; christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*). William Middleton and Ann had a child (Jack) born c.1868 in Stockton (*census data*); but unfortunately, Ann died aged 49yrs in 1878, when he would have been about 10-years old (*FreeBMD website*).

1881 census: William Middleton is living with several of his children and stepchildren; and his own widowed 80-year-old father John. Included in this household is William's son Tom, now 28 years old and also a widower, and Tom's own son, William's grandson William (census data).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

Text box 1 (semi-circular):
IN MEMORY

Text box 2 (small rectangle):

OF

Text box 3 (large rectangle):

ELIZABETH
MIDDLETON WIFE
OF WILLIAM
MIDDLETON WHO
DEPARTED THIS LIFE
26TH OF FEBRUARY 1858
AGED 30 YEARS

Text box 4 (large rectangle)

ALSO OF

WILLIAM MIDDLETON

HUSBAND OF ABOVE

WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE

APRIL 11TH 1888

AGED 60 YEARS

R.I.P.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
93 (A134)	1869	Headstone	East	H 1500mms	Yellow	Sound and	Traces	Gothic	Incised	Border	Smooth	None	None	Adhesive
Foss		No base	90 ⁰	W 800mms	sandstone	in situ	(partially	Roman		outline	back			
		See below		D 130mms			legible)				and			
											sides			

Headstone: triangular top, indented sides. Very small area repaired with adhesive.

William Foss c.1810-1869, birthplace Stockton-on-Tees (census data). St Mary the Virgin burial record: William Foss, 59 years, Stockton, buried 20 Nov 1869 (transcribed: Cleveland Family History Society). Son and brother of the Foss family on adjacent monument. Along with his mother and brother, a beneficiary in the Will (proved 1813) of his yeoman maternal grandfather, Robert Crisp (Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search): then, they were Robert's only known descendants. Occupation of William Foss: surgeon and apothecary (General Practitioner). He obtained his L.S.A. (Licentiate of the Society of Apothecaries) in 1827. An 1835 newspaper article reads: 'ANATOMICAL PRIZE – the prize for the best practical Anatomist, given by Mr Sheriffs, of the Brown Square School, Edinburgh, has this Session been awarded to Mr William Foss, of Stockton-on-Tees, brother to Mr [Robert] Foss, Surgeon, &c., of the same place. There were not less than 30 competitors' (Durham Chronicle, 1 May 1835, p.3, col.2, in British Newspaper Archives).

William Foss practised in Stockton-on-Tees: Medical Directory entries read 'FOSS, William, 22 High-st, Stockton on Tees – L.S.A. 1827; late Surg. Stockton Disp.' (UK & Ireland Medical Directories, 1860, 1865; in Ancestry website). There are multiple newspaper reports wherein he gave medical (post-mortem) information on deaths. He was active in local affairs. His obituary (praising his skills and work ethic) states he **died** at his residence, High St, Stockton, on 'Tuesday' [16 Nov 1869], aged 58yrs, of erysipelas; some years previously he had been a member of the Town Council, in 1867 he contested the North-East Ward election, losing by one vote; and was an antiquarian, collecting ancient and rare books (Newcastle Courant, 19 Nov 1869, p.5, col.6, in British Newspaper Archives).

Hannah Foss nee Dawson c.1811- 1888, his wife (probably the now-illegible central inscription): born Guisborough, (north) Yorkshire (census data). St Mary the Virgin burial records: Hannah Foss, 78 years, Stockton, buried 25 March 1889 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

1841: she is an unmarried servant in the home of her future husband William Foss (census data)

1851: she is an unmarried housekeeper in the home of her future husband William Foss. Their four children born 1836- 1849 are listed under Hannah's name, DAWSON: the oldest (Jane, b.1836) described as 'servant'; and the younger children as 'visitor' (census data).

1861 census: she is now the wife of William Foss. Those of their children now living with them (born between 1844 and 1854) are now surnamed 'Foss'. **Marriage date/place of William Foss and Hannah Dawson: unknown.** At the time of writing, the only recorded marriage in FreeBMD for one William Foss in north-east England (pre-1862) was in 1837 in Gateshead: spouse's name not given (*FreeBMD*).

6 Jan 1870: Will of William Foss, surgeon, Stockton, proved: probate to Hannah Foss, relict (widow) and Robert William Foss (son) (Find a Will, Gov.UK)

Robert William Foss c.1848- 1893, his son: born Stockton (census data). St Mary's burial records: Robert William Foss, 45 years, Stockton, buried 6 Nov 1893 (transcribed: Cleveland Family History Society). One of two of their parents' children (Robert and a sister, both unmarried) who remained in Stockton: the others (all acknowledged by their father and provided for) left the area (census data). Occupation of Robert William Foss: surgeon, M.D. in Stockton-on-Tees (also a freemason). His obituary notes his death was widely regretted but not a surprise, as he had for some time been rapidly failing in health; he was a talented medical man and expert surgical operator; his skill was not only practical but also of a theoretic nature, his treatises being much esteemed; his father had an extensive local practice, but 'with ample means [Robert] preferred leisured case than vigorously pursuing his exacting profession'; he was a bachelor living with his sister, and also survived by another sister and brother (Northern Echo, 3 Nov 1893, p.3, col.5, in British Newspaper Archives)

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date: Taken from burial records and newspaper death notices

SACRED

...

WILLIAM FOS(S?)
SURG...

SON OF CHRISTOPHER ... JA(N?)E FOSS WHO DIED NOV(EMBER?) ... 1...9

AGED ... YEARS

ALS(O?) ...

(W) ...

(AGED?) ... (YEARS?)

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(ALSO OF?)

(ROBERT?) (WILLIAM?) (FOSS?) (MD?)

(SON?) ...

...

An earlier transcription reads:

Sacred to the memory of William FOSS (surgeon) son of Christopher & Jane FOSS who d. Nov (16?) 18(?)9 aged ?yrs Also of ? ? FOSS -2 lines illegible -18(6)9? aged 76yrs. Also of Robert William FOSS MD son of the above -2 lines illegible

(Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
94 (A135)	1833	Headstone	East	H 1350mms	Yellow	Sound and	Traces,	Incised	Roman,	None	Smooth	None	None	none
Foss		No base	900	W 850mms	sandstone	in situ	(partially		Roman		back			
		See below		D 130mms			legible)		italic		and			
											sides			

Headstone, (4310) triangular top, indented sides

Christopher Foss c.1777-1833: christened 26 Sept 1777 in Kirk Merrington, county Durham: father, Anthony Foss (England, Select births and christenings, 1538-1975, Ancestry website). Occupation: currier and leather cutter, with business premises in High Street, Stockton, Durham from at least 1827-1828 (Trade directories 1822-1834 Northumberland Durham and North Yorkshire by place name). In the early 1830s, he became (temporarily) bankrupt, spending some time in a debtor's prison. The reports of his discharge from bankruptcy add that he was then 'of unsound mind' and had originally been sued 'with Robert Crisp Foss' (although there is no record of son Robert Crisp Foss ever having been bankrupt) (British Newspaper Archives: Perry's Bankrupt Gazette, 9 July 1831, p.3, col.1; and Durham County Advertiser, 1 July 1831, p2. col.1). He died a couple of years later, in 1833, and was buried here, aged 56 years (of Stockton) on 17 Feb 1833: name mis-transliterated as TOSS (St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Robert Crisp Foss c.1807-1837, his son: birthplace unknown (possibly Stockton-on-Tees). Presumably named after his maternal grandfather.

Occupation: Surgeon and Apothecary (it was usual to obtain these double qualifications); and worked as 'surgeon and apothecary' in High Street, Stockton (*Trade directories 1822-1834 Northumberland Durham and North Yorkshire by place name: 1833-1834 listing*).

12 Jan 1837: Robert Crisp Foss married Emma Whitfield c.1808-1884: 'At Norton, near Stockton, on the 12th inst [January], Mr Robert Foss of Stockton, surgeon, to Emma, daughter of the late Mr Joseph Whitfield, of the latter place, linen manufacturer' (Durham Chronicle, 20 Jan 1837, p.2, col.6, in British Newspaper Archives). Unfortunately, Robert died four months later. His newspaper death notice reads: 'DEATHS ... on the 22nd ult [May 1837] ... same day, after a short illness, at Mount Pleasant, Mr Robert Crisp Foss, surgeon, a gentleman distinguished for professional ability, humanity of disposition, and more especially for unwearied attention to the suffering poor. His loss is sincerely deplored by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance' (Durham Chronicle, 2 June 1837, p.3, col.2, in British Newspaper Archives). His commemoration, in Latin, 'Dignus Laude, Multi Habilis' loosely translates as 'worthy of praise, multi-skilled'. He was buried here on 3 June 1837 (St Mary's burial records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). The couple had no children; and his widow Emma never remarried. She moved in with her older unmarried sister Elizabeth Whitfield, and with her ran a (boarding) school for girls in, initially, Norton, and later in Bishopton (Durham) (Census data). The sisters died within a couple of years of each other, and are buried together in St Peter's Churchyard, Bishopton, Durham. The word 'SORORES' (sisters) links their inscriptions: 'Emma, widow of Robert C. Foss, surgeon, of Stockton, died June 7th 1884 aged 76; and Elizabeth, daughter of Jasper and Ann Whitfield of Stockton, died Aug 15th 1886 aged 88 (Find a Grave website)

Jane Foss nee Crisp, c.1775- 1855, his wife: birthplace unknown. Daughter of Robert Crisp (died 1813) and his wife Mary.

22 May 1804: married Christopher Foss in Auckland St Andrew, county Durham (England, Select marriages 1538-1973, Ancestry website).

Her father Robert Crisp ('yeoman' of Norton) left a Will: its provisions indicate he was wealthy. Beneficiaries include his wife (lifetime provision); daughter 'Jane Foss wife of Christopher Foss of Stockton aforesaid, Currier and Leather Cutter' – her inheritance 'to and for her own use and benefit during her life and not to be subject to the debts control or engagements of her said husband' (a not uncommon provision, to protect a married woman's finances); and Jane's sons, Robert and William Foss (commemorated here and on the adjacent monument), along with 'any more children' Jane may yet have. These are the only direct descendants named in the Will (there are various bequests to other extended family members). (Durham wills, pre-1858, in Family Search). Buried here, aged 81 years (of Stockton) on 17 Nov 1855: name mis-transliterated as FLOSS (St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date,

Taken from burial records and newspaper death notices

SACRED

TO THE MEMORY OF
CHRISTOPHER FOSS.
OF MOUNT PLEASANT
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE,
(FEB?) THE 1(1?) 18... AGED 56 YEARS.
ALSO OF
ROBERT CRISP FOSS,
SURGEON
(SON OF?) CHRISTOPHER ... JANE F...
... DIED M(A?)Y THE ...TH ...
AGED 30 YE...

DIGNUS LAUDE

MULTI HABILIS

ALSO OF JANE FOSS

... OF THE ABOVE CHRISTOPHER FOSS

... DEPARTED THIS LIFE NO...EMBER

10TH 1...

AGED 81 YEARS

DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
		TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
n/a	Headstone	East	H 720mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Traces	Incised	Roman	None	Smooth	None	None	none
	no base	90 ⁰	W 580mms		in situ	(mostly				back			
	See below		D 80mms			illegible)				and			
										sides			
		n/a Headstone no base	n/a Headstone East no base 900	n/a Headstone East H 720mms no base 90° W 580mms	n/a Headstone no base 90° W 580mms Sandstone	n/a Headstone East H 720mms Sandstone in situ TATION MONUMENT Sandstone Sound and in situ	n/a Headstone no base 90° W 580mms Sandstone In situ (mostly)	n/a Headstone no base 90° W 580mms Sandstone in situ MONUMENT INSCRIPTION STYLE MONUMENT INSCRIPTION STYLE Sound and Traces (mostly	n/a Headstone no base 90° W 580mms Sandstone in situ (mostly STYLE	n/a Headstone no base 90° W 580mms Sandstone in situ (mostly) STYLE STYLE ATION MONUMENT INSCRIPTION STYLE STYLE ATION Traces (mostly) Roman None	TATION MONUMENT INSCRIPTION STYLE STYLE ATION ING n/a Headstone no base See below See below See below TATION See below TATION See below TATION See below MONUMENT INSCRIPTION STYLE STYLE ATION ING NONUMENT INSCRIPTION STYLE STYLE ATION ING Traces (mostly illegible) See See See See See See See See See S	TATION	TATION MONUMENT INSCRIPTION STYLE STYLE ATION ING BOXES ELEMENTS n/a Headstone no base See below See below See below 1 back 1 b

Headstone (5181) flat top, central semi-circular feature, cut away either side of centre, semi-circular shoulders.

Small-sized monument.

Inscription heavily eroded

Insufficient remaining inscription to allow identification.

Monument date unknown: insufficient information to attach it to any particular burial

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... ARS ..ED

An earlier transcription reads:

In memory of...? HAR... remainder illegible (Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
96 (n/a)	1814	Headstone	East	H 1350mms	sandstone	Sound and	Mostly	Incised	Not	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Tweddle		No base	80°	W 790mms		in situ	legible		classified	outline.	back			
		See below		D 120mms						Sun rising/	and			
									some	setting	sides			
									italics					

Headstone: (5107) flat top, semi-circular central feature, concave shoulders

The only information we currently have is the inscription, and the burial records:

Burial records:

Thos Tweddle, 68 yrs, abode Middleton, Yorkshire, buried July 30, 1814 (*Bishops Transcripts, Durham, Norton, image 102 of 342, in Family Search website*)

Ann wife of Thos Tweddle of Stockton, 46 years, buried 29 January 1801 (*Bishops transcripts Durham, Norton, 66 of 342, in Family Search website*)

These give the 'address' of Thomas Tweddle as Middleton, Yorkshire.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

ERECTED

TO THE MEMORY OF THOMAS TWEDDLE WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JULY THE 2(?).. ANNO DOMINI 1814

AGED 66 YEARS

ALSO

ANN THE (WIFE?) OF THOMAS TWEDDLE

WHO (DEPARTED?) ... LIFE

...

ANNO DO... AGED (?4)6 YEARS

MONUMENTS: EAST OF CHURCH

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
97 (B1)	1879	0504 Low	East	Тор:	Тор	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Sans	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Johnson		monument	800	L 1800mms	sandstone	in situ			serif		sides			
		hipped top		W 450mms										
		on base		H 470mms	base									
				Base:	sandstone									
				W 660mms										
				H 40mms										

Comments: slope on top of monument, height taller at head (west end) than at foot

James Johnson c.1811- 1879: birthplace Stockton on Tees (census data).

Son of Robert and Mary Johnson, commemorated on a nearby monument.

Occupation: Market gardener

In the **1841** and **1851** censuses, he was living and working with his 'market gardener' parents in Holme House, Portrack Lane, Stockton (near Norton). When they died, he took over the family business (census data)

Mary Johnson c.1819- 1890, wife of James Johnson, maiden name unknown: birthplace Stokesley, north Yorkshire (census data).

James Johnson and Mary married sometime between the 1851 census and 1856, when their first known child was born.

Family: two known children:

Robert Thomas Johnson, born 30 Oct 1856, Norton, christened same day in St Mary the Virgin. Parents: James (gardener) and Mary

Mary Johnson, born 29 Dec 1859, Norton, christened 9 Feb 1860 in St Mary the Virgin. Parents: James (farmer) and Mary

(Christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

In the **1871** Census, James is 'retired gardener and landowner', still at Holme House with wife Mary and daughter Mary; whilst his son Robert T Johnson is a pupil at Coatham Grammar (boarding) school in Kirkleatham *(census data)*.

Later, in the **1881** Census: now-widowed Mary is still living at Holme house with her son Robert and daughter Mary (both unmarried at this time): her income is now from 'house and land'. Her son Robert, 'iron merchant', is listed as head of house (census data).

Both children, Robert and Mary, later married and had families of their own. Neither continued in the market garden business (census data).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

South face:

IN MEMORY
OF
JAMES JOHNSON
OF NORTON
WHO DIED JANUARY 22ND 1879
AGED 68 YEARS

North face:

IN MEMORY
OF
MARY JOHNSON
OF NORTON
WHO DIED OCT 22ND 1890
AGED 71 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
98 (B2)	1856	Headstone	n/a	H 2200mms	Sandstone	Sound but	Mainly	Incised	Roman	Central:	Smooth	None	None	None
Child		No base		W 900mms		displaced,	legible			Latin cross	sides			
		triangular		H 120mms		Lying face								
		top				up				Marginal:				
		Indented								None				
		sides												

Monument thickens at bottom (presumably that part that was originally in the ground), no separate base seen. Inscription legible with difficulty

William Wilson Child 1817- 1856, born Guisborough, Yorkshire, to Richard Child (linen draper) and Elizabeth, christened in Guisborough 8 Aug 1817 (England births and baptisms 1538-1975, in Find My Past website)

Occupation: William Wilson Child was a **bank manager** for the Stockton Branch of the Darlington District Joint-Stock Bank, then in Finkle St, Stockton. He was also, in 1845, Secretary for the newly formed Stockton New Gas Company; and was elected to Stockton Town Council, south-east ward, in 1852.

23 August 1840: William Wilson Child married Jane Nicholson in St Thomas', Stockton (England, select marriages 1538- 1975, in Ancestry website). They lived in Stockton (initially (1841 census) with William's father Richard). 3 known children: William Nicholson Child, b.1845, Henry Hall Child, b.1853, and Rose Child, b.1855.

1856: William Wilson Child died aged 38 years on 19 May 1856. He was buried here (surname recorded as CHILDS) on 22 May 1856 (St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). He was wealthy: in his Will he leaves £2,600 in monetary legacies to various relations as well as provision for his wife and children

William's wife Jane Nicholson had been born in South Shields to John and Catherine Nicholson; christened 10 January 1919 in St Hilda, South Shields (census data; Northumberland and Durham baptisms in Find my Past website). William Wilson Child's Will mentions Jane's mother Catherine Ann Nicholson, and the children of Jane's brother James Nicholson (Prerogative Court of Canterbury, in Ancestry website). At some point, Jane's family had moved to Stockton: her mother Catherine was described on her own death (8 Oct 1868) as a glass and china dealer, late of Stockton: administration of Catherine's estate was granted in 1869 to her grandson William Nicholson Child (elder son of William and Jane) (South Herald, South Durham and Cleveland Advertiser, 12 March 1869, p 2, col 3, in British Newspaper Archives)

10 Aug 1858: his widow Jane remarried to 43-year-old John Hansell Wren, a member of a wealthy locally prominent corn mill owning family (England marriages 1538-1975, in Family Search website); and had two more children. John Hansell Wren became Mayor of Stockton in 1865; and on the 1871 census, he was described as J.P.,

Alderman, corn merchant and landowner. Jane died at the age of 48 years, predeceasing her mother; and was buried in St Thomas, Stockton on 22 May 1868 (St Thomas burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Henry Hall Child 1853- 1880, his second son: born in Stockton (census data)

1871 census, he is a Commercial Clerk, living in the family home with his mother and stepfather. In **1874,** he was convicted of stealing 8 pairs of gloves from a local shop in Stockton; and sentenced to 2 months hard labour in Durham Jail. One newspaper report describes him as 'a person of means and well connected' (*Darlington and Richmond Herald, 15 Aug 1874, p 5, col 7, in British Newspaper Archives*). **He died unmarried in 1880, aged 26 years:** *Child: On Jan. 2nd, at Stockton-on-Tees, Henry Hall Child, younger son of the late Mr. Child, of Stockton-on-Tees, and brother of Miss Child, of Trinity House, York.* (*Yorkshire Gazette, 10 Jan 1880, p.3, col.6, in British Newspaper Archives*).

Other known children of William Wilson Child and Jane Robinson:

(Prerogative Court of Canterbury, in Ancestry website).

William Nicholson Child b.1845, eldest child. Married Adelaide Wren, his stepfather's niece, in 1866; and had a family. He became a wine and spirit merchant, initially in Middlesbrough (1868), later in Liverpool (1871 census), and later still in West Derby Rural, Lancashire (1881 census). He died in Lambeth in the last quarter of 1897, aged 53 yrs (FreeBMD)

Rose Child b.1855. The last record currently found is the death notice (above) she inserted for her brother William Hall Child (1880), giving her own address as York.

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date,

Taken from burial records

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
WILLIAM WILSON CHILD
OF STOCKTON ON TEES
WHO DIED ...
... YEARS
ALSO OF
HENRY HALL
YOUNGEST SON OF ...
ABOVE WHO DIED ...
AGED ... YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN- TATION	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION MONUMENT	CONDI		INSCRIBED STYLE	LETTER STYLE	DÉCOR- ATION	TOOL- ING	TEXT BOXES	EXTRA ELEMENTS	REPAIRS
99 (B3) W F	n/a	Footstone no base Slightly curved top	East 80 ⁰	H 270mms W 335mms D 11mms	Sandstone	Sound and in situ	All leg	ible	Incised	Roman	None	Smooth back and sides	None	None	none
Proximity to	o graves c		members	date. Hence, ide could suggest a l e this stone.				Monum	nent date unk	nown: insuf		ation to atta W F	ch it to any _l	particular buria	al.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
100 (B4)	1853	Headstone	East	H 1380mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Gothic,	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Johnson		No base	80°	W 850mms		in situ	legible		Roman,	outline	back			
		Gothic		D 140mms					Roman		and			
		pointed							italic	Central:	sides			
		top								none				

Black discolouration (atmospheric pollution) on part of monument One of four adjacent Thompson/Johnson extended family graves.

Robert Johnson, c.1777- 1852: born Stranton, county Durham (census data)

Occupation: market gardener of 15 acres, Holme House (farm), Portrack Lane, Norton (census data)
In the 1841 and 1851 censuses, he is living at Holme House (farm) with his wife Mary and son James Johnson c.1811- 1879: this son James takes over the business on the deaths of Robert and Mary.

St Mary's burial record: Robert Johnson, 75 years, Norton, buried 6 May 1852 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Mary Johnson, maiden name unknown c.1786- 1852, his wife: born Grindon, county Durham (census data)

St Mary's burial record: Mary Johnson, 66 years, Norton, buried 13 November 1852 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

From other records, she is a niece of Ralph (c.1752-1837) and Margery (c.1755-1842) Thompson, commemorated on a nearby monument (Will of Ralph Thompson d.1837, in Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search website). This now-widowed aunt Margery Thompson is living with Robert and Mary Johnson in Holme House (farm) on the 1841 census, a year before her death (census data).

Family: one known son, James Johnson c.1811- 1879, who lives with them until their deaths (census data).

Reason for monument date: inferred date from latest date of a group first inscribed together

ERECTED
IN MEMORY OF
ROBERT JOHNSON.
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE.
MAY 2ND 1852, AGED 75 YEARS.
ALSO
MARY JOHNSON.
HIS AFFECTIONAT ... FE.
WHO DIED N(?)V 9 1852
AGED ... YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
101 (B5)	1772	Headstone	East	H 1230mms	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Thompson		no base	800	W 630mms		in situ				outline	back			
(1772)		See below		D 85mms						Central:	Decorat-			
										none	ive			
											tooling			
											sides			

Corrugated design on top and sides of monument. One of four adjacent Thompson/Johnson extended family graves

Ralph Thompson c.1710- 1772: birthplace unknown

Occupation: veoman, farmer and churchwarden.

He is described as 'farmer' on the St Mary the Virgin christening records of some of his children; as 'churchwarden' on his own burial on 23 Oct 1772; and as 'yeoman of Blakiston in the parish of Norton' on his Will. The term 'yeoman' as used then in Norton essentially meant well-to-do commoner. His Will refers to three properties (two, let out) in Norton.

(St Mary's christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society; St Mary's 1772 burial records in Bishops Transcripts, Norton in Family Search website; Durham wills pre-1858 in Family Search website)

Married twice.

First wife (interred here): Jane, maiden name unknown, c.1720- 1755. No further details known.

Second wife: Mary, maiden name unknown: died after 1772 (she is named in her husband's 1772 Will: Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search website)

Elizabeth Thompson, his daughter, dates unknown, died age 5 years: The inscription implies she is his daughter by his first wife, Jane. There are no surviving St Mary's christening records for an Elizabeth Thompson during the lifetime of Ralph's first wife Jane (c.1720- 1755) – although there are also no St Mary's christening records for three of his other four known children. HOWEVER, there is (only) one 1700s St Mary's christening record for an Elizabeth Thompson, daughter of Ralph Thompson, on 28 December 1762 (several years after Jane's death). Mother's name not recorded.

Family: other known surviving children, named in the Will of their father Ralph Thompson c.1712-1772 (Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search): By his first wife, Jane:

Jane Thompson 'by a former wife' (presumably Jane). No surviving St Mary's christening record. She is presumably adult on Ralph Thompson's death, as she inherits outright in his Will (above).

Eldest son James Thompson: son of first wife Jane (older than brother Ralph who was born c.1852): adult at the time of his father's death, as he inherits outright. Died after 1833, as he is mentioned in the Will of his brother Ralph (written 1833: *Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search website*)

Youngest son Ralph Thompson c.1752- 1837: son of his first wife Jane: presumably adult at the time of his father's death, as he inherits outright in his Will (above). He later marries Margery Walton, 8 June 1781, in St Mary's, and is commemorated on the adjacent monument. Buried aged 85 years (of Norton) in this churchyard on 28 Dec 1837 (St Mary's marriage and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

By his second wife, Mary:

Mary Thompson by 'my present wife' (Mary). Christened in St Mary the Virgin, 20 Sep 1759, daughter of Ralph (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). 'Minor' at the time of her father's Will (above)

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first-mentioned individual

BODY OF RALPH THOMPSON
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
OCT 21 1772 AGED 62 YEARS
ALSO
JANE HIS WIFE WHO DIED
JULY 30TH 1755 AGED 35 YEARS
AND ELIZABETH THEIR
DAUGHTER AGED 5 YEARS

HERE LIETH THE

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
102 (B6)	1837	Headstone	East	H 1280mms	Yellow	Sound and	Traces	Incised	Gothic	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Thompson		no base	800	W 790mms	sandstone	in situ			Roman	outline	back			
1837		See below		D 120mms						Central:	and			
										none	sides			

Headstone (4000) individual design: Gothic pointed central feature, repeated 3 times, with concave shoulders cut out of lateral shapes. One of four adjacent Thompson/Johnson extended family graves.

Ralph Thompson c.1752- 1837, birthplace unknown

St Mary's burial record: Ralph Thompson, 85 years of Norton, buried 28 Dec 1837 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). This gives an estimated birthdate of around 1752.

Son of yeoman farmer Ralph Thompson (c.1710-1772), and his first wife Jane (c.1720-1755), commemorated on adjacent monument.

Occupation: 'gentleman'

1833: His Will (written 1833) him as 'gentleman, of township of Norton in the county of Durham') and refers to various properties in Norton. The total sums of the legacies in his will indicate that he was a wealthy man (*Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search website*)

The second (semi-legible) name is most likely that of his wife:

Margaret/ Margery Thompson nee Walton, c.1755- 1842, his wife: birthplace county Durham (census data)

A beneficiary named in the 1833 Will of her husband Ralph Thompson (Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search website)

5 June **1781**: Ralph Thompson and Margery/ Margaret Walton married in St Mary the Virgin on 5 June 1781; both are 'of this parish' (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society).

She does not appear on the surviving christening records for St Mary's and currently nothing more is known of her.

St Mary's burial record: Margaret Thompson, 87 years, Norton, buried 24 January 1842; giving an estimated birthdate of c.1755 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Children: One known daughter: Margery Thompson 1787-1796

Christened in St Mary the Virgin on 29 Nov 1787 daughter of Ralph and Margery (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Burial record, St Mary: Margery, daughter of Ralph and Margt Thompson, aged 8 years, buried 17 Jan 1796 (Bishops transcripts, Durham, Norton, image 54, in Family Search website).

No other known children: and there are no direct descendants named in the Will of Ralph Thompson.

In the **1841** census (after Ralph's death), Margery lived with their niece Mary Johnson (maiden name unknown) and Mary's husband Robert Johnson (among the beneficiaries in Ralph's Will (above) and commemorated on a nearby monument): Margaret/ Margery is described as living on 'independent means' (1841 census data).

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date, Taken from burial records.

IN
MEMORY OF
RALPH THOMPSON
WHO DEPAR ... LI...
DE(C?) ... 7

(SEVERAL ILLEGIBLE LINES)

... RGRY (?)

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN- TATION	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION MONUMENT	CONDITION INSCRIPTION	INSCRIBED STYLE	LETTER STYLE	DÉCOR- ATION	TOOL- ING	TEXT BOXES	EXTRA ELEMENTS	REPAIRS
103 (B7) WWC	n/a	Headstone Rounded top	East 80°	H 510mms W 350mms D 10mms	Sandstone	Sound and in situ	Mint	Incised	Roman	None	Smooth back and sides	None	None	none
	•		•	originally an ad nild (interred ne	· ·	marker: perha		ment date unk	nown: insu		nation to atta	ch it to any	oarticular buria	al

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
104 (B8)	1776	Headstone	n/a	H n/a	Sandstone	Falling	Mainly	Incised	Other,	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Greeve,		No base		W 800mms		apart,	legible		Not		sides			
Gales		See below		D 80mms		incomplete			Classif-					
						but			ied					
						recognis-								
						able								

Monument collapsed; inscription visible as lying face up. Large crack on monument, from left of bottom row, to right of 4th row from bottom. Headstone, flat top, central curved central feature, concave shoulders. **Several discrepancies between inscription dates/age and other records**

Philip Greeve c.1699- 1777: birthplace unknown, no details. Burial record gives date of burial as 6 Feb **1777**, almost a year after death date on inscription: Bishops Transcripts, Durham, Norton, image 15 of 342, in Family Search website)

Jane Greeve his wife, maiden name unknown, c. 1716- 1756: no details known.

Thomas Greeve, their son, Master Mariner, c.1731- 1795: *Burial records,* St Mary's: Captain Thomas GRIEVE, aged 64 years, buried 30 Sept **1795** (inscription gives his date of death as **1797**) (*Burial record in Bishops Transcripts, Durham, Norton, image 54 of 342, in Family Search website*). No other details known.

Robert Gales, c.1734- 1805, son-in-law of Philip and Jane Greeve:

Burial records, St Mary's: Robert Gales, ship carpenter, **aged 71 years**, died 16 Aug 1805, buried 19 Aug 1805 (*Bishops transcripts, Durham, Norton, image 78 of 342, in Family Search website*). The age at death differs from that on the inscription (67 years).

Margaret Gales nee Greeve, c.1741- 1821, his wife (daughter of Philip and Jane Greeve): birthplace unknown.

St Mary's burial record: Margaret Gales, 78 years of Norton, buried 23 Dec 1821 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

9 Feb 1768: Robert Gales and Margaret Greeve married in St Mary the Virgin; both 'of this parish' (record transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). **Occupation of Robert Gales:** This marriage information describes Robert as Master Mariner, from Tynemouth (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). His burial record (above) describes him as ship's carpenter.

Children: Robert and Margaret had one known child, a daughter: Margaret Gales, christened 12 July 1779 in St Mary's Norton.

On 17 Feb 1800, Margaret Gales married another mariner, **Benjamin Robinson** in St Mary's Norton: both 'of this parish'. They had a family of at least 4 sons and a daughter, christened in St Mary's Norton (*St Mary's records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*). One of her sons, William, later became a bookseller in Stockton (*census data*). Unfortunately, **in 1819, her husband Benjamin Robinson and one of their sons, Robert (then aged 16) died** in a shipwreck off Denmark. Their obituary reads:

On the 17th ult by the melancholy shipwreck of the Aorora upon the Scaw, Captain B. Robinson. of Norton, aged 45 years, with his second son Robert, aged 16. Few men, in his humble station, perhaps, ever received greater respect during life, was more regretted in death; and perhaps still fewer ever had as a son, a husband, a father, or a friend, greater claim to it.

He was pre-eminently respected by his superiors, beloved by his equals, and revered by those whom fortuitous circumstances had placed under him. Possessing an Independent mind, and a heart consummate to goodness, he preserved an undeviating step in the paths of integrity and virtue, until the above calamitous event Inflicted upon his family and friends, being deprived of him and his promising son, whose auspicious dawn indicated him to be the counter part of his father, an irreparable loss.

(Durham County Advertiser 24 April 1819, p 3, col 1; in British Newspaper Archives)

Margaret Robinson nee Gales is commemorated with Benjamin and Robert in this churchyard.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from latest date of a group first inscribed together

IN MEMORY OF PHILIP GREEVE WHO DIED FEB THE 9TH 1776 AGED 77 YEARS ALFO JANE HIS WIFE DIED SEPTR THE 14TH 1756 AGED 40 YEARS ALFO THOS THEIR SON MAST (...) MARINER DIED SEPTR THE (11?)TH (?)797 AGED 64 YEARS ...LFO ROB^T GALES SON IN LAW ... THE ABOVE PHILIP & JANE ...REEVE, DIED SEPTR THE 16TH 1805, AGED 67 YEARS ...FO MARGARET WIFE OF THE ...BERT GALES ... TH DAY OF DECR 1821 ...D 80 YFARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
105(B9)	1874	Headstone	East	H 1330mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mint	Incised	Other,	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Hind		No base	90 ⁰	W 740mms		in situ			Roman,	outline;	back			
		See below		D 90mms					Roman	Central,	and			
									italics	none	sides			

bevelled border at top of monument

Mary Ann HInd, maiden name unknown c.1805- 1874: born in Norton, Durham (census data)

Joseph Hind c.1798- 1875, her husband: was born in Kirby Ravensworth (census data)

The date and place of the marriage of Joseph Hind and Mary Ann is unknown.

Occupation of Joseph Hind: publican (and owner of a second pub), farmer, yeoman

1851 and **1861** censuses, Joseph senior is a **publican** (the pub is identified as the Highland Lad, High St Norton in the 1851 trade directory: in UK City and County directories 1766-1946, in Ancestry website). His son Joseph is described as a farmer's apprentice in the 1851 census; and in the **1871** census, Joseph senior – now resident in 15 Catholic St, Stockton – is described as **'farmer, retired'**. It seems, therefore, that the family possessed some land in addition to the pub (census data).

1874: A newspaper account of proceedings at the Stockton Brewster Sessions, reporting on an application for a spirit licence for the Golden Lion Inn (corner of Garbutt St/ Cromwell St, Stockton, occupier one Thomas Brittam) states that these **premises are owned** by Joseph Hind of Norton. (*Stockton Herald, South Durham and Cleveland Advertiser, 29 Aug 1874, p.5, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives*) **1876:** Probate documentation (1876) of the Will of Joseph Hind describes him as 'Joseph Hind, late of Stockton on Tees in the County of Durham, **yeoman**...'. Yeoman was, by then, a slightly old-fashioned term, used to mean a well-off commoner (*Find a Will, GOV.UK*).

Family:

The only known children of Joseph and Mary Ann Hind are **Joseph Hind born c.1832** and **Ann born c.1834**, both born in Percy Main, Northumberland (census data).

1851 census, the family is living in Norton and consists of Joseph Hind, his wife Mary; and their children Joseph, 19 years (born c.1832) and Ann, 17 years (born c.1834) (census data)

In **1858** Joseph Hind junior (born 1832) married Maria Hymer in Stockton registration district (*FreeBMD*, census data), and had a family. This Joseph died 1898 and Maria in 1886, both in Stockton: both are buried in St Mary's Norton. One of their sons, Joseph 1859-1899 died in South Shields, Tyneside, and is also buried in St Mary's Norton (*St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*).

Probate documentation for the youngest Joseph Hind (1859-1899) describes him as 'gentleman' (Find a Will, GOV.UK). There is currently no further information on Ann born c.1834 (daughter of Joseph and Mary Ann)

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from firstmentioned individual

IN AFFECTIONATE REMEMBRANCE OF

MARY ANN HIND

THE BELOVED WIFE OF

JOSEPH HIND OF NORTION

WHO DIED ON THE 29TH MAY, 1874

AGED 69 YEARS.

IN THE MIDST OF LIFE WE ARE IN DEATH

ALSO THE ABOVE JOSEPH HIND,

LATE OF KIRBY RAVENSWORTH,

DEPARTED THIS LIFE SEPTEMBER 29TH 1876

AGED 78 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
106 (B10)	1805	Headstone	East	H 1100mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Other	Border	Smooth	None	None	none
Collings		No base	90 ⁰	W 750mms		in situ	legible			outline.	back			
		See below		D 80mms						Central,	and			
										none	sides			

Headstone (5137) flat top, Semi-circular central feature, Shape of top repeated three times, Concave shoulders

Joseph Collings c.1740- died between 1806 and 1811: birthplace unknown.

He died between 1806- 1811: he left a Will dated 24 June 1806: probate granted 21 August 1811 (*Durham wills pre-1858, in Family Search websites*)

Elizabeth Collings nee Greeve c.1740- 1805, his wife: birthplace unknown

St Mary's burial record: Elizabeth COLLING, 65 years, wife of Jo COLLING, Norton, died 27 Dec 1805, buried 30 Dec 1805

(Bishops' transcripts, Durham, Norton: image 83 of 342: Family Search website)

Occupation of Joseph Collings: described on his 1806 Will as Master Mariner of Norton, county Durham.

10 Dec **1765**: Joseph Collings of this parish, and Elizabeth Greeve, married in St Mary the Virgin. Witnesses: Thomas Greeve and Mary Collings (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Family:

The 1806 Will of Joseph Collings names family members (Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search):

Son: Joseph Collings

Granddaughter: Elizabeth Collings (a minor), daughter of son Joseph Collings

also named: Ann Lawson, wife of Matthew Lawson of Norton, bread baker: probable sister of Joseph Collings c.1740- 1806/1811): On 12 Nov 1767, Ann Colling (25 years and upwards) and Matthew Lawson (26 years and upwards) married in Billingham, county Durham. Their marriage allegation (application for a marriage licence) issued the previous day, 11 Nov 1767, describes them as bachelor and spinster (England marriages 1538- 1975; England Durham, Marriage bonds and allegations 1692- 1900; both in Family Search website). Thus, they are of the same generation of Joseph Collings c.1740- 1806/1811.

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date, Taken from burial records

IN MEMORY OF ELIZH
COLLINGS WIFE OF JOSH
COLLINGS WHO DIED THE
27 DECR (...8?)05 AGED
65 YEARS
AN AFFE...IONATE WIFE AND
A TE ... ER

An earlier transcription gives the last line as 'a tender mother' (Cleveland Family History Society 1991/ 1992)

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
107 (B11)	1829	Headstone	East	H 1500mms	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Roman	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Gent		No base	900	W 870mms		in situ					back			
		See below		D 85mms							and			
											sides			

Headstone (4000): individual design: Flat top, cut away either side of centre; 4-sided central feature, flanked by 2 semi-circles; these semi-circles repeated 2 times (total of 4 semi-circles)

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first named individual

William Gent (junior) c.1802-1829: birthplace unknown

He died suddenly, of a fall from a horse near Longnewton, County Durham, as he was returning home from Darlington market. The newspaper account of his death names him as the only son of William Gent, ironmonger. (Durham Chronicle, 13 June 1829, p.4, col 3, in British Newspaper Archives)

William Gent c.1754- 1832, his father: birthplace unknown

Occupation: prosperous iron-merchant based on High Street, Stockton.

The 1827 History, Directory and Gazetteer of Durham and Northumberland includes him under 'grocers and tea dealers': all other records refer to him as ironmonger of Stockton.

Elizabeth Gent c.1759- 1836, his mother: birthplace unknown

Elizabeth Gent left a Will (dated 1834, codicil 1836, probate 1837). In it she refers to the **Will of her husband, William Gent ironmonger**, who pre-deceased him (I have not yet found this Will). Elizabeth leaves legacies to several cousins of herself and of her husband William, and the children of these cousins, scattered throughout County Durham. No children of her own are mentioned: it therefore seems likely that, after the death of son William in 1828, she had no surviving children (*Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search, website*)

1846: some years after the deaths of William and Elizabeth Gent, their properties are sold. The 'for sale' description includes several houses, warehouses and other buildings on High Street, Stockton, extending into West Row; shares in the Tees Navigation Company, the Old Stockton Gas Company, Stockton New Gas Company; and a pew in the old parish church, Stockton.

(Durham Chronicle, 27 Nov 1846, p.5, col 2, in British Newspaper Archives)

MEMORY OF

WILLIAM GENT
SON OF WILLIAM AND ELIZABETH
GENT OF STOCKTON,

IN

WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JUNE 8TH 1829

AGED 27 YEARS.

ALSO OF WILLIAM GENT FATHER OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED MARCH 21ST 1832, AGED 78 YEARS. AND ELIZABETH GENT

(WIFE OF THE ABOVE NAMED WILLIAM GENT) WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE AUGT 3RD 1836, AGED 77 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
108 (B12) Heaviside	1743	Headstone No base	n/a	H n/a W 600mms	Sandstone	Falling apart,	Mainly legible	Incised	San Serif	Border outline;	Smooth sides	None	None	None
		See below		D 90mms		incomplete Recognis-				Cherub head and				
						able				wings				

Headstone (5100) flat top with semi-circular central feature. One corner of monument still standing; remainder of monument collapsed and broken into two fallen face-up portions.

Inscription: first word of penultimate line ('of') and date on bottom line (1743) are on the still-standing portion: remainder of inscription on one of the fallen portions

Valentine Heaviside, died 1743:

Currently, there is no definitive information on Valentine Heaviside d.1743

Other Heaviside records:

There is one St Mary the Virgin christening record before 1743, that of a Thomas **HEAVESIDE**, son of Valentine, christened 11 April 1732; and several **HEAVESIDE** christening records between 1747 and 1765 (after the death of this Valentine Heaviside) to different fathers, whose names are given as Joseph, John, Valentine and Voll (Val?) ((St Mary's christening records: transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

There are no marriage records in St Mary's for **HEAVISIDE** (or **HEAVESIDE** or **HEAVISIDES**) prior to 1746, although there are twelve between then and 1858 (St Mary's marriage records: transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

There are Wills of various individuals surnamed **HEAVISIDE** in County Durham in the earlier 1700s, mainly living in Auckland St Andrew (Bishop Auckland): mostly yeomen. There are later HEAVISIDE Wills from Elwick Hall (1750, Alice Valentine); and from Billingham and Stockton, but the earliest of these is 1771, a generation after the death of 'this' Valentine Heaviside (*Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search*).

There are also scattered newspaper references to various **HEAVISIDE's** in (mainly) Stockton during the 1800s, mostly tradesmen.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

HERE LIETH THE BODY OF VALENTINE HEAVISIDE WHO DE ...ARTED THIS LIFE (?) OF AUG IN THE YEAR 1743 AGED (55?)

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
109 (B13)	1764	Headstone	East	H 840mms	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Roman	Cherub	Smooth	None	None	none
Richardson		No base	85 ⁰	W 610mms		in situ				head and	back			
		See below		D 80mms						wings;	Decorat-			
										Rose;	ive			
										Yorkshire	tooling			
										rose	sides			

Headstone (5306) flat top, slightly curved central feature, convex shoulders. Two roses (on branches): right-hand one (towards north) is 5-petal Yorkshire rose; left-hand one (towards south) has 7 petals.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

Robert Richardson c.1705- 1764

Jane, his daughter, dates unknown

Mary, his daughter, dates unknown

Jane Richardson: there are two christening records in St Mary the Virgin: 1 June 1732, and 17 March 1734

Mary Richardson: there is a christening record in St Mary the Virgin: 10 June 1739

In all three of these records, the father is Robert Richardson (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

There are two St Mary's marriage records for Robert Richardson:

9 Feb 1730 Robert Richardson and Margaret Perkin

1 May 1733 Robert Richardson and Mary Lee

(St Mary's marriage records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

There are several other christening records around the same time, each with father Robert:

28 June 1730 Thomas Richardson 12 May 1734 Robert Richardson 4 Sept 1735 Christian Richardson

1 May 1737 John Richardson son of Robert and Mary

7 July 1737 Elizabeth Richardson daughter of Robert and Margaret

12 Oct 1740 Ann Richardson

(St Mary's christening records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

From this, it seems there are at least two Richardson families living in Norton at the same time, each headed by a Robert Richardson – apart from the children christened within a short time of each other in 1737, whose mothers' names are given, it is not clear which family is which.

IN MEMORY
OF ROBERT RICHARDFON
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
JANRY 10TH 1764, AGED 59
AND
OF JANE AND MARY HIS
DAUGHTERS BOTH HERE
INTERRD

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
110 (B14)	1832	Headstone	East	H 1410mms	Yellow	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Gothic	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Rowe		No base	90 ⁰	W 810mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		Roman,	outline;	back			
		See below		D 120mms					Roman	Central,	and			
									italic	none	sides			

Headstone (5107) flat top, Semi-circular central feature, concave shoulders

Robert Rowe c.1753- 1832: Occupation: farmer, and butcher. Well-connected and presumably wealthy farmer of Norton (described as 'butcher' on his wedding record). Christened in St Mary's Norton, 11 Oct 1753: son of John Row and Eleanor Heaviside, who married in St Mary's, Norton, 11 May 1746 (transcriptions: Cleveland Family History Society). Burial record, St Mary's: Robt Rowe, 80 years of Norton, buried 23 March 1832 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Margaret Rowe, c.1758- 1849, his wife, formerly Robinson, maiden name unknown.

They married in St Mary's Norton on 13 March 1781: she was described as a widow from Trimdon (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). Burial record, St Mary's: Margaret ROW. 91 years. Norton. buried 25 May 1849 (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

1831: Robert Rowe, farmer of Norton, left a Will: beneficiaries, his wife, and grandson Roper Stote Dennison Rowe, now known as Roper Stote Donnison Rowe Roper (son of Robert's son Thomas Tiplady). He also left £300 towards the debts of his deceased son, Thomas Tiplady Rowe (*Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search website*)

Family: two known children:

John Rowe, christened 4 June 1788 in St Mary the Virgin (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). No further information.

Thomas Tiplady Rowe, christened 23 July 1782 in St Mary the Virgin (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society: died before 1831. On 25 April 1803, in Jarrow, county Durham, Thomas Tiplady Rowe married Maria Jemima Stote Donnison (1785- 1815), of a wealthy family (England, Durham diocese, marriage bonds and allegations, in Family Search website). Her parents were Rev Watson Stote Donnison, of Trimdon; and Elizabeth Spark, daughter and heiress of Jonathon Sparke of Hutton Henry (Pedigree of Roper of Trimdon, in The History and Antiquities of the County Palatine of Durham, Vol 1 (Raine, ed), 1816: Trimdon, p 107: GoogleBooks). Initially they lived in London where their first child was born: Ann Stote Rowe 1805-1878 (b.14 Jan 1805; christened 4 Oct 1805 in St Bride, Fleet St, City of London) (London, England, Church of England baptisms, marriages and burials 1538-1812, Ancestry website). Thomas became a linen draper in London but became bankrupt in 1807 (Leeds Intelligencer 15 June 1807, p 1, col 5, in British Newspaper Archives). Later, two more children were born in County Durham: Elizabeth Margaret Rowe 1810-1812, and Roper Stote Donnison Rowe (later, Roper) 1813-1867. Maria Jemima died in 1815; and Thomas Tiplady Rowe remarried the following year, 1816 in Bishopwearmouth, to Isabel Whitfield, and had another son, Robert Rowe b.1817. The last known record of Thomas Tiplady Rowe was an 1825 list of insolvent debtors (1 July 1825, Durham court) described as 'ROWE, Thomas Tiplady, of Durham, traveller, afterwards of Norton, Durham, schoolmaster, and late of Trindon (sic) [TRIMDON], Durham, gentleman (The Law Advertiser Vol 3, 1825, p.207, in Google Books). The exact date of death of Thomas Tiplady Rowe is not known; however, his father's Will (written 1831) describes Thomas as deceased. The only one of the children of Thomas Tiplady Rowe currently known to have had children was his son by Maria Jemima: Roper Stote Donnison Rowe (who, like his uncle (below) before him) changed his name to Roper Stote Do

Famous relations: Through Elizabeth Spark, Maria Jemima's Donnison's brother – Roper Stote Donnison (1771-1822) - inherited the Trimdon estates. He became a barrister-at-law and a legal writer of several legal texts; and assumed the surname Roper, becoming **Roper Stote Donnison Roper**.

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date,

Taken from burial records

ERECTED
IN MEMORY OF
ROBERT ROWE
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
MARCH 17 18(3?)(?) ...D 80
YEARS.
(AND?) OF
MARGARET ROWE
(HIS?) WIDOW
WHO DEP..T..D THIS LIFE
... MAY (18?)..

...

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
111 (B15)	1867	Headstone	East	H'stone	H'stone	Sound and	Mint	Incised	San Serif	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Bell		With base	900	H 1550mms	Sandstone	in situ				outline.	back.			
		Round top		W 850mms						Central:	Sides:			
				D 100mms	Base					Biblical	see			
				Base:	Sandstone					scene,	below			
				H 80mms						Jesus, Urn,				
				W 1000mms						Palm				

Tooling, sides: 5 rounded sides in relief; bevelled edges front and back.

Central decorative motif is Relief carving of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane.

Sarah Bell nee Hart c.1820- 1867,: birthplace Stockton (census data)

one of 6 children born in Stockton on Tees to Joseph Hart and Ann Rowe (census data)

William Bell c.1819- 1887, her husband: birthplace Stockton on Tees (census data)

baptised in St Mary's RC church, Stockton, in April 1819 by Rev Storey: son of John and Ann Bell, godparents Thomas Bell, Elizabeth Hill (England and Wales, Non-conformist and non-parochial registers, 1567-1936, in Ancestry website)

Occupation: fruiterer, merchant, contractor, farmer.

In the **1851** census and trade directory William is a **fruiterer**, **and merchant/dealer** in hay and straw, in 18 High St, Stockton. In the **1861** census, the family is living in Tennant St, Stockton: William is a **contractor** employing 6 men. Exact nature of his business not specified. On the death of his wife in **1867**, and in the **1871** census, William is a farmer of 264 acres at Grassy Nook Farm (Darlington Back Lane), where his wife Sarah dies in 1867. The farmhouse is now a listed building. In the **1881** census, William is now again a contractor, living in Thornaby (South Stockton) with his daughter Alice. He died here in 1887 (*census data*)

6 Sept 1841: William Bell and Sarah Hart married in St Thomas' church, Stockton (*FreeBMD, newspaper marriage notice in Newcastle Courant, 10 Sept 1841, p.4, col 3, in British Newspaper Archives*)

Family: three known daughters:

Annie 1843-?, married Robert Keen in 1875 in Newcastle upon Tyne (FreeBMD), had a family (census data) Maria 1847- 1899, married Robert Nelson in 1866 in Stockton on Tees (FreeBMD), had a family (census data) Alice 1858-?, believed unmarried.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first-mentioned individual

ERECTED

IN MEMORY OF

SARAH, WIFE OF

WILLIAM BELL.

OF GRASSY NOOK.

WHO DIED

NOVEMBER 24TH 1867,

AGED 47 YEARS.

ALSO THE ABOVE

WILLIAM BELL

WHO DIED AT SOUTH STOCKTON

AUGUST 17TH 1887

AGED 68 YEARS

REST IN PEACE

Mason's signature above base:

R TODD MIDDLESBROUGH

DISPLACED MONUMENTS: NOW LYING CLOSE TO CHURCH: ALONG SOUTH CHURCH WALL

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112 (B20)	1713	unknown	n/a	n/a	Limestone	Sound,	All legible	Incised	Roman	none	n/a	None	None	None
Davison						displaced								

Currently lying flat, face up, outside south wall of church, originally within church building (mural or floor slab).

Anne Davison nee Bland, c.1687- 1713:

is the first wife of **Thomas Davison c.1684- 1748**, who is commemorated on the adjacent monument.

Daughter of Sir John Bland 1663- 1715, 4th Bart of Kippax Park, Yorkshire, and Hulme Hall, Lancs. He was a major landowner in Yorkshire and Lancashire (much obtained through his wife's inheritance). Member of Parliament.

Through the marriage of Thomas Davison and Ann Bland, the Kippax Park estate eventually passed into the Davison family of Blakiston Hall. Her only surviving son, Thomas Davison 1712-1756, had 3 children: the eldest, Thomas Davison 1744/5- 1794, inherited the Kippax Park estate on the successive deaths of two unmarried cousins, and took the name Davison-Bland. His family, the Davison-Bland's, lived at Kippax until 1928.

Ann's nephew, John Bland 6th Baronet, eventually sold the Hulme Hall estate in 1751.

(Sir John Bland 4th baronet 1663-1715, in The Peerage (online);

Townships, Hulme, in British History online;

A Genealogical and Heraldic History of the Commoners of Great Britain (John Burke, 1836: Google Books online, pp. 327-328)

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

HERE LIETH

ANNE THE WIFE OF THOMAS DAV
SON ESQ^R TO WHOM SHE HAD THREE
CHILDREN, BUT ONLY ONE OF THEM SUR
VIVED HER. SHE WAS THE ELDER
DAUGHTER OF SIR JOHN BLAND BART
BY ANNE HIS LADY, DAUGHTER AND
HEIRESS OF SIR EDWARD MOSELEY KT
SHE WAS A GENTLEWOMAN OF FINE PARTS
ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AND DIED MUCH
LAMENTED IN THE 27TH YEAR OF HER LIFE
MAY 17TH 1713

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
113 (n/a)	1669	Unknown	n/a	n/a	Sandstone	Sound,	Mainly	Incised	Roman	Marginal	n/a	Oval	None	none
Davison						displaced	legible			none		with		
										Central		coat of		
										Heraldic		arms		
										coat of				
										arms				

Currently face up outside south wall of church; believed originally placed inside church as mural or as floor slab **TOP:**

Alexander Davison 1634- 1669: believed born in Blakiston, Norton

Grandson of the Alexander Davison c.1557- 1644 who bought Blakiston estate in about 1625; and son of Sir Thomas Davison of Blakeston 1607-1667, High Sherriff of Durham after the Restoration, from 1660 until his death in 1667. (British History online/ Parish of Norton).

Married twice:

to Elizabeth Dawes (son: John); and to Mary Carre (son: Alexander). Died 1 August 1669, aged 35 years

BOTTOM:

Theophila Davison c.1684- 1745 nee Turner, second wife of Thomas Davison c.1682- 1748:

Daughter of Charles Turner, Kirkleatham, (north) Yorkshire, of the wealthy Turner family of Kirkleatham. Great-niece of Sir William Turner 1615-1693, who founded Alms Houses and a Free School at Kirkleatham.

Thomas Davison c.1682- 1748, his grandson (by his elder son John):

grandson of Alexander Davison (c.1634- 1669) and of Elizabeth (daughter of Sir Thomas Dawes); and great-great-grandson of the Alexander Davison (c.1565- 1644) who died in the siege of Newcastle.

Thomas Davison's first wife Anna Bland is commemorated on an adjacent monument.

Listory: In about 1625, the Blakison estate north of Norton was sold by the Blakiston family to **Alexander Davison c.1565-1644,** merchant of Newcastle upon Tyne. During the Civil War, Newcastle – a Royalist city - was besieged and ultimately captured by the Scots Covenanter Army (on the side of the Parliamentarians). At this stage, Alexander Davison was Mayor of Newcastle, had been created Lieutenant-Colonel, and took an active part in its defence. He was **killed in battle on the city walls in October 1644, aged 81 years**. His son Joseph also died in battle during the siege. Both are buried in St Nicholas, Newcastle.

The Blakiston estate remained in the hands of the Davison family until the late 1700s/ early 1800s, when it passed to the Russell family of Brancepath Castle, county Durham. There are several monuments to the Davison family inside St Mary's: some were later removed and now lie face-up just outside the church. Together, they provide a pedigree of the Davison family.

Reason for monument date: inferred date from first mentioned individual

HERE LIETH INTERRED YE BODY OF ALEXANDR

DAVISON, OF BLAKESTON, ESQR SON OF SIR THO.

DAVISON, KT, WHO LEFT ISFUE 2 SONS, VIZ. JOHN,

BY ELIZ. DAUGHTR OF SIR THO. DAWES, & ALEXANDR

BY MARY THE DAUGHTR OF CUTHBRT CARRE, OF

ST. HELLEN AUCKLAND, ESQR.

HE DEPARTEDYE FIRST OF AUGUST, ANNO 1669,

ÆTATIS FUÆ 35.

Transcribed 1823, in Robert Surtees, 'Parish of Norton', in *The History and Antiquities of the County Palatine of Durham: Volume 3, Stockton and Darlington Wards* (London, 1823), pp. 152-167. *British History Online*

[horizontal oval text box containing coat of arms]

HERE LIETH THE BODY OF THEOPHILA, WIFE OF THOMAS DAVISON OF BLAKISTON, ESQ^R, DAUGHTER OF CHARLES TURNER, OF KIRK LEATHAM, ESQ^R. WHO DIED JUNE 12TH 1745, AGED 61. AND ALSO THE BODY OF THE FAID THOMAS DAVISON HER LATE HUFBAND, ELDEST SON OF JOHN DAVISON, LATE OF BLAKISTON, ESQ^R. WHO DIED THE 9TH SEPT^R. 1748, AGED 66.

MONUMENTS TO SOUTHWEST OF CHURCH, BEYOND PATH

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
114 (C43)	1804	Chest tomb	East	Тор:	Тор	Sound and	Mostly	Incised	Roman	See below	n/a	None	None	None
Wray		See below	85 ⁰	L 2030mms	sandstone	in situ	legible							
				W 1040mms										
				D 120mms	Sides									
				Sides:	sandstone									
				H 840mms										
				W 840mms										

LISTED BUILDING/MONUMENT

Flat top, 2 side panels, 2 single end panels; all with concave corners and fan decoration. Fluted corner piers supporting top slab.

Christopher Wray c.1755- 1804, surgeon and apothecary, Stockton. Many trained in both occupations and were the local doctors.

St Mary's burial record: Christopher Wray, Surgant [sic – surgeon?] from Stockton, died Dec 21, 1804, buried Dec 24, 1804, 59 years (Bishops transcripts, Norton, image 76 of 342, in Family Search)

Anna Maria Wray nee Ferrand, c.1755 – 1807: his wife:

St Mary's burial record: Anna Maria Wray, widow, died 22 May 1807, buried 26 May 1807, 57 years (Bishops Transcripts, Durham, Norton, in Family Search website

Daughter of wealthy merchant Richardson Ferrand Esq of Stockton, who was also mayor of Stockton in 1751-2 (Stockton mayors: Cleveland Family History Society, online). They were related to the Ferrand family of St Ives, Bingley, West Yorks. (merchants and landowners), and to the Hudig family, wealthy merchants of Rotterdam, Netherlands.

3 March 1777: Marriage bond: Christopher Wray 22 years, surgeon, Stockton; and Anna Ferrand, 22 years, Stockton (*image 67 of 401: England, Durham, marriage bonds and allegations, 1594-1815, in Family Search online*)

Newspaper marriage notice: Tuesday, at Stockton, Mr Christopher Wray, to Miss Anna Maria Ferrand (Newcastle Courant, 8 March 1777, p.4, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives)

1804: Newspaper death notice: Yesterday se'nnight, at Stockton, Christopher Wray, Esq. many years an eminent apothecary there (*Carlisle Journal, 29 Dec 1804, p.3, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives*).

They had two children, two grandchildren, but no great-grandchildren:

George Wray, c.1778-1841, their son. He also became a surgeon (local doctor) and practised for a time in Stockton. He married (wife's name unknown) and had two daughters (the elder, Anna, born c.1811 in Scotland); and the family eventually settled in Seaton Carew, Co Durham (census data). Both daughters died unmarried: Anna Wray c.1811- 1843, and Jane Wray c.1808- 1856. George and both daughters are buried in this churchyard. It is not known when his wife died, or where she is interred.

Ann Wray, c.1785-1826, their daughter: On 1 June 1809 in St Thomas, Stockton, married Charles Dixon/Dixson, c.1781-1844, a surgeon, and lieutenant in the Durham militia (England marriages 1538-1973, in Family Search). They had no children. Ann and Charles are interred in this churchyard, next to Ann's parents (flat stone).

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument, Taken from burial records

IN MEMORY OF

CHRISTOPHER WRAY MD OF STOCKTON ...

...ARTED THIS LIFE DEC 21 180(?)

... ANNA MARIA WRAY WIFE OF THE ...

CHRISTOPHER WRAY ... DEPARTED ...

... 1807

Burial records, St Mary the Virgin, Norton:

Listed tomb:

Entry Name: Ray Tomb to South of Stagg Tomb; **Listing Date:** 21 June 1985;

Grade: II

Source: Historic England; Source ID: 1121148 English Heritage Legacy

ID: 59347

Name mis-spelt as 'RAY'; Date of burial

aiven as 1806

https://britishlistedbuildings.co.uk/101121 148-ray-tomb-to-south-of-stagg-tombnorton-north-ward#.YwPYcCOw3hc

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115 (C45)	?	Chest tomb	East	Тор:	Тор	Falling	no visible	n/a	n/a	See below	n/a	None	None	None
Stagg		see below	800	L 2100mms	sandstone	apart,	inscription							
				W 1030mms		Recognis-	(face down?)							
				H 210mms	Sides	able								
				Sides:	sandstone									
				H 860mms										

LISTED BUILDING/ MONUMENT

Flat top, 2 side panels, 2 single end panels: One side panel face down beside tomb. Remaining side panel and both end panels with concave corners and fan decoration. Fluted corner piers supporting top slab.

John Stagg, c.1788- 1844: born county Durham (census data).

Burial record St Mary's: John Stagg, 62yrs, Stockton, buried 4 March 1844 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Wealthy wood importer/merchant and lead merchant: major (7/8) shareholder in a lead mine near Middleton-on-Teesdale ('Grasshill mine' in 'for sale' advertisements after his death). He was also a J.P. (the late John Stagg Esq: Durham Chronicle 8 March 1844, p 2, col 6: in British Newspaper Archives). He was a Quaker (member of the Society of Friends) and may have been from Teesdale or nearby, where his mine was sited: there are earlier Stagg's in Alston, Cumbria (not far from Teesdale).

In the early 1800s, lead-mining in the Teesdale area was mainly undertaken by the London Lead Company, run by entrepreneurs who were also Quakers and social reformers. According to Hunt, this was dominated by the Stagg family: some senior employees in the Teesdale mines were surnamed Stagg, as were some local shopkeepers (possibly relations of John Stagg). These included Robert Stagg, their superintendent of the Teesdale mines 1814-1820. They provided as good working conditions as could be for their employees; opened local schools, making the education of their employee's children a condition of employment; built some workers' accommodation; and through financing local shops selling goods at fair prices, effectively ended local loan-sharks. (Utopia Britannica, British Utopian Experiments 1325-1945: the Company of Quakers, online; and Hunt, Christopher John (1968) The economic and social conditions of lead miners in the Northern Pennines in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, Durham E-Theses, Durham University)

Ann Stagg nee Lumley, c.1782- 1841, his wife: birthplace Stockton on Tees. 17 Aug 1817: John Stagg and Ann Lumley married in St Maurice, York, (north) Yorkshire (England, Select marriages 1538-1973, in Ancestry website).

Burial record St Mary's: Ann Stagg, 53yrs, Stockton, buried 9 Aug 1841 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society); suggesting a birthdate of c.1788 (which differs from that, 1782, on her christening record). Daughter of Benjamin Lumley c.1741- 1801, draper and banker of Stockton and his second wife, Esther Ferrand c.1750- 1814 (interred in this churchyard). Christened 30 June 1782 (born 6 June 1782) in St Thomas, Stockton (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). Ann's mother was Esther Ferrand c.1750- 1814, daughter of wealthy merchant Richardson Ferrand Esq of Stockton, who had also been Stockton Mayor in 1751-2 (Stockton Mayors, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society): her family were related to the Ferrand family of St Ives, Bingley, West Yorks (merchants and landowners), and to the Hudig family, wealthy merchants of Rotterdam, Netherlands.

Around 1774, Ann's father Benjamin Lumley established the Stockton and Cleveland Bank (later joined by Christopher Smith, Robert Wilkinson, and George Snowdon) (Banking through the years, Stockton High St: in Heritage Stockton: Stockton on Tees Borough Council, online). He was also a J.P., Mayor of Stockton 1774-5 and 1789; and a Deputy Lieutenant of Durham (Stockton mayors: Cleveland Family History Society, online; Topographer and Genealogist, Stockton on Tees 1853, p.104). In 1815, another bank, the Northern Darlington Bank, failed. This caused widespread considerable alarm and, a couple of days later, a run started on the Stockton and Cleveland Bank, putting it out of business (Durham County Advertiser, 12 Oct 1816, p 4, cols 2-4, in British Newspaper Archives). The partners then in the firm (Lumley and Co) were Ann's nephew Frederick Lumley, her brother-in-law George Snowdon (wife of her sister Esther), and Robert Wilkinson: they were now declared bankrupt.

John Stagg and his wife Ann nee Lumley died childless. The beneficiaries in John Stagg's Will are his sister, various nephews (one of whom took over his timber business), and the nieces and nephews of his wife (Prerogative Court of Canterbury Wills, in Ancestry website).

Date unknown:

NO VISIBLE INSCRIPTION

- monument identified
from photograph on
'listing' website

Burials: 'listing' information states burials recorded from 1780 and 1811. However, no burials of name STAGG on these dates.

'Listing' information: English Heritage listing: Entry Name: Stagg Family Tomb to South of White Tomb

Listing Date: 21 June 1985

Grade: II

Source: Historic England Source ID: 1322985 English Heritage Legacy

ID: 59345

https://britishlistedbuildi ngs.co.uk/101322985stagg-family-tomb-tosouth-of-white-tombnorton-northward#.ZD1QCS8w3hc

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116 (C46)	1823	Chest tomb	East	Тор:	Тор	Sound and	Mostly	Incised	Roman	See below	n/a	None	None	None
Starkey		See below	85 ⁰	L 2180mms	sandstone	in situ	legible							
				W 1160mms										
				D 190mms	Sides									
				Sides:	sandstone									
				H 740mms										
				W 970mms										

LISTED BUILDING: Flat top, roll-moulded edge, Sides: box of sandstone blocks on plinth with hollow chamfered edge.

John Starkey M. A. c..1767- 1823

Burial record St Mary's: John Starkey, 64yrs, Stockton, buried 6 May 1823 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

From the inscription, he was the eldest son of James and Sarah Starkey of Higher Whitley, county of Chester. Resident member of Brazennose College, Oxford, for 8 years.

Occupation of John Starkey: clergyman.

August 1799: the Revd John Starkey, A.M. of Brazen Nose College, Oxford, is appointed Afternoon Lecturer of the Parish Church of Stockton-on-Tees (Stamford Mercury, 16 Aug 1799, p.3, col.5, in British Newspaper Archives)

1816: The Rev John Starkey A.M. of Stockton on Tees has been nominated to the perpetual curacy of Carlton and Faceby, Yorkshire, vacant by the death of the Rev Thomas Deason (*Lancaster Gazette, 2 March 1816, p.3, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives*)

By the time of his death in **1823**, Revd John Starkey is now Vicar of this parish:

DEATH: April 28, at Stockton on Tees, aged 56, the Rev John Starkey, M.A., Vicar of Carlton and Faceby, in Yorkshire (Chester Courant, 13 May 1823, p.2, col.5, in British Newspaper Archives)

(Page notes in 1923 that the living of Carlton in Cleveland 'is a vicarage, formerly a perpetual curacy'. Presumably this change from perpetual curacy to vicarage came about in the time of Rev John Starkey: 'Parishes: Carlton', in A History of the County of York North Riding: Volume 2, ed. William Page (London, 1923), pp. 232-234. British History Online)

Elizabeth Starkey nee Smith, c.1765- 1838, his wife: birthplace Stockton on Tees

Burial record St Mary's: Elizabeth STARKIE, 73yrs, Stockton, buried 27 Feb 1838 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Only surviving child and sole heiress of Thomas Smith Esq of Stockton and his wife Margaret Rutter (daughter of John Rutter, a wealthy Quaker (Society of Friends) family in Stockton in Tees). This Thomas Smith was a member of a wealthy (with coat of arms) family of Norton and Durham. On her death, Elizabeth Starkey nee Smith left property in Stockton, Seaton, Norton and Darlington (Topographer and Genealogist, Stockton on Tees, 1853, pp. 106, 115)

15 Sept 1802: John Starkey and Elizabeth Smith married: On Tuesday se/enight, at Stockton on Tees, the Rev. John Starkey, A.M. lecturer of Stockton, to Miss Smith, only child of the late Thomas Smith, Esq., of the same place (*Carlisle Journal, 25 Sept 1802, p.3, cols 1,2, in British Newspaper Archives*).

John Starkey and his wife Elizabeth nee Smith had no children.

Elizabeth died in 1838: DEATH: At Stockton ... on the 18 inst., Elizabeth, relict of the late Rev John Starkey (*Durham Chronicle, 23 Feb 1838, p.3, col 3, in British Newspaper Archives*)

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first-mentioned individual

Inscription legible with difficulty: 1991/1992 transcription:

Here lie interred the remains of the Rev. John STARKEY MA a resident member of Brazen-nose College Oxford during a period of 8yrs where he was justly distinguished for his abilities & learning. In his following life he was equally esteemed as a faithful minister of Christ, an honest & virtuous man & an ornament of society. He was the eldest son of James & Sarah STARKEY of Higher Whitley in the co. of Chester & d. at his house in Stockton Apr 28 1823 aged 56yrs. & also of Elizabeth STARKEY late of Stockton, widow of the said John STARKEY who departed this life much & deservedly respected on 18 day Feb AD 1838 in the 74th yr of her age (transcription: Cleveland family history society).

'Listing' details:

Entry Name: Tomb of Reverend John Starkey, to South of Ray Tomb (1828 and later burials)

Listing Date: 21 June 1985; Grade: II

Source: Historic England; **Source ID:** 1329429

English Heritage Legacy ID: 59348; ID on this

website: 101329429

https://britishlistedbuildings.co.uk/101329429tomb-of-reverend-john-starkey-to-south-of-raytomb-norton-north-ward#.ZD1Z2i8w3hd

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117 (C48)	1819	Chest tomb	East	Тор:	Тор	Sound and	Illegible	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	None	None	None
Barrass		See below	85 ⁰	L 2230mms	sandstone	in situ	(overgrown)							
				W 1020mms										
				D 200mms	Sides									
				Sides:	sandstone									
				H 920mms										
				W 990mms										

LISTED BUILDING/ MONUMENT: Top: Hipped and pitched; vertical palmettes at corners; Sides: each side 2 square panels, each with concave corners. Ends: square panels, each with concave corners; Fluted piers supporting top

Alice Barras nee Thompson c.1752- 1819: birthplace probably Sunderland.

Christened in Sunderland 2 Feb 1752, suggesting an age of 67 years on death. Daughter of William Thompson and Ann (England births and christenings 1538- 1975, in Family Search website). Her burial record, however, gives a slightly younger age:

Burial record, St Mary's: Alice BARRAS, 62yrs, Stockton, buried 28 Jan 1819 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Family of Alice Barras nee Thompson:

William Barras (? - c.1791), husband of Alice. Father's forename unknown; Mother, Jane Barras nee Clark.

15 June 1786: Alice Thomson married William Barras in Jarrow, County Durham (England select marriages 1538-1975, in Ancestry)

William's mother Jane Barras left a will (written 1791, probate 1809) in which she describes herself as Jane Barras, widow, of Gateshead, and refers to her brother Edward Clark of Gateshead, merchant. The will does not mention her son William. Instead, Jane makes financial provision for her daughter-in-law Alice Barras and her two grandchildren: William Barras, and Catherine Barras. The bequest is made using legal terminology, to the effect that it is free of any control by any future husband whom Alice may have. This strongly suggests that Alice's husband, William, was now deceased: he likely died shortly before the will was made, as their youngest child was born in 1790 (Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search)

Occupation of William Barrass; not known with certainty. There is, however, a the Barras family of brewers (Whickham and Gateshead), who set up a brewery in Gateshead: the forerunner of Newcastle Breweries (and of Newcastle Brown Ale); although he does not seem to be directly related to their main members.

Alice and William had two children, born in Bishopwearmouth, Sunderland: William 1789- 1866, and Catherine 1790- 1874 (census data), suggesting they settled here on marriage. William died (above) soon after their children were born.

William Barras 1789- 1866. Occupation: solicitor (in his mother's will: probate 1820: Prerogative Court of Canterbury, in Ancestry website).); later landowner (census data).

In 1818, married Catherine Richardson (1797-1874) in Taunton, Somerset. 12 children. Eventually settled in Middlesex (census data)

Catherine 1790- 1874. Married in Bishopwearmouth in 1811 to Robert Hopper Williamson (1784-1865), a clergyman ordained in Durham in 1808 who later became Rector of Hurworth, county Durham. 7 children. After his death, Catherine moved to Scarborough where she lived till her own death (*census data*).

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date, Taken from 1991/1992 transcription and from burial records.

Inscription not visible (overgrown with lichen)

1991/1992 transcription:

In memory of Alice BARRAS the relict of William BARRAS Esq. formerly of Gateshead & late of Stockton who departed this life on 16 day Feb 1819 aged 62yrs

(transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

'Listing information':

Entry Name: Barras Tomb to South of Stagg Tomb;

Listing Date: 21 June 1985

Grade: II

Source: Historic England; Source ID: 1140013;

English Heritage Legacy ID: 59346 ID on this website: 101140013

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118 (C57)	1801	Chest tomb	East	Тор:	Тор	Falling	Mainly	Incised	Roman	See below	n/a	None	None	None
White		See below	900	L 2100mms	sandstone	apart,	legible							
				W 1040mms		incomplete,								
				Base:	Sides	Recognis-								
				W 1040mms	marble	able								

LISTED BUILDING/ MONUMENT: Flat top; Single panel at both sides and both ends; Corner columns (3 present, 1 missing); Resting on plinth.

Robert White c.1714- 1801: Wealthy landowner, of Elwick Hall, county Durham. His Will, written 1799, contains monetary legacies of over £15,000 in addition to monies already advanced to his family (probate 1802: Prerogative Court of Canterbury, in Ancestry website).

Isabella White nee Jordison, c.1743- 1801, his wife: Born in Greatham, county Durham, to John Jordison and Eleanor Hubbock. *(England births and christenings, Family Search website).*

12 May 1767: Robert and Isabella married in St John the Baptist, Greatham, Durham (England marriages 1538-1875, Family Search website). Family: 12 known children born 1768-1785: eight survived to be named in Robert's Will dated 1799 (Bishops Transcripts, Norton, image 33 in Family Search website)

1801: Isabella was buried **25** March **1801**, and Robert was buried **28** July **1801** (Bishops transcripts, Durham, Norton, image 66 of 342, in Family Search website)

John White 1770- 1801, their son: mariner, included in Robert's Will: but predeceased him.

John Peacock White c.1804- 1826, unmarried grandson of Robert and Isabella by son Christopher Elizabeth White c.1813- 1836, unmarried granddaughter of Robert and Isabella by son Christopher

Christopher White 1780- 1838: son of Robert and Isabella: 62 years, twin to Robert (2)

Alice White nee Ellerby c.1780- 1842, daughter-in-law of Robert and Isabella, wife of Christopher White: from Whitby (christening record of son John Peacock White). Newspaper marriage notice: daughter of Mr Ellerby, common brewer, Whitby: married 29 Nov 1802 in Whitby (Northumberland and Durham and Cumberland Gazette, 7 Dec 1802, p 2, col 3, in British Newspaper Archives). Buried 28 Mar 1842, 62 years (christening and burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Eleanor White, c.1773-1794, daughter of Robert and Isabella: 21 years, unmarried.

Robert (1), 1770-1776, son of Robert and Isabella, died aged 6 years. A later son was also named Robert.

(illegible daughter), died aged 18 months.

Famous relation: Anthony c.1779- 1849, son of Robert and Isabella: Head surgeon at Westminster Hospital, London; and three times President of the Royal College of Surgeons. (W. Fordyce, History and Antiquities of the County Palatine of Durham (1857), part 2, p.205)

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual (top)

Top:

Robert White of Norton departed this Life July 28th in the Year of our Lord 1801 Aged 87 Years.
Isabella Wife of the above named Robert White departed this Life March 18th 1801 Aged (5?)8yrs.
John White of the same place Mariner, son of the above named Robert ...
Isabella White departed this Life June 30 1801 aged 30 Years.
Also JOHN PEACOCK WHITE grandson of the abovenamed ROBERT and ISABELLA White departed this Life the 9th June 1826 Aged 22 Years.

Also ELIZABETH WHITE sister of the
Above named JOHN PEACOCK WHITE who
departed this life the 3rd February
1836 Aged 23 YEARS.
CHRISTOPHER WHITE Father of
the abovenamed John Peacock and Elizabeth

died August 2nd 1838 Aged 57
Also Alice Wife of the above
named CHRISTOPHER WHITE
who departed this life March 1(3?) 18(4)2
Aged 62 Years.

WHITE

East end:

To the Memory of Eleanor White Daughter of Robert and Isabella White who died the 24th Day of May 1794 Aged 21 Years

North side.

To the Memory of ROBERT and ISABELLA WHITE who died the 20th Feb 1776 aged 6yrs. Also ...? dau of the above Robert and Isabella who died. Sep ? 17(??) aged 18 months

Listing information:

Entry Name: White Family Tomb to South of Hogg Tomb; **Listing Date:** 21 June 1985;

Grade: II

Source: Historic England **Source ID:** 1329428

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119 (C69)	1833	Chest tomb	East	Тор:	Тор	Falling	Traces	Incised	Roman	None	n/a	None	None	None
Jackson		See below	90°	L 2170mms	sandstone	apart,								
				W 1170mms		incomplete,								
				D 101mms	Sides	recognis-								
				Sides:	sandstone	able								
				H 700mms										
				W 970mms										

Top slab broken into segments – mostly still in situ. Sides: box of sandstone blocks on plinth

Mary Jackson c.1763-1832, born Newcastle upon Tyne

Matilda Jackson c.1768-1854, her sister, born Newcastle upon Tyne.

Two unmarried sisters from a wealthy Newcastle-upon-Tyne merchant family: daughters of Paul Jackson c.1735- c.1787 and his wife Mary Foster/Forster c.1731- 1798 (who died in Corbridge, Northumberland).

Occupation of their father: Paul Jackson was a successful merchant of pottery/ earthenware/ glass, with a pottery, and copperas works; and business premises in Pilgrim St and The Quayside, Newcastle (UK and US directories, 1680- 1830, Ancestry website; Durham Wills pre-1858, Paul Jackson, in Family Search website; Durham Wills pre-1858, Mary Jackson widow, in Family Search website).

Their parents Paul Jackson and Mary Foster married in St Nicholas (non-conformist), Newcastle in 1755 (England select marriages 1538-1975, Ancestry website).

Mary and Matilda Jackson had two known brothers (also mentioned in their father's Will as joint heirs to each other:

William Jackson, before 1762- (1798?) The older son. There is a Will of one William Jackson, merchant of Newcastle upon Tyne (died 1798; probate 1798) naming his wife Mary, and no other relatives: confirmation needed as to identity (*Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search*)
Collingwood Foster/Forster Jackson (1), 1762- 1840 named in their mother's will as 'youngest child' (he later had a son, grandson, and later descendants of the same name).

Collingwood Forster Jackson (1) married (to Elizabeth Cole) and is the only one of the siblings known to have had descendants. In 1779, he was apprenticed to one William Coulson as a 'merchant adventurer' (Register of duties paid for apprentice's indentures 1710-1811, image 46 of 449: Ancestry website). 'Merchant adventurer' referred to the company of 'merchant adventurers, comprising the three branches of Drapers (merchants in woollen cloth), Mercers (merchants of silk), and Boothmen (merchants of corn) (British History online/ incorporated companies/ merchant adventurers).

By the late 1820s, the family business is in the hands of his children. His descendants continued the business, also expanding into other various business interests: despite two brushes with bankruptcy (1829 and 1849) his descendants remained prosperous. His children (grandchildren of Paul Jackson and named in the will of Mary Jackson) are Sarah, Mary Ann, Elizabeth, Edward John (who later became a landowner in north Yorkshire), Collingwood Foster (2) (whose descendants remained in Tyneside), and Henry Mitchelson Jackson (*Durham Wills pre-1858, Mary Jackson, probate 1832, in Family Search website*)

Matilda Jackson c.1768-1854 outlived all her siblings: on her death, administration of her estate was granted to her nephew Edward John Jackson, one of the beneficiaries in her sister's Will.

Reason for monument date: Dates of those commemorated not relevant to monument date, Taken from 1991/1992 transcription which includes stated date of erection.

1991/1992 transcription:

In memory of Miss Mary JACKSON elder dau of the late Mr Paul JACKSON of Newcastle upon Tyne, merchant who departed this life May 3 1832 aged 65yrs. A life well spent in perseverance & assiduity in all her pursuits. As a social friend she was esteemed & respected by all who came within the verge of her acquaintance. This tombstone was erected by her only sister Matilda JACKSON Oct 16 AD 1833 as a tribute due to her merits. Also of the abovenamed Matilda JACKSON departed this life Nov 19 1854 aged 86yrs & interred in this vault (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Burial records, St Mary the Virgin,:

Mary Jackson, Stockton; buried 7 May 1832, aged 65 years Matilda Jackson, Stockton; buried 23 Nov 1854, aged 86 years

(transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society, n/d)

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120 (E55)	?	Headstone	East	H 1420mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Trace		Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
J		No base	800	W 880mms		in situ					outline.	back			
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121 (E59)	1837	Headstone	East	H 1130mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Gothic,	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Kell		No base	80 ⁰	W 840mms		in situ	legible		Roman		back			
Whitehead		Triangular		D 130mms							and			
		top									sides			
		Indented												
		sides												

One shoulder missing from monument: Centre of monument face eroded, raising possibility of a missing name or verse.

Elizabeth Featherstonhaugh Whitehead nee Kell c.1788- 1837: second of William Whitehead's three wives. Parents: Richard Kell d.1823, and Bridget c.1752-1834. Richard Kell was a prosperous (grind)-stone merchant and quarry owner, trading in Felling Shore, near Heworth, Co Durham, as Messrs Richard Kell and Co.; who had been in business for over 60 years by 1848 (death notice of 72-year-old employee John Kelly; in Newcastle Guardian and Tyne Mercury, 13 May 1848, p.8, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives). Her mother Bridget's maiden name is possibly Featherstonhaugh: a letter (28 Sept 1810) from Elizabeth's brother-in-law John Hodgson to his wife Jane Bridget (Elizabeth's sister) says 'tell Betty I saw her uncle Mr. Albany Featherstonhaugh...' (John Hodgson biography (Gateshead history), chapter IV; online). Elizabeth was buried, aged 48 years (of Norton) on 29 Aug 1837 (St Mary's burial records: transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

William Whitehead c.1789- 1850: her husband: Christened 18 July 1790, in Heworth county Durham; son of George Whitehead (England births and christenings 1538- 1975, Family Search website). Buried here aged 61 years (of Stockton) 29 Nov 1860 (St Mary's burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society) Occupation: stone merchant, later brewer.

1823: the Will of Elizabeth's father Richard Kell names William Whitehead of Felling Shore, stone merchant; giving him a moiety in Richard's quarries, and responsibility to run the business until Richard's grandson (Elizabeth's nephew) Richard Wellington Hodgson, born 5 Aug 1812, comes of age (*Durham Wills pre-1858, Family Search website*). In 1832, a newspaper advertisement stated that the firm of Richard Kell (lately under management of William Whitehead) is now (1832) taken over by trustees and executors of the late Richard Kell, and William Whitehead is no longer authorised to act in *it (Newcastle Chronicle, 26 May 1832, p.3, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives)*. Subsequently, William and Elizabeth move permanently to Stockton-on-Tees. Here, William is described as 'brewer' on the death notices of Elizabeth (1837) and of himself ('brewer formerly of Gateshead' 1850), and on the 1841 *census (census data; Durham Chronicle 1 Sep 1837, p 3, col 3; Gateshead Observer 30 Nov 1850, p 8, col 6 (both in British Newspaper Archives)*).

William Whitehead had been a widower when he married Ellzabeth: currently, no information re his first wife or of any children of that marriage.

21 Feb 1822: their marriage documentation describes them as William Whitehead, gentleman, widower, Pontleland, and Elizabeth Featherstonhaugh Kell, spinster, of the chapelry of Heworth, Co Durham; marriage in Jarrow, Co Durham (Durham diocese, marriage bonds and allegations 1692-1900, Durham University reference number DDR EJ MLA 1 1822, images 103, 104 of 890, in Ancestry website).

Family: son Richard Kell Whitehead died aged 9 months on 1 Aug 1827 (Newcastle Courant, 8 Sept 1827, p 4, col 5; in British Newspaper Archives). Additionally, 1851 census (Stockton) entries for William's now widowed third wife Alice include unmarried 'daughters' (Elizabeth's children) Jane Whitehead, born c.1823 in Gateshead (governess) and Ann Whitehead, born c.1825 in Newcastle-upon-Tyne (census data)

1840: William remarried after Elizabeth's death to ALICE HETT c.1789- 1859 in Stockton registration district (*FreeBMD*, census data). No known children of this marriage; and Alice's pre-marital status unknown. Alice is an 'annuitant' on the 1851 census (in Stockton): her burial place is unknown.

Famous relatives: Rev John Hodgson 1779-1845 (in 1810, married Elizabeth's sister Jane Bridget Kell): teacher, clergyman, writer, antiquary, and involved in the safety of coal mines. Wrote account of the 1812 Felling Colliery explosion, founder committee member (1813) of The Society for the Prevention of Accidents in Coal Mines; author of *The History of Northumberland*; created first free (non-paying) school in Gateshead. His eldest son Richard Wellington Hodgson (above) who inherited his grandfather Richard Kell's quarries was twice Mayor of Gateshead (John Hodgson, in Gateshead History online).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

SACRED
TO THE MEMORY OF
ELIZABETH
FEATHERSTONHAUGH KELL
BELOVED WIFE OF
WILLIAM WHITEHEAD
... ON
... 1837

AGED ... YEARS
ALSO OF THE ABOVE NAMED
WILLIAM WHITEHEAD
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE ...
NOV 1850
AGED EARS

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122 (E60)	1845	Headstone	East	H 1480mms	Red	Sound and	All legible	Incised	Gothic	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Watson		No base	80 ⁰	W 770mms	sandstone	in situ			Roman		back			
		Triangular		D 70mms							and			
		top									sides			
		Indented												
		sides												

Margaret Watson nee Storey, 1814- 1845, first wife of George Grey Watson.

From the inscription, her father was George Storey of Acklam. Currently no other information about her.

13 Nov 1836: George Grey Watson and Margaret Storey married in St John Parish, Newcastle-upon-Tyne (*Family Search website*). **Family: Four children:** Sarah Storey Watson born c.1838; Mary born c.1838; Margaret born c.1840; and Ann born c.1842. According to later census records, all were born in Norton, Durham (although there is no corresponding record for Sarah Storey Watson currently on the FreeBMD website) **17 April 1845:** Margaret died aged 30 years in Norton.

George Grey Watson c.1815- 1863, her husband: Born c.1815 in Morpeth, Northumberland. His father was John Grey, a timber merchant.

Occupation: Landscape gardener; Fellow of the (Royal) Horticultural Society. From census data, his work took him and his family from Norton, Durham (1841 census) to Bolton Percy, Tadcaster, West Yorkshire (1851 census). By 1860, he was head gardener at Ripley Castle, near Harrogate. In 1863, he accepted the post of head gardener at Castlestead house and estate, Bewerley, Pateley Bridge, and remained there until his death in 1863. On leaving his post of head gardener at Ripley Castle, those who had worked under him gave him a presentation of a 'massive silver pencil case' (Castlestead, Pateley Bridge/ history, in Parks and Gardens, parksandgardens.org; Yorkshire Gazette, 7 April 1860, p.9, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives).

During his time at Castlestead, he wrote to Queen Victoria offering his condolences on the death of the Prince Consort (1862) and received an autographed reply conveying her thanks (Morpeth Herald, 28 June 1862, p.5, col 2, in British Newspaper Archives)

25 May **1847**: George Grey Watson **re-married in St Mary the Virgin, to Ann Godson** (born c.1826, Norton, Durham: father, William Godson, blacksmith). Both are described as of full age, and of this parish. He is described as a gardener; his father is John Grey, timber merchant. Witnesses: Francis Robinson, John Wilkinson (*St Mary's marriage records, transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, n/d*)
There are no known children of this marriage.

6 Jan 1863: George Grey Watson died. His newspaper death notice: At Beverley [sic, misspelling of BEWERLEY], Ripon, 6th inst. aged 48, Mr. George Grey Watson, gardener, formerly of this town. He was greatly respected, and his demise deeply lamented. (Morpeth Herald, 10 Jan 1863, p.8, col.5)

After George's death, his widow (second wife Ann) remarried later that year, on 23 Nov 1863. her newspaper marriage notice reads:

On the 23rd ult. at West Hartlepool, by the Rev. A. G. Bleasdale, Mr. Richard Atkinson Leonard, of West Hartlepool, to Ann, relict of the late George Grey Watson, F.H.S. of Castlestead, near Ripon, Yorkshire (Glossop Record, 5 Dec 1863, p.3, col.4, in British Newspaper Archives).

As far as is currently known, George Grey Watson was survived by all his children. One daughter, Margaret, married on 27 June 1871, in Newcastle upon Tyne, to a James Glover Slater. His daughter Mary born c.1838 appears with the family in the 1841, but not the 1851 or 1861 censuses. However, there is a marriage record of 19 May 1884 in Manhattan, USA, of a Mary Storey born 1838, daughter of George Grey Watson and Margaret Storey, to Irish-born Dennis O'Callaghan (born c.1847) (Family Search website).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN

MEMORY OF

MARGARET,

THE WIFE OF GEORGE GREY WATSON

YOUNGEST DAUGHTER OF GEORGE STOREY.

OF ACKLAM

BORN NOV^R 1ST 1814,

AND DIED AT NORTON APRIL 17TH 1845.

ALSO OF THE ABOVE

GEORGE GREY WATSON

DIED AT PATELEY BRIDGE JAN 6TH 1863.

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123 (E62)	1895	Headstone	East	H'stone:	H'stone	Sound and	Mint	Inlaid	San Serif	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Towndrow		with base	85 ⁰	H 1320mms	Marble	in situ			Egyptian	outline	back			
		See below		W 710mms						Central:	and			
				D 70mms	Base					Rose	sides			
				Base:	Marble					Thistle				
				H 300mms						Daffodil				
				W 870mms										

Headstone (4216): Gothic pointed top, convex shoulders, indented sides

Henrietta Towndrow nee Ward c.1856- 1895. Christened in St Mary's Norton 2 Nov 1856: parents Henry Ward, mariner, and Thomasine (St Mary's christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Her parents Henry Ward and Thomasine DENTON (born Horton, county Durham) had married on 23 May 1854, in St Thomas' Stockton on Tees (England select marriages 1538-1975, Ancestry website). Before marriage, Thomasine had been a servant in Tynemouth, to the family of one Charles Hutchinson, solicitor (1851 census).

Henrietta appears to have been their only child.

1861 census: her mother Thomasine is now widowed; and living in Norton with her 'sister' Mary Ward (also widowed) and Henrietta, now aged 5 years. Thomasine is now a laundress, and Mary Ward a dressmaker. There are no other children in the household.

Henrietta grows up in this household. Her mother Thomasine died in 1871, shortly after the census; and her aunt Mary Ward died ten years later in 1881, shortly before the census.

1881 census: Henrietta is a dressmaker (like her aunt Mary).

John William Wilson Towndrow, 11 January 1858- 1910, her husband. Christened in St Mary's Norton 27 Jan 1858: third of 7 known children Edward Towndrow, occupation maltster, and Alice Wilson, both from Derbyshire (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Occupation: labourer, servant, later gardener, later caretaker

His birth family are not rich: in the 1871 census, John is a 13-year-old labourer, and an older sister is a laundress. In the 1881 census, John was a servant in Greylands, the Norton home of local solicitor, Timothy Crosby (census data). Later, one of his brothers, Matthew Edwin Towndrow 1862-1911, becomes a solicitor's clerk (below).

Marriage: date and place of the marriage of Henrietta Ward and John W W Towndrow currently unknown

Family: two children: Henry Gilbert Towndrow, born 1887, Norton, Durham; and Thomasina Mary Towndrow, born 1888, Norton, Durham (census data)

Henrietta died in 1895: her death notice reads *Towndrow - On the 9th inst., at Greylands Lodge. Norton, Stockton-on -Tees, Henrietta, the beloved wite of John Towndrow, aged 33 years. (Daily Gazette for Middlesbrough, 10 Jan 1895, p.3, col.8, in British Newspaper Archives).*

This appears to be the same address (or its lodge) where John was employed as a servant in 1881: it seems he is now working for the same employer.

In 1897, John remarried in Auckland, county Durham, to Joanna Robson c.1865-?. There were no children to this marriage.

1901 census: John is living with his children by Henrietta, and his second wife Joanna, in Norton. Occupation, gardener

1910: DEATH: Probate records state: TOWNDROW John William Wilson of County Court House MIDDLESBROUGH caretaker, died 4 October 1910, probate to Joanna Towndrow widow and Matthew Edwin Towndrow [his brother] solicitor's clerk (Find a Will, GOV.UK)

His widow (2nd wife) Joanna remarried in Stockton registration district in 1913, to John Grey (FreeBMD): no further details known

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
HENRIETTA
THE BELOVED WIFE OF
JOHN W W TOWNDROW
WHO DIED JAN 9TH 1895
AGED 39 YEARS.
ALSO JOHN W W TOWNDROW
THE BELOVED HUSBAND OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED OCT 4TH 1910
AGED 52 YEARS
THY WILL BE DONE

Mason's name on front base: W NICHOL/ BRIDGE ROAD/ STOCKTON

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124 (E63)	1881	Headstone	East	H 1610mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mint	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Stoddart		No base	900	W 840mms		in situ				outline	back			
		Gothic		D 80mms						Central:	and			
		pointed								none	sides			
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Thomas Stoddart c.1814- 1861: born Billingham, county Durham (census data)

George Stoddart c.1838- 1839, his son: born Norton, county Durham

Ann Stoddart nee Rowell, his wife c.1815- 1896: born Norton, county Durham (census data)

22 Jan 1838: Thomas Stoddart and Ann Rowell married in St Mary the Virgin Norton (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). Thomas is described as cartwright, son of Ralph, shoemaker (possibly the Ralph Stoddart d.1858, commemorated nearby in memorial 132.E82). The witnesses were Ralph Stoddart and Margaret Rowell (his father and her mother). Thomas and Ann settled permanently in Norton. In the 1861 and 1871 censuses, Ann's mother Margaret Rowell is living with them: she is described as widow, laundress.

Occupation of Thomas Stoddart: successively described as cartwright, wheelwright, and joiner (census data).

Children: Their only known biological child is **George Stoddart,** commemorated here. He was buried as an infant in St Mary's churchyard on 26 Feb 1839, the year following their marriage (St Mary's burial records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

They later (probably unofficially) **adopted** a child, **Isabella Lofthouse** (granddaughter of her cousin Ann Williamson) born the last quarter of 1861 in Castle Eden, county Durham (Easington registration district: *FreeBMD*). She is living with them in the 1871 and 1881 censuses; and is described as dressmaker in the 1881 census *(census data)*.

1881: Thomas died following a work-related accident. The newspaper account reads:

FATAL RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT —The Stockton police have just received information of the death of a man named Thomas Stoddart, living at Norton. The deceased was formerly a joiner at Messrs Blair's works, and on the 4th inst was pushing a bogey on the railway in the works near to where two men were engaged in breaking some metal. A piece of the metal hit Stoddart on the head with such effect that the poor fellow was unable to resume bis work. He was taken home to Norton, but no fears were felt as to his recovery. The injuries sustained, however, would seem to have been more serious than first thought for Stoddart died on Monday afternoon. An inquest will be held. (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail, 18 Oct 1881, p.3, col.4, in British Newspaper Archives)

1896: Ann also died. Her death notice/ obituary reads:

Death of an Old Nortonian - The death is announced of Mrs Ann Stoddart, an old inhabitant of the Green, Norton. She was 82 years of age and was descended from some old local families- the Marshalls, Waughs, and Rowells. Mrs Stoddart was the widow of the late Mr. Thomas Stoddart, who died 15 years ago owing to an accident at Messrs Blair and Co's engine works. She leaves an adopted daughter, who is a granddaughter to her cousin, Ann Williamson

(Stockton Herald, South Durham and Cleveland Advertiser, 22 Feb 1896, p.5, col.3, in British Newspaper Archives)

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN MEMORY OF

THOMAS STODDART,
WHO DIED OCTOBER 17TH 1881
AGED 67 YEARS
ALSO OF GEORGE, SON OF THE ABOVE
WHO DIED IN INFANCY
ALSO ANN WIFE OF THE ABOVE
THOMAS STODDART,
WHO DIED FEBRUARY13TH 1896
AGED 81 YEARS

mason's name (W BULMER) on bottom of monument, front left

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
125 (E72)	1846	Chest tomb	East	Тор:	Тор	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman	Border	n/a	None	None	None
Fox		1100	90 ⁰	L 2320mms	sandstone	in situ	legible			outline				
		sandstone		W 1100mms										
		sides/base,		D 530mms	Sides									
		in layers of		Sides/base	Sandstone									
		large		H 530mms										
		blocks		W 1040mms										

Chest tomb, similar in size and style to monuments 116 (C46) STARKEY, and 119 (C69) JACKSON, both in this churchyard. Of these, the STARKEY tomb is 'listed'; the other two (including this monument) are not.

John Fox c.1777- 1846: born outside county Durham (1841 census), otherwise no information on his background or parents.

John Fox, c.1805- 1870: his second son: 1805- 1870. Took over the brewery after his father's death. Believed unmarried.

Elizabeth Fox nee Trewhitt c.1778- 1875, his wife: born Hutton Bonville (near Northallerton, Yorkshire) (census data)

Named Elizabeth TREWHIT of Hutton Bonville in the christening records of most of her children (St Mary's baptismal records: transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society, n/d). Census records give Hutton Bonville (near Northallerton, North Yorkshire) as her birthplace.

Elizabeth Fox, his daughter, 1807-1889. Unmarried.

1 Oct 1801: John Fox of the parish of Stockton, county Durham, bachelor, married Elizabeth Trewhitt of this parish [Hutton Bonville], spinster.

Witnesses: Matthew Proctor, Ralph Oliver, Mary Hutching, Ann Fox. (North Yorkshire, England, Church of England baptisms, marriages and burials, 1558- 1812: in Ancestry website, online).

The family settled in Teesside. One son Thomas was born in Stockton: their other children were born in Norton (census data)

Occupation: Wealthy brewer: brewery in Norton, the family home moved about a bit. John Fox left a Will in 3 parts:

Probate 1847: 1836, Will of John Fox Esq of Seaton Carew; 1837 1st codicil, John Fox Esq of Stockton; 1841 2nd codicil, John Fox Esq late of Seaton Carew, and now of Norton. In addition to the brewery in Norton, the Will refers to houses and lands in and around the parishes of Norton, Stockton, Sedgefield and Wolviston; plus pews in the parish churches of Norton and of Stockton. (Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search website)

Five of their children survived and are named in his will. Two (son John, daughter Elizabeth) are commemorated here: the others are:

Thomas: c.1804- 1872: spirit merchant and landowner. Married Elizabeth Robinson c.1810- 1870 in Yarm. She was the second daughter of Thomas Robinson of Yarm; living in Yarm at the time of marriage. The family remained permanently in Norton. Two known children, both christened in St Mary's Norton: Elizabeth 1841- 1867, and John Henry 1843- 1892 (also a 'wine seller'; and possibly mentally ill, as he died in The Retreat, York (Find a Will, GOV.UK)): neither are known to have married. All four are commemorated nearby in this churchyard.

Margaret: c.1809- 1892. On 17 Sept 1835, in Norton, married linen draper William John Todd 1808- 1875 of Knightsbridge, Westminster, London. 5 children. Margaret and William later settled in Hereford where William became a 'landed proprietor'; and where they both later died. Mary Ann: 3rd daughter. 1812- 1901. Married twice (1) 18 Oct 1840 in St Mary's Norton, to John Clifton 1807-1847, merchant, from Lynn, Norfolk; daughter Elizabeth b.1842. (2) 1849, in Westminster, London, to Robert Chilton c.1807- 1886: 3 children. Robert Chilton was from Billingham. By the 1851 census, the family are in Low Billingham/Billingham Grange where Robert is farming 215 acres. He also became a JP. Mary Anne and Robert are interred in St Cuthbert's churchyard, Billingham, Co Durham.

Reason for monument date: Inferred from first mentioned individual

SACRED

TO THE MEMORY OF JOHN FOX OF NORTON WHO DIED ON THE 18TH DAY MAY 1846 AGED 67 YEARS ALSO OF JOHN FOX SON OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED ON THE 13TH DAY OF JULY

1870 AGED 65 YEARS ALSO OF ELIZABETH FOX WIDOW OF THE FIRST NAMED JOHN FOX WHO DIED AT NORTON ON APRIL 7TH

1873

AGED 95 YEARS HE GIVETH HIS BELOVED SLEEP ALSO OF ELIZABETH FOX DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE WHO DIED ON THE 26TH DAY OF NOV 1889

AGED 82 YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
126 (E74)	1918	Headstone	East	H'stone	H'stone	Sound and	Mint	Inlaid	Gothic	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Attley,		with base	800	H 1350mms	Grey	in situ			San serif,	outline	back			
Hicks,		Gothic		W 740mms	granite				San serif	Central:	and			
Armstrong		pointed		D 100mms					italic	Flowers	sides			
		top		Base:	Base									
				H 300 mms	Grey									
				W 300mms	granite									

The surname is variously spelt as ATLEY and as ATTLEY across different records.

Robert Atley c.1820- 1898: birthplace Sedgefield, county Durham (census data)

Eldest known child of John Attley (agricultural labourer, later general dealer) and his wife. By the 1841 census, the family had moved to Norton, and Robert had found work as a platelayer (census data).

Mary Attley nee Wray 1829- 1896, his wife: born Norton, county Durham (census data)

One of a large family born to John Wray (labourer) and his wife Dinah nee Stoddart, commemorated on the adjacent monument. **Occupation of Robert Attley:** platelayer, agricultural/ farm labourer; later greengrocer, then coal merchant.

On the 1851 census, Robert (like his father-in-law) was an agricultural labourer. and farm labourer (1861 census). Later, Robert changed occupation: becoming a greengrocer (1871 census), and coal merchant (1881 and 1891 censuses).

31 Dec 1850: Robert ATLEY and Mary WRAY married in St Thomas', Stockton on Tees; and initially lived with Mary's father John Wray in Norton (*England select marriages 1538- 1975, Ancestry website; census data*). They settled permanently in Norton, and had several children, of whom two are commemorated here:

Dinah Hicks nee Attley 1854- 1893, their daughter: married Richard Hicks (1850-1929) in 1874 in Stockton registration district (FreeBMD). Richard was from Wales (Monmouthshire) and worked as a labourer and iron worker (census data). Dinah and Richard settled in Linthorpe, Middlesbrough, and had 4 children, the youngest of whom was only 5 years old when Dinah died (census data).

John (also known as Tom) Attley 1852-1918, their son: became an engine fitter. He married Ann Overill (1850-1929) in Stockton registration district in 1877 (*FreeBMD*): she was from Aston, Hertfordshire (*census data*). John and Ann had 7 known children, and the family lived initially in Stockton-on-Tees, where their first four children were born. By 1886, the family had moved permanently to Wales, where their 5th and subsequent children were born (*census data*). John (aka Tom) died in 1918 in Cardiff, although commemorated here (*FreeBMD*)

The last name on the monument, Frederick, 14 months, son of R and M C Armstrong, is presumably a descendant of Robert Attley and Dinah Wray. The inscription does not include date (or place of death); however there is a death record for one Frederick Armstrong, aged 1 year, in the 2nd quarter of 1927, Stockton registration district (*FreeBMD*).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from latest date of a group first inscribed together

IN LOVING MEMORY OF ROBERT ATTLEY BORN JUNE 19TH 1820, DIFD IANUARY 5 1898. ALSO MARY, WIFE OF THE ABOVE BORN JULY 28 1829. DIED APRIL 5 1896. ALSO DINAH HICKS. DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE BORN APRIL 13TH 1854. DIED MAY 31ST 1893. ALSO JOHN ATTLEY, SON OF THE ABOVE BORN APRIL 2ND 1852, DIED JUNE 5TH 1918. ALSO FREDERICK BELOVED SON OF R. & M. C. ARMSTRONG. **AGED 14 MONTHS**

Mason's name and address (W ARMSTRONG/ NORTON) incised on base, front left.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
127 (E75)	?	Headstone	East	H 1400mms	Yellow	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Gothic	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Wray		No base	900	W 800mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		Roman,	outline	back			
		Gothic		D 140mms					Roman	Central:	and			
		pointed							italic	None	sides			
		top												

The three legible names at the bottom of the monument (William, Ann and Thomas) are three of the 13 **children of John Wray** and his wife Dinah Stoddart, who married in 1820 in Norton – and whose names were probably in the now-eroded section at the top.

John Wray c.1793- 1857: birthplace Stillington, county Durham *(census data).* Burial record St Mary the Virgin: 63 years of Norton, buried 4 Nov 1857 *(burial records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)*

Dinah Stoddart c.1798-1840, his wife: birthplace Norton (christening record St Mary the Virgin, *transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society*). Daughter of Ralph Stoddart (labourer) and Ann Short (from Billingham); and sister and sister-in-law of Ralph and Dorothy Stoddart, also commemorated in this churchyard.

Occupation of John Wray: labourer on St Mary's christening records of (several of) his children: agricultural labourer (census data (St Mary's christening records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

20 June 1818: John Wray (now, of Grindon) and Dinah Stoddart (of this parish) married in St Mary the Virgin, Norton (marriage record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

Family: they had 13 known children, several christened in St Mary's, Norton.

1840: Dinah died; and was **buried as Dinah RAY** on 25 Feb 1840. In the following census (1841), John is a widower living with 10 surviving children aged 2 years- 19 years: the eldest three are apprentices *(census data)*. John never remarried.

William Wray c.1838- 1857, their son. Christened in St Mary the Virgin 11 Nov 1838. Burial record St Mary the Virgin: 18 yrs, of Norton, buried 14 June 1857 (*transcription of christening and burial records: Cleveland Family History Society*). Occupation and marital status unknown.

Ann Wray c.1827- 1862, their daughter. Occupation: house maid (1851), lady's maid (1861), both in the Rectory, Stokesley (census data). Believed unmarried. Burial record St Mary the Virgin: 35 yrs, of Stokesley, buried 22 December 1862 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Thomas Wray c.1836- 1863, their son. Occupation: farm labourer, Guisborough, Yorkshire *(1851 census)*. Later occupation and marital status unknown. Burial records St Mary the Virgin: 27 yrs, of Norton, buried 22 July 1863. *(transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society, n/d)*

Three other children of John and Dinah Stoddart (Ellen, and twins James, William (1)) died in infancy. The intermediate name on the inscription (died aged 22 years) is illegible, but probably one of their children.

The adjacent monument is of the daughter and son-in-law (Robert Attley) of John Wray and Dinah Stoddart.

Top part of inscription largely illegible, rendering date of monument unknown.

IN

... OF

(SEVERAL ERODED LINES)

... OF

... 40

(ERODED LINE/S)

... 2 (?)

(ERODED LINE/S)

... SON

(ERODED LINE/S)

... D (DECEMBER OR DEPARTED?) ...

AGED 22 YEARS

ALSO WILLIAM WRAY THEIR SON

WHO DIED JUNE 1(?) ...

AGED 1 (?) ... YEARS

ALSO ANN WRAY THEIR DAUGHTER

WHO DIED DECEMBER ... 18 (?) 2

AGED 36 YEARS

IN THE MIDST OF LIFE WE ARE IN DEATH

ALSO THOMAS WRAY THEIR SON

WHO DIED JULY 27 186 (?)

AGED 27 YEARS

1991/1992 transcription:

In memory of -line illegible - 1858. Also of ...? - line illegible -1840 - 7 lines illegible - who departed this life aged (2)2yrs. Also William WRAY their son who d. Jun 11 18(5)8 aged 1(3)yrs. Also Ann WRAY their dau who d. Dec 18 1862 aged 3(6)yrs. Also Thomas WRAY their son who d. Jul ? 186(?) aged 27yrs

Cleveland Family History Society)

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128 (E76)	1819	Headstone	East	H 1350mms	Yellow	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Gothic	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Charlton		no base	80 ⁰	W 800mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		Roman,	outline	back			
		see below		D 130mms					Roman	Central:	and			
									italic	None	sides			

Marked erosion towards bottom of monument.

Arthur Charlton c.1729- 1819

Occupation: Farmer, in Norton. He appears on the UK Land tax redemption, 1798, records as occupying two parcels of land in Norton under a Mr Parkinson (date of contract: 9 Aug) and a John Cock. The exact locations and acreages are not given. (UK Land tax redemption, 1798: Norton, in Ancestry website)

Burial record St Mary the Virgin: 90 years of Norton, buried 11 May 1819 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

Martha Charlton c.1747- 1801, his wife.

The inscribed date of death is given as 27 May: the burial records for St Mary the Virgin give this date as 2 June 1801: Martha Charlton, 64 yrs, wife of Arthur Charlton farmer, died 2 June 1801, buried 4 Jun 1801 (Bishops' transcripts, St Mary's Norton, image 69 of 342, in Family Search website)

Ann Charlton c.1773- 1792, their daughter.

The inscribed date of death is 6 June: the burial records for St Mary the Virgin give her date of burial differently: Ann Charlton, 19 years, daughter of Arthur Charlton, buried 30 August 1793 (Bishops' transcripts, St Mary's Norton, image 48 of 342, in Family Search website)

Other known children of Arthur and Martha were christened in St Mary the Virgin:

5 July 1778: son Joseph, of Arthur and Martha

4 March 1781: daughter Martha, of Arthur and Martha 21 April 1783: daughter Mary, of Arthur and Martha

Plus:

30 Aug 1767: son Jesse, of Arthur 16 Sept 1770: son James, of Arthur 27 Dec 1774: son Arthur, of Arthur

(christening records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

ERECTED
IN MEMORY OF
ARTHUR CHARLTON
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
THE 1 (?) OF MAY 1819
AGED (?)7 YEARS
AND MARTHA WIFE OF
THE ABOVE ARTHUR CHARLTON
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE THE 27TH OF
MAY 18... ARS. ALSO
ANN D... THUR

... ON $\mbox{WHO DEP... THIS LIFE}$ THE 6^{TH} OF JUNE 1(8?) (??) AGED (?)9 YEARS.

Burial records St Mary the Virgin:
Arthur Charlton, 90 yrs, Norton, buried 11 May 1819
(transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
129 (E78)	1800	Headstone	East	H 1390mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Gothic.	None	Smooth	None	None	None
Fall		no base	900	W 930mms		in situ	legible		Roman,		back			
		see below		D 100mms					Roman		and			
									italic		sides			

Some erosion, particularly near bottom of monument. Parents and sister of Thomas Fall, junior, on adjacent monument.

Ann Fall, maiden name unknown c.1758- 1800. Inscribed age (42yrs) differs from that (39yrs) on burial record: Ann Fall of Stockton, 39 years, buried 7 January 1800 (Bishops' transcripts, Durham, Norton, image 64 of 342, in Family Search website). No other information re Ann Fall.

Thomas Fall c.1756- 1834, her husband: christened in St Thomas', Stockton on 31 March 1757, to Mr Thomas Fall (apothecary) and Ann (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society). The Fall's, 'in trade in Stockton' in c.1850, had been resident there since the 1700s (Topographer and Genealogist Vol.2, 1853, p.121). In 1790, Thomas Fall junior [c.1756-1834] was occupier of freehold property in Stockton, owned by Thomas Fall (senior) then resident in Sowerby (UK poll books and electoral registers 1538-1893, in Ancestry website). Possible ancestor: Thomas Fall, mayor of Stockton 1764-1765 (Stockton mayors during the 18th century: Cleveland Family History Society): buried as Thomas Fall, Alderman, in St Thomas, Stockton, on 21 March 1772 (Bishops' transcripts, Durham, Stockton, St Thomas, image 15 of 120, in Family Search website).

Occupation of Thomas Fall c.1756-1834: Grocer in High St, Stockton on Tees, trading (in 1827) as Fall and Son (grocer and fruiterers and seedsmen) (1827 History, Directory and Gazetteer of Durham and Newcastle, Vol 1 of 2, p.318 (image 494), in University of Leicester Special Collections)

1834: Newspaper death notice, Thomas Fall: On the 9th inst., Stockton, Mr Thomas Fall, sen., grocer, aged 78, greatly respected (Durham Chronicle, 16 May 1834, p.3, col.4: deaths; in British Newspaper Archives). His St Mary the Virgin burial record names him as Robert (alias Thomas) Fall, 78yrs, Stockton, buried 12 May 1834 (St Mary's burial records: Transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society n/d)

FAMILY (all christened, one buried, and four married, in St Thomas, Stockton; records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society):

Henry Fall 1784- 1790, his son: christened 22 March 1785 (born 20 Nov 1784) and buried (accidentally drowned) 14 May 1790, both St Thomas', Stockton (burial record in Bishops' transcripts, St Thomas, image 87 of 120, in Family Search website)

Eldest daughter Anna Maria, born 1 Oct 1790, christened 24 March 1791: married 16 July 1837: Mr Joseph Hansen, grocer, to Miss Anna Maria, daughter of the late Mr Thomas Fall, grocer (Durham Chronicle, 21 July 1837, p 3, col 3, in British Newspaper Archives)

Second daughter Elizabeth, born 7 May 1793, christened 30 June 1793: married 12 Nov 1824, to bookseller Thomas Eeles) (Durham County Advertiser, 27 Nov 1824, p 3, col 1, in British Newspaper Archives)

Son Thomas junior, born 18 May 1786, christened 11 Aug 1786 – 1835: Married 12 Feb 1835, to Mary, eldest daughter of Martin Kirtley, whitesmith (Durham Chronicle, 20 Feb 1835, p 3, col 2). Unfortunately, Thomas junior died weeks later, age 50 years, on 21 April 1835 in Stockton (Newspaper Courant, 25 April 1835, p 4, col 5, in British Newspaper Archives)

Ann Parkin nee Fall, 1796- 1846, youngest daughter of Thomas (senior) and Ann Fall; born 20 Jan 1796, christened 10 April 1796. Married 29 Aug 1833, to Joseph Parkin, coal fitter (Durham County Advertiser, 6 Sept 1833, p 3, col 2. in British Newspaper Archives). The marriage documentation states she was a spinster; and her husband Joseph a widower (England, Durham Marriage Bonds and Allegations 1692- 1900, image 300 of 490, in Family Search website). It is not known whether he had children by his previous marriage: no known children to this marriage. Although buried in Hartlepool, her 1846 death record states she died in Stockton registration district (FreeBMD). The date and place of death of her husband Joseph Parkin are unknown.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

IN

MEMORY OF
ANN THE BELOVED WIFE OF
THOMAS FALL OF STOCKTON
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JANUARY 6TH 1800
AGED 42 YEARS

ALSO THOMAS FALL HUSBAND OF THE
ABOVE WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE MAY 9TH 1834
AGED 78 YEARS

ALSO ANN WIFE OF JOSEPH PARKIN
AND DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE T&A FAL...
(W?)HO DIED SEPT 1(?)TH 18(46?) AGED ... Y...
... REMAINS ... INTERRED AT HARTLEPOOL

Date of death of Ann Fall has been amended, there are faint incisions of 2(?)th, altered to 6th (January 1800).

1991/1992 transcription: the last section reads
... Also Ann wife of Joseph PARKIN &
dau of the above T. & A. FALL who d.
Sep 13 1846 aged 6(4?)yrs [sic]. Her
remains interred at Hartlepool
(transcription: Cleveland Family History Society,
1991/1992)

Death records: Ann Parkin, July-Aug-Sept 1846, in Stockton RD (*FreeBMD website*)

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
130 (E79)	1835	Headstone	East	H 1450mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Gothic	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Fall		no base	80 ⁰	W 810mms		in situ	legible		Roman,	outline	back			
				D 130mms					Roman	Central:	and			
									italic	None	sides			

Severe erosion below inscription

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

Thomas Fall, 1784- 1835

Son of Thomas Fall senior on the adjacent monument.

born 18 May 1786, christened 11 Aug 1786 – 1835 in St Thomas', Stockton, to Thomas Fall and *Ann (record transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).*

Burial records, St Mary the Virgin: Thomas Fall, 49yrs, Stockton, buried 23 April 1835 (*Transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society n/d*).

Occupation: Grocer. Initially In business with his father as a grocer, fruiterer and seedsman, in High Street, Stockton (trading as Fall and Son) (1827 History, Directory and Gazetteer of Durham and Newcastle, Vol 1 of 2, p.318 (image 494), in University of Leicester Special Collections)

After his father's death in 1834, he continued the business.

12 Feb 1835: Thomas Fall married Mary Kirtley:

On the 12rh inst., at Stockton, Mr Thomas Fall, grocer, to Mary, eldest daughter of Mr Martin Kirtley, whitesmith. (Durham Chronicle, 20 Feb 1835, p.3, col 2, marriages: in British Newspaper Archives).

The marriage documentation states that Thomas and Mary were bachelor and spinster (Family Search website).

Unfortunately, Thomas died only two months after marriage: no known children of the marriage.

His newspaper death notice reads:

The 2lst inst., [APRIL 1835] at Stockton, aged 50, much regretted, Mr Thomas Fall, grocer. (Newcastle Courant, 25 April 1835, p.4, col 5, deaths: in British Newspaper Archives)

ERECTED
IN MEMORY OF
THOMAS FALL JUNIOR
WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
THE 2(?) ... APRIL 1835
AGED (??) YEARS

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
131 (E81)	1876	Headstone	East	H'stone	H'stone	Sound and	Mint	Incised	Gothic	Marginal:	Smooth	None	None	None
Bevan		with base	90°	H 1410mms	yellow	in situ			Roman	Border	back			
		see below		W 800mms	sandstone					outline,	and			
				D 125mms						Flowers	sides			
				Base:	Base					Central:				
				H 300mms	sandstone					Star,				
				W 290mms						Jesus				

Comments: 'stepped shoulder' lateral protrusions at shoulders; Elaborate flowers/ leaves just inside top border

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

Susan Bevan nee Davies c.1826- 1876: birthplace Monmouthshire, Wales (census data)

Walter Bevan c.1826- 1882, her husband: birthplace Monmouthshire, Wales (census data)

1849: Walter Bevan and Susan Davies married in the last quarter of 1849, in Pontypool, Monmouthshire (*FreeBMD*).

Family: four known children.

The eldest two born in Wales (William 1850, Joshua 1853), and the younger two in Middlesbrough North Yorkshire (David 1858, Susannah 1860). Having moved with their children from Wales to Teesside during the 1850s, the family settled permanently in the area (census data)

Occupation:

On the censuses, Walter worked in the Iron industry, as a 'puddler' (the head of a 2-man crew converting pig iron into wrought iron). During the 1850s, when he moved to Teesside, much of the iron industry was linked to the railway industry, shipbuilding, and coal mining. A key factor was the 1850s discovery of iron ore in the Cleveland hills, near Eston. This provided new employment opportunities, leading to a significant rise in population across Teesside.

1876: Susan's newspaper death notice:

March 13, at Providence-terrace, Stockton, Aged 49, Susan, wife of Mr Walter Bevan Northern Echo, 16 March 1876, p.4, col 6, Deaths; in British Newspaper Archives

1881: Sometime after Susan's death, Walter moved in with his now-married son William, in Garibaldi St, Stockton, where he is living in 1881, the year before his death (1881 census).

IN AFFECTIONATE REMEMBRANCE OF SUSAN.

THE BELOVED WIFE OF WALTER BEVAN WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE THE $13^{\rm TH}$ DAY OF MARCH 1876 AGED 49 YEARS.

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"IN THE MIDST OF LIFE WE ARE IN DEATH"

ALSO OF THE ABOVE WALTER BEVAN,

WHO DIED MARCH 14TH 1882,

AGED 56 YEARS.

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
132 (E82)	?	Headstone	East	H 1470mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Traces	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Stoddard		no base	90 ⁰	W 820mms		in situ				outline	back			
				D 90mms						Central:	and			
										none	sides			

Ralph Stoddart:

There are multiple records for a RALPH STODDART in St Mary the Virgin (all transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Christening records St Mary's

Ralph Stoddart, christened 27 Dec 1763, son of Ralph, carpenter

Ralph Stoddart, christened 27 Oct 1765, son of Ralph, labourer

Ralph Stoddart, christened 14 Oct 1792, son of Ralph and Ann (parents' St Mary's marriage record: 9 June 1791: Ralph Stoddart and Ann Short (of Billingham))

Each of these lived to adulthood, as their christening dates correspond with the stated ages on burial of three Ralph Stoddart's: Burial records St Mary's (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society):

Ralph Stoddart, 79 years, Stockton, buried 19 Feb 1842 [therefore born c.1763]

Ralph Stoddart, 83 years, Norton, buried 4 June 1848 [therefore born c.1765]

Ralph Stoddart, 66 years, Norton, buried 26 Sept 1858 [therefore born c.1792] Newspaper death notice: died in Norton 22 ult [Sept 1858] age 66 years, shoemaker. (Gateshead Observer, 2 Oct 1858, p.8, col 6, Deaths; in British Newspaper Archives). Occupation: Widower, shoemaker/ master cordwainer; living alone in Norton (1841, 1851 censuses)

It has not been confirmed which of these is commemorated here.

Dorothy Stoddart nee Coulston, wife of Ralph Stoddart (dates unknown): birthplace unknown

19 April 1813: Ralph Stoddart and Dorothy Coulson married in St Mary the Virgin, Norton. Both were described as 'of this parish [Norton]' (records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society).

It is unknown when and where Dorothy died: she does not appear on St Mary the Virgin burial records, and the inscription implies she is buried elsewhere. There is no death record on FreeBMD (whose records begin 1837). This suggests she had died before civil death records began in 1837.

Reason for no date: illegibility

(eroded/illegible line/s)

RA ...

(eroded line/s)

AL...

(eroded line/s)

(?)HO ...

(eroded line/s)

WHO ...

SE...

ALS...

(several eroded line/s)

RALPH STOD...

ALSO DOROTHY...

RA...

WHO DIED M...

AND WAS I..

1991/1992 transcription reads:

Erected in memory of Ralph – 12 lines illegible – Ralph STODDARD who d. – line illegible – also Dorothy wife of the above Ralph STODDARD who d.Mar ? 18 (??) and was interred at ... ? (transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

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			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
133 (E95)	1921	Low	East	L 1850mms	Limestone	Sound and	All legible	Relief	Gothic	See below	n/a	None	None	None
Scott		monument	80 ⁰	W 690mms		in situ								
		convex top		H 310mms										

Decoration: Border outline; Cross with expanded terminals; branches and stems from upright of cross; IHS on base of cross. No definitive base: line of bricks seen below monument.

Thomas Errington Scott 1843-1930 was born in (Kingston upon-) Hull, where his father was then Vicar of St Mary's, Lowgate; and was the Vicar of Norton for 34 years, from 1890 to 1924. An additional monument to him is the large sundial beside the south side of the church. His middle name (by which he was known), Errington, is the surname of his paternal grandmother, Frances Errington 1781- 1847.

Occupation of Thomas Errington Scott 1843- 1930: clergyman (and Vicar of Norton, Durham): contained in his newspaper obituary, which reads: DEATH OF CANON T. E. SCOTT The Rev. Thomas Errington Scott, honorary canon of Durham, whose death has occurred at Sutton, Hull, at the age of 87, was curate of St. John the Baptist, Chester, following his ordination in 1875. Two years later he accepted the offer of the living of St. Paul's, Chester, and in 1887 he was appointed vicar of Weaverham, Northwich. In 1900 [sic] he went to the diocese of Durham as vicar of Norton, and in 1908 was appointed to an honorary canonry of Durham Cathedral. Canon Scott retired in 1924. and lived until recently at Harlow, Eassex (Cheshire Observer, 18 Oct 1930, p.9, col.6: in British Newspaper Archives)

Family history: He was from a clerical family. His brother, father, and grandfather – all named John Scott – were successive vicars of St Mary the Virgin, Lowgate, (Kingston upon)-Hull, Yorkshire, from 1800 to 1883. A pub opposite their church is named after them: 'The Three John Scotts' (now a Weatherspoons' pub). The first member of his family to enter the church was his paternal great-grandfather Thomas Scott 1747- 1821. He was the son of a Linconshire grazier (cattle farmer); and, after failing in an apothecary apprenticeship, and some subsequent years labouring on his father's land, eventually became an ordained deacon and then priest in London in 1773. Although he had had only a basic education, he went on to author several works including a Bible commentary, published in 174 parts between 1788 and 1792. In 1801 he became Rector of Aston Sandforth, Bucks, where he remained until his death. Unlike Thomas, his sons received a university education.

(Dictionary of National Biography, Vol.17; Scott, Thomas 1747-1821; pp.1011-1013, in Ancestry website)

Emily Frances Scott nee Patey 1847- 1921, his wife: birthplace Plymouth, Devon (census data): living with her family in Newton St Loe, Somerset, in 1881 census.

5 Dec 1883: Thomas Errington Scott and Emily Frances Patey married. They had at least two children (census data).

Their newspaper marriage notice describes her as Emily Frances, elder daughter of the late Admiral Patey, C.M.G., formerly Governor of St. Helena. (Homeward Mail (from India, China and the East) 13 Dec 1883, p.1197, col.2; in British Newspaper Archives).

The biography of her father, Admiral Charles George Edward Patey 1813- 1881, states he had been a Lieutenant on *Castor* in the Mediterranean in 1840, in the Syrian campaign (including the bombardment of St Jean d'Acre [Acre] on 3 Nov 1840); and later was Lieutenant-Governor, Lagos, March-October 1866; Administrator of the Gambia, 1866-1871; and Governor of St Helena 1869- 1873 (*The Victorian Royal Navy: Charles George Edward Patey R.N.; online*).

His time as St Helena's Governor has been connected to its economic collapse (*G C Kitching: A handbook and gazetteer of the Island of St Helena, p.65, online*). His family remained in England during his earlier career: it is not known if they (including Emily Frances) accompanied him to St Helena.

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

North elevation:

ERRINGTON SCOTT MA HON CAN DURHAM VICAR OF NORTON 34 YEARS

West elevation:

DIED 9 OCT 1930 AGED 87

South elevation:

EMILY FRANCES SCOTT: BORN 14 OCT 1847 AT REST

East elevation:

15 OCT 1921

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134 (E102)	1972	Headstone	East	H'stone	H'stone	Sound and	Mint	Incised	Gothic	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Walker		With base	800	H 1440mms	sandstone	in situ			Roman,	outline	back			
		Rounded		W 880mms					Roman	Central:	and			
		top		D 120mms	Base				italic	None	sides			
				Base:	Sandstone									
				H 60mms										
				W 1160mms										

Replacement monument: monument replaced 1973: original now at Preston Hall museum, Yarm Road, Stockton on Tees

John Walker 1781- 1859: birthplace Stockton on Tees (census data).

third of six children to John Walker (grocer and wine merchant, High St Stockton) and his wife Mary Peacock.

His parents and some siblings are commemorated on the adjacent memorial. Their inscription reads (1991/1992 transcription):

Sacred to the memory of **John WALKER** grocer of Stockton upon Tees who departed this life Feb 14 1812 aged 64yrs; Also **Thomas Peacock WALKER** son of John & Mary WALKER who departed this life May 5 1817 aged 34yrs: Also **James WALKER**, currier, eldest son of the above who departed this life Jul 24 1859 aged 62yrs who was buried at Bowes N. Riding, co of York; Also **Mary WALKER** wife of the above who departed this life May 10 1840 aged 88yrs; Also of **John WALKER** of Stockton, co Durham son of the above who d. Feb ...? - remainder illegible.

(transcription: Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992) The last-mentioned name, John Walker, may be that of their infant son, who died before John Walker 1781- 1851 was born.

Occupation of John Walker 1781- 1859: originally apprenticed to a surgeon; but later abandoned this work and went to London. He returned to Stockton in 1812, after the death of his father. He opened a shop in 59 High St (opposite his father's old shop) as Chymist and Druggist; and continued with this until he retired in 1858. In 1851, his home address was The Square, Stockton (an upmarket part of Stockton) with his unmarried sisters, Jane and Mary (census data). During the 1820s and early 1830s, several people independently discovered 'friction lights' (matches). The earliest of these to do so was John Walker: his shop books record their sale in 1827 (some say the same books suggest they were originally sold by him the previous year, 1826). As various forms of friction lights gained in popularity, John Walker ceased his production in about 1830. (John Walker, inventor of the Friction Match, in Heritage Stockton, Stockton on Tees Borough Council)

Family: unmarried, no children.

Emily Adeline Walker nee Wilkinson, 1848- 1862: his great-niece, daughter of Ann Wilkinson nee Walker and Hutchinson Wilkinson, corn factor, who married in Stockton on 1 July 1847. Their newspaper marriage notice describes Ann (Wilkinson nee) Walker as the 'niece' (parents unnamed) of John Walker, chemist and druggist (all parties of Stockton) (York Herald, 3 July 1847, p.8, col.6, in British Newspaper Archives). As John Walker's brother James had moved to Yorkshire, Ann was most probably the daughter of his sister Mary, commemorated here.

Mary Walker c.1786- 1870 Unmarried sister of John Walker 1781-1859, and grandmother of Emily Adeline Walker nee Wilkinson (above). Family: One illegitimate daughter, Ann Walker, mentioned in the will of Mary Walker's mother Mary (probate 1840).

John Walker's other sister, Jane c.1789- 1857, died unmarried, 78 years, in Stockton on 21 Nov 1857(Durham Chronicle, 27 Nov 1857, p.8, col.6, in British Newspaper Archives)

Reason for monument date: Stated date of erection (on rear of monument)

Sacred to the Memory of JOHN WALKER,

Chymist and Druggist
OF STOCKTON ON TEES
who departed this life the 1st of May
1859, AGED 78 YEARS.

Highly respected by all who knew him
Also EMILY ADELINE WALKER

Eldest Daughter of

Hutchinson And Ann Wilkinson

OF STOCKTON ON TEES

And Great Niece of the above who departed this life the 19th of March 1862, AGED 14 YEARS.

Also MARY WALKER Sister of the above
JOHN WALKER

who departed this life the 19 September 1870, aged 84yrs

THE ABOVE JOHN WALKER WAS THE ORIGINAL INVENTOR OF MATCHES (FRICTION LIGHTS)

Reverse:

Gravestone replaced
JULY 1972
original at
PRESTON HALL MUSEUM
STOCKTON

MONUMENTS NORTH OF CHURCH

ID	DATE	TYPE	ORIEN-	SIZE	MATERIAL	CONDITION	CONDITION	INSCRIBED	LETTER	DÉCOR-	TOOL-	TEXT	EXTRA	REPAIRS
			TATION			MONUMENT	INSCRIPTION	STYLE	STYLE	ATION	ING	BOXES	ELEMENTS	
135 (F1)	1858	Headstone	Ease	H 1390mms	Sandstone	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman,	Border	Smooth	None	None	None
Hennon		No base	800	W 880mms		in situ	legible		Roman	outline	back			
		Gothic		D 165mms					italic	Central:	and			
		pointed								None	sides			
		top												

Inscription entirely in French: third line gives his military or naval service

From the inscription, **Nicholas Hennon c.1787- 1858** was French, in the forces of Napoleon Bonaparte as an officer or sous-officer (non-commissioned officer).

Burial records, St Mary's: Nicholas Hennon, 71 years, Norton, buried 25 Dec 1858 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society)

He had one known daughter: Adele Celestine (in some records, Celestine Adele), c.1815-1874, born in France.

On 6 April 1836, she married Thomas Hackworth c.1797- 1877, 17 years older than her. At the time of their marriage, she was living in Darlington: the marriage took place in Shildon. Their marriage allegation (application for marriage licence):

4 April 1836: Allegation by Thomas Hackworth, of Shildon, County Durham, bachelor,

For marriage to Adela Hennons of Darlington, County Durham, spinster,

[marriage to take place] in the district church of Shildon, County Durham

Sworn before George Fielding (surrogate)

(England, Durham, marriage bonds and allegations, 1692-1900, in Family Search website: her surname mis-transliterated as HARMON)
Her reason for living in Darlington at this time are unknown: there is speculation that she may have been a governess (teaching French) to a local family, and perhaps involved as a translator for French visitors keen to see the new railway locomotives.

Nicholas' son-in-law Thomas Hackworth c.1797- 1877 was born in Wylam, Northumberland; and with his older brother Timothy Hackworth was a railway-engine-building pioneer, working in Shildon, Co Durham. Soon after their marriage, Thomas and Adele left Shildon and moved to Teesside. Thomas started his own engine-building business (employing over 200 men and boys) in partnership with George Fossick. Initially they built locomotives and carriages; and in 1853 moved into marine engineering. The first ship engines built on Teesside were built by their firm, under the direction of Robert Thorman from Newcastle upon Tyne (also commemorated in this churchyard).

(Thomas Hackworth, Locomotive engineer, in Heritage Stockton, Stockton on Tees Borough Council; Fossick and Hackworth of Stockton on Tees, in Grace's guide to British industrial history, online)

Nicholas Hennon is not found with the family on England census data: it is possible he remained permanently in France, visiting them on occasion. There is an entry record for a Nicholas Hennon, native of France, occupation Professor (teacher) arriving at London from the Port of Bolougne, on 11 Feb 1842 (*England, alien arrivals 1810-1811, 1826-1869, Home Office, Aliens Act 1836: certificates of arrival; in Ancestry website).* It appears that Nicholas was staying with the family in their home in Norton in the late 1850s, as he died in Norton on 22 Dec 1858.

Reason for monument date: Inferred from first mentioned individual

Inscription entirely in French

EN REPOSE
NICHOLAS HENNON
L UN(?) DES OFFICER.....
NAPOLEON BONAPARTE
MORT LE 22ND DEC 1858
AGE DE 77 AN...

MONUMENTS NORTH OF CHURCH

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136 (F5)	1753	Headstone	South	H 1580mms	Limestone	Sound and	Mint	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	Kerb,	none
Jefferson,		Flat top	180 ⁰	W 990mms		in siut				outline	back		Railings (in	
Jefferson-				D 120mms						(rounded)	and		complex)	
Hogg											sides			

Eastern-most of 3 upright monuments; within complex surrounded by kerb and railings. The Hogg family were ('lords of the manor'): found in surviving St Mary the Virgin records from 1591 (marriage) and 1659 (christening). Several members became scholars and/or lawyers. Their family 'seat' was Norton House/Hall, on Norton Green; built c.1720 and demolished c.1934.

John Jefferson c.1694-1753, Esq of Norton and Elton. His ancestor was Sir John Jefferson, Knight, solicitor-general for Durham 1663, seneschal for the see 1674; and created successively sergeant-at-law 1683, recorder of Durham 1686, a judge of the common pleas in Ireland 1691, and a keeper of the Great Seal in Ireland in 1697 (W. Fordyce, History and Antiquities of the County Palatine of Durham (1857), part 2, p.205)

Anna Jefferson, maiden name unknown, c.1699- 1758, his wife: no further information. Their daughter Anna c.1716- 1764 (who married Thomas Hogg c.1716- 1772) was his only child and heiress (W. Fordyce, History and Antiquities of the County Palatine of Durham (1857), part 2, p.205)

Richard John Jefferson Hogg [JEFFERSON-HOGG] 1893- 1964: descendant of John and Anna Jefferson.

One of two children (only son, and only married offspring) of John Ewer Jefferson Hogg 1860- 1941, and his wife, Lilly/ Lillie Grey Williamson, who died in 1954 aged 85 years (*FreeBMD*). **Birthplace**: Chelsea, London (*census data*). His paternal grandfather, John Hogg 1800- 1869 of Norton (great-grandson of the above John Jefferson c.1694- 1753) died 1869. His children – including son John Ewer Jefferson Hogg 1860- 1914 (Richard's father) – were taken to the south of England, to be cared for by their mother's relations: they and their descendants did not return to reside permanently in Norton (*Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail*, 15 July 1887, p 2, col 6, in British Newspaper Archives).

Richard's father, John Ewer Jefferson Hogg became a barrister; took an active interest in local politics in London; and **changed the family surname, adopting the surname JEFFERSON HOGG (no hyphen)**; and is generally referred to by this name in various newspaper articles (British Newspaper Archives). Richard John Jefferson Hogg continued the surname JEFFERSON-HOGG (now, hyphenated).

Occupation: In World War I, Richard John Jefferson-Hogg gained Military Cross (MC) for conspicuous gallantry (in France) whilst Lieutenant in East Surrey Regiment (Supplement to London Gazette 7 Nov 1918, in UK, WWI and WW2 shipping and seamen Rolls of Honour, 1914-1918 (image 257 of 848), in Ancestry website). Described as Major in some subsequent (post war) records. Later, he became a stockbroker (London, England, city directories 1736-1943: 1925: image 2299 of 3876, in Ancestry website). In 1948, Richard arranged for the sale of the letters of Thomas Jefferson Hogg 1792-1862 (close friend/ biographer of Percy Bysse Shelley) (Nottingham Journal 9 June 1948, p 2, col 7 in British Newspaper Archives)

Family: Richard Married twice: 1 July 1922: (in St James's Sussex Gardens) to Lillian Florence Currie: one known son (Gentlewoman, 15 July 1922, p 15, cols 1,2: British Newspaper Archives); and 18 Jan 1939 (Chelsea Register Office) to Joan Dupin Drayson (Chelsea News and General Advertiser 20 Jan 1939, p 5, col 3: British Newspaper Archives)

He is buried in Selbourne, Hants. This is part of ALTON registration district, where both his parents died (FreeBMD).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

Here lieth the Body of John Jefferfon who exchanged this Mortal Life in hopes for a better the 4th Jan^{ry} 1753 Aged 59. He had all the Qualifications of an honeft Man with the sincerity of a true Chriftian Anne the Wife of the said John Jefferfon

Died 14th may 1758 Aged 59 ALSO IN LOVING MEMORY OF RICHARD JOHN JEFFERSON HOGG M.C. MAY 16TH 1893, DECEMBER 24TH 1964, SON OF JOHN EWER 1860- 1941 AND LILLIE JEFFERSON HOGG (buried at Selbourne, Hants)

Listed monument: listing information:

Heritage Category, Listed Building; Grade II List Entry Number 1323013; Date first listed 21-Jun-1985

List Entry Name: HOGG FAMILY VAULT TO NORTH WEST OF CHURCH

Statutory Address 1: HOGG FAMILY VAULT TO NORTH WEST OF CHURCH, THE GREEN Rectangular space enclosed by plain railings. Three upright tombs from 1730s-50s, and 2 later flat tombs. The Hoggs were Lords of the Manner [sic] of Norton.

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137 F(6)	1721	Headstone	South	H 1740mms	Limestone	Sound and	Mint	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	Kerb and	None
Forster,		no base	180 ⁰	W 960mms		in situ				outline,	back		railings (in	
Hogg		Flat top		D 100mms						Central:	and		compex)	
										None	sides			

Central of 3 upright monuments; within complex surrounded by kerb and railings.

The Hogg family were a prominent Norton family ('lords of the manor'): found in surviving St Mary the Virgin records from 1591 (marriage) and from 1659 (christening) (transcriptions: Cleveland Family History Society). Many of their members became scholars, and several lawyers. Their family 'seat' was Norton House/Hall, on Norton Green; built c.1720 and demolished c.1934.

Margaret Forster c.1642- 1721: Daughter of John Forster, organist at Durham Cathedral from 1660 until his death 20 April 1677. His Will mentions his wife Elinor, and children John (adult), Christian, Margaret and Dorothy (minors). The will also mentions property in Durham city, including 3 houses in Gilesgate (Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search website).

The first [cathedral] organ by George Dallam in Durham Cathedral (replacing earlier organs) was played by Mr. John Forster on St Stephens Day 1662 (Durham Cathedral, the succession of organists; online)

William Hogg c.1683- 1730, her brother-in-law: birthplace Norton, county Durham. Christened (St Mary the Virgin) 17 Feb 1684 as *Gulielmus [William] son of Johannis [John] of Thorny House (Norton]*. His father had also been christened here on 9 Nov 1656, as son of Thomas.

Siblings: brother **John Hogg 1680- 1735**: commemorated on another monument within this complex); sister **Elizabeth (later, Burton)** christened here 14 June 1687

William left a Will dated 11 Aug 1829: William Hogg, gentleman, of Thorney Close in the parish of Norton in the County of Durham. Wife Dorothy and his father John are joint executors. It lists various properties in Norton (surrendered 'according to custom' to the Lord of the Manor); mentions his sister Elizabeth Burton (widow) and her son; and brother-in-law John Forster (Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search).

He died in 1730; his father John died a few years later, in 1733.

Dorothy Hogg nee Forster c.1675- 1755, sister of Margaret Forster and wife of William Hogg: also a daughter of the above John Forster, organist.

On 22 Jan 1719, William Hogg married Dorothy Forster in St Mary the Virgin (no children) (St Mary the Virgin christening and marriage records transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Reason for monument date: inferred date from first mentioned individual.

Here lieth
MARGARET FORSTER

Daughter to JOHN FORSTER, Esq.

Formerly Organist at the Cathedral

Church at Durham. She was much

Respected for her Piety Amiability

and Beneficence and died greatly

Lamented on the 8th day of June 1721

in the 60th Year of her Age.

HERE ALSO LIETH

WILLIAM HOGG ESQR

Whose Candour, Meekness and Probriety

truly gained him universal Esteem

He died on the 29th day of Augt 1730

in the 48th Year of his age.

DOROTHY HOGG erected this

Stone to the Memory of her dear

sister and her beloved husband.

The said DOROTHY HOGG

died 30th April 1755

Aged 80 Years

Listed monument: listing information:

Heritage Category, Listed Building; Grade II

List Entry Number 1323013; Date first listed 21-Jun-1985; List Entry Name: HOGG FAMILY VAULT TO NORTH WEST OF CHURCH; Statutory Address 1: HOGG FAMILY VAULT TO NORTH WEST OF CHURCH, THE GREEN; Rectangular space enclosed by plain railings. Three upright tombs from 1730s-50s, and 2 later flat tombs. The Hoggs were Lords of the Manner [sic] of Norton.

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138 F(7)	1735	Headstone	South	H 1550mms	Grey	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman	Border	Smooth	None	Kerb,	none
Hogg		no base	180 ⁰	W 940mms	limestone	in situ	legible			outline	back		railings (in	
		Flat top		D 120mms						Central:	and		complex)	
										None	sides			

Western-most of 3 upright monuments; within complex surrounded by kerb and railings.

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John Hogg c.1680- 1735: birthplace Norton, county Durham

Christened in St Mary the Virgin 13 June 1682, as Johane [John] HOGGE, son of Johane [John]. His father had also been christened here on 9 Nov 1656, as son of Thomas. (St Mary's christening records, transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

In 1733, he was the executor of the Will of his father John, in which are named:

Three children of John junior: John, Thomas, and Ann, all minors in 1733; and grandchildren of John senior)

Sister of John junior: Elizabeth (married name Burton) and Elizabeth's son Thomas Burton (also a minor and grandson of John senior)

Sister-in-law of John junior: Dorothy Hogg (daughter-in-law of John senior and widow of William Hogg 1683- 1730).

The legacies, whilst respectable amounts, are not 'rich' (Durham Wills pre-1858, in Family Search website)

John Hogg c.1718-1739, his son: unmarried, no children

Isabel Hogg, maiden name unknown c.1682- 1762, wife of John Hogg (c.1680- 1735) the elder: no further information

Thomas Hogg c.1764- 1770, his grandson: son of Thomas Hogg c.1716- 1776 **Ann Hogg c.1764- 1772, his granddaughter:** daughter of Thomas Hogg c.1716- 1776

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

HERE LIETH INTERRED THE BODY OF
JOHN HOGG WHO DEPARTED THIS
LIFE JANUARY 30 1735 AGED 55 YEARS
AND ALSO JOHN HOGG HIS SON
WHO DIED 31 MARCH 1739 AGED 21 YEARS
IFABEL THE WIFE OF JOHN HOGG THE
ELDER DIED 19TH APRIL 1762 AGED 80
THOMAS HOGG SON OF THOMAS
AND ANN HOGG DIED 11TH JUNE 1770
AGED 6 YEARS
AND ANN HOGG HIS SISTER DIED
17TH DEC 1772 AGED 8 YEARS

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139 F(8)	1825	Low	East 80 ⁰	Тор:	Тор	Sound and	Illegible	Incised	n/a	Border	Smooth	None	Kerb with	none
Hogg		monument		L 1830mms	sandstone	in situ			illegible	outline	sides		railings (in	
		on base		W 820mms									complex)	
				D 80mms	Base									
				Base:	sandstone									
				H 270mms										
				W 820mms										

Western-most of 2 flat low monuments; within complex surrounded by kerb and railings.

The Hogg family were a prominent Norton family ('lords of the manor'): found in surviving St Mary the Virgin records from 1591 (marriage) and from 1659 (christening) (transcriptions: Cleveland Family History Society). Many of their members became scholars, and several lawyers. Their family 'seat' was Norton House/Hall, on Norton Green; built c.1720 and demolished c.1934. John Hogg c.1769- 1825: birthplace Norton, county Durham. Son and heir of Thomas Hogg (commemorated within this complex) who had made a fortune as Land Agent to Durham Dean and Chapter. Occupation: Barrister. At the time of his marriage, John Hogg was a barrister in Lincoln's Inn, [London] Middlesex (England, select marriages 1538-1975, in Ancestry website)

Sarah Isabella Hogg 1794- 1794, his eldest daughter, died in infancy

William Hogg, 1802-1821, his third son (born in Scotton), scholar at Clare Hall, Cambridge; unmarried.

Robert Ewer Hogg 1805- 1817, his fourth son

Prudentia Hogg nee Jones c.1767- 1839, his wife and mother of his children: of Bocking, Braintree, Essex.

Eldest daughter of Rev Watkin Jones, at one time Rector in Darwen, Denbighshire, Wales; and Sarah Ewer (daughter of Robert Ewer, captain 69th company of marines, and Prudentia Nourse of London) (Fordyce W, The history and antiquities of the County Palatine of Durham, Part 2, 1857; Hogg family of Norton, Hartlepool Daily Mail, 14 July 1887, p.2, col.6, British Newspaper Archives)

28 June 1791: John and Prudentia married in St Andrew's, Holborn, Middlesex, England.

Prudentia Ann Hogg c.1795- 1851, his daughter. Christened in St Mary the Virgin 3 Oct 1795 (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). Unmarried.

Family: three daughters and four sons born between 1792- 1806. All except William (born at Scotton 1892) christened at St Mary the Virgin (christening records transcription: Cleveland Family History Society) Surviving children: their first and second sons, Thomas Jefferson Hogg b.1792 and John Hogg b.1800 (christened as John HOGGS); and their unmarried third daughter Elizabeth Sarah (born 30 Aug 1797, christened 8 Sept 1798, and commemorated on another monument in this complex) (St Mary's christening records: transcribed by Cleveland Family History Society)

Famous relations: Their eldest child, Thomas Jefferson Hogg, 1792-1862 was a close friend and biographer of the poet Percy Bysshe Shelley (1792-1822).

Dates of those commemorated, not relevant to monument date; Taken from 1991/1992 transcription.

1991/1992 transcription:

In a vault beneath are interred the remains of John HOGG Esq. Barrister at Law who departed this life Dec 24 1825 in the 62nd yr of his life. He was greatly adored by his family & friends to whom his loss is irreplacable. Sarah Isabella HOGG his eldest dau bn Jan 5 1794 & died an infant. William HOGG scholar of Clare Hall Cambridge his 3rd son bn at Scotton Jul 27 1802 & died at Norton Jul 16 1821. Here a youth of high promise & of considerable classical attainment. Robert Ewer HOGG his 4th son bn Oct 22 1805 d. Feb 17 1817. His 3 children were buried nigh these rails. Also Prudentia HOGG their mother d. Mar 19 1839 aged 72yrs. She was a good wife, a good mother & a good Christian. Also her dau Prudentia Ann HOGG d. Jul 18 1851

(Cleveland Family History Society, 1991/1992)

Burial record: Hogg, John, 62yrs, Stockton, buried 3 Jan 1824 (Cleveland Family History Society, n/d)

Listed monument: listing information:

Heritage Category, Listed Building; Grade II List Entry Number 1323013; Date first listed 21-Jun-1985 List Entry Name: HOGG FAMILY VAULT TO NORTH WEST OF CHURCH

Statutory Address 1: HOGG FAMILY VAULT TO NORTH WEST OF CHURCH, THE GREEN

Rectangular space enclosed by plain railings. Three upright tombs from 1730s-50s, and 2 later flat tombs. The Hoggs were Lords of the Manner [sic] of Norton.

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140 (F9)	1865	Low	East 85 ⁰	Тор	Тор	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman,	Border	smooth	None	Kerb and	none
Hogg		monument		L 1810mms	sandstone	in situ	legible		Roman	outline	sides		railings (in	
		on base		W 820mms					italics				complex)	
				D 90mms	Base					Central:				
				Base	sandstone					None				
				H 190mms										
				W 810mms										

LISTED BUILDING/ MONUMENT, ENGLISH HERITAGE 1323013: Eastern-most of 2 flat low monuments; within complex surrounded by kerb and railings. The Hogg family were a prominent Norton family ('lords of the manor'): found in surviving St Mary the Virgin records from 1591 (marriage) and from 1659 (christening) (transcriptions: Cleveland Family History Society). Many of their members became scholars, and several lawyers. Their family 'seat' was Norton House/Hall, on Norton Green; built c.1720 and demolished c.1934.

Elizabeth Sarah Hogg 1797- 1865: birthplace Norton, county Durham. Christened in St Mary the Virgin 8 Sept 1798 (record notes born 30 Aug 1797) (transcription: Cleveland Family History Society). Third daughter of her parents John and Prudentia, also commemorated within this complex. Unmarried.

Her above-named sister: Prudentia Ann Hogg 1795- 1851: birthplace Norton, county Durham, commemorated on her parents' gravestone. Unmarried.

Anna Louisa Sarah Hogg nee Goldfinch 1817- 1864, her sister-in-law and wife of John Hogg 1800- 1869

John and Anna married in the second quarter of 1850: their marriage notice reads: At Clifton, John Hogg Esq., M.A., F.R.S. late Fellow of St Peter's College, Cambridge, barrister-at-law, and of Norton House, Stockton-on-Tees, to Anne Louisa Sarah, second daughter of the late Major Goldfinch, of the Priory, Chewton Mendip, and Belmont, Bath. (The Gentleman's Magazine, Vol 188, 1850; marriages, para. 30, in British Newspaper Archives)

John Hogg 1800- 1869, her brother, husband of Anna Louisa Sarah Hogg nee Goldfinch: birthplace Norton, county Durham. Occupation: lawyer and barrister (Oxford; undergraduate studies, Cambridge), later working on the northern circuit: J.P., and also a Deputy Lieutenant of Durham. He is better known as a classical scholar, antiquarian and naturalist. Fellow and secretary of the Royal Geographical Society (1849- 1850); fellow of the Royal Society of Northern Antiquities of Copenhagen; and president of the Tyneside Naturalists' Field Club; and author of many papers in various journals.

Anna and John Hogg had four children: Daughters Frances S J, 1853-1854; Louisa J M A J 1856- 1943; Eliza P E J 1859- 1933; and son John E J 1860- 1941 (who changed the family surname to JEFFERSON HOGG). At the time of their parents' deaths, they were all minors; and were taken south to be cared for by their mother's relations. They and their descendants did not return to reside in Norton (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail, 15 July 1887, p 2, col 6, in British Newspaper Archives).

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

ELIZABETH SARAH HOGG
Third daughter of
the late JOHN HOGG Esq.
and PRUDENTIA his wife
died October 27 1865
Aged 66 Years.

She and her abovenamed sister were kind and charitable women.

ANNE LOUISA SARAH HOGG

the beloved wife of

JOHN HOGG MA FRS

Born May 11th 1817

Died October 15th 1864.

As in life she walked blameless

So in death she rests happy.

John HOGG Esq. MA.FRS.FLS

The Husband of the abovenamed

ANNE LOUISA SARAH HOGG

Born March 21st 1800

Died Sept 16th 1869 Aged 69

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https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-

entry/1323013?section=official-list-entry

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141	1776	Chest tomb	East 80 ⁰	Тор:	Тор:	Sound and	Mainly	Incised	Roman	Border	n/a	None	None	None
F(10)		see below		L 2300mms	slate	in situ	legible			outline				
Hogg				W 1140mms	Sides:					Central:				
				D 160mms	Limestone					None				
				Sides:	yellow									
				H 740mms	sandstone									
				W 800mms										

LISTED BUILDING/ MONUMENT 1323173 (English Heritage): Rectangular slate slab, resting on limestone resting on plain sandstone base. Longitudinal crack through slate top.

The Hogg's: prominent Norton family ('lords of the manor'): found in surviving St Mary's records from 1591 (marriage) and from 1659 (christening) (transcriptions: Cleveland Family History Society). Several became scholars and/or lawyers. Their 'seat' was Norton House/Hall, on Norton Green; built c.1720, demolished c.1934.

Anne Hogg nee Jefferson, c.1716- 1776:

... Hogg married Ann, only child and heiress of John Jefferson of Norton, descendant of John Jefferson, Solicitor General for Durham during the Restoration period, an alliance which probably accounts for the inclusion in the manuscripts of transcripts of a number of documents relating to the elder Jefferson (e.g. Hogg MS.1, nos. 12, 13). (Durham University Library Archives, Special Collections Catalogue/ GB-0033-HOG/ Hogg manuscripts, online) Thomas Hogg c.1716- 1776: Son of John and Isabel Hogg, commemorated within this complex.

Occupation: Land agent to the Durham Dean and Chapter: through this, made a fortune. Four volumes of manuscripts of Thomas Hogg were presented to Durham University in 1907: summary reads: Details of Thomas Hogg's life are elusive. According to the D.N.B article on his grandson Thomas Jefferson Hogg (1792-1862), Thomas Hogg made a fortune as the Dean & Chapter's land agent. He first appears in their records in 1739 (Treasurer's Books Michaelmas 1739/40) and then signs the Treasurer's Discharge in 1742 (Audit Book A V). When he ceased to act as their land agent is not clear, but in a letter to Thomas Wells of 29 July 1771 (Hogg MS. 3 f.4r), Hogg states that he had not been concerned with Dean & Chapter estates for some time. He continued, however, to be active as a land agent on behalf of other clients and many individual members of the Chapter. ... The letter-book records primarily his business affairs ... but it is also a mine of information on local personalities and contemporary events and social life. (Durham University Library Archives, Special Collections Catalogue/ GB-0033-HOG/ Hogg manuscripts, online)

Dorothy (d. age 9); Jane (d. age 16), Isabella (d. age 31, unmarried): children of Thomas and Anne Hogg
Ann Hogg c.1811- 1798, sister-in-law of Ann Hogg nee Jefferson, sister of Thomas Hogg: unmarried, no children

Other children of Thomas and Anne Hogg: Thomas (died an infant); John (his heir); Elizabeth, married Lieutenant-Colonel Grey of Norton, deputy lieutenant Durham and J.P. (Hartlepool Northern Daily Mail, 14 July 1887, p 2, col 7, in British Newspaper Archives)

Reason for monument date: inferred date from latest date of a group first inscribed together.

HERE ARE DEPOSITED THE REMAINS OF
ANNE HOGG WIFE OF THOMAS
HOGG WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE THE 2ND
DAY OF DECEMBER 1776 AGED 45 YEARS.
LIKEWISE THE REMAINS OF THOMAS
HOGG HUSBAND OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED
ANNE HOGG WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE
THE 27TH DAY OF DECEMBER 1776
AGED 60 YEARS.

bottom half of inscription less legible: 1991/1992 transcription:

Near this stone also are deposited the remains of **Dorothy HOGG youngest dau** of the above-mentioned Thomas & Ann HOGG who d. 29 day Mar 1782 aged 9yrs. Also **Jane HOGG 4th dau** of Thomas & Ann HOGG who departed this life 11 day May 1785 aged 16yrs. Also near this stone are deposited the remains of **Isabella HOGG eldest dau** of the above Thomas & Ann HOGG. She who departed this life 26 Jan 1795 in the 32nd yr of her age. Also **Ann HOGG sister** of the said Thomas HOGG who d. 28 day Dec 1798 aged 87yrs (*transcription: Cleveland Family History Society 1991/1992*)

Listed building, Listing information: Heritage Category, Listed Building; Grade II; List Entry Number 1323173; Date first listed 21-Jun-1985; List Entry Name: HOGG FAMILY TOMB OF WEST OF CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN; Statutory Address: HOGG FAMILY TOMB OF WEST OF CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, THE GREEN

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142	1709	Headstone	East 80 ⁰	H 410mms	Sandstone	Sound and	All legible	incised	Roman	Front:	back and	None	None	None
(F34)		no base		W 420mms		in situ				Cherub	sides			
Jordon/		see below		D 90mms						head and	smooth			
Gordon										wings				
										Rear:				
										Skull and				
										cross-				
										bones				

Known locally as 'pirate grave' due to skull and crossbones on reverse

Mary Jordon/Gordon, died 1709: no information.

This monument is commonly mis-connected with one Jeremiah Moore, reported as having died 20 August 1753 in Norton.

His obituary reads:

On Monday the 20th of August died, at his Seat at Norton, near Stockton upon Tees, in the Bishoprick of Durham, after a lingering Illness, Jeremiah Moore, Esq; aged Fifty-seven, a Gentleman universally beloved.

He was the last of his Family and had in the former Part of his Life suffered extreme Hardships through the Cruelty of his eldest Brother, by whose Means he was carried into Turkish Slavery, and at the Time of his eldest Brother's Death was a common Seaman in the Navy, having been pressed in the Mediterranean after he had made his Escape from the Turks.

As he had experienced ill Fortune, when he came to his Estate, he turned all into Money, and settled into the North, exercising Acts of Goodness to all his poor Neighbours, to whom he hath left largely. As he had no Relations, he hath left the Bulk of his Fortune among six Gentlemen who had been good to him in his Adversity, namely, to Mr. Thomas Marten and Mr. John Thomason, both of Hartlepool, Mr. Saunderson Bowles, of Hexham, Farmers, Mr. William Stains, of Shields, Mr. James Solas Dodd, and Mr. Beers, of London; to each of whom he hath left Fifteen Hundred Pounds; also to his House-keeper, Mrs. Anne Kendall, who is his Executrix and residuary Legatee, Three Thousand Pounds, in Trust for her Son Jeremiah Kendall. He hath ordered that all the Legatees are to receive their respective Legacies at his House at Norton, the fifth of March next, over a large Bowl of Punch, and that they yearly are to commemorate that Day as long as they live, it being the Day he escaped from Slavery.

Derby Mercury, 31 Aug 1753, p.2, col. 1, (in section titled 'London') in British Newspaper Archives. Also printed in several other contemporary newspapers

Reason for monument date: Inferred date from first mentioned individual

Mary Jordon Buried June Ye 3rd 1709

Notes:

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