

## **John Smithin & Harriet Harris – descendants (Stoulton)**

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This document describes the descendants of Benjamin Smithin (1791-1853) and Elizabeth Woodward. This part covers the descendants of their son John Smithin (1828-1867)

*See separate document for the descendants of their sons Benjamin and Joseph.*

There is only very limited information about those born after 1920. Most of the information is from public sources.

### **Descendants of Benjamin and Elizabeth's son John (b.1828)**

**John Smithin (1828-1867).** The son of Benjamin Smithin and Elizabeth Woodward. He was christened on the 13th April 1828 in Stoulton.<sup>1</sup> His brother Joseph was his twin

At the 1841 census, age 10, he was living at home in Wadborough. The age was approximate in 1841.

John married Harriet Harris (1821-1902) at St. Andrew's Worcester on the 22nd December 1846. The witnesses were Thomas Harris a farmer and Mary Ann Harris.<sup>2 3</sup> These were probably her parents; Thomas Harris (b.1775) and Mary Andrews (b.1781).

Harriet was christened in Pirton on the 15th July 1821.<sup>4</sup> There is a family bible with details of some of the family and this includes Mary Ann Harris born on October 14th 1813; she was Harriet's sister.<sup>5</sup>

A son Henry was born in 1847.

A son Benjamin was born in 1848.

A daughter Margaret was born in 1850.

John is listed in Kelly's directory for Worcestershire of 1850.<sup>6</sup>

*Smithing John, farmer, Woodcote*

At the 1851 census John and Harriet were farming near Bromsgrove.<sup>7</sup>

#### **Wood Court Green, Bromsgrove**

*John Smithin, Head, married, age 23, Farmer of 112 acres employing 3 labourers, born Pershore*

*Harriet Smithin, Wife, married, age 29, Farmer's wife, born Pershore*

*Henry Smithin, Son, age 4, born Pershore*

*Benjamin Smithin, Son, age 2, born Pershore*

*Margrate Smithin, Daughter, age 1, born Bromsgrove*

*Sarah Howard, Servant, unmarried, age 15, born Bromsgrove*

*Henry Sorville, Servant, unmarried, age 12, Farm labourer, born Rushcock*

John left the farm for another one, probably later in 1851.<sup>8</sup>

#### **Worcester Journal, Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July 1851**

*Farm to be let*

*An improvable arable farm, situated at Woodcote Green, Bromsgrove, now in the occupatilon of Mr. John Smithin, containing about 112 acres, of which only 21 acres are Pasture and Meadow Land, with Farm House and Buildings thereon. A considerable portion of the land has been recently drained, and an industrious tenant would be liberally met in making further desirable improvements. The present occupier will shew the Farm; and for terms of tenancy apply to Mr. Wm. Woodward, of Bredon's Norton, near Tewkesbury.*

A daughter Olive was born in 1852  
A son John was born in 1854.

John was listed in the Electoral register for 1857 at Eastnor, Ledbury.<sup>9</sup>

John senior was mentioned in the Will of his father Benjamin who died in 1861.<sup>10</sup>

John was listed in a trade directory as a farmer at Fibden Farm in 1860.<sup>11</sup>

At the 1861 census John and Harriet were farming at Hampton Lovett.<sup>12</sup>

*Fibden Farm, Hampton Lovett, Droitwich*

*John Smithin, Head, married, age 34, Farmer of 300 acres employing 7 labourers and 3 boys, born Pershore*

*Harriet Smithin, Wife, married, age 39, Farmer's wife, born Pershore*

*Henry Smithin, Son, unmarried, age 14, Scholar, born Pershore*

*John Alfred Smithin, Son, age 6, born Eastnor, Herefordshire*

*John Fryer, Servant, age 42, unmarried, Carter, born Eastnor, Herefordshire*

*Anne Groves, Servant, age 20, unmarried, House servant, born Pershore*

The two girls were at boarding school in Stoulton and son Benjamin was staying with his uncle Edward Harris in Wadborough.



*View towards Fibden farm c.2010*

In about 1862 John was taken ill and gave his brothers control over his farm to carry on his business. A legal document was drawn up on the 2nd December 1862 and signed by all three brothers.<sup>13</sup>

*John Smithin of Fibden farm in the Parish of Hampton Lovett*

*Benjamin Smithin of Sherrif's Lench*

*Joseph Smithin of Wadborough*

*Whereas the said John Smithin being unable from ill health properly to manage and attend to his Farming business and being desirous of making some provisions for his wife Harriet Smithin and her children hath proposed and agreed to assign to the said Benjamin Smithin and Joseph Smithin his furniture, farming stock and other his personal effects*

John died, aged 38, on the 8<sup>th</sup> February 1867; registered at Droitwich in the March quarter.<sup>14</sup> There was a notice in the local paper.<sup>15</sup>

Worcester Journal 23 February 1867

*Smithen. Feb. 8, at Fibden Farm, Hampton Lovett, aged 38, Mr. John Smithen*

Their son Benjamin also died in 1867.

At the 1871 census Harriet was still farming at Hampton Lovett.<sup>16</sup>

Fibden Farm, Hampton Lovett, Droitwich

*Harriet Smithin, Head, widow, age 49, Farmer of 300 acres employing 7 men and 1 boy, born Pershore*

*Henry Smithin, Son, unmarried, age 24, Farmer's son, born Pershore*

*Margaret Smithin, Daughter, unmarried, age 21, Farmer's daughter, born Bromsgrove*

*John Alfred Smithin, Son, unmarried, age 16, Farmer's son, born Ledbury Herefordshire*

*Eliza Godfrey, Servant, unmarried, age 17, General servant domestic, born Droitwich*

*David Evans, Servant, unmarried, age 40, Farm servant indoor, born Bredon Norton, Gloucestershire*

Harriet was listed in a trade directory as the Farmer at Fibden farm.<sup>17</sup>

In 1877 John was referred to as the 'late John Smithin of Fibden'.

At the 1881 census John's wife Harriet was described as a Widow, aged 61, and she was staying with her brother Edward Harris in Pershore.

Abbotswood Farm, Holy Cross, Worcestershire

*Edward Harris, Head, unmarried, age 74, Holy Cross, Worcester, Farmer of 250 Acres Employing 6 Men and 3 Boys*

*Ann Harris, Sister, unmarried, age 66, Holy Cross, Worcester, Housekeeper Domestic*

*Harriet Smithen, Sister, widow, age 61, Holy Cross, Worcester*

At the 1881 census a Mary Harris, age 72, and family were farming at Abbotswood Farm in Wadborough; possibly the wife of Harriet's older brother Edward.

At the 1891 census Harriet was still living at Abbotswood farm.

*Ann Harris, Head, Single, age 70, Farmer, born Pershore Holy Cross*

*Harriet Smithin, Sister, Widow, age 66, Living on own means, born Pershore Holy Cross*

*Elizabeth Yeomans, Servant, Widow, age 43, servant domestic, born Hereford, Street Court*

Harriet's age should be 71.

At the 1901 census, age 79, Harriet was living in Eckington with her son John and his family.

Harriet died, aged 80, on the 27th May 1902; registered at Pershore. She was living with her son John Alfred in Eckington. Probate was granted to John Alfred Smithin farmer's agent (her son) and William George Andrews, farmer. Her effects were valued at £78 9s 5d.<sup>18</sup>

**Henry Smithin (1847-1902).** The son of John and Harriet. Henry was born on the 17th January 1847 and christened at Pershore, Holy Cross on the 5th February 1847; registered at Pershore in the March quarter.<sup>19 20 21</sup>

At the 1851 census he was at home in Bromsgrove.

At the 1861 census he was at home at Fibden Farm, Droitwich.

In 1867 Henry was given a family bible by his Aunt Mary Ann Harris. The bible front cover reads: 'Mary Ann Harris, Abbots Wood 1846'. The inscription reads.<sup>22</sup>

*Henry Smithin*

*Fibden Farm*  
*This book a present from his Aunt Mary Ann Harris*  
*December 25th 1867*

In 1869 Henry was appointed as an Overseer for Hampton Lovett Parish.<sup>23</sup>

*Droitwich. Parish Appointments.*  
*Hampton Lovett. J.C. Jackson and Henry Smithin o.;*

He was appointed as overseer again in 1870.<sup>24</sup>

At the 1871 census he was running Fibden farm with his mother Harriet.

He was still at the farm in 1873.<sup>25</sup>

Henry was involved in a court case in 1874.<sup>26</sup>

*Joseph Farmer, labourer, Henry Smithen, farmer, were summoned by P.C. Bough for being drunk and riotous at Catnal Green on the 9<sup>th</sup> ult. Farmer was fined 10s. and 16s. costs, and Smithen £2 and the like sum for costs, which was paid.*

Henry married Louisa Hooper (1858-1887) on the 22nd May 1878 at Pershore Holy Cross.<sup>27</sup> Louisa was born on the 22nd February 1858 and christened on the 21st March 1858 in Stoulton.<sup>28</sup> <sup>29</sup> Her parents were Thomas Hooper and Emma Corbett.<sup>30</sup> Thomas and Emma were married at Hartlebury, Worcestershire on the 29th March 1857.<sup>31</sup> There were other Hooper families living in Wadborough; possibly relatives of Louisa.

Henry was involved in a court case in September 1876.<sup>32</sup>

*Worcester Journal Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 1876*

*Petty Sessions Tuesday*

*W Walford was charged with being in pursuit of rabbits on land in the occupation of Edward Harris, at Pershore, on the 4<sup>th</sup> instant. Henry Smithin, nephew of Mr. Harris, said: I saw defendant beating a field with two terrier dogs, and when spoken to he wanted to fight me. There are rabbits in the field and no footpath. Defendant denied that he was in the field at all, but said his brother was. The Bench thought the evidence sufficient to convict, and fined defendant 20s., with 9s. 6d. costs.*

A daughter Louisa Margaret was born in 1880 but died the same year.<sup>33</sup>

At the 1881 census Henry and Louisa were living at Norton by Kempsey.<sup>34</sup>

*Smithin Henry, age 34, farm bailiff, born Pershore, head of household*  
*Smithen Louisa, age 23, born Pershore, wife of Henry Smithin*

A son Henry was born in 1882.

Henry was described as a Farm Bailiff at Cook's Home farm when his son Henry was born in 1882.<sup>35</sup>

There is a picture of Louisa with son Henry (as a baby) taken in Bromsgrove in about 1884. Henry remembered being taken in to see his mother when she was ill; this must have been about 1886. We think that Louisa suffered from diabetes.

A daughter Emma was born in 1884.<sup>36</sup>

Henry was attacked by one of the farm workers in March 1884.<sup>37</sup>

Worcestershire Chronicle Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March 1884

*Pershore. Violent Assault on a Farm Bailiff*

*Arthur Stanton, brought up by warrant, was charged with assaulting Henry Smithin, at Birlingham, on the 27<sup>th</sup> September 1883. Complainant is farm bailiff to Miss Harris, and on the day in question had occasion to reprove the defendant about his work, whereupon defendant struck him in the face with his fist, knocked him down, and severely kicked him while on the ground. In consequence of the injuries received, complainant was under medical treatment for a fortnight. Defendant absconded immediately, and had escaped the police ever since. Martin Bevan and William Broomfield corroborated, and the Bench considering the assault most unjustifiable and quite unprovoked, sentenced defendant to two months' hard labour without the option of a fine.*

A daughter Ellen was born in 1886; she died only 2 hours old.

Henry's wife Louisa died in 1887.

Henry moved to Birmingham and was involved in a court case in October 1890.<sup>38</sup>

Birmingham Daily Post Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 1890

*Worcestershire Quarter Sessions*

*Theft at Selly Oak*

*Sarah Ashbourne (35) was indicted for stealing two sheets, two toiler-covers, and a tablecloth, belonging to Henry Smithin, at Selly Oak, on the 5<sup>th</sup> April; also with stealing other similar articles, on the 9<sup>th</sup> April and the 2<sup>nd</sup> May, belonging to Henry Smithin. Mr. Harrison prosecuted. Prosecutor went to lodge at the house of the prisoner in March. He had a chest containing the articles mentioned, and gave the woman the key to keep for him. He missed the articles, and subsequently saw twenty eight bundles of clothing belonging to him in Mrs. Wilkinson's pawnshop, at Selly Oak. Evidence was given showing that the prisoner had regularly taken pledges to the shop. Prisoner's defence was that she did not intend to rob the prosecutor. She pledged the articles intending to redeem them, but did not get the chance of doing so. The jury found her guilty. Her husband was called, and said he could not live her, and asked the Court to give a separation order. He assured the court that he knew nothing of the theft. Prisoner was sentenced to six months' hard labour.*

Worcestershire Chronicle Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October 1890

*Worcestershire Quarter Sessions*

*Pledging Stolen Property*

*Sarah Ashbourne (35), married woman, was charged with having on 5<sup>th</sup> April and other dates stolen sheets, blankets, curtains, and other goods, the property of Henry Smithin, a man who lodged in her house. Mr. Harrington prosecuted.*

*The prosecutor had a chest containing the goods, and he entrusted the key to the prisoner, Being in poor circumstances, the woman at several times took articles from the chest and pawned them. She did not represent to the pawnbroker, Mr. Wilkinson, of High Street, Selly Oak, they were hers, but said she had permission from Smithin to pawn them to pay a debt. The woman said she had not intention to steal the goods, and would have returned them when she go the money to redeem them. She told the pawnbroker the day before her arrest that she was going to redeem some of them, but she did not do so, having no opportunity. She was found guilty and sentenced to imprisonment for six weeks, without hard labour, her condition being delicate.*

*The prosecutor applied for an order that his goods' should be returned to him.*

*Mr. Wilkinson asked that the usual for compensation to the pawnbroker should be made. He said he had given every assistance to the police, and it would be unfair that he should lose his money.*

*The Chairman ordered the goods to be given up, but declined to order compensation to the pawnbroker.*

By the 1891 census Henry had moved to Harborne (Birmingham) and was lodging with a family named Hall.

*10 Vine Terrace, High Street, Harborne Staffordshire*

*Frederick Hall, head, age 31, Paviers Labourer, born Pencombe Herefordshire*

*Hannah Hall, wife, age 30, born Pencombe Herefordshire*

*Eva A Hall, daughter, age 9, scholar, born Pencombe Herefordshire*

*Winifred A Hall, daughter, age 4, born Pencombe Herefordshire*

*Henry Smithin, lodger, age 43, widower, gardener, domestic servant, born Holy Cross, Pershore*

*John Ashworth, lodger, age, 48, married, bricklayer's labourer, Rochdale, Lancashire*

*Mary Downing, lodger, age, 32, single, general servant domestic, Edgbaston, Warwickshire*

His son Henry was in Wadborough staying with his Hooper grandparents.

Henry started a Furniture removal business in Birmingham; before 1896. This was listed in Kelly's Directory for 1898.<sup>39</sup>

*Henry Smithin & Son, Furniture removers and landscape gardeners, 48 Hubert Road, Selly Oak*

Henry married a second time to Annie Coldicote on the 21st July 1896, at Selly Oak parish church; registered at King's Norton in the September quarter.<sup>40 41</sup>

Henry was described as a widower, age 49, a Furniture remover. He was living at 48 Hubert Road. Annie was described as a spinster, age 21, living at 28 Hubert Road. Her father was William Coldicote as Tube-tuber. The witnesses were: Thomas Cooper and Emma Cooper.

Annie died in 1900; registered at King's Norton in the June quarter.<sup>42</sup>

Henry later had a serious accident and was looked after by his son. At the 1901 census Henry, aged 54, a widower, was listed as a patient at the King's Norton Union Infirmary. His profession as given as a Labourer.<sup>43</sup>

The infirmary built in 1897 was part of the King's Norton Workhouse; the site was later occupied by Selly Oak Hospital.

Henry died in 1902; registered at King's Norton in the March quarter.<sup>44</sup>

Henry and Louisa had four children.

**Louisa Smithin (1879-1880).** Louisa Margaret. The daughter of Henry and Louisa. She was born on the 31st August 1879.<sup>45 46</sup> She died less than 1 year old; registered at Pershore in the March quarter.<sup>47</sup>

**Henry Smithin (1882-1981).** Henry Edward. The son of Henry and Louisa. He was born at Cook's Home farm, Stoulton on the 4th June 1882; registered at Pershore in the September quarter.<sup>48 49 50</sup>

His mother Louisa died in 1887 when Henry was only 5 years old and he remembered being brought up mainly by his grandmother Harriet. She paid for his schooling at two (old) pence per week.

At the 1891 census Henry was staying with his Hooper Grandparents at Abbots Wood Cottage in Wadborough; next to Abbots Wood farm where his grandmother Harriet Smithin was living with her brother.<sup>51</sup>

*Thomas Hooper, head, age 60, agricultural labourer, born Holy Cross Worcestershire  
Emma Hooper, wife, age 53, born Hartlebury Worcestershire  
Henry Smithin, grandson, age 8, born Norton, Worcestershire  
Frank C Burnett, Lodger, age 15, Railway porter, born Eastington, Gloucestershire*

Henry's father was lodging in Birmingham.

Henry left school, aged 9, having passed his School certificate. He remembers seeing a demonstration of a steam threshing machine which the family were the first to use; both his Great uncle Edward Harris and Great Aunt Elizabeth Smithin were still farming in Wadborough.

When he first left school he went to London to work for an Uncle (possibly a Hooper relative) who was a shoemaker but Henry did not enjoy it and came back to Birmingham.<sup>52</sup>

As a young man, around 1900, Henry remembered working for Joseph Chamberlain in an Engineering factory in Birmingham (possibly Nettleford's Screw factory). Once after a very long shift he took a short break for a cigarette and was fined one shilling by Neville Chamberlain (the future Prime Minister!).

At the 1901 census Henry was boarding with the Turland family at 44 Hubert Road, Selly Oak, Birmingham.

*John Buckler Turland, Head, age 50, born Coventry, Metal Worker  
Lavinia Mary Turland, Wife, age 49, born Birmingham  
William Joseph Turland son, single, age 19, Tube Drawer, born Aston Birmingham  
Ellen Louisa Turland, daughter, single, age 16, born Aston Birmingham  
Alf George Turland, son, single, age 14, born Aston Birmingham, Warehouse boy  
Rosina Beatrice Turland daughter, single, age 10, born Birmingham  
Henry Edw. Smithen, boarder, single, age 19, born Crophorne?, Machiner*

Henry later worked with his father in his Furniture removal business.

Henry had always wanted to be a soldier and joined the Worcestershire Regiment after his father died in about 1902. He served mostly in India and was put on Reserve just before the First World War.

He may have been in India in 1911 as he is listed as 'Overseas Military' on the 1911 census.<sup>53</sup>

In 1914 Henry was posted to France with the British Expeditionary Force. He had the rank of Private.

This may have been with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion who returned from India in 1913 and were posted to France as part of the British Expeditionary force in August 1914. The battalion was involved at Mons (24 August 1914) and at the Battle of Gheluvelt (near Ypres) at the end of October 1914.

At some point Henry was wounded. The story goes that when he came round on the battlefield he found that all his colleagues had been killed and a German soldier was standing over him who just pointed his rifle towards the British lines.

His medal card was as follows.<sup>54</sup>

*Medal card of Smithin, Henry E  
Corps: Worcestershire Regiment  
Regiment No: 9031*

*Rank: Private*  
*1914-1920 WO 372/18*

Henry was awarded the Silver War badge. This was issued to those who were injured in service between 1914-1919. He also received the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

*Silver War Badge*  
*Smithin Henry Edward 9031 Pte.*

Henry had a shattered arm and convalesced in Portsmouth and later went back to Birmingham and he remembered that the returning soldiers were very warmly received. He became the first Englishman to receive a bone graft but this was not successful; he later had a further graft and regained the use of his arm.<sup>55</sup>

Henry married Edith E Morris in 1915; registered at King's Norton in the March quarter.<sup>56</sup>

Henry and Edith moved to Leeds in 1917. They had eight children.

In 1939 they were at Park View Road, Leeds.<sup>57</sup>

*1939 Register*

*Joydene, Park View Road, Leeds*

*Smithin Henry E, born 4/5/1882, married, Copper work, labourer (Heavy worker)*

*Smithin Edith E, born 23/1/1881, married, Unpaid domestic duties*

*Smithin Dorothy, born 17/11/1915, single, Factory order seeker*

Henry's wife Edith Morris died in Leeds in 1973 at the age of 82. Henry died, aged 99, in 1981; registered at Leeds in the June quarter.<sup>58</sup>

Henry and Edith had several children.

**Dorothy Smithin (1915-1999).** Dorothy Marie. The daughter of Henry and Edith. She was born on the 17<sup>th</sup> November 1915; registered at King's Norton in the December quarter.<sup>59</sup>

She was listed on an Electoral roll at 44 Temple Avenue, Rothwell in 1937.<sup>60</sup>

Dorothy married Laurie Warrener in 1946; registered at Chatham in the March quarter.<sup>61 62</sup>

Dorothy died in 1999; registered at Leeds in April.<sup>63</sup>

**Beatrice Smithin (1917-1996).** Beatrice May. The daughter of Henry and Edith. She was born on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January 1917; registered at Hunslet in the March quarter.<sup>64</sup>

Beatrice married Austin Lord in 1946.<sup>65</sup> They had a daughter Patricia Ann Lord who married Kevan Knowles.

Beatrice died in 1996; registered at Leeds in October.

**Muriel Smithin (b.1918).** Muriel Ivy. The daughter of Henry and Edith. She was born on the 1<sup>st</sup> June 1918.<sup>66</sup>

Muriel married Frank Laycock in 1957; registered at Leeds in 1957.<sup>67</sup>

**Gwendoline Smithin (1919-2000).** Gwendoline Mary. The daughter of Henry and Edith. She was born on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December 1919.<sup>68</sup>

Gwendoline died, age 80, in 2000; registered at Leeds in May.



**Henry Smithin (1922-2004).** Henry Edmund. The son of Henry and Edith. He was born on the 26<sup>th</sup> June 1922.<sup>69</sup>

Henry was listed on an Electoral roll from 1921-1935, at 9 Plevna Street, Rothwell and then at 44 Temple Avenue, Rothwell for 1936 and 1937.<sup>70</sup>

Henry married Joyce Glover in 1949; registered at Leeds in the September quarter.<sup>71 72</sup>

Henry died in 2004; registered at Leeds in June.

Henry and Joyce had two children. Linda (1949-1998)<sup>73 74</sup> and Nicola (c.1950).

**Jessie Smithin (b.1928).** Jessie Elizabeth. The daughter of Henry and Edith. She was born on the 8<sup>th</sup> December 1928.<sup>75 76</sup>

**James Smithin (b.1930).** James Eric. The son of Henry and Edith. He was born on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 1930; registered at Wakefield in the June quarter.<sup>77 78</sup>

**Frederick Smithin (1931-2002).** Frederick George. The son of Henry and Edith. He was born on the 6<sup>th</sup> July 1931.<sup>79 80</sup>

Frederick married Iris Hird in 1954; registered at Leeds in the September quarter. They were later divorced. Iris later married Norman Brook.<sup>81</sup>

Frederick died on the 24<sup>th</sup> October 2002.

**Emma Smithin (1884-1967).** Emma Louisa. The daughter of Henry and Louisa. She was born on the 25<sup>th</sup> August 1884; registered at Pershore in the December quarter.<sup>82 83</sup>

At the 1891 census, aged 6, she was living in Aston, Birmingham with her aunt Margaret Smithin. Her father was lodging in Birmingham and her brother was staying with their Hooper grandparents in Wadborough.<sup>84</sup>

45 Sampson Road North, Aston, Birmingham

*Margaret Smithin, head, single, age 41, General grocer and outdoor Bar licence, born Bromsgrove*

*Emma L Smithin, niece, age 6, born Worcester*

*Emily M Dean servant, single, age 24, General helper, born London*

Emma moved to Nottingham in about 1900, aged 16/17, and took up a position in service in the West Bridgford area in the south of the city.

At the 1911 census she was living in the West Bridgford district of Nottingham.<sup>85</sup>

1911 Census

*76 Melton Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham*

*Jacob Levy, Head, age 59, married, Agent (Hosiery machinery), born Nottingham*

*Emma Levy, Wife, age 49, born Nottingham*

*Emma L Smithin, Servant, age 26, single, General servant (domestic), born Kempsey, Worcs.*

Emma was living in the Bulwell district of Nottingham by about 1912 where she met and married Issac Harvey a Colliery timberer, in 1917.<sup>86</sup> They had three children Cyril, William, and Annie.

Annie married Frank Holford in 1944 and they have four children; Michael, Barry, Ivan and Kevin.

Annie remembers her mother taking her to Castle Donnington as a small child to visit a Harvey Hooper who she thinks may have been an uncle.<sup>87</sup>

Emma died, aged 83, on the 6th March 1967.<sup>88</sup>

**Ellen Smithin. (bd.1886).** The daughter of Henry and Louisa. She was born on the 30th September 1886; registered at Upton.<sup>89 90</sup> She died only 2 hours old of 'General debility'; registered on the 2nd October. Her father Henry was present at the death.<sup>91 92</sup>

**Benjamin Smithin (1848-1867).** The son of John and Harriet. He was christened at Pirton on the 4th July 1848.<sup>93 94</sup>

At the 1851 census, age 2, he was at home at Bromsgrove.

At the 1861 census, age 12, he was with his uncle in Wadborough.<sup>95</sup>

Abbots Wood, Wadborough, Worcestershire

*Edward Harris, Head, unmarried, age 51, Farmer 240 acres, 5 men and 2 boys, born Abbots Wood*

*Mary Ann Harris, Sister, unmarried, age 47, born Abbots Wood*

*Ann Harris, Sister, unmarried, age 44, born Abbots Wood*

*Benjamin Smithin, Nephew, age 12, born Abbots Wood*

*Mary Ann Dyson, Servant, unmarried, age 17, Servant, born Norton, Worcestershire*

Benjamin died, aged 18, on the 29th January 1867 in a shooting accident at Fibden farm; registered at Pershore in the March quarter.<sup>96 97</sup> The cause of death was 'accidental gunshot wound of the chest, 5 days'. Thomas Hooper was present at the death which was registered on the 31st January.<sup>98</sup> Thomas Hooper may have been his uncle.

There is a memorial in Stoulton churchyard.

*Benjamin Smithin  
Second son of  
John & Harriet Smithin  
who departed this life  
Jan 29 1867 aged 18*

*For he received from God the Father  
Honour and Glory when there came such  
a voice to him from the excellent glory.  
This is my beloved son in whom I am  
well pleased,  
Peter 1 Ch. XVII*

**Margaret Smithin (1850-1893).** The daughter of John and Harriet. She was christened on the 17th February 1850 at Chaddesley Corbett.<sup>99 100</sup>

At the 1851 census, age 1, she was at home in Bromsgrove.

At the 1861 census she was a pupil at Mount Pleasant House, Stoulton.<sup>101</sup>

*Margaret Smithin, age 12, pupil, born Eastnor, Hereford*

At the 1871 census, age 21, she was at home at Fibden Farm.

Margaret did not marry and originally lived in Stoulton near her brother Henry but later moved to Aston in Birmingham.<sup>102</sup>

At the 1891 census she was living at 45 Sampson Road North, Aston; her niece Emma was staying with her.

Margaret was listed as a beer retailer in a trade directory of 1892.<sup>103</sup>

Margaret died, aged 43, in 1893; registered at Aston.<sup>104</sup> Her effects were £288 3s 9d and the administration was given to Harriet Smithin (her mother) on 11th December 1893.<sup>105</sup>

**Olive Smithin (1852-1871).** Olive Harriet (or Olivia). The daughter of John and Harriet. She was born in 1852; registered at Ledbury in the June quarter.<sup>106</sup>

At the 1861 census she was a pupil at Mount Pleasant House in Stoulton.<sup>107</sup>

*Olive H Smithin, age 9, pupil, born Eastnor, Hereford*

Olive died in 1871, age 19; registered in the March quarter at Droitwich.<sup>108</sup> There was a notice in the local paper.<sup>109</sup>

Worcestershire Chronicle, 29 Mar 1871

*Smithen, March 11, at Fibden Farm, Hampton Lovett, aged 19, Olivia Harriet, youngest daughter of the late Mr. John Smithen.*

**John Smithin (1854-1912).** John Alfred. The son John and Harriet. He was born at Eastnor, Herefordshire in 1854; registered at Ledbury in the September quarter.<sup>110</sup>

At the 1861 census, age 6, he was at home at Fibden Farm.

At the 1871 census, age 16, he was at home at Fibden Farm.

John Alfred married Annie Andrews (1841-1928) on the 24th of April 1877; registered in the June quarter at Bromyard.<sup>111</sup> Annie was born in Bodenham, Herefordshire in 1841. There was a notice of the wedding in Berrow's Journal.<sup>112</sup>

*28th April 1877 - Married. April 24th at Whitbourne John Alfred, youngest son of the late Mr John Smithin of Fibden, near Droitwich, to Ann, eldest daughter of Mr Henry Andrews, Longlands, Whitbourne, Herefordshire.*

At the 1871 census the Andrews family were living in Suckley, Worcs.

John was involved in a court case in 1878.<sup>113</sup>

Gloucester Citizen, Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 1878

*John Smithen, a farmer, of Eckington, was summoned by Geo. Gardner, officer of the Cheltenham Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, for allowing a horse and mare to be worked whilst in an unfit state, on the 12<sup>th</sup> September. The case was clearly proved by a constable, who saw the horse, and by a carter named Collard, in the employ of the defendant, who was called and examined by the Society's officer. He stated that he had told his master that the horses were unfit for work, but his master had ordered him to continue working them. The Bench said that it was a most disgraceful case, and they fined the defendant £3, with 26s. 6d. expenses, or one month's imprisonment, with hard labour. The money was paid.*

A daughter Annie was born in 1878.

A second daughter Maggie was born in 1879.

At the 1881 census John and family were living at Farm House, Eckington.<sup>114</sup>

*John Smithin, Head, age 26, born Eastnor, Hereford, Farm Bailiff, 180 Acres Employing 3 Men 4 Boys 1 Mason and 2 Carpenters  
Annie Smithin, Wife, age 40, born Bodenham, Worcs.*

*Annie Smithin, daughter, age 2, born Eckington*  
*M Smithin, daughter, age 1, born Eckington*  
*Elizabeth Andrews, Sister In Law, unmarried, age 28, born Knightwick, Worcester, Visitor*

John was described as a Farm Bailiff in Eckington in 1882.

Annie Smithin (formerly Andrews) along with her daughters Annie and Margaret was left a bequest in the Will of Mary Anne Andrews of 36 Porchester Sq. London (possibly a cousin). Mary's cousin Charles Andrews lived at the Croft, Whitbourne. He was probably Annie's brother. Charles had two daughters Ruth and Joyce. Ruth at one time ran the Post Office in Whitbourne.<sup>115</sup>

A son Benjamin was born in 1882.

At the 1891 census John and Annie were at Upper End, Eckington.<sup>116</sup>

*John A Smithin, head, age 36, farm agent, born Herefordshire, Eastnor*  
*Anne Smithin, wife, age 50, born Doddenham, Worcestershire*  
*Annie Smithin, daughter, age 12, scholar, born Eckington*  
*Maggie Smithin, daughter, age 11, scholar, born Eckington*  
*Benjamin J Smithin, son, age 8, scholar, born Eckington*  
*Ronald A Andrews, Nephew, age 4, born Whitbourne*

John is listed as a farmer in Eckington in Kelly's directory over several years; 1892, 1896, 1900, 1904.<sup>117 118 119 120</sup>

At the 1901 census they were still living at Upper End, Eckington.<sup>121</sup>

*John A Smithin, head, age 46, born Eastnor Herefordshire, Farm Agent, Market Gardener*  
*Anne Smithin, wife, age 60, born Doddenham, Worcestershire*  
*Maggie Smithin, daughter, age 21, single born Eckington*  
*Benjamin Smithin, son, age 18, single, born Eckington, Mechanical Engineer*  
*Harriet Smithin, mother, age 79, widow, born Pershore*  
*Mildred J Andrews, niece, age 18, single, born Suckley, Worcestershire*

At the 1911 census they were living at Earls Croome.<sup>122</sup>

### 1911 Census

*Studley Grange, Earls Croome, Upton on Severn, Worcs*  
*Smithin John Alfred, head, married, age 56, Farmer, born Eastnor, Herefordshire*  
*Smithin Anne, wife, married, 33 years, age 70, born Doddenham, Worcs.*  
*Smithin Maggie, daughter, single, age 31, Asst Dairy Work, born Eckington, Worcs.*

John Alfred died, aged 57, in 1912; registered at Upton.<sup>123</sup>

Anne died in 1928, age 87, registered at Bromyard.<sup>124</sup>

John and Anne had three children.

**Annie Smithin (1878-1953).** The daughter of John and Anne. She was born in Eckington in 1878; registered at Pershore in the June quarter.<sup>125</sup>

At the 1881 census, age 2, she was living at Farm House, Eckington.

Around 1882 Annie was left a bequest in the Will of Mary Anne Andrews of 36 Porchester Sq. London (possibly a cousin of her mother).

At the 1891 census, age 12, she was living at home at Upper End, Eckington

At the 1901 census, aged 22, she was living at 84 Aston Road North, Aston Brook, Warwickshire.<sup>126</sup>

*Frederick F Moorcroft head, age 44, born Southwick Surrey, Merchant's manager  
Mary S Moorcroft wife, age 45, born Houghtwick Worcestershire  
Annie Smithin, niece, age 22, born Eckington  
Ele G Drinkwater boarder, age 17, single, born Gloucester, Corn Merchant's Assistant*

At the 1911 census, age 32, Annie was working as a nurse in Herefordshire.<sup>127</sup>

#### 1911 Census

*56 High Street Ross, Herefordshire  
Stevenson Handley, head, married, age 43, Bank manager, born Yorkshire Ripon  
Stevenson Edith Janson, wife, married, 11 years, age 43, born Yorkshire Knaresborough  
Smithin Annie, Nurse, single, age 32, Sick nurse, born Eckington, Worcs  
Cope Elizabeth, servant, single, age 20, Cook General Domestic, born London Poplar  
Preedy Ada Eleanor, servant, single, age 18 House Parlourmaid Domestic, born Herefordshire  
Ross*

Annie was awarded a medal in 1919 for her services to Nursing.<sup>128</sup>

#### Royal Red Cross - 2nd Class

*His Majesty the King has been graciously  
pleased to award the Royal Red Cross to the  
under mentioned Ladies in recognition of their  
valuable nursing services in connection with the War.  
Miss Annie Smithin, Sister, Spec. Surg. Mil. Hosp., Woburn.*

Later Annie lived in Whitbourne. She was looked after by her sister Maggie in her later years.

Annie died aged 75; registered at Croydon in the December quarter 1953.<sup>129</sup>

This was reported in the London Gazette.<sup>130</sup>

*Smithin, Annie  
Spinster. 13th September, 1953.  
The Kennetts, Whitbourne, Worcester, Retired Nurse.*

**Maggie Smithin (1879-1971).** The daughter of John and Annie. She was born on the 21st July 1879 at Eckington; registered at Pershore in the September quarter.<sup>131</sup>

At the 1881 census, age 1, she was living at Farm House, Eckington.

At the 1891 census, age 11, she was living at home at Upper End, Eckington

At the 1901 census, age 21, she was living at home at Upper End, Eckington

At the 1911 census, age 31, she was living at home at Earls Croome. She was working in the Dairy.

Maggie later lived at Whitbourne.

In later years she looked after her sister Annie until she died and then moved to West Wickham to live with her brother Benjamin and his wife Margot.

Maggie died aged 90; registered at Bromley in 1971.<sup>132</sup>

This was reported in the London Gazette.<sup>133</sup>

*Smithin, Maggie*

20 The Avenue, West Wickham, Kent, Spinster. 2nd April 1971.

**Benjamin Smithin (1882-1966)**. Benjamin John. Known as Ben. The son of John and Annie. He was born at Eckington on the 27th May 1882.<sup>134</sup>

At the 1891 census, aged 8, he was living at home at Upper End, Eckington

At the 1901 census, aged 18, he was single, living at home at Upper End, Eckington. His trade was described as a Mechanical Engineer.

At the 1911 census he was boarding with Clara Saville; who he later married.<sup>135</sup>

#### 1911 Census

28 Tarbert Road, East Dulwich S E, London

Saville Clara, head, widow, age 35, Private means, born London, Paddington

Saville Edward William, son, age 11, born Middlesex, Hornsey

Saville Leslie, son, age 4, born Middlesex, Hornsey

Dalton Arthur Knowsley, boarder, single, age 24, Draughtsman Mechanical, born Lancs, Bolton

Smithin Benjamin John, boarder, single, age 28, Draughtsman Mechanical, born Eckington, Worcs.

Benjamin married Clara Saville in Lewisham in 1912; registered in the December quarter.<sup>136</sup>

Benjamin and Clara are listed on the Electoral register in Lewisham over several years.<sup>137</sup>

1912 at 28 Tarbert Road, Dulwich

1918, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1926, 1927 at 4 Ballina Street, Lewisham (London SE23)

Ballina street was mainly terraced houses built in the late Victorian or Edwardian period.

In 1929 Benjamin was involved with the administration of the estate of William Andrews (probably his Uncle - who was living at The Kennetts in Whitbourne in 1895).<sup>138 139</sup>

#### William George Andrews, Deceased

*Notice is hereby given, that all persons having any debts, claims or demands against the estate of William George Andrews, late of 'The Kennetts', Whitbourne, in the county of Hereford, Retired Farmer, deceased, who died on the 19th day of January, 1929, and probate of whose will was granted by the Principal Probate Registry on the 15th day of February, 1929, to Benjamin John Smithin, the executor therein named, are hereby required to send written particulars of such debts, claims or demands to the undersigned on or before the 23rd day of May 1929*

Ben served in the Royal Engineers as a Sergeant in the First World War.<sup>140</sup>

*Smithin Benjamin John, 1915-1919, Sergeant, R.E*

Clara died, aged 70, in 1946; registered on the Isle of Wight in the June quarter.<sup>141</sup>

Benjamin married a second time to Margot Robinson on the 2nd February 1949.<sup>142</sup> Margot was born on the 20th November 1913. Margot knew Ben's sisters Annie and Maggie when they lived at Whitbourne and it was there that she met Ben. Ben and Margot later lived in West Wickham.

Ben was an Engineer with the London Passenger Transport Board responsible for plant maintenance.

He retired in 1947 with over 40 years service.

It is probably Benjamin that was mentioned in reports and directories of the London Passenger Transport Board.<sup>143 144</sup>

- *Mr. B J Smithin . . . Assistant Engineer (Plant and Maintenance - Trams and Trolleybuses)*  
- *Maintenance : B J Smithin (1967)*

Ben was involved in a motor accident in 1947.<sup>145</sup>

*Gloucestershire Echo, Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June, 1947*

*Evesham Borough Petty Sessions*

*£150 Damage to car*

*Damage to a car driven by Mr. W.E. Richardson, a chauffeur, of Longhope, estimated at £150, resulted from a collision between him and a car driven by Benjamin John Smithin, of 20 The Avenue, West Wickham, Kent, at the New Bridge, Evesham on May 8<sup>th</sup>. Smithin was fined £4 and ordered to pay £3 5s. costs for failing to comply with traffic signals. In a letter to the Bench, Smithin explained that he was a stranger and did not notice the signals as he was following a large lorry.*

Ben was a well known grower of African Violets and won many awards, including those at R.H.S annual shows in 1960 and 1964.<sup>146 147</sup>

*In the Saint-paulia and Houseplant Society's Show held in conjunction with the R.H.S Show the leading prizewinners were. B J Smithin of West Wickham, Kent who won the novices class for a single-flowered saint-paulia.*

*The Saintpaulia and Houseplant Society held a small competition in connexion with the R.H.S show. The outstanding prizewinner was Mr B J Smithin, West Wickham.*

Ben was also a Bowls enthusiast and played at competition level. He was captain of his local club and later Vice President of the Beckenham, Bromley and District Bowling Association.

Ben collapsed and died whilst watching a match at the Temple Bowling Club in Dulwich in 1966. He was aged 84 and his death was registered at Lambeth in the September quarter 1966.<sup>148 149</sup>

*Smithin Benjamin John of 20 The Avenue West Wickham Kent died 28 June 1966 at Kings College Hospital London S.E.5. Probate London 2 September to Margot Smithin, widow, £6773.*

Clara Saville (1876-1946) was born Clara Harvey on the 22nd December 1876. Benjamin was her second marriage. Edward and Leslie were sons from her first marriage. Edward, who was about 12, when his mother remarried chose the name Saville-Smithin and Leslie who was younger took the name Smithin.

At the 1901 census Clara was living in Hornsey.<sup>150</sup>

*38 North View Road, Hornsey Middlesex*

*Edward W Saville, Head, married, age 27, Carpenter and Joiner, born Leicestershire*

*Clara Saville, Wife, married, age 26, born Islington*

*Edward W Saville, Son, age 1, born Hornsey*

Clara had two children.



**Edward Saville Smithin (1899-1968).** Edward W. The son of Edward and Clara. He was born in 1899.<sup>151 152 153</sup>

At the 1901 census, age 1, he was at home in Hornsey.

Edward married Dorothy Iris Rice (1898-1952) in 1921; registered at Bromley in the June quarter.<sup>154</sup>

Edward left England in a troop transport in 1949; apparently intending to live in Egypt.

*Return of passengers leaving the United Kingdom in a troop transport*

*Embarked. Arundel Castle, Southampton, 11 August 1949*

*EWS Smithin, Landing at. Port Said, 36 Redway Drive, Twickenham, Country of intended permanent residence. Egypt*

Edward and Dorothy sailed from Port Said, Egypt in 1950. He was described as a Civil servant and their permanent address was the U.K.

*Mr Edward Smithin, age 50, b abt. 1900. Arrival 30 Apr 1950. Dept. Port Said Egypt. Arrival. Ports. Port Said, Torbruk, Malta*

*Ship. Orduna. Pacific Steam Navigation Company*

*Addr. 36 Redway Drive, Whitton, Twickenham, Middlesex. Civil Servant*

*Mrs Dorothy Smithin, age 53, b. abt. 1897. Arrival. 30 Apr 1950. Dept. Port Said, Egypt. Arrival Liverpool. Prof. Housewife.*

Edward was listed in a Civil service report in 1950.<sup>155</sup>

*The British Imperial Calendar and Civil Service List - Civil service - 1950*

*EWS Smithin. REV Gare. DH Stewart. CP Gee. FE Street. CR Gilchrist. JK Stutely. HL Gilder. KRP Sutor. WA Goddard. ES Taylor. RJ Good. JN Taylor.*

Dorothy died in 1952 and was buried in Twickenham cemetery on the 20<sup>th</sup> September.<sup>156</sup>

Edward again sailed from Egypt in 1955.<sup>157</sup>

*Edward Saville Smithin, age 56, b. 18 Jun 1899, Arrival 5 Nov 1955, Dept. Sydney Australia, Arrival London*

*Ports. Sydney, Melbourne, Fremantle, Colombo, Aden, Port Said.*

*Ship: Himalaya. P & O*

*Married, Addr. 14 Dutch Houses, Church Lane, Charlton. London SE7. Prof. Civil Servant Last Permanent Residence. Egypt.*



Edward may have married a second time to Eileen as an Eileen Saville Smithin is listed on the same trip.

*Eileen Saville Smithin, age 45, b. 2 Mar 1910, Arrival 5 Nov 1955. Dept. Sydney. Arrival. London*

Edward was listed in a Civil service book of 1973.<sup>158</sup>

Edward died, age 68, in 1968; registered at Richmond upon Thames.<sup>159</sup>

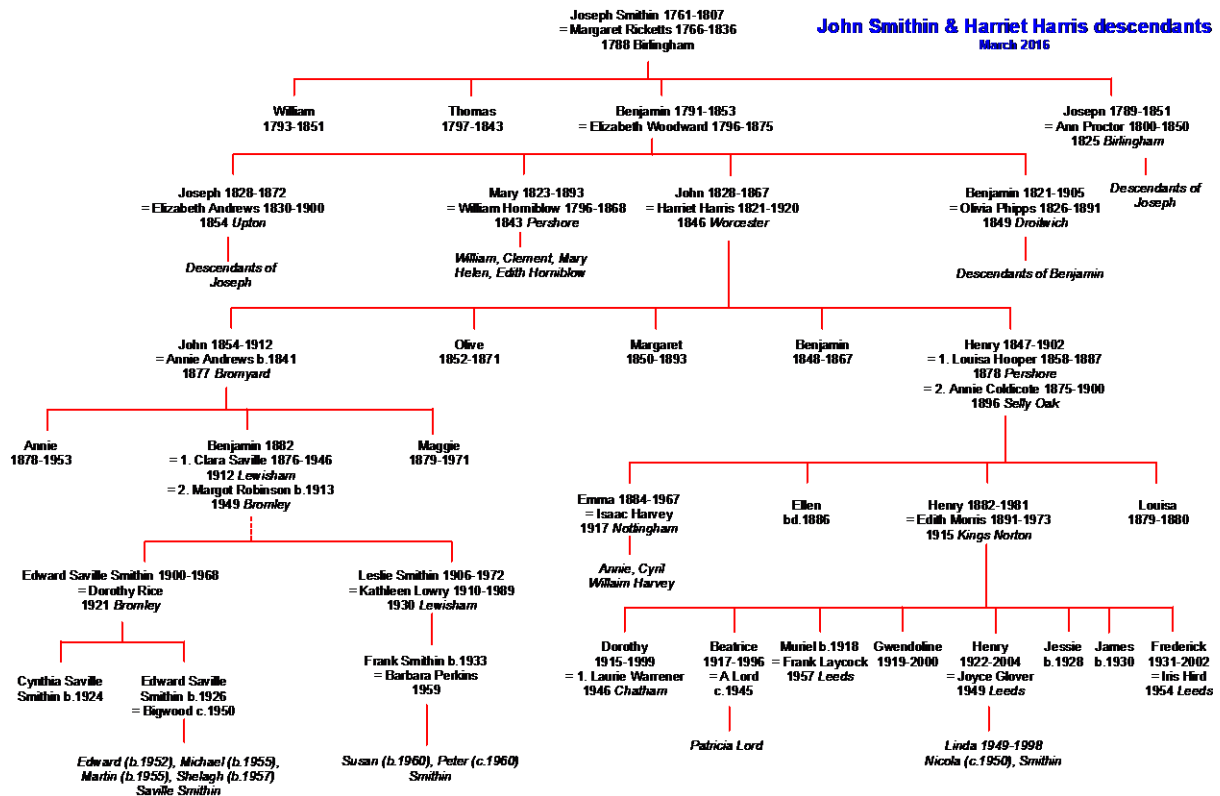
Edward and Dorothy had two children. Cynthia Saville Smithin (b.1924) and Edward Saville Smithin (b.1926).<sup>160</sup> Edward had several children. Edward Saville Smithin (b.1952), Martin Saville Smithin (c.1953), Michael Saville Smithin (b.1955), Shelagh Saville Smithin (b.1957).

**Leslie Smithin (1906-1972).** The son of Clara and Edward. He was born in 1906; registered at Edmonton in the September quarter.<sup>161</sup>

Leslie married Kathleen Helen Lowry in 1930; registered at Kingston in the September quarter.<sup>162 163 164</sup>

Leslie and Kathleen one child. Frank Smithin (b.1933). Frank had two children. Susan (b.1960) and Peter (b.1964).

## Family Tree



<sup>1</sup> IGI: John Smithin, christening, Stoulton 1828

<sup>2</sup> PRO: Marriages, John Smithin, Dec. 1846, Worcester 18 740

<sup>3</sup> PRO: Marriage certificate of John Smithin, 1846

<sup>4</sup> IGI: Harriet Harris, christening, Pirton, 1821

<sup>5</sup> Family Bible kept by Kevan and Pat Knowles c.2004

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- <sup>6</sup> Post Office Directory of Birmingham, Staffordshire & Worcestershire, 1850
- <sup>7</sup> 1851 Census, Bromsgrove. HO107/2047/304/14
- <sup>8</sup> Worcester Journal, Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July 1851
- <sup>9</sup> UK, Poll Books and Electoral Registers, 1538-1893. John Smithin 1857, Eastnor, Ledbury.
- <sup>10</sup> WRO: Will of Benjamin Smithin, 1861
- <sup>11</sup> 1860 Cassey's Directory of Worcestershire, Hampton Lovett
- <sup>12</sup> 1861 Census, Droitwich. RG9/2110/145/6
- <sup>13</sup> WRO: Agreement between John Smithin and his brothers, 1862
- <sup>14</sup> PRO: Deaths, John Smithin, Mar. 1867, Droitwich 6c 244
- <sup>15</sup> Worcester Journal 23 February 1867
- <sup>16</sup> 1871 Census, UK: RG10/3068/136/6
- <sup>17</sup> 1872 Post Office Directory, Hampton Lovett
- <sup>18</sup> National Index of Wills from 1858, Harriet Smithin 1902
- <sup>19</sup> PRO: Births, Henry Smithin, Mar. 1847, Pershore 18 475
- <sup>20</sup> IGI: Henry Smithin, christening, Pershore Holy Cross 1847
- <sup>21</sup> Family Bible kept by Kevan and Pat Knowles c.2004
- <sup>22</sup> Family Bible kept by Kevan and Pat Knowles c.2004
- <sup>23</sup> Worcestershire Chronicle Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 1869
- <sup>24</sup> Worcestershire Chronicle. Wed 13<sup>th</sup> April 1870
- <sup>25</sup> Littlebury's Directory and Gazetteer for Worcestershire, 1873. Farmer Fibden Farm.
- <sup>26</sup> Worcester Journal. Saturday 5 December 1874.
- <sup>27</sup> IGI: Henry Smithin, marriage, Pershore Holy Cross 1878
- <sup>28</sup> IGI: Harriet Harris, christening, Pirton, 1821
- <sup>29</sup> Family Bible kept by Kevan and Pat Knowles c.2004
- <sup>30</sup> IGI: Louisa Hooper, christening, Stoulton 1858
- <sup>31</sup> IGI: Thomas Hooper, marriages, Hartlebury Worcestershire, 1857
- <sup>32</sup> Worcester Journal Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 1876
- <sup>33</sup> PRO: Deaths. Louisa Margaret Smithin, age 0, March 1880, Pershore, 6c 233
- <sup>34</sup> 1881 Census UK, Norton, Worcestershire
- <sup>35</sup> Birth certificate of Henry Smithin 1882
- <sup>36</sup> PRO: Births. Emma Louisa Smithin, Pershore, Dec 1884, 6c 341
- <sup>37</sup> Worcestershire Chronicle Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March 1884
- <sup>38</sup> Birmingham Daily Post Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 1890
- <sup>39</sup> Kelly's Directory, Birmingham 1898
- <sup>40</sup> PRO: Marriages. Henry Smithin, Sep 1896, King's Norton 6c 726
- <sup>41</sup> PRO: Marriage certificate. 21 July 1896, Henry Smithin = Annie Coldicote
- <sup>42</sup> PRO: Deaths. Annie Smithin, age 34, Jun 1900, King's Norton 6c 259
- <sup>43</sup> 1901 Census, King's Norton, Birmingham
- <sup>44</sup> PRO: Deaths, Henry Smithin, Mar. 1902, King's Norton 6c 263
- <sup>45</sup> Family Bible kept by Kevan and Pat Knowles c.2004
- <sup>46</sup> PRO: Births. Smithin Louisa Margaret, Dec 1879, Pershore 6c 339
- <sup>47</sup> PRO: Deaths, Louisa Smithin, Mar. 1880, Pershore 6c 233
- <sup>48</sup> Family Information
- <sup>49</sup> PRO: Births, Henry Edward Smithin, Sep. 1882, Pershore 6c 331
- <sup>50</sup> Family Bible kept by Kevan and Pat Knowles c.2004
- <sup>51</sup> 1891 Census UK, Wadborough, Worcestershire
- <sup>52</sup> 1901 Census, Selly Oak, Birmingham
- <sup>53</sup> 1911 Census, Overseas Military
- <sup>54</sup> GRO: Medal card. Henry E Smithin. WO 372/18
- <sup>55</sup> Family information
- <sup>56</sup> PRO: Marriages, Henry E Smithin, Mar. 1915, King's Norton 6d 71
- <sup>57</sup> 1939 Register, Park View Road, Leeds
- <sup>58</sup> PRO: Deaths, Henry Smithin, 99, Jun. 1981, Leeds 5 0222
- <sup>59</sup> PRO: Births. Dorothy M Smithin, Dec 1915, Kings Norton 6d 72
- <sup>60</sup> Electoral roll. Dorothy Smithin, 1937, 44 Temple Avenue, Rothwell, West Yorkshire.
- <sup>61</sup> PRO: Marriages. Dorothy M Smithin = Laurie Warrener, Mar 1946, Chatham 2a 2650
- <sup>62</sup> Family information from Kevan and Pat Knowles
- <sup>63</sup> PRO: Deaths. Warrener, Dorothy Marie 17 November 1915 Leeds 1999 April District No 0921A Reg No A21C. Ent No
- <sup>64</sup> PRO: Births. Beatrice M Smithin mother=Morris, birth registered at Hunslet, March quarter 1917, 9b 721.
- <sup>65</sup> Smithin, Beatrice M, B.T.A., 1946, Page: 2509 = Austin Lord, GRO Index Army Marriages (1881 to 1955)
- <sup>66</sup> Family Bible
- <sup>67</sup> PRO: Marriages. Muriel I Smithin = Frank Laycock, Mar 1957, Leeds 2c 918
- <sup>68</sup> GRO: Births. Gwendoline M Smithin, Mother=Morris, birth registered at Hunslet, December 1919, 9b 891
- <sup>69</sup> Family Bible
- <sup>70</sup> Electoral Roll. Henry Edmund Smithin, Rothwell, West Yorkshire
- <sup>71</sup> PRO: Deaths. Henry Edward Smithin b.26 Jun 1922, d. June 2004, Leeds N24C 140
- <sup>72</sup> PRO: Marriages. Henry E Smithin = Joyce Glover, Sep 1949, Leeds 2c 878

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73 PRO: Marriages. Smithin Linda J, Dec 1974, Colin Bell, Leeds 5 0920  
74 PRO: Births. Linda J Smithin, Dec 1949, Mother: Glover, Leeds 2c 391  
75 Family Bible  
76 PRO: Jessie E Smithin, registered at Wakefield, March quarter 1929, Mother's maiden name = Morris. 9c 95  
77 PRO: James E Smithin, Mother=Morris, birth registered at Wakefield, June 1930, 9c 102  
78 Family Bible  
79 PRO: Frederick George Smithin b. Jul 1931, age 71, d. Oct 2002. Leeds. H26C 111  
80 PRO: Frederick G Smithin = Iris Hird, Sep 1954, Leeds 2c 799  
81 PRO: Smithin Iris, Marriage, Dec 1967, Norman Brook, Leeds 2c 668  
82 PRO: Births, Emma L Smithin, Dec. 1884, Pershore 6c 341  
83 Family Bible kept by Kevan and Pat Knowles c.2004  
84 1891 Census UK, Aston Holy Trinity, Birmingham  
85 1911 Census. Class: RG14; Piece: 20476  
86 PRO: Marriages, Emma L Smithin, 1917, Nottingham 7b 503(?)  
87 Family information from Annie Holford  
88 Family information from Annie Holford  
89 Family Bible kept by Kevan and Pat Knowles c.2004  
90 PRO: Births, Ellen Smithin, Dec. 1886, 6c 326  
91 PRO: Deaths, Ellen Smithin, Dec. 1886, Upton 6c 186  
92 PRO: Death certificate. Ellen Smithin, 30 Sept 1886.  
93 PRO: Births, Benjamin Smithin, Jun. 1848, 18  
94 IGI: Benjamin Smithin, christening Pirton 1848  
95 1861 Census, UK: RG9/2105/88/1  
96 Memorial at Stoulton for Benjamin Smithin, 1867  
97 PRO: Deaths, Benjamin Smithin, Mar. 1867, Pershore 6c 231  
98 PRO: Death certificate. Benjamin Smithin, 29 Jan 1867.  
99 IGI: Margaret Smithin, christening, Chaddesley Corbett, Worcestershire 1850  
100 PRO: Births, Margaret Smithin, Mar. 1850, Bromsgrove 18 221  
101 1861 Census Uk. Stoulton, Worcs. RG 9 / 2106 folio 29 page 15  
102 Family information  
103 Smithin Margaret (Miss), beer retailer, 45 Sampson Road North, Selly Oak, Birmingham. Kelly's Directory of Birmingham, 1892.  
104 PRO: Deaths, Margaret Smithin, Dec. 1893, Aston 6d 191  
105 Index of Wills and Administrations 1858-1966, November 1893  
106 PRO: Births, Olive H Smithin, Jun 1852, Ledbury 6a 383  
107 1861 Census Uk. Stoulton, Worcs. RG 9 / 2106 folio 29 page 15  
108 PRO: Deaths. Olivia Harriet Smithin. 1871, age 19, Droitwich 6c 244  
109 Worcester Chronicle, 29 Mar 1871  
110 PRO: Births, John Alfred Smithin, Sep. 1854, Ledbury 6a 376  
111 PRO: Marriages, John Alfred Smithin, Jun. 1877, Bromyard 6a 979.  
112 Berrow's Worcester Journal, 28th April 1877  
113 Gloucester Citizen, Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 1878  
114 1881 Census UK, Eckington Worcestershire  
115 Family information from Lorraine Payan whose great Aunt was Mary Anne Andrews  
116 1891 Census UK, Eckington Worcestershire  
117 1896 Kelly's Directory of Worcestershire, Eckington  
118 Kelly's Directory of Worcestershire, 1904, Eckington  
119 1892 Kelly's Directory of Worcestershire, Eckington  
120 Kelly's Directory of Worcestershire. Eckington. 1900  
121 1901 Census. Eckington, Worcestershire  
122 1911 Census. Upton on Severn, Worcestershire  
123 PRO: Deaths, John A Smithin, age 57, Sep. 1912, Upton 6c 255  
124 GRO: Anne Smithin, 1928, age 87, Bromyard 6a 704  
125 PRO: Births. Annie Smithin. Jun 1878, Pershore 6c 350  
126 1901 Census, Aston Brook, Warwickshire  
127 1911 Census, Ross Herefordshire  
128 London Gazette 9 Dec 1919. Issue 31684. Page 25  
129 PRO: Deaths, Annie Smithin, age 75, Dec. 1953, Croydon 5g 59  
130 London Gazette. 8 Feb 1954. Issue 40034, Page 45  
131 PRO: Births. Maggie Smithin, Sep 1879, Pershore 6c 346  
132 PRO: Deaths, Maggie Smithin, Jul. 1971, Bromley 5a 812  
133 London Gazette. July 1971, Issue 45370, Page 10  
134 PRO: Births, Benjamin John Smithin, Sep. 1882, Pershore 6c 331  
135 PRO: 1911 Census. East Dulwich. London S E.  
136 PRO: Marriages, Benjamin J Smithin, Dec. 1912, Lewisham 1d 1083  
137 Electoral Registers. London, England  
138 London Gazette. Issue 33479. 22 Mar 1929 p51.  
139 Kelly's Directory of Herefordshire & Shropshire, 1895, Whitbourne

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- <sup>140</sup> LCC Record of War Service 1914-1945
- <sup>141</sup> PRO: Deaths, Clara Smithin, Jun. 1946, Isle of Wight 2b 802
- <sup>142</sup> PRO: Marriages. Smithin Benjamin J, Mar 1949, Bromley, Kent 5b 293
- <sup>143</sup> Report - Page 43 by London Passenger Transport Board.
- <sup>144</sup> Directory of Railway Officials & Year Book - Page 40 Railroads - 1967
- <sup>145</sup> Gloucestershire Echo, Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June, 1947
- <sup>146</sup> The Times, 12 Oct 1960
- <sup>147</sup> The Times, 14 Oct 1964
- <sup>148</sup> PRO: Deaths, Benjamin J Smithin, age 84, Sep. 1966, Lambeth 5d 25
- <sup>149</sup> Index of Wills and Administrations 1858-1966 (National Probate Calendar)
- <sup>150</sup> 1901 Census, UK. RG13/1242/82/16
- <sup>151</sup> Born about 1897. UK Incoming passenger lists 1878-1960
- <sup>152</sup> Birth. Edward Saville Smithin 18 June 1899. UK Incoming passenger lists 1878-1960
- <sup>153</sup> PRO: Births. Doris Iris Rice, Edmonton, Sep 1898, 3a 448
- <sup>154</sup> PRO: Marriages. Rice Dorothy I = Saville-Smithin, June 1921, Bromley 2a 1224
- <sup>155</sup> The British Imperial Calendar and Civil Service List - Civil service - 1950
- <sup>156</sup> Dorothy Iris Saville – Smithin, Burial, 20/09/1952, Twickenham Cemetery
- <sup>157</sup> UK Incoming Passenger Lists, 1878-1960 UK Incoming Passenger Lists, 1878-1960
- <sup>158</sup> The British Imperial Calendar and Civil Service List edited by Great Britain / Civil Service De - Civil service - 1973
- <sup>159</sup> GRO: Deaths. Edward W S Smithin, Death 1968, age 68, Richmond upon Thames, 5d 1097
- <sup>160</sup> PRO: Births. Cynthia D Smithin, Mother=Rice, March 1924, Brentford 3a, 204
- <sup>161</sup> PRO: Births. Leslie William Saville, Sep 1906, Edmonton. 3a 644
- <sup>162</sup> PRO: Marriages. Leslie W S Smithin = Kathleen H Lowry, Sep 1930, Kingston 2a 1552
- <sup>163</sup> PRO: Deaths. Eileen Saville Smithin b.2 Mar 1910 d. Aug 1989. Richmond. 14, 1335
- <sup>164</sup> PRO: Deaths. Leslie William Smithin, June quarter 1972, Hendon. 5c 623.