
Frederick Hensley CATOR (1887-1953)

Philip's connection to North Lopham is by residency and death.

Frederick Hensley CATOR, son of Robert James CATOR (1864-1951) and Elizabeth Eliza HINSLEY (1866-1940), was born on 30 April 1887 in Stow Bedon, Norfolk.¹

The 1901 Census (held on 31 Mar 1901) shows Frederick at Old Hall Farm in North Lopham, Norfolk - 13, living with parents James (35, shepherd) and Elizabeth Eliza (34), and sisters Eleanor M (11), Harriet (5) and Lilly Eva (5m).²

On 3 October 1905 Frederick was attested into the army, Royal Horse and Royal Field Artillery, Serv. No. 38520, and was declared fit for service the same day in London. He joined the R.F.A. on 7 October at Woolwich. Initially he joined for 3 years but on 3 February 1908 extended his service to 6 years (and whilst in Lucknow on 12 May 1911 to 12 years). He served on home soil until 5 February 1908 when he went to India. On 17 December 1913 he was on trial for striking his superior officer on 1 December, found guilty and sentenced to 60 days detention. He was released on 6 February 1914 having been remitted 9 days for good behaviour. No date has been found for Frederick's return to the U.K. (He may well have been in India for some or all the Great War as the R.F.A. had brigades defending the Northwest Frontier.) His return to the U.K. may have been via Port Said, Egypt as he is noted as being there in early 1919. Frederick was transferred to the Class "Z" Army Reserve on 12 April 1919 and discharged on termination of his period of service on 31 March 1920.

At the time of the 1911 Census, Frederick was living in Dukusha, Lucknow, India - 24, driver, Royal Field Artillery, serving abroad.³

On 19 Jun 1921, (the 1921 Census), he was living in North Lopham - 34y 1m, labourer, living with parents Robert James (55y 6m, horseman) and

Elizabeth Eliza (55y 0m, household duties), and sister Minnie Ethel (16y 1m, general domesytic servant).⁴

Frederick was recorded on the 1939 Register living at Bell Corner in North Lopham - b. 30.04.1887, cowman, living with parents Robert J (b. 24.12.1865, retired horseman on farm) and Elizabeth E (b. 09.06.1866, unpaid domestic duties).⁵

He married **May GOODRUM** on 15 February 1941 in North Lopham - married after banns; groom: 53, single, farmer worker; bride: 50, single; both of this parish.. The marriage was witnessed by John E BERRY and Archibald BERRY. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. J T POOLE.⁶

He died on 19 June 1953 in North Lopham.⁷ He was buried on 24 June 1953 in North Lopham, the ceremony was conducted by Rev. R. Lacey WEBB - aged 66 years.⁸

He is commorated in St. Nicholas Churchyard in North Lopham- "IN / LOVING MEMORY OF / FREDERICK CATOR / DIED 19TH JUNE 1953 / AGED 66 YEARS / ALSO OF A DEVOTED MOTHER / MAY CATOR / DIED 24TH DEC. 1969 / AGED 79 YEARS. / GREATLY LOVED - SADLY MISSED"

Spouse:

May GOODRUM, daughter of Walter GOODRUM (-), was born circa 1891 in Halesworth, Suffolk. She died on 24 December 1969 in Diss, Norfolk.

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