

Henry Hitchcock



Henry was born in Fulham in 1899. The family are listed in the 1901 census as living at 2 Acton Cottages, Linkfield Road, Isleworth. His father, James Alfred Hitchcock was a timber sawyer from Shenley in, Berkshire, aged 59, and his mother, Olive, nee Newman, was 37 and from Farnham in Surrey. Henry had an older brother, Stanley aged 9 born in Croydon; two sisters Violet Constance Olive, aged 6, and Lilian Victoria M, aged 3, both born in Fulham. He also had a baby sister, Gladys Beatrice aged 1 month, born in Isleworth.



29 Linkfield Road, Isleworth in 2017

James had been married twice before. In the 1871 census James, aged 29 was living at 2 Lime Tree Place, Acton Green with Mary Ann Evans, married 1863 in Lambeth, aged 35 from Gravesend in Kent. They had Ada L aged 5, Mary A aged 3 and Alfred 2 months. By 1881 they had moved to 2 Alfred Cottages, Middle Street, Acton with Mary A, now aged 13, Alfred H now aged 10, and new additions Mabel aged 7, Edward aged 6 and Thomas aged 1. Mary Ann died in 1882. In 1883 in All Saints, South Acton, James married Lucy Eyden (from Cosgrove, Northamptonshire, b 1851). In the 1891 census they are living at 9 Middle Street in Acton with their children: William R, 20, Edward 16, and Thomas 11. James, aged 49, is listed as a church verger.

By 1911 Henry's family have moved to 29 Linkfield Road and James's profession is now a landscape gardener. Stanley is working as a shop assistant (fruit) and Violet is a domestic servant. Lilian, Henry and Gladys are all at school and they have another sister, Nancy Lena D who is 6. Henry enlisted in

Hounslow into the Training Reserve of the East Surrey Regiment 30th Battalion as Private TR/10/21971. He saw active service with the 10th Battalion for 9 weeks, but died in Dover from pneumonia on 21st June, 1917 aged just 18. His funeral was reported in the Middlesex Chronicle and he was buried in the Isleworth Cemetery after three volleys from the Royal Fusiliers. He is also remembered on the St John's memorial.

Olive, Henry's mother, stayed in Isleworth after James' death in 1921. Her daughters all married and settled around her. Lilian married John Ghost in 1920 and had 2 daughters: Lilian H in 1921 and June in 1929. Violet married Alfred Cox in 1923 and had Olive LV in 1930. Gladys married William Jackson in 1927 and had Barbara in 1930. Nancy married William Hennessey in 1930 and had Brian in 1932. In 1956 Olive is listed as living at 3 Bells Almhouses, Linkfield Road. Her youngest daughter Nancy is living in the family home of 29 Linkfield Road; Lilian is living at 121 Linkfield Road; Violet is living at 592 London Road, Isleworth and Gladys is living at 14 Howard Road, Isleworth. Olive died in 1955.



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