

**Private Arthur Naylor**  
**(12<sup>th</sup> December 1887 - 11<sup>th</sup> December 1917)**



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**HIPPERHOLME SOLDIER  
KILLED**

**PTE. A. NAYLOR, NORTH  
LANCASHIRE'S**

Mr. and Mrs. Law Broadley, of 3, Halifax Road, Hipperholme, have received official information of the death of their son, Pte.

Arthur Naylor, Loyal North Lancashire Regt. Pte. Naylor joined the colours early in the present year, and, after training at Canterbury, was drafted to France in September last. He was wounded on October 20<sup>th</sup> and died Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> at the 4<sup>th</sup> General Hospital. Before entering on military service Pte. Naylor was employed by Messrs. T. F. Firth & Sons, Bailiffe Bridge, and was a member of the Hipperholme Liberal Club. He was 30 years of age.

Arthur Naylor is remembered on plot D34 of St. Matthew's churchyard, Lightcliffe.

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF HANNAH BROADLEY**  
**WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JAN 18<sup>TH</sup> 1928 AGED 59 YEARS**  
**AND HER SON ARTHUR WHO GAVE HIS LIFE FOR OTHERS IN FRANCE 1917**  
**THEY HAVE DONE**  
**WHAT THEY COULD**

He was buried at Etaples Military Cemetery XXXI C.14

This is Arthur Naylor's story.

West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Births and Baptisms, 1813-1910 for Arthur Naylor						
Lightcliffe, St Matthew > 1896						
1896	Jan-29	Arthur	Law	Norwood Green	Carpet-weaver	N. T. Young
No. 805		Hannah	Naylor			
1896	Jan-29	Hilda	Law	Norwood Green	Carpet-weaver	N. T. Young
No. 806		Hannah	Broadley			

As Arthur Naylor's baptism record above shows he was born on 12<sup>th</sup> December 1887 the son of Hannah Naylor. But he was not baptised until 29<sup>th</sup> January 1896 when he and his half-sister Hilda Broadley were baptised together at St. Matthew's Church, Lightcliffe. In the meantime, Hannah Naylor had married Law Broadley, both aged 23 and both from Bailiffe Bridge, on 12<sup>th</sup> July 1890 in Halifax.

Hannah Naylor came from a long line of Lightcliffe Naylors, many of whom had connections with St. Matthew's Church including Arthur's 2 x great uncle the Crimean soldier and a one day old namesake. Read :-

### Dragoon Guard Joseph Naylor

This Joseph Naylor (13 September 1823 – 10 January 1901), the son of Samuel Naylor and Sarah Sowden, had several siblings including an older sister Mary who was baptised on 31<sup>st</sup> August 1817. 'Spinster' Mary Naylor baptised a son Henry again at St. Matthew's Church, Lightcliffe on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 1843. Hannah Naylor was Henry's daughter.

[More information about the earlier Naylors including census data can be found in Joseph Naylor's write up.]

Henry Naylor, the son of Mary, married Suzy/Susie Stott on 28<sup>th</sup> August 1864 at St. John's Church, Halifax. He was a 21-year-old 'Miner' from Hipperholme who gave his father's name as 'John Naylor Plate Layer'. This was most probably his stepfather John Bell who his mother Mary had married in Elland on 21<sup>st</sup> January 1848. Twenty-year-old Suzy Stott was also from Hipperholme. Her father was Ellis Stott, a Cotton Spinner. Her mother may be the Betty Stott of Wyke buried in an unknown grave in St. Matthew's churchyard on 8<sup>th</sup> March 1864.

Henry and Suzy Naylor had three daughters before the 1871 census. They were all baptised at different churches even though their parents' address was always Bailiffe Bridge and Henry was always a 'Miner'. They went back to St. John in the Wilderness, Cragg Vale to baptise Sarah Ann (born 14<sup>th</sup> June 1866) on 5<sup>th</sup> August 1866, had Hannah baptised at St. Mary's Wyke on 7<sup>th</sup> June 1868 and then baptised Ada at St. Matthew's, Lightcliffe on 28<sup>th</sup> August 1870. Widower Ellis Stott – not Naylor as implied in the 1871 census – was with his daughter and family on census night 1871. He was buried in an unknown grave in Lightcliffe churchyard on 13<sup>th</sup> November 1877 aged 75 as his wife had probably been.

More children, Mary Ann, Harriet born 15<sup>th</sup> October 1875 and John Henry Naylor born 24<sup>th</sup> May 1878 were baptised at St. Matthew's, Lightcliffe on 6<sup>th</sup> July 1873, 6<sup>th</sup> February 1876 and 1<sup>st</sup> September 1878 respectively. But 18-month-old Mary Ann was then buried in plot B76½ - yes, the parish records actually say that – on 21<sup>st</sup> August 1874.

#### 1871 census

Henry Naylor Head 27 Coal Miner  
 Susey Naylor Wife 25  
 Sarah A ditto Dau 5  
 Hannah ditto Dau 3  
 Ada ditto Dau 7/12  
 Ellis ditto Father in law 68  
 Address **Wyke Lane, Wyke**

#### 1881 census

Henry Naylor Head 37 Dyer  
 Susy ditto Wife 36  
 Sarah A. ditto Dau 14 Carpet Mill Hand  
 Hannah ditto Dau 12 Scholar  
 Ada ditto Dau 10  
 Harriet A. ditto Dau 5  
 John Hy. Naylor Son 2  
 Address **Wyke Lane, Wyke**

As already recorded, Hannah Naylor gave birth to Arthur Naylor in 1887 and then married Law Broadley in 1890. Their 1891 households looked like this.

#### 1891 census

Henry Naylor Head 47 Labourer  
 Susy Naylor Wife 46  
 Sarah A Naylor Dau 24 Teller  
 Ada Naylor Dau 20 Cotton ????  
 Harriet A Naylor Dau 15 Spinner  
 John Hy Naylor Son 12 Box Boy  
 Arthur Naylor **Son** 3  
 Address **10 Wyke Lane, Wyke**

It should say **Grandson** for Arthur.

Notice that Hannah lived nearby.

#### 1891 census

Law Broadley Head 23 Weaving Tapestry Carpet  
 Hannah Broadley Wife 22  
 Address **16 Wyke Lane, Wyke**

Sarah Ann Naylor married Henry Ellis, an 'Overlooker' from Norwood Green on 4<sup>th</sup> November 1894 at St. John's, Halifax. They had a daughter Amy on 15<sup>th</sup> August 1899 who they baptised at St. Matthew's Church on 10<sup>th</sup> September 1899. Father Henry Ellis was a 'Printing Overlooker' and the family lived in Bailiffe Bridge.

Harriet Ann Naylor married Edward Weir on 1<sup>st</sup> October 1898 at St. Mary's Wyke. Edward was originally from Kilmarnock, Ayrshire.

Arthur Naylor continued to live with his grandparents and not with his mother and family. Half-sister, Hilda, and half-brother Wilfred were born on 6<sup>th</sup> October 1895 and on 16<sup>th</sup> September 1900 respectively. Hilda was baptised on 29<sup>th</sup> January 1896.

#### 1901 census

Henry Naylor Head 57 General Labourer  
 Susy Naylor Wife 56  
 Ada Naylor Dau 30 Print Winder (Carpet Mill)  
 John H Naylor Son 22 Carpet Weaver  
 Arthur Naylor Grandson 13  
 ?Crdler? for Sizing (Carpet Mill)  
 Address **26 Booth Buildings, Hipperholme**

#### 1901 census

Law Broadley Head 33 Hairdresser  
 Hannah Broadley Wife 32  
 Hilda Broadley Dau 5  
 Wilfred Broadley Son 6/12  
 Address **Lees Buildings**

#### 1901 census

Henry Ellis Head 30 Carpet Printing Overlooker  
 Sarah A Ellis Wife 34  
 Amy Ellis Dau 1  
 Address **16 Booth's Building, Hipperholme**

#### 1901 census

Edward Weir Head 24 Brass Finisher  
 Harriet Weir Wife 24  
 Address **6 Bond St., Brighouse**

Nellie Weir was born on 5<sup>th</sup> December 1901. Her uncle John Henry Naylor married Betty Farrar on the 8<sup>th</sup> March 1902. Their daughter Florrie was born on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 1902. Cousin Ada Mary Weir was born on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 1907. Edward and Harriet Ann Weir had another child, born in the decade between censuses, that did not survive.

These girls' and Arthur's grandmother Susie Naylor died on 16<sup>th</sup> January 1907 and their grandfather, Henry Naylor, on 28<sup>th</sup> February 1909. They were both buried in plot C4 in Lightcliffe churchyard on 18<sup>th</sup> January 1907 and 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1909 respectively. It would appear from the 1911 census that Arthur then went to live with his mother, stepfather and half siblings hence the surname Broadley and not Naylor was recorded.

#### 1911 census

Law Broadley Head 44 Hairdresser,  
Tobacco Dealer & Umbrella repairer  
Hannah Broadley Wife 42  
Arthur Broadley Son 23 Carpet colourer  
Hilda Broadley Dau 15 Carpet Weaver  
Wilfred Broadley Son 10 School  
Address **3 Lees Buildings, Hipperholme**

#### 1911 census

Henry Ellis Head 40  
Overlooker Printing Dept  
Sarah A Ellis Wife 44 Filler in Printing Dep  
Amy Ellis Dau 11  
Address **16 Booth's Building, Hipperholme**

#### 1911 census

Edward Weir Head 34 Steam Valve Fitter  
Harriet Ann Weir Wife 35  
Nellie Weir Dau 9 School  
Ada Mary Weir Dau 4 School  
Address **40 Huddersfield Rd., Brighouse**

#### 1911 census

John Henry Naylor Head 33 Carpet Weaver  
Betty Naylor Wife 30 Carpet Printer  
Florrie Naylor Dau 8 School  
Address **56, Bradford Rd., Hipperholme**

Ada Naylor has not been found in 1911

Arthur Naylor married Minnie Isabel Gibbs on 8<sup>th</sup> August 1912. She was the youngest daughter of George Frederick and Sarah J Gibbs.

West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1813-1935 for Arthur Naylor  
Halifax, St John the Baptist > 1912

Any Consensual  
Marriage must be  
within 10 days  
of the banns.

1912 Marriage solemnized at the Parish Church in the Parish  
of Halifax in the County of York

No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
191	8 <sup>th</sup> August 1912	Arthur Naylor	24	Bachelor	Signer	Halifax Road Hipperholme	—	—
		Minnie Isabel Gibbs	23	Spinster		Milton Street Halifax	George Frederick Gibbs	Traveler

Married in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by Arthur Naylor as George Frederick Gibbs  
This Marriage was solemnized between us, Minnie Isabel Gibbs in the presence of us, Ellen Mary Llewellyn Gibbs W. Parry

But within a year, on 26<sup>th</sup> June 1913, Minnie Isabel Naylor had died. She was the first person to be buried in plot D34 of St. Matthew's churchyard owned by Law Broadley on 28<sup>th</sup> June 1913 but there is no memorial inscription to her on the headstone.





Arthur Naylor's half sister Hilda married Private Ernest Briggs in 1917. He appears to have transferred from the British Army into the Royal Flying Corps perhaps as a driver during WW1. There is a UK, R.A.F Airmen record for him dated 20<sup>th</sup> July 1917 and a "Disability" pension record dated 25<sup>th</sup> February 1920 when his address was given as Hipperholme, Halifax. Hilda and Ernest had a son Dennis Briggs in 1918.

Half brother Wilfred Broadley married Elsie Mears in 1927 just before his mother died on 18<sup>th</sup> January 1928. Hannah Broadley was buried in plot D34 on 21<sup>st</sup> January 1928.

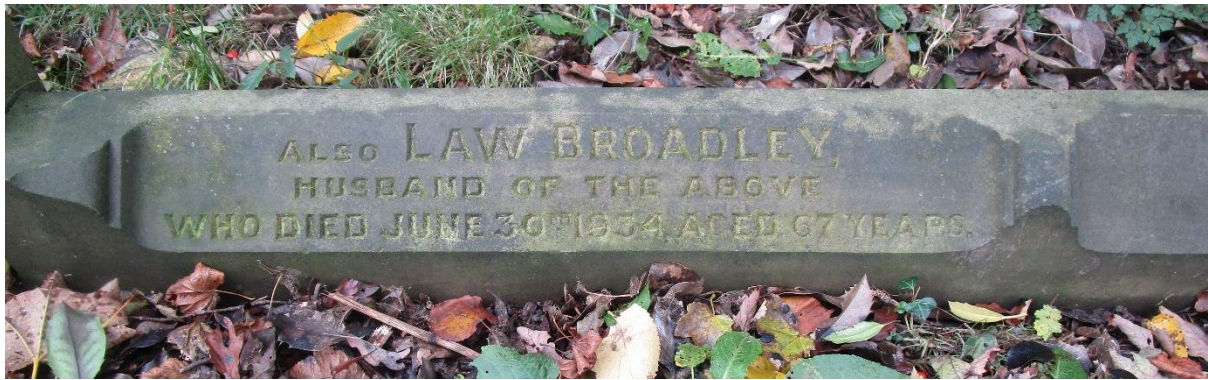
When Joe and Amy Walton nee Ellis had a son in 1924 – they had married in 1923 - they named him Arthur Naylor Walton perhaps in memory of her cousin. But his namesake only survived a day before he died on 1<sup>st</sup> May 1924. He was buried in St. Matthew's churchyard in plot 1A45 on 5<sup>th</sup> May 1924.

Amy's mother Sarah Ellis nee Naylor died on 17<sup>th</sup> November 1930 and was also buried in Lightcliffe churchyard on 20<sup>th</sup> November 1930 in plot V14. Law Broadley, Arthur Naylor's step father, was buried with his wife in plot D34 on 4<sup>th</sup> July 1934. The memorial inscription is on the side of the plot and there is a probate record.

**ALSO OF LAW BROADLEY HUSBAND OF THE ABOVE  
WHO DIED JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> 1934 AGED 67 YEARS.**

BROADLEY Law of 3 Halifax -road Hipperholme near Halifax died 30 June 1934 Administration Wakefield 15 August to Wilfred Broadley teamer and Hilda Briggs (wife of Ernest Briggs). Effects £501 0s 1d





Widower Henry Ellis was living with his only daughter and her husband in 1939. When he died on 4<sup>th</sup> January 1951 twenty one years after his wife he was buried with her in plot V14 on 8<sup>th</sup> January 1951 of St. Matthew's churchyard, Lightcliffe.

**SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF SARAH ANN**

**BELOVED WIFE OF HENRY ELLIS**

**WHO DIED NOV 17<sup>TH</sup> 1930 AGED 64**

**AT REST**

**ALSO OF THE ABOVE HENRY ELLIS**

**WHO DIED JAN 4<sup>TH</sup> 1951 AGED 79**





Probate records give more family information.

ELLIS Henry of 39 Birkhouse-road Bailiffe Bridge Brighouse Yorkshire died 4 January 1951 at The General Hospital Halifax Probate Wakefield 27 January to Amy Walton (wife of Joe Walton). Effects £1799 8s 6d

WALTON Amy of 39 Birkhouse Rd Bailiffe Bridge Brighouse Yorks died 19 December 1973 Probate Leeds 20 February [1974] £2895

WALTON Joe of 39 Birkhouse Rd Bailiffe Bridge Brighouse West Yorks died 8 March 1984 Administration with Will Leeds 9 April Not exceeding £40 000.

Harriet Ann Weir nee Naylor died in 1945, her husband Edward Weir in 1948 and their daughter Ada Mary Sparke nee Weir in 1989. Spinster daughter Nellie Weir became a centurion but only just having been born on 5<sup>th</sup> December 1901 she died on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2001.

Arthur Naylor's half siblings, Hilda Briggs nee Broadley and Wilfred Broadley, died in 1976 and 1971 respectively. There appears to be no further family connections with the churchyard.



Private Arthur Naylor  
[not Broadley]  
is remembered on this  
grave plot  
to the right of the path  
under a holly bush.

D.M.Barker  
November 2019