

James Wood and family

James Wood was one of the younger members of Thomas and Ellen Wood's large family. Read about his father and older brothers.

Thomas Wood and family

William Wood and family

John Wood and family

On the 1871 census the unmarried 20-year-old was living with his parents and younger siblings in Wyke. He was a mechanic, as he was when he married Emma Jackson on 19th September 1874 in Halifax.

West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Marriages and Banns, 1813-1935 for James Wood								
Halifax, St John the Baptist - 1874								
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.
294	September 19.	James Wood.	23	Bachelor	Mechanic	Hippersholme	Thomas Wood	Mason
	18 th	Emma Jackson.	20	Spinster	—	Hippersholme	Joshua Jackson	Dyer.

Married in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church, by James Smith or after Ritual by me, William Henry Braithwaite

This Marriage was solemnized between us, James Wood and Emma Jackson in the Presence of us, James Smith Sarah Smith her X mark

Their eldest son Herbert was baptised at St. John's Church, Coley on 25th July 1875 but then four children were baptised at St. Matthew's, Lightcliffe which was where the family lived. Thomas Henry born 20th December 1876 was baptised on 2nd February 1879, Edith born 25th September 1879, on 4th July 1880 and then there was a double baptism of Fred, born 6th October 1882, and Amy, born 8th September 1886, on 17th October 1886 when the family address was Gomersal Buildings, Lightcliffe.

1881 census

James Wood Head 29 Mechanic
 Emma Wood Wife 26
 Herbert Wood Son 6 Scholar
 Thomas Wood Son 4 Scholar
 Edith Wood Dau 1
 Address **Lightcliffe**

1891 census

James Wood Head 39 Mill Mechanic
 Emma Wood Wife 36
 Herbert Wood Son 16
 Thomas Wood Son 14
 Edith Wood Dau 11 Winder
 Fred Wood Son 8
 Amy Wood Dau 4
 Address 9 Huddersfield Rd., Wyke

1891. Marriage solemnized at <u>St. Matthew's Church</u> in the Parish of <u>Lightcliffe</u> in the County of <u>York</u>								
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.
159	August 13 th	Herbert Wood	23	Bachelor	Iron Moulder	Balliff Bridge	James Wood	Mechanic
		Florence Mallinson	21	Spinster	—	Wyke.	Abraham Mallinson	Labourer

Married in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church of the Parish by me, Horace F. Woodcock

This Marriage was solemnized between us, Herbert Wood and Florence Mallinson in the Presence of us, Edith Wood Alice Mallinson Spencer Wood Thomas Henry Wood

Iron Moulder Herbert Wood married Florence Mallinson at St. Matthew's Church, Lightcliffe on 13th August 1898 with his brother and sister as witnesses as well as his cousin Spencer Wood. This must have been on one of Spencer Wood's return visits to the UK after going to the U.S.A. in 1897. Daughter Lilian Wood was born on 30th May 1899 and baptised on 2nd July 1899 in the church where her parents married.

Twenty-three-year-old Thomas Henry Wood died on 26th October 1900 and was buried in a new Wood plot in the churchyard, plot H80, on 28th October 1900. This plot has no headstone, but the coding tells you that it is in front of other family plots near his grandparents' headstone. See the final image for the positioning of these family plots at the bottom of the middle part of the churchyard near the currently used section.

1901 census

James Wood	Head	49	
			Millwright Mechanic at Mill
Emma Wood	Wife	46	
Fred Wood	Son	18	
			Machinist Pattern maker Apprentice
Edith Wood	Dau	21	
			Winder at Carpet Works
Amy Wood	Dau	14	Winder
Address Sackville St., Hipperholme			

Again, many of the working age members of this Wood family appear to be employed by Messrs. T.F.Firth & Sons in Bailiff Bridge.

1901 census

Herbert Wood	Head	26	Iron Moulder
Florence Wood	Wife	24	
Lilian Wood	Dau	1	
Address 127 Bradford Rd., Hipperholme			

When Herbert and Florence had a son on 7th April 1902, they named him Thomas Henry, no doubt after his deceased uncle. The little boy was baptised at St. Matthew's Church on 11th May 1902. St. Matthew's was also the setting for the marriages of Edith Wood to Joseph Albert Blakeley on 16th December 1905 and then when Amy Wood married Wilfred Walter Webster on 18th July 1908. Their brother Fred Wood married Annie Shillitoe at St. Mary's Church, Brighouse on 23rd May 1908.

There were three family births in 1908 Hilda Webster was born on 18th October 1908, Marjorie Wood was born 23rd November 1908 and James Albert Blakeley on 21st December 1908. He was baptised at St. Matthew's Church on 17th February 1909 when his father was recorded as being a 'Firewood Dealer'. Their grandmother Emma Wood died on 5th August 1910 aged 55. She was buried with her son Thomas Henry Wood in plot H80 on 8th August 1910.

The widower James Wood has not been found in the 1911 census. When his youngest daughter Amy married in 1908 her address was 15 Allan Royd, Bailiffe Bridge. And then her married brother and family were next door in 1911 so perhaps father James was with them or with his daughter Edith Blakeley but just got missed off the form. In 1901 Edith was with her father in Sackville Street which became West Street where the Blakeleys were in 1911 and where James Wood died. They may not have moved house - see the two maps.



Sackville Street can be seen on this Crow Nest sale map along with George Street, Charles Street., and Ann Street, in Bailiffe Bridge, presumably named after members of the Sutherland and Walker family. Ann Street disappeared and the others were renamed less imaginatively as Back of West Street, West Street and New Street.

1911 census

Herbert Wood Head 36 Iron Moulder
Florence Wood Wife 34
Lilian Wood Dau 11
Thomas Henry Wood Son 8
Address **14 Allanroyd, Bailiffe Bridge**

1911 census

Joseph Albert Blakeley Head 29
Laundry Van Man
Edith Blakeley Wife 31
House Duties
James Albert Blakeley Son 2
Address **14 West Street, Bailiffe Bridge**

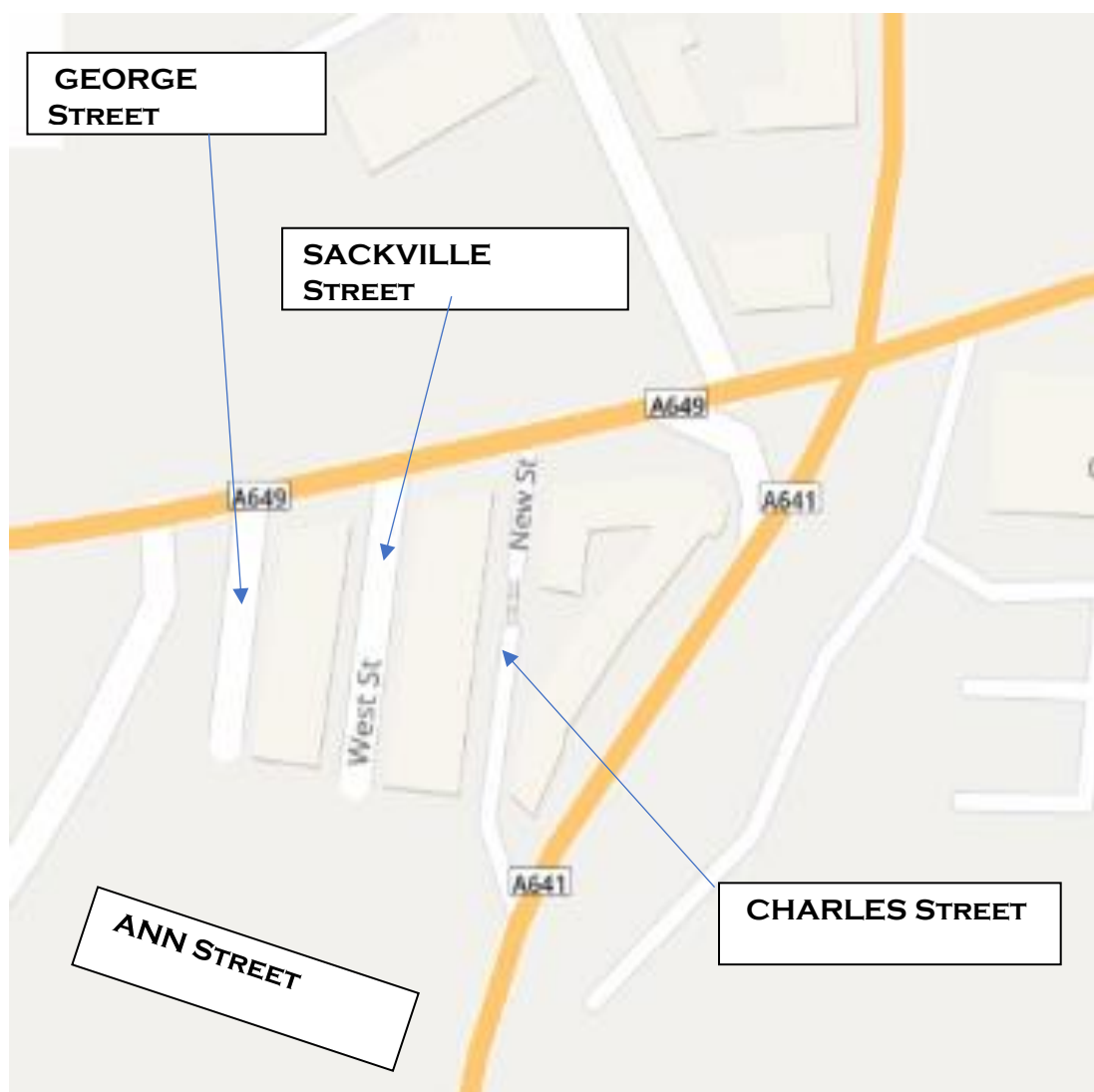
This may have been the Sackville St.
house she lived in in 1901 – see
below.

1911 census

Fred Wood Head 28
Pattern Maker in Textile Machinery
Annie Wood Wife 27
Marjorie Wood Dau 2
Address
16 Keats St Crossland Moor Huddersfield

1911 census

William Webster Head 55 Carter
Sarah Webster Wife 52
James Webster Son 28 Cabinet Maker
Wilfred Webster Son 24
Joiner (Jobbing Work)
Amy Webster Dau in law 24 Worsteds winder
Hilda Webster Granddau 2
Address
2 Piggott St., Lightcliffe Rd, Brighouse



Cyril Jackson Wood was given his grandmother's maiden name when he was born on 12th April 1914. Two years later his grandfather James Wood died on 15 May 1916. He was buried with his wife and son in plot H80 on 18th May 1916 and has this probate record.

WOOD James of 14 West-street Bailiff Bridge near Brighouse Yorkshire died 15 May 1916 at 3 New-street Bailiff Bridge Probate London 26 May to Fred Wood pattern maker and Herbert Wood iron moulder. Effects £84 4s 4d

His grandson son Thomas Henry Wood married Amy Georgina Leaper Q4 1924 but then he and his wife seem to have moved to Wales before the 1939 register was taken.

1939 register

Herbert Wood	09 Jan 1875	Male	Iron Moulder	Married	14	1
Florence Wood	14 Nov 1877	Female	Unpaid Domestic Duties	Married	14	2
Lilian Wood	30 May 1899	Female	Woollen Weaver	Single	14	3

Address **14 Allan Royd, Brighouse, Brighouse M.B., Yorkshire (West Riding), England**

Joseph A Blakeley	19 Sep 1881	Male	Greengrocers (Hawker)	Married	15	1
Edith Blakeley	25 Sep 1879	Female	Unpaid Domestic Duties	Married	15	2
James A Blakeley	21 Dec 1908	Male	Card Man's Clerk Confectionery & Office & Chocolate	Single	15	3

Address **15 Allan Royd, Brighouse, Brighouse M.B., Yorkshire (West Riding), England**

Fred Wood	06 Oct 1882	Male	Poultry Appliances ?	Married	26	1
Annie Wood	12 Jul 1883	Female	Unpaid Domestic Duties	Married	26	2
Marjorie Wood	23 Nov 1908	Female	Employment Officer ?	Married	26	3
Cyril J Wood	12 Apr 1914	Male	Accountants Clerk	Single	26	4
~??? Shillit?	30 Dec 1898	Female	Textile Woollen ?	-	26	5

Address 29 Rayner Road, Brighouse, Brighouse M.B., Yorkshire (West Riding), England

Thomas H Wood	07 Apr 1902	Male	Storekeeper	Married	57	1
Amy G Wood	06 May 1901	Female	Unpaid Domestic Duties	Married	57	2
Helen I Thomas (Leaper)	26 Feb 1908	Female	Drapers Assistant	Single	57	3

Address Ponryhiw, Pembroke, Pembroke R.D., Pembrokeshire, Wales

Wilfred Webster	13 Jan 1887	Male	Joiner Bench Work	Married	12	1
Amy Webster	08 Sep 1886	Female	Unpaid Domestic Duties	Married	12	2
Hilda Webster	18 Oct or 14 Nov 1908	Female	Textile Dyeing Productive Process Work	Single	12	3

Address 19 Piggott Street, Brighouse, Brighouse M.B., Yorkshire (West Riding), England

Although the 1939 register has two dates of birth for Hilda Webster 18th October 1908 is the correct one as recorded on her death record.

Elizabeth Blackley died on 1st April 1943 and was buried in plot A64 in St. Matthew's churchyard on 5th April 1943. Her husband Joseph Blackley would join her thirteen years later on 2nd July 1956. This plot is near the Till Carr Lane wall and the cottage. Joseph A Blakeley had a probate record which along with those for other members of the Wood family can be used to track what happened to them.

The probate records also give addresses. Some people were still residing in the same property as they were in in 1939 especially if the Bradford Road, Bailiffe Bridge addresses were simply the renamed Allan Royd addresses which seems likely.

WOOD Fred of 29 Rayner-road Brighouse Yorkshire died 26 March 1951 Probate 20 July to Cyril Jackson Wood accountant and office manager, Effects £1510 2s 9d.

BLAKELEY Joseph Albert of 437 Bradford-road Bailiffe Bridge Brighouse Yorkshire died 29 June 1956 Probate Wakefield 30 August to James Albert Blakeley commercial clerk. Effect £1195 8s 10d

WOOD Herbert of 435 Bradford Road Bailiffe Bridge Brighouse Yorkshire died 5 September 1958 Administration (with Will) Wakefield 8 October to Lilian Wood spinster, Effects £1155 2s 10d

WOOD Thomas Wood of 4 Compton Mansions Paragon Rd Weston-super-Mare died 21 October 1971 Probate Bristol 6 December £885

WOOD Lilian of 435 Bradford Rd Bailiff Bridge Brighouse Yorks died 13 April 1972 Probate Leeds 28 July. £3291

WOOD Cyril Jackson of 84 Crowtrees La Rastrick Brighouse West Yorks died 16 November 1978 Administration Leeds 13 March [1979] £6107

WOOD Marjorie of 132 Dudwell Lane Halifax West Yorkshire died 9 September 1982 probate Newcastle-upon-Tyne 17 November £27546

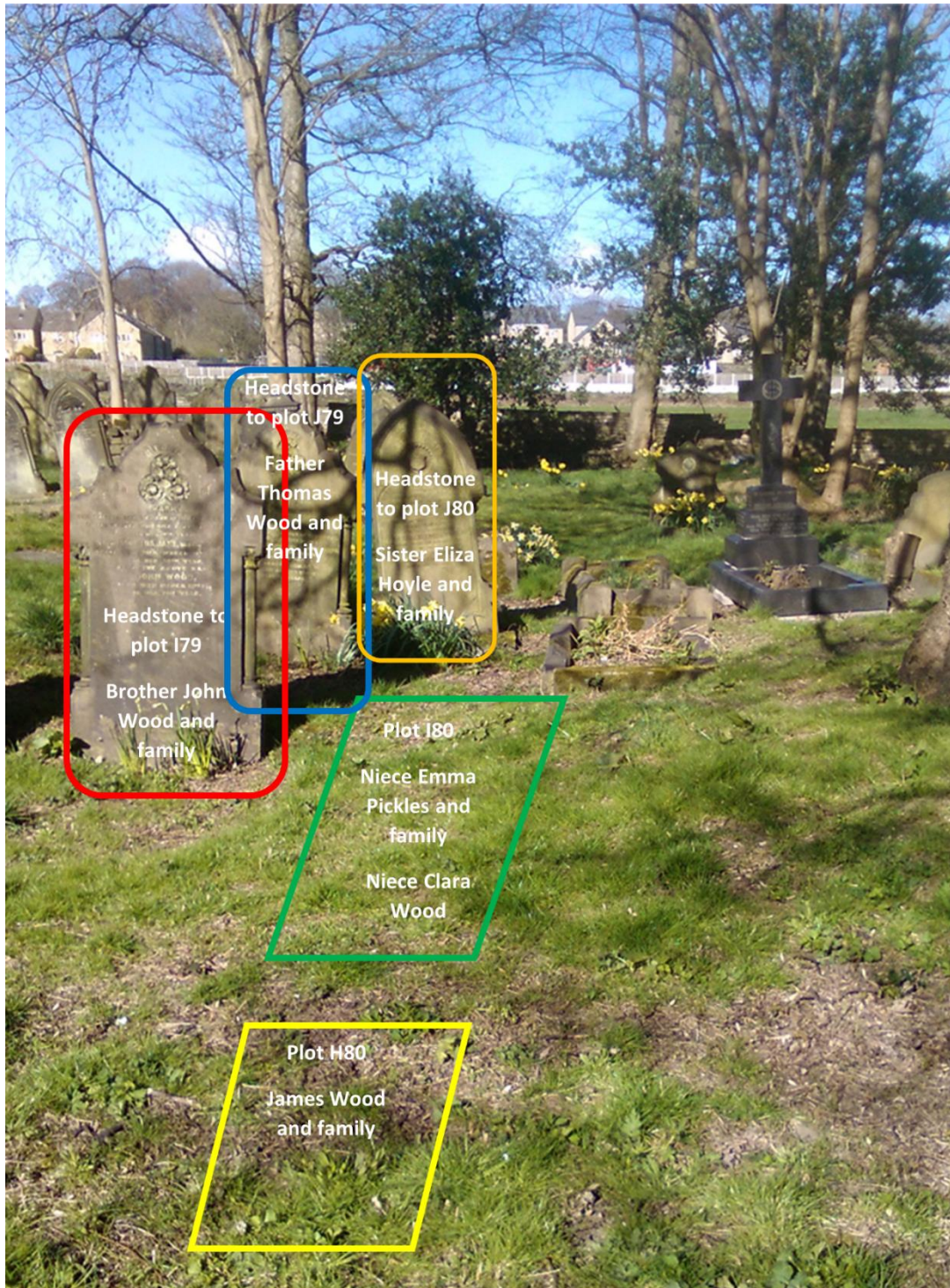
WOOD Amy Georgina of Russell House Elderly Peoples Home 28 Thornbury Road Uphill Weston Super Mare died 14 April 1983 probate Bristol 23 May Not exceeding £25000

BLAKELEY James Albert of 437 Bradford Rd Brighouse West Yorkshire died 27 May 1983 Probate Leeds 25 July Not exceeding £25000

WEBSTER Hilda of 19 Piggott St Brighouse W Yorks died 27 June 1985 Probate Leeds 21 August Not exceeding £40000

Florence Wood the wife of Herbert Wood has no probate but when she died on 6th November 1959 aged 82 she was buried with her in laws James and Emma Wood in plot H80 on 9th November 1959.

Not many members of this family travelled far, most remaining in the area and close to one another as well as close to members of the extended Wood family. Then even in death those buried in the churchyard were interred in plots close to one another as the following image shows.



Now read about some of the Wood sisters, including Eliza Hoyle and her family, and the youngest brother, Walter Wood.

The Wood sisters and brother Walter Wood

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