

The Longbottom family



James Longbottom was baptised at Lightcliffe on 19th April 1795 the son of Ann Longbottom. His mother had already had a daughter Ruth baptised there on 13th February 1791 and then buried in the churchyard on 18th April 1792 according to the parish records for St. Matthew's Church.

In 1813 giving his age as 21, although he was probably just 18 years old, James Longbottom enlisted with the 'Royal Regiment of Horse Guards'. He was discharged in 1816, possibly on 17th February from Windsor according to his discharge certificate below. One military record has his place of birth as being 'Hipperholm cum Brighthouse, York', another says 'Halifax, York'. What the forms do agree on is his 'Pension admission or Examination dater' which was 6th March 1816. By then James Longbottom had served for 4 years with the 9th Dragoon Guards.

UK, Royal Hospital, Chelsea: Regimental Registers of Pensioners, 1713-1882 for Jas Longbottom

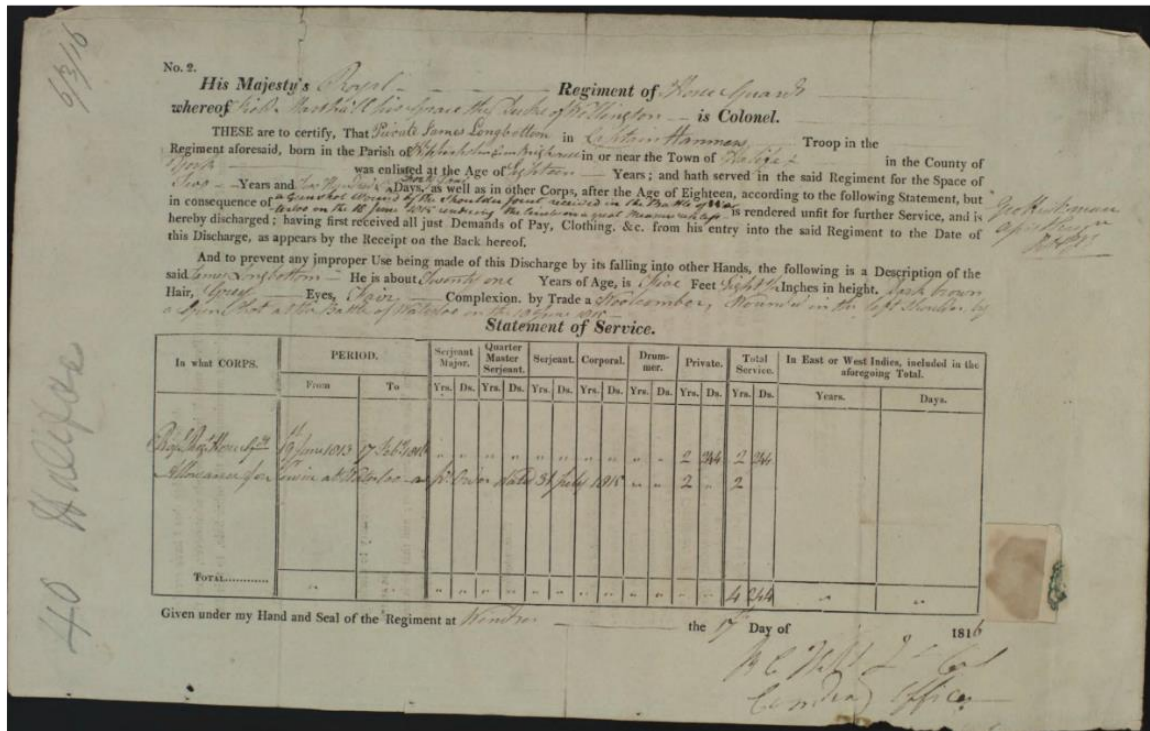
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Royal Horse Guards.										Jas Longbottom.			
Admission	Name	Age	Quarter Master	Sgt.	Corp.	Private	India Service	Total Service	Rate per Day	Comments	Where Born	Trade or Occupation	Remarks
August 17th 1816	Rider Gostelow	35						10 1/2	6s				
Sept 1st 1816	W. Mansfield	32								Discharged with a wound from a French bayonet on duty	Halifax	Woolcomber	
	Jas Longbottom										Halifax	Woolcomber	

Ja^s Longbottom's name is at the bottom of this list confirming that he saw action at the Battle of Waterloo where he sustained a 'Wound left shoulder at Waterloo' '(Severe wound)'. He was from 'Halifax, Yorks' and his Trade or Occupation was 'Woolcomber'.

Jas Longbottom	32	4/6	1/2	Wound left shoulder at Waterloo (severe wound)	Halifax	Woolcomber
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The discharge document below, dated 17th (February) 1816, is not easy to read so a transcription has been made. The date 16/3/16 and HO or 40 Halifax is inscribed on the left-hand side with the signature of an 'apothecary' on the right. The signature of the 'Commanding' Officer at the bottom is also difficult to read.



No 2

His Majesty's *Royal Regiment of Horse Guards* whereof *Field Marshall his Grace the Duke of Wellington* is Colonel.

These are to certify, That *Private James Longbottom* in *Captain Hammers Troop* in the regiment aforesaid, born in the Parish of *Hipperholm Cum Brighthouse* in or near the town of *Halifax* the County of *York* was enlisted at the Age of *Eighteen* Years; and hath served in the said Regiment for the Space of *Two* Years and *Two Hundred and Forty Four* Days, as well as in other Corps, after the Age of Eighteen, according to the following Statement, but in consequence of *a gunshot wound of the shoulder joint received in the Battle of Waterloo on the 18th June 1815 rendering the limb in a great Measure useless* is hereby discharged; having first received all just Demands of Pay, Clothing, &c. from his entry into the said Regiment to the Date of this Discharge, as appears by the Receipt on the Back hereof.

And to prevent any improper Use being made of this Discharge by its falling into other Hands, the following is a Description of the same *James Longbottom*. He is about *Twenty one* Years of Age, is *Five Feet Eight ½* Inches in height. *Dark brown* Hair, *Grey* Eyes, *Fair* Complexion. By Trade a *Wool comber*. *Wound in the left shoulder by a Gun Shot at the Battle of Waterloo on 18th June 1815.*

James Longbottom acknowledged receipt of 'Clothing, Pay, Arrears of Pay and all just Demands' by making his mark on the back of the form.

James Longbottom must have returned to Hipperholme and taken up his old trade as a woolcomber. That is exactly where he was and what he was doing when he married Susanna Wheelhouse on 13th May 1822 in Halifax according to a transcribe record. She was the daughter of Demain(e) and Mary Wheelhouse who had seven children baptised at St. Matthew's Church: William on 22nd June 1783, Michael on 16th October 1785, Elizabeth on 19th August 1787, John on 19th November 1789, Sarah on 18th March 1792, Anne on 6th November 1796 and finally Susanny (Susy) on 25th August 1799. Infants Michael and Anne were buried in unknown plots in Lightcliffe churchyard on 13th July 1786 and 21st September 1799 as were their parents, Mary, aged 61 of Hill Top, on 5th August 1821 and Demain(e) aged 79 of (Hove) Edge, on 18th March 1838.

Of James and Susanna's nine children only the oldest two girls were baptised as youngsters at St. Matthew's Church; Mary on 5th April 1822 and Ann on 12th May 1826. Much later two others, Joseph and Hannah, would have adult baptisms there on 24th August 1873. There probably was not time to baptise their youngest daughter Rachel of 'Hough Edge' who was buried in an unknown Lightcliffe plot on 1st February 1833 aged just 3 weeks. Her older sisters both died just before they became teenagers and were again buried in unknown Lightcliffe plots; Mary on 24th June 1834 and Anne on 10th June 1838.

1841 census

James Longbottom	45	Wool Co(mber)
Susy Longbottom	40	
William Longbottom	15	
Sarah Longbottom	13	
Joseph Longbottom	11	
Hannah Longbottom	8	
Thomas Longbottom	4	
Nancy Longbottom	2	
Address Hove Edge		

A year later three-year-old Nancy Longbottom of Hove Edge was buried in an unknown plot on 13th March 1842. William Longbottom married Martha Ann Mallinson on 9th January 1846. They had Samuel and Selina baptised at St. Matthew's Church on 10th May 1846 and 5th November 1848. Another son Joseph was born Q4 1850. Grandmother Susan(na) Longbottom née Wheelhouse was interred in an unknown plot on 2nd March 1849, she was 49 years old.

1851 census

James Longbottom	Head	56	Chelsea Pensioner
Thomas Longbottom	Son	14	Woolcomber
Hannah Longbottom	Dau	17	Housekeeper
Address Hove Edge			

1851 census

William Longbottom	Head	27	Stone Delver
Mary Ann Longbottom	Wife	26	
Saml Longbottom	Son	5	
Selina Longbottom	Dau	3	
Joseph Longbottom	Son	6 Mo	
Address Hove Edge			

1851 census

Henry Pitt	Head	55	Lieutenant Royal Mariner Halfpay
Mary Pitt	Wife	38	
Sarah Longbottom		23	Servant
Address Slead Hill, Hipperholme cum Brighthouse			

1851 census

Samuel Sowden	Head	71	Farmer of 36 acres 3 Labourer
William Sowden	Son	50	
Samuel Sowden	Son	38	
Mary Sowden	Dau	36	
Elizabeth Sowden	Dau	34	
Joseph Longbottom		20	Farm Labourer
Address Woodbottom, Hipperholme cum Brighthouse			

Notice who Joseph Longbottom worked for and lived with. Samuel Sowden was the Shibden Hall tenant who had challenged his then landlord Anne Lister over rents. He also refused to promise to vote for her preferred candidate in the elections during the 1830s. His family stories have already been told

Samuel Sowden and extended family

Samuel's next landlord would be Ann Walker who was left a life interest in the Shibden Hall estate after Anne Lister died. By 1851 Ann was back at Cliffe Hill. After her death in 1854 the Shibden Hall estate passed to John Lister.

Hannah Longbottom married William Marsden on 29th July 1853. Their story has also already been told in

The Marsdens of Hove Edge

Sarah Longbottom, the servant to a Dorset born military man and his Yorkshire wife in 1851, married James Thorp on 31st January 1856. Their son Joseph Thorp was born Q4 1856 but not baptised until 28th October 1860 in Mytholmroyd. This was after his father had died earlier that year Q1 1860.

Her brother Joseph Longbottom married Ellen Crowther in Halifax Q1 1858. Ellen was the daughter of Joshua and Elizabeth Crowther of Southowram. She was born on 18th April 1838 and baptised on 20th May 1838 in Halifax when her father was a stonemason. Their son Levi was born on 22nd December 1860 although not baptised until 30th June 1861.

1861 census

William Marsden Head 33 Flag facer
 Hannah Marsden Wife 28
 Thomas Marsden Son 6 Scholar
 Abram Marsden Son 4 ditto
 James Marsden Son 2
 James Longbottom Boarder 66
 Chelsea Pensioner

Address

Hove Edge, Hipperholme cum Brighouse

1861 census

Sarah Thorp Head 31 Housework
 Joseph Thorp Son 4
 James Mitchel Nephew 22 Factory operator Cotton
 David Mitchell Nephew 20 Power weaver ditto
 Grace Mitchell Niece 16 Power weaver ditto
 Address Hawks Clough, Wadsworth,

Just how the Mitchells were related to Sarah has not been established.

1861 census

William Longbottom Head 37 Stonedelver
 Martha Ann Longbottom Wife 36 School mistress
 Sam Longbottom Son 15 Silk Dresser
 Selina Longbottom Dau 13 Worsted Spinner
 Joseph Longbottom Son 10 Worsted Spinner
 Abraham Longbottom Son 5 Scholar
 Address Hove Edge, Hipperholme with Brighouse

1861 census

Joseph Longbottom Head 30 Waggoner
 Ellen Longbottom Wife 22
 Levi Longbottom Son 3/12
 Elizabeth Feather Boarder 54
 Sarah Ann Crowther Boarder 16 Worsted Twister
 Address Hipperholme with Brighouse

The two boarders, Elizabeth Feather and Sarah Ann Crowther, were Ellen Longbottom's mother and sister. Elizabeth Holgate had married Joshua Crowther in Halifax on 19th May 1828. They were both from Southowram and he was a stone mason. But after he died in either 1851 (perhaps in 1853) his widow Elizabeth married a widower George Feather, a 'Weaver', on 11th October 1857 also in Halifax. On 7th April 1861 he was in Northowram with a son, a widowed daughter and grandchildren.

Thomas Longbottom was not with any of his family in 1861 but there is a Thomas Longbottom of Halifax on the *British Army, Worldwide Index 1861*. He was serving as a 'Trooper' in the 5th Dragoon Guards (Princess of Charlotte of Wales) Regiment stationed at the time in Aldershot. Other military records state that a Thomas Longbottom of Halifax, born about 1836, enlisted with the 5th Dragoon Guards on 6th December 1857. He was discharged on medical grounds on 11th July 1865 in Dublin. His discharge papers state that he intended to take up residence in 'Lightcliffe Nr Halifax' so it looks as if this was James Longbottom's youngest son who followed his father into the British Army.

His older sister widow Sarah Thorp married Joseph Townsend in 1862. Their son Lister Townsend was born on 9th January 1865 at Hawks Clough. Joseph and Ellen Longbottom had a daughter Elizabeth Hannah on 7th January 1865.

Thirty-eight-year-old William Longbottom was buried in an unknown plot in Lightcliffe churchyard on 16th July 1862. The family then suffered another tragedy, in fact a double tragedy in 1865, as the St. Matthew's parish records below show. Again, mother and son were buried in an unknown plot perhaps the same one, but this is impossible to know for sure just because they were consecutive burials, two weeks apart.

BURIALS in the Parish of <i>Halifax & Chapelry of Lightcliffe</i> in the County of <i>York</i> in the Year 18 <i>63</i>				
Name.	Abode.	When buried.	Age.	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
<i>Joseph Longbottom</i> No. 1545.	<i>Hove-Edge</i>	<i>Aug 8</i>	<i>41 1/4</i>	<i>Wm Gurney</i>
<i>Martha Ann Longbottom</i> No. 1546.	<i>Hove-Edge</i>	<i>Aug 21st</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>Wm Gurney</i>

The three parentless siblings were together in 1871. Their grandfather Joseph Longbottom had moved to live with his son, Joseph, and family. Son Thomas Longbottom has not been found after his discharge from the 5th Dragoon Guards so perhaps he did not return to live in Lightcliffe.

1871 census

Sam Longbottom Head 25 Delver
 Selina Longbottom Sister 23
 Abraham Longbottom Brother 15 ditto
 Address Hove Edge, Hipperholme with Brighouse

1871 census

Joseph Townsend Head 38 Warehouse man
 Sarah Townsend Wife 41
 Joseph Thorp ditto Son 14 Cotton Weaver
 Lister Townsend ditto Son 6 Spinner
 Address Hawks Clough, Wadsworth

1871 census

Joseph Longbottom Head 40 Cart Driver
 Ellen Longbottom Wife 32
 Levi Longbottom Son 10 Mill Hand
 Elizh Hanh Longbottom Dau 6 Scholar
 James Longbottom Father 76 Pensioner Waterloo
 Elizh Feather Mother in law 64 Mill Hand
 Sarah A Crowther Sister 26
 Wm Ashworth Lodger 27 Stone Mason
 Address
 Bramley Lane, Hipperholme with Brighouse

Later in 1871 Selina Longbottom, of Hipperholme, married a 'Delver' John Gill, of Brighouse, on 6th August. Then her younger brother Abraham married Harriet Dargue on 4th March 1876 again at St. John's, Halifax. Their first child, a daughter Edith born Q1 1879 died Q1 1881.

Sarah Ann Crowther the daughter of Elizabeth Feather and sister of Ellen Longbottom married Joseph Barraclough Q1 1876. They had two boys, Sam, born 19th October 1877, and Harry Barraclough, born 6th August 1880, baptised at St. Matthew's Church Lightcliffe on 1st September 1878 and 3rd October 1880. Joseph Barraclough was a 'Bolt and Screw Maker' and the family lived on Bramley Lane.

Sometime before the next census Elizabeth Feather was widowed again. And then her grandson Levi Longbottom was involved in a fatal accident as the following newspaper reports explain.

Leeds Mercury 16 August 1879

FALL INTO QUARRY. – On Thursday an inquest was held at Lightcliffe on Levi Longbottom, a young delver, employed at Messrs. Shepherd and Bentley's Stubbings Quarry. On Monday afternoon, through the tilting of a box on a bogey, Longbottom fell into the quarry, a depth of 20 yards. He was taken home, with a deep wound in his shoulder, and died early next day. Verdict, "Accidental death;" but the jury recommended that other means be taken for preventing the box tilting over.

Levi Longbottom died on 12th August 1879. He was buried in Lightcliffe churchyard, plot D49, on 14th August 1879, the first to be interred there.

Brighouse & Rastrick Gazette 16 August 1879

FATAL QUARRY ACCIDENT AT HIPPERHOLME

On Monday afternoon, about a quarter-past three, a young man aged 18 years, named Levi Longbottom, delver residing at Bramley-lane, Lightcliffe, was shockingly injured at the quarry of Messrs. Shepherd and Bentley, at Hipperholme, from the consequence of which he expired at half -past three on Tuesday morning. Deceased was engaged unloading a "bogey" containing stone near the quarry edge, and in throwing it out he got the hind part of the truck too heavy, which caused it to tilt and throw him to the bottom, a distance of 15 or 20 yards, and doing serious injury to his back. He was picked up insensible, and on Dr. Charteris being called he ordered him to be conveyed home. From the first, very faint hopes were entertained as to his recovery, and he died as above stated on Tuesday morning. – An inquest was held at the White Horse Inn, Bramley-lane, on Thursday, before Mr. Barstow, coroner, when a verdict of "Accidently killed" was recorded.

Less than a year later the Chelsea Pensioner, James Longbottom, died on 24th July 1880. If you look very careful at the end of his Lightcliffe parish burial record ,you can just read the word 'Waterloo' (bottom right)

West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Deaths and Burials, 1813-1985 for James Longbottom							
Lightcliffe, St Matthew > 1881							
703	33	July 10	July 10	Alfred Terry	months	Alfred Terry	
704	79	July 14	July 17	James Longbottom	Years	Joseph Longbottom	
705	50	July 24	July 28	James Longbottom	Years	Joseph Longbottom	Waterloo

The 85-year-old who had taken part in the Battle of Waterloo under the command of the Duke of Wellington against Napoleon's French army was laid to rest, apparently without much ceremony, along side his grandson in plot D50.

Surprisingly no newspaper death notice nor obituary has been found for this ex-soldier.

Plot D49 is on the left. Both memorial inscriptions will be more readable in other images.



1881 census

Joseph Longbottom Head 50 Farm Labourer
 Ellen Longbottom Wife 42
 Elizabeth Longbottom Dau 16 Worsted Spinner
 Address
 Bramley Lane, Hipperholme with Brighouse

1881 census

Joseph Townsend Head 46 Cotton Warehouseman
 Sarah Townsend Wife 50
 Lister Townsend Son 16 Cotton fustian cutter
 Joseph Thorp Son 24 Painter
 Address Bethsada Row, Wadsworth

1881 census

Jno. Gill Head 30 Quarryman
 Selina Gill Wife 33
 Address
 Lightcliffe Rd, Hipperholme cum Brighouse

1881 census

Abram Longbottom Head 25 Stone dresser
 Harriett Longbottom Wife 28
 Address
 6 Hove Edge, Hipperholme cum Brighouse
 Near Midgley Marsden and Sarah Blackburn

Abraham's and Selina's brother Samuel Longbottom has not been positively identified after the 1871 census.

Elizabeth Feather was with her daughter Sarah Ann Barraclough and her young family .

1881 census

Joseph Barraclough Head 41 Bolt Maker
 Sarah A. Barraclough Wife 36
 Sam Barraclough Son 3
 Harry Barraclough Son 7 mo
 Elizabeth Feather Widow 74 House Keeper
 Address Bramley Lane, Hipperholme cum Brighouse

Elizabeth Feather formerly Crowther née Holgate died on 14th October 1883. Three days later she was buried with her grandson Levi in plot D49 owned by her son in law Joseph Longbottom. She would be joined by her son in law and daughter, Ellen, when they were interred on 4th January 1888 and 9th February 1889.

Ellen's death was noted in the Brighouse & Rastrick Gazette for 9th February 1889

DEATHS

LANGBOTTOM – Feb 7, aged 50 years, Ellen,
widow of Joseph Longbottom, teamster,
Bramley-lane, Lightcliffe



Abraham and Harriet Longbottom had two sons, Joe and Fred, who were born on 3rd December 1883 and 20th June 1888 and a daughter Lena born 12th October 1890 before there was another quarry accident.

Brighouse & Rastrick Gazette
15 November 1890

FATAL QUARRY ACCIDENT

On Monday, at the Halifax Infirmary, Mr. Wm. Barstow (district coroner), held an inquest on the body of Abraham Longbottom, of Hove Edge, who was foreman at Messrs. Farrar's, stone merchants Pond Quarry, Lightcliffe-road. The chain of a crane struck the man on the head, and he died on Friday (last week). Mr Prior, the factory inspector, was present at the inquest, and Mr. J.R. Farrar, solicitor, represented the firm concerned.

James Doidge [sic], Hove Edge, engine tender, said: I am deceased wife's brother. He had been in the employ of Messrs. Farrar ever since the quarry, which is near Brighouse, was opened.

Arthur Wilkinson, labourer, Bate's Buildings, Rastrick, said: At half past two on Thursday, a waggon load of stone was being unloaded at the quarry. It weighed about three tons. I was at the handle and Longbottom told us where to land it. The whole lot came down. He was in the act of running away, but the chain hit deceased on the back of the head and shoulders, and knocked him down. I picked him up, and then I ran for the doctor. I afterwards examined the crane, and it was all right and had no flaw in it. The chain was not broken, but the whole thing gave way and came gradually down. It appeared after the accident that the guy was pulled away from the irons and bolts at the bottom end, the thing being weighted down by stone. A man call[ed] Peter put the stone on as ordered by the deceased himself.

Peter Chippendale said: I was twisting the stone round, and I said it was a big one, but Abraham said it had lifted bigger ones before, and the crane worked very well.

Mr Crowther said: I am the managing director of Farrar's, Limited. The company

purchased the quarries in 1886, and we purchased the crane with the quarry. The crane was taken from the position in which it stood then, and we had the gib shortened and some iron plates put on. The man that is dead superintended the moving of the crane about two years ago. The place where the deceased was standing was 44ft. from the crane, and he was 4ft. within the radius. There is no stipulated weight for the crane to lift. If they had unloaded the stone on the near side of the waggon, the accident would not have happened.

Dr. John Fred Woodyatt said the injured man was admitted at the Infirmary at a quarter past four last Thursday. He was then conscious, but died on Friday morning at a quarter to eight. He had a graze on the outer side of the right leg and the back of the right hand, and two scalp wounds, one over the right temple, the other at the back of the head, and he had a swelling on the left and front of the chest. They made a post mortem examination, and found a rib on the left side broken in three places, and the second and third ribs broken near the spine. The cause of death was the shock, the ruptures having evidently been caused by considerable force.

The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

The funeral of the unfortunate man, who was 35 years of age took place, on Tuesday afternoon, in the unconsecrated portion of Brighouse Cemetery. There was a large number of friends and relatives of deceased present, he being greatly respected. The procession included over fifty of the workmen employed by Messrs. Farrars', and about thirty of the members of the Brighouse Cricket Club, Longbottom being one of the oldest members. The Cricket Club also sent a wreath, and others were forwarded by relatives and friends. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. J. T. Moore, Park Free Church resident minister.

There is a probate record for Abraham Longbottom.

5 February [1891] Administration of the Personal Estate of Abraham Longbottom late of Hove Edge in the Parish of Halifax in the County of York who died 7 November 1890 at Halifax was granted at the Principal Registry to Harriet Longbottom of Hove Edge Widow the Relict. Personal Estate £92 10s

Elizabeth Hannah Longbottom, the daughter of the late Joseph and Ellen Longbottom, married Harry Hudson of Park View, Lidgate, just before the 1891 census was taken. Their story has already been told in

The Sugden family of Bramley Lane

1891 census

Joseph Townsend Head 57 Cotton Warehouseman
Sarah Townsend Wife 60
Address 9 Hawks Clough, Wadsworth

1891 census

Harriet Longbottom Head 38 Head
Joe Longbottom Son 7 Scholar
Fred Longbottom Son 2
Lena Longbottom Dau 5/12
Annie Dargue Niece 23 Cotton Warper
Address
Hove Edge Cottages, Hipperholme with Brighthouse

1891 census

Joseph Barraclough Head 51 Bolt & Screw Maker
Sarah Ann Barraclough Wife 46
Sam Barraclough Son 13 Mill Hand Worsted
Harry Barraclough Son 10 ditto ditto
Address
Bramley Lane, Hipperholme with Brighthouse

Selina Gill née Longbottom died Q4 1889 aged 41 but no burial record has been found.

Harriet Longbottom née Dargue had been a widow for less than a year when she died on 24th October 1891. She was buried on 27th October 189, presumably with her husband Abraham in Brighthouse Cemetery.

LONGBOTTOM Harriet of Hove Edge Lightcliffe Halifax widow died 24 October 1891 London 5 February [1892] to Elizabeth Oates (wife of Luke Oates) Effects £267 14s 1d

This left three young orphaned children. It looks as if Harriet's sister Elizabeth Oates and her husband took in the boys, Joe and Fred, as this was where they were on census night 1901. Next door to them - in Brookfoot Lane, Southowram - was their 10 year old sister Lena Longbottom. She was recorded as being the adopted daughter of Ernest and Alice Owen. Alice Owen was the daughter of Luke and Elizabeth Oates so Alice had adopted her baby cousin which is the relationship stated on the 1911 census.

The only surviving child of the Waterloo soldier, James Longbottom, was his daughter Sarah Townsend. She died on 22nd October 1892 and was buried with her father on 26th October 1892. By then the Lightcliffe plot D50 was owned by her husband Joseph who was living in Bramley Lane in 1901. He died there, aged 73, on 5th June 1906. He too was buried in plot D50 on 8th June 1906 with his wife and father in law but his name does not appear on the memorial inscription on the headstone. Perhaps there was no one left to organise this.

There is no headstone on plot R60 which was where the Barracloughs were buried. Fifty-eight-year old Joseph Barraclough died on 20th November 1898 and was buried in Lightcliffe churchyard on 23rd November 1898. His wife Sarah Ann Barraclough née Crowther was also interred there but much later on 24th June 1925. She was 81 years old when she died on 21st June 1925. This plot is next to the Newsome plot with its dedication to two of their sons who lost their lives in WW1.



Newsome headstone and cross

Plot R60

Fred Longbottom was still living at 57 Brookfoot with his widowed aunt Elizabeth Oates and next door to his sister and cousins on 2nd April 1911. But his brother Joe Longbottom has not been found on the 1911 census. He may well have emigrated to Australia. As there is this military record.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

Attestation Paper of Persons Enlisted for Service Abroad.

No. 4258 Name LONGBOTTOM, JOE. Unit Bⁿ 6th P^{te} 1st Divⁿ 5th Bn Joined on 5-8-15

1911. Ref. file
1st Battalion.

Questions to be put to the Person Enlisting before Attestation.

1. What is your Name? ... Longbottom Joe.
2. In or near what Parish or Town were you born? ...
In the Parish of ... in or near the Town of Brighouse in the County of Yorkshire England
3. Are you a natural born British Subject or a Naturalized British Subject? (N.B.—If the latter, papers to be shown.) ... Natural Born
4. What is your age? ... 31 years.
5. What is your trade or calling? ... Stonemason
6. Are you, or have you been, an Apprentice? If so, where, to whom, and for what period? ... Yes. E. Walkers. England. 7 years
7. Are you married? ... Single. It arrived some subsequent
8. Who is your next of kin? (Address to be stated) ... Fred Longbottom (Brother) Lightcliffe Newsome Lane Lightcliffe near Halifax Yorkshire, England
9. Have you ever been convicted by the Civil Power? ... No
10. Have you ever been discharged from any part of His Majesty's Forces, with Ignominy, or as Incurable and Worthless, or on account of Conviction of Felony, or of a Sentence of Penal Servitude, or have you been dismissed with Disgrace from the Navy? ... No

Wife Ann Annabel Longbottom Darling Street Halifax 1915

Joe Longbottom served in and survived the Great War. In 1915 he had married an Australian girl, Annabel Bridget Smith. After the war they had a daughter Joyce Mary Longbottom. He died in Sydney on 17th November 1939.

His brother Fred also fought in WW1 in the Duke of Wellington's West Yorkshire regiment, but he did not survive.

Halifax Evening Courier 04 January 1918

Killed While Asleep

L-Cpl., Fred Longbottom, whose home was at Elland-road, Brighouse, was killed by a shell which wrecked the dug-out in which he was sleeping, on Dec 15. He joined the colours on March 2, 1916 and went to France three months later. L-Cpl. Longbottom had a lifelong connection with Park U.M. Church and Sunday School. For some years he was captain of the football club connected with the school and was a playing member of the cricket club.



Brighouse Echo
Friday January 4, 1918

KILLED IN A DUG_OUT

LANCE CORPL. F. LONGBOTTOM,
of BRIGHOUSE

News received last week from the letters of soldier comrades was confirmed on Tuesday when an official communication came to hand intimating the death of Lance Corpl. Fred Longbottom, Duke of Wellington's, of Brighouse. The brief information to hand indicates that he was killed by a shell which exploded and wrecked a dug-out in which he and several others were sleeping. Lance. Corpl. Longbottom was the younger son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. Longbottom, of

Hove Edge, his parents dying many years ago. For several years he has lived with Mr. and Mrs Ernest Owen, Wood Villas, Elland Road, Brighouse, and was employed at Brookfoot Dyeworks. He was 29 years of age. The deceased soldier joined the colours on March 2nd 1916, and after training at North Shields and Clipstone, went to France in the following June. He passed safely through nearly eighteen months of the fighting and was home on leave last November, having been back in France exactly a month when he was killed on December 15th. He had had a life-long connection with Park United Methodist Church and was a teacher in the Sunday School. For several years he was captain of the football club connected with the school and was a playing member of the cricket club.

Fred Longbottom was buried at Dochy Farm New British Cemetery, Langemark-Poelkapelle, Arrondissement Ieper, West Flanders (West-Vlaanderen), Belgium where he has a Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstone.

James Longbottom and Fred Longbottom fought in conflicts a hundred years apart with different personal outcomes. In the intervening years the family suffered a number of other tragedies as recounted here.

It seems appropriate to conclude by putting the image of Waterloo veteran, James Longbottom's Lightcliffe headstone next to the CWGC headstone image for his great grandson Fred Longbottom.



**IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JAMES LONGBOTTOM
OF BRAMLEY LANE LIGHTCLIFFE
WHO DIED JULY 24TH 1880
IN HIS 86TH YEAR
ALSO SARAH
DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE
AND BELOVED WIFE OF
JOSEPH TOWNSEND
WHO DIED OCTOBER 22ND 1892
AGED 63 YEARS**



**267525 CORPORAL
F. LONGBOTTOM
DUKE OF WELLINGTON REGT
15th DECEMBER 1917 AGE 29**

D.M.Barker
November 2022