
William HUGGINS (c. 1777-1849)

William Huggins' connection to North Lopham is by birth, residency and death, and to South Lopham by marriage.

William HUGGINS, son of William HUGGINS (-) and Martha UNKNOWN (-), was born circa 1777 in North Lopham, Norfolk. He was baptised on 16 May 1779 in North Lopham.¹

He enlisted on 17 July 1795. - 22nd (Light) Dragoon Guards. During his military service he had the ranks of (in order) Private, 14 years 67 days, Corporal, 2 years 281 days, Sergeant, 7 years 138 days, Sergeant Major, 302 days.

From 17 November 1796 to 6 July 1820 William served in the East Indies.

He was wounded in the hip at Mallavilly Plain in the Mandya district of Karnataka, India on 17 March 1799.

He was discharged on 24 July 1820 - reason: "in consequence of the disbandment of the Regiment".

He married **Margaret SARE** on 5 December 1822 in South Lopham, Norfolk. The marriage was witnessed by William WHARTON and Sarah DOWNING. The ceremony was conducted by Rev. Edwin SIDNEY, curate.²

In the 1841 Census (6 Jun 1841) he appeared at The Green in North Lopham - 60, linen weaver, living with wife Margaret (40) and children Sarah (15) and William (12).³

William died on 18 November 1849 in North Lopham.⁴ He was buried on 21 November 1849 in North Lopham.⁵

Spouse and children:

Margaret SARE was born circa 1798. She was baptised on 17 January 1798

in Norwich, Norfolk. She died on 16 November 1854 in North Lopham. She was buried on 21 November 1854.

She and William HUGGINS had the following children:

Elizabeth HUGGINS (c. 1824-c. 1854)

Sarah Ann HUGGINS (c. 1825-c. 1882)

William HUGGINS (c. 1829-)

Sources

1. *PR - Baptism*. North Lopham, Norfolk. Cit. Date: 16 May 1779.
2. *PR - Marriage*. South Lopham, Norfolk. Cit. Date: 5 December 1822.
3. *1841 Census*. HO107 Piece 775 Book 8 Folio 6 Page 11 Schedule 1070. Cit. Date: 6 June 1841.
4. *CR Death*. 1849 Q4 Guiltcross Norfolk Vol 13 Page 105. Cit. Date: Q4 1849.
5. *PR - Burial*. North Lopham, Norfolk. Cit. Date: 21 November 1849.