

ELSON Family

The Elson family have been living in the village since at least 1880 and there are 9 individual burials of Elson family members in St. Stephens churchyard. Not all are listed below, but those that are, show their burial plot numbers

From the 1881 census:

John Elson – Brickmaker – living at Cowhill with 1x son - labourer

Joseph Elson – Brickmaker – living in Fradley Village with 3x sons – all labourers

George / Fanny Elson – Labourer (Plot 185). George was 84 years old when he died and Fanny was 91. George was born c.1857 and Fanny c. 1861.

Joseph – Agricultural labourer living with 1x son – farm labourer

From the 1911 census:

William – Platelayer for the railway – living at Gibmore house

William – Farm labourer

William + Robert – Waggoner and Cowman (servants) at Cedar House

George - Farm labourer living at Heath Gap (Plot 185). He lived to 84 years old, whilst his wife Fanny Maria lived to 91 years old.

George (William) – Farm labourer living at Sale Cottage (His wife, Alice was a maid at Old Hall Farm)

Frederick – Waggoner on farm living at Fradley Common

From 1939 census:

Frank – Cowman – Sale (Plot 371) (His wife, Jessie had a son, David, who also became a cowman at Old Hall Farm). Francis ('Frank') died at the age of 86 in 1990, whilst Jessie died aged 82 in 1994.

William Henry / Annie – Dairy & produce farmer – Crown Farm (Plot 292). William was 58 years old when he died in 1943 and Annie was 87 when she

died in 1974. William was born c. 1885 and Annie c. 1887. Their son William TA was also listed on this census.

William TA / Ivy – Farmer – Pitt Farm (now called ‘Homestead’)(Plot 333). William Thomas Archibald Elson was known as ‘Archie’ and was 63 years old when he died in 1972. His wife, Ivy Penelope Jackson (whose family came from Roddige Farm and who had a brother called Frank) was 67 when she died in 1979.

Robert Charles and Annie May (Plot 183), James and Lucy Ann (Plot 318), William and Alice (Plot 323), William James (Plot 385) and Kathleen May (Plot 467) are all buried at St. Stephens Church, Fradley.