

John Chapman

Born: 1796 in Hollowell, baptised 27 January 1797, Guilsborough, to parents Henry & Elizabeth

Lived in Hollowell

On 7 July 1825 he married Mary Newham in Guilsborough. Both were described as "of this parish"

In 1830 at baptism of son Henry, in Guilsborough, John's occupation is given as Glazier and again in 1841 at the baptism of daughter Louisa

In the 1841 census he is aged 45 his occupation is given as Plumber.

His family consists of:

wife: Mary, b.1800 in Little Bowden
daughter: Mary, b.1829, baptised 7 April 1829, Guilsborough
son: Henry, b.1831, baptised 17th October 1830, Guilsborough
daughter: Eliza, b.1832, baptised 16th December 1832, Guilsborough
daughter: Catherine, b.1839, baptised 20th October 1840

Workers:

James Holliday, 20 yrs - Plumber
Henry Humphrey, 15
John Dickens, 15
Elizabeth Ward, 15

In the 1851 census he is aged 55 and his occupation is given as Farmer of 90 acres, employing 3 men & 2 boys

His family now consists of:

wife: Mary 51
daughter: Ann 24 (Mary?)
son: Henry 20
daughter: Eliza 18
daughter: Catherine 11
daughter Louisa Jane 9, baptised 4th August 1841, Guilsborough

Servant: Ann Ward 16

His wife, Mary, died in 1858, aged 58, and was buried on 2nd August in Guilsborough

In the 1861 census he is aged 65 and his occupation is given as Farmer of 117 acres, employing 3 men & 2 boys

His family now consists of:

son: Henry 30 - Plumber
daughter Eliza 28
daughter Catherine 21
daughter Louisa Jane 19

Servants:

Thomas Fellows 16
Susan Ward 17

In the 1871 census he is aged 75 and his occupation is given as farmer of 160 acres, employing 5 men & 2 boys

His family now consists of:

son: Henry 40 - Master Plumber
daughter: Eliza 38

daughter: Catherine 31

His son, Henry died in 1876, aged 46

In the 1881 census he is aged 85 and his occupation is given as Retired Farmer.
He was living with his daughter Catherine, aged 39.

John Chapman died in May 1886 aged 90 and was buried on 9th May in Guilsborough.

The Parish records at Guilsborough mention paying bills for taking lead to and from Hollowell in 1780, 1807 and 1815.

In the 1815 account Mr Chapman was paid £230 2s 4d, described as Plumber's bill.
in 1874 Mr Chapman was paid £1 8s 4 1/2d for a new circular window in the vestry.

Looking at the census information, it seems likely that the Mr Chapman in 1815 was John Chapman's father, Henry, as John would only have been 19.

The Mr Chapman mentioned in 1874 is likely to have been John Chapman's son Henry as John would have been 78 by then and it is Henry who is named as a master plumber at that time.

Henry Chapman senior was born in 1775 and baptised 13 January 1766 (see Guilsborough Parish Recodes and Bishops Transcripts)

He married Elizabeth Kendel on 26th July 1790 in Guilsborough (see Bishop's Transcripts)

He died between July and September 1849 in the district of Brixworth.