



Holy Baptism

2nd July Jessica May, the daughter of James and Kelly-Ann Dear of 49 The Briars, Hertford.

2nd July Antonia Dominique, the daughter of Graham and Theresa Gilling of 36 Wilton Crescent, Hertford.

16th July Samuel Adam, the son of Adam and Hannah Munns of 15 London Road, Hertford.

23rd July Charlie James, the son of David and Sue Barrett of 73 The Briars, Hertford.

23rd July Olivia Rose, the daughter of Paul and Rebecca Brant of 132 Ladywood Road, Hertford.

6th August Alice Louise, the daughter of Peter and Jacqueline White of 13 Martins Drive, Hertford.

13th August Thomas Oliver, the son of Clifford and Paula Lee of 95 Chertsey Rise, Stevenage.



Holy Matrimony

2nd July Elie Melki and Deborah Tongue of 38 Woodland Mount, Hertford.

28th July Richard Edward Cain and Shelley Lisa Caroline Smith of 246 Ware Road, Hertford.



In Peace

23rd June Brian Watts of 37 Birdie Way, Hertford aged 58 years. Brian worked for many years as a mechanic. He was a family man, loving his wife June, son, two daughters and four grandchildren. He enjoyed playing cricket and football, supporting the Arsenal, and liked horse-racing and playing darts. It was hard that a long illness has stopped him enjoying outdoor activities.

14th July George Arbon of 50 The Dell, Hertford, aged 85 years. For many years George worked as a printer till ill health caused him to take a job working in the dispatch room of the Family Practitioners Association. He loved reading, especially enjoying thrillers and collected records, especially those of Glen Miller. His great joy was his wife and family.

17th July Maisie Streeter, of 100 Hamels Drive, Hertford aged 84 years. Maisie was born in Islington. She met her husband, Fred, during the war when she was a secretary in a factory making electric equipment, After the birth of her two sons she worked for many years in the perfumery department of John Lewis. She loved to travel abroad, especially enjoying a surprise trip when her son took her to Las Vegas. She was a wonderful cook, happy to prepare roast dinners, even on the hottest day.

25th July Ann Longworth of 3 Widbury Gardens, Ware aged 62 years. Ann enjoyed classical music and was a regular attendant at Soundbites. For many years she was house-mother at Pinewood School, looking

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after the children who boarded during the week. For over forty years she was happily married to John and had two daughters and several grandchildren.

31st August Florence Prior of The Malt House, Hertford, aged 98 years. Florence was born in Eastbourne and her father was killed in the First World War. During the Second War she was in Kent and remembers how her daughters used to take their pet rabbits into the air-raid shelter. For more than fifty years, she lived in Hertford with her husband, a painter and decorator, working for many years as caretaker of Port Vale School, now Millmead. Lately she has been lovingly looked after in the Malt House Retirement Home.

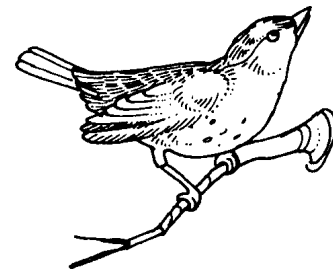
2nd August Thomas Thacker of 42 Woodlands Road, Hertford, aged 75 years. Tom worked at Addis's in the plastic moulding department making tooth-brushes. In the sixteen years since his wife died he has lived quietly by himself, enjoying reading, gardening, the songs of Frank Sinatra, and holidays with his daughter and her family to Disney Land in Florida.

3rd August Bruce Johnson of 3 Hagsdell Road aged 86 years. Bruce ran the butcher's shop that his family had owned for over a hundred years. He joined the Territorials so was called up as soon as war was declared. Sent to France, he took part in the evacuation from Dunkirk. When he retired he worked for the Red Cross taking people to hospital, playing bowls, and was an active mason and treasurer of the Senior Citizens' Luncheon Club.

4th August Marjorie Stevenson of Westgate Home, Ware, aged 91 years. Marjorie was born at Clapham, London, where her father had a grocery shop. She married her husband, Frank, in 1939, and they moved to a prefabricated bungalow in Cecil Road. Later they moved into a larger house in the same road and two sons were born, Michael and Robert. She worked at Hertford Museum and shared Frank's love of gardening. After a fall and illness she was lovingly looked after in Westgate Home.

7th August Sarah Miles of 33 Villiers Street, Hertford, aged 66 years. In younger days Sarah worked for a fashion magazine, and then worked as a Secretary in the Social Services Department of County Hall. Her husband Colin died in 2001 and after this her great joy was her family and grandchildren and walking her dog, Bella, on Hertford Common.

10th August Joseph Meeson of 32 Park Road aged 85 years. Joseph worked first at the tar works in Mead Lane and then at the telephone exchange. During the war he had flown with Bomber Command, and for 56 years was happily married to his wife, Florence. He loved gardening and growing his own vegetables, specialising in tomatoes.



Peter Ricketts

Peter Ricketts died aged 78 years after a short illness at his home at Chickerell near Weymouth.

He came to live in Hertford when he worked at Hawker Siddeley at Hatfield. Peter soon became a regular member of the All Saints congregation. He was a Sidesman and started the Work Parties that have saved All Saints thousands of pounds in builder's fees. Peter then became a Church Warden and a Reader, before training for ordination and serving as Curate of All Saints. His wife Christine supported him chairing the Women's Fellowship and then becoming the first lady to be Church Warden of All Saints.

When Peter finished his work at Hawker Siddeley he went to be Rector of Blunham with Great and Little Barford in Bedfordshire. When he retired from this post he and his wife moved to Kempston near Bedford where like Gerry Booker he served as a Clergy Retirement Officer, befriending the elderly clergy. Two years ago Peter and Christine moved to be nearer their daughter in Dorset.