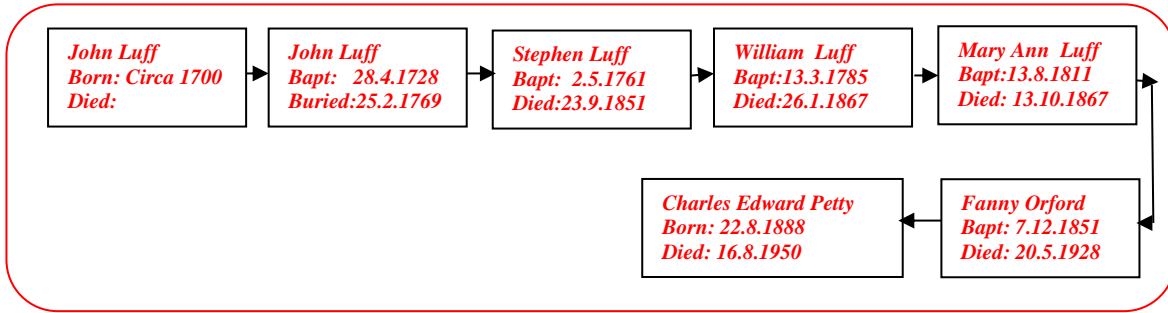


## Edwin Charles Petty 1917 - 1992

(The author's 3rd Cousin once removed)  
web-site [www.mike-jl.co.uk](http://www.mike-jl.co.uk)

### Family Lineage:

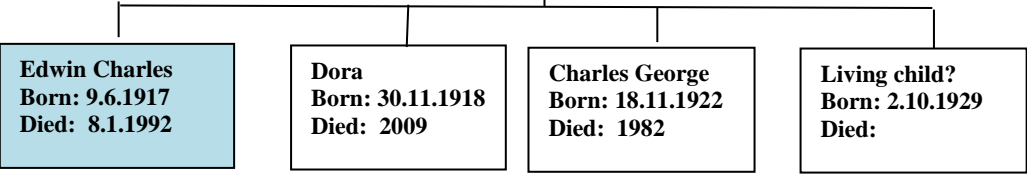


Edwin Charles Petty was born in Belvedere, Kent on 9<sup>th</sup> June, 1917. He is the son of Charles and Annie Petty. Edwin was baptised at All Augustine Church, Belvedere on 29<sup>th</sup> July, 1917.

Baptisms								
Solemnized in the Parish of <i>St. Augustine, Belvedere</i> in the								
County of <i>Kent</i> in the Year <i>1917</i> .								
Born.	When Baptized.	Child's Christian Name.	PARENT'S NAME.		Abode.	Quality, Trade, or Profession.	By Whom the Ceremony performed.	Remarks.
			Christian.	Surname.				
	July 1st	Thomas	Alfred Nelson & Sons & Amy.	Chapman	The Stables upper Abbey Rd.	Private 21st County of London Reg.	R. M. Clarkson	
	July 4 <sup>th</sup>	Edith Elizabeth Maud	Joseph & Sarah Anne	Honus	83 Eastway Northumberland Heath	Shunter.	R. M. Clarkson.	
	July 29 <sup>th</sup>	William George	William & Anne	Hill	70 Picardy Street	Labourer	R. M. Clarkson.	
	July 29 <sup>th</sup>	Friedrich Bohling - broke	Henry William & Bessie	Hardy	15 Blythe Road	Motor Driver	R. M. Clarkson.	
	July 29 <sup>th</sup>	Edwin Charles	Charles Edward & Anne	Petty	12 a Havelock Road.	Dairy-man	R. M. Clarkson	

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**Charles Edward Petty - married - Annie Barton on 17.3.1917 at Belvedere, Kent**  
**Born: 22.8.1888** **Born: 3.10.1894**  
**Died: 16.8.1950** **Died: 1.4.1960**



The 1921 Census shows Edwin, 4, living with his family at 12a Havelock Road, Belvedere, Kent.

**Charles E Petty in 1921** **1921 CENSUS**

1921 Census Of England & Wales

12 a Havelock Road, Belvedere, Erith, Kent, England

First name(s)	Last name	Relationship to head	Sex	Birth year	Age in years	Birth place	Occupation	Employer
Charles E	Petty	Head	Male	1888	33	Belvedere, Kent, England	Dairyman	Own Account
Annie	Petty	Wife	Female	1895	25	East Peckham, Kent, England	-	-
Dora	Petty	Daughter	Female	1918	2	Belvedere, Kent, England	-	-
Edwin C	Petty	Son	Male	1917	4	Belvedere, Kent, England	-	-

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The 1939 Registration record shows Edwin as single, living with his family at 65 Fendyke Road, Erith, Kent. Edwin is an instrument maker.

ADDRESS.	SCHEDULE.		SURNAME AND OTHER NAMES.	O, V, S, P. or I.	M. or E.	BIRTH-		S, M, W, or D.	PERSONAL OCCUPATION.
	No.	Sub. No.				Day.	Year.		
65 FENDYKE ROAD	312	2	Petty Annie	-	F	30 OCT	9	M	Unpaid domestic duties
		3	Edwin E	-	M	9 JUNE	17	S	Instrument maker
		4	Boa	-	F	30 NOV	18	S	Skateboard typist
		5	Charles J	-	M	15 NOV	22	S	Explosives worker
		6	Robert J	-	M	20 OCT	29	S	At school

In December 1938 it was announced in the House of Commons that in the event of war, a National Register would be taken that listed the personal details of every civilian in Great Britain and Northern Ireland. This Register was to be a critical tool in coordinating the war effort at home. It would be used to issue identity cards, organise rationing and more.

On September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1939 Germany invaded Poland, putting the wheels in motion for Britain to declare war on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. On September 5<sup>th</sup>, the National Registration Act received royal assent and Registrar General Sir Sylvanus Vivian announced that National Registration Day would be September 29<sup>th</sup>. Having issued forms to more than 41 million people, the enumerators were charged with the task of visiting every household in Great Britain and Northern Ireland to collect the names, addresses, marital statuses and other key details of every civilian in the country, issuing identity cards on the spot.

The identity cards issued were essential items from the point the Register was taken right up until 1952, when the legal requirement to carry them ceased. Until that point, every member of the civilian population had to be able to present their card upon request by an official (children's cards were looked after by parents), or bring them to a police station within 48 hours. The reasons were numerous - it was essential to know who everyone was, of course, and to track their movements as they moved house, as well as to keep track of the population as babies were born and people passed away. The 1939 Register, then, represents one of the most important documents in 20<sup>th</sup> century Britain. The information it contains not only helped toward the war effort, it was also used in the founding of the NHS.

In addition, the 1931 census was destroyed during an air raid on London and the 1941 census was never taken. The 1939 Register is therefore the only surviving overview of the civil population of England and Wales spanning the period 1921-1951. It bridges a census gap that risked losing an entire generation, and is a fascinating resource for anyone interested in understanding 20<sup>th</sup> century Britain and its people.

Edwin Charles Petty married Margherita Edith Boast in 1947, Registration Quarter September at Dartford in Kent.

Edwin Charles Petty - married - Margherita Edith Boast in Dartford, Kent in 1947.

Born: 9.6.1917

Born: 30.10.1923

Died: 8.1.1992

Died: 2.8.1980

Linda A  
Born: 30.4.1953  
Died: 10.7.2012

Margherita Petty died in Gravesend, Kent, on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 1980.

Edwin Charles Petty died in Horsham on 8<sup>th</sup> January, 1992 (not confirmed by sight of record).