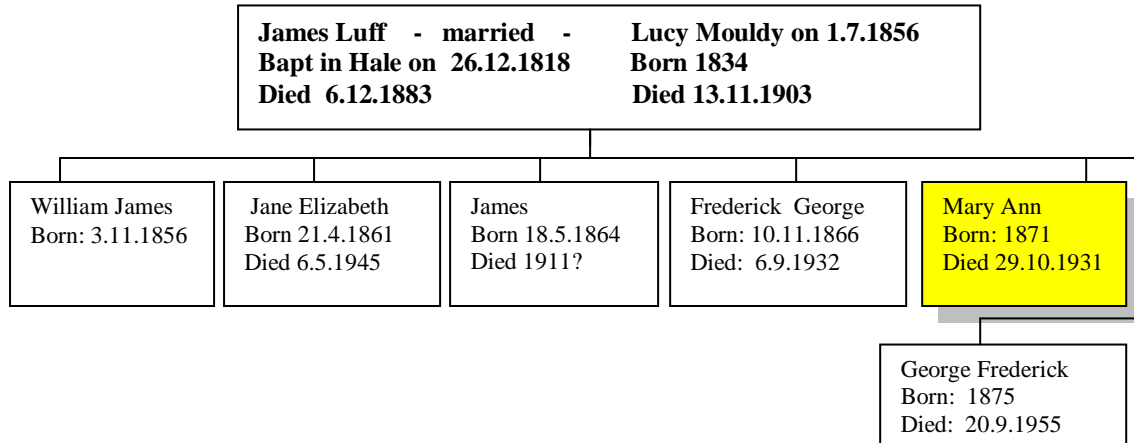


Mary Ann Luff 1871 - 1931

This is a history of Mary Ann Luff (1871 - 1931) and her family.

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Mary Ann was born in Farnham in 1871. She was a daughter of James and Lucy Luff.



In the 1881 census Mary Ann was 10 years old and living with her parents at Providence Cottages, Upper Hale.

Extract from the 1881 Census taken on 3rd/4th April, 1881, in Farnham, Surrey.

Street Name	Name	Position	State	Age/Sex	Employment	Birth Place
		In House				
Providence Cotts Upper Hale	James Luff	Head	married	62/Male	Sawyer	Farnham, Surrey
	Lucy Luff	Wife	married	49/Fmale		Chaddleworth, Berks
	Elizabeth(Jane)	Daughter	single	19/Fmale		St Lukes, Middlesex
	James J	Son	single	19/Male	Carter	St Lukes, Middlesex
	Frederick George	Son		14/Male	General Labourer	Farnham, Surrey
	Mary Ann	Daughter			10/Fmale	
	George	Son		6/Male		Farnham, Surrey

The 1891 census shows Mary Ann working as a servant at the 5th Dragoons barracks in Aldershot.

It seems likely that she met her future husband there, Samuel John Payne Thomas, as he was a soldier based in Aldershot.

Mary Ann married Samuel John Payne Thomas on 31.5.1894, at Aldershot. They were married at the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Grosvenor Road, Aldershot.

On 12th September 1894 Samuel was posted to India and it seems likely Mary went with him. Mary and Samuel had 6 children, 4 in India, 1 in South Africa and 1 in Chelsea when Samuel discharged himself from the army 16th January 1908.

On their return from India the family lived at 33, Stadium Street, Chelsea, London.

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Mary Ann Luff - married - Samuel John Payne Thomas in Aldershot on 31.5.1894
 Born: circa 1871 Born: circa 1871
 Died: 29.10.1931 Died: 11.11.1948

Annie Beatrice
 Born in Rawalpindi 1895
 Died in Haverhill 1981

Samuel George
 Born in Rawalpindi 1897
 Died 1974

William James
 Born Rawalpindi 1901
 Died

Patrick Adolphus
 Born Rawalpindi 1903
 Died: 1959

Maud
 Born in Chelsea 1910
 Died Basildon 1984

Lucy
 Born South Africa 1905
 Died Newbury 1983

In 1911 Mary Ann's husband, Samuel John Thomas, was working at Lots Road power station.

Extract from the 1911 Census taken on 2nd April, 1911 in Chelsea, London.

CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.

Number of Schedule 285
 (To be filled up by the Enumerator)

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NAME AND SURNAME	RELATIONSHIP to Head of Family	AGE (Last Birthday and SEX)	PARTICULARS as to MARRIAGE					PROFESSION or OCCUPATION of Person aged 15 years and upwards.					BIRTHPLACE of every person.			NATIONALITY of every Person aged 15 or a Foreign Country.	INFIRMITY.															
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1 Samuel John Thomas	Head	39	M	Married	14	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
2 Mary Ann Thomas	Wife	39	F	Married	14	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
3 Anne Beatrice Thomas	Daughter	16	F	Single																												
4 Samuel George Thomas	Son	19	M	Single																												
5 William Thomas	Son	9	M	Single																												
6 Patrick Adolphus Thomas	Son	8	M	Single																												
7 Lucy Thomas	Daughter	5	F	Single																												
8 Maude Thomas	Daughter	1	F	Single																												

(To be filled up by the Enumerator.)

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(To be filled up by, or on behalf of, the Head of Family or other person in occupation, or in charge, of this dwelling.)

I declare that this Schedule is correctly filled up to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: *Samuel John Thomas*
 Postal Address: *33 Stadium Street, Chelsea*

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Name	Position In House	State	Age/Sex	Employment	Birth Place
Samuel John Thomas	Head	Married	39/Male	Engine Driver	Exeter, Devon
Mary Ann Thomas	Wife	Married	39/Fmale		Farnham, Surrey
Annie Beatrice Thomas	Daughter	Single	16/Fmale	Biscuit Packer	Rawalpindi, India
Samuel George Thomas	Son		13/Male	attending school	Rawalpindi, India
William James Thomas	Son		9/Male	attending school	Rawalpindi, India
Patrick Adolphus Thomas	Son		8/Male	attending school	Rawalpindi, India
Lucy Thomas	Daughter		5/Fmale	attending school	Middleburgh, South Africa
Maud Thomas	Daughter		1/Fmale		Chelsea, London

After seeing service in the 1st World War he was appointed Park Keeper at the Royal Park at Bushey, later St James' Park and finally Richmond Park.

Mary Ann Thomas (nee Luff) with husband Samuel John Payne Thomas.
Mary Ann Luff was William Charles Luff's aunt and mother of Annie Beatrice.



Mary died on 29 October 1931, at St Georges Hospital, London she was 60 years old.

Mary died from fatty myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscles), and ascitis (enlarged liver and spleen). Her son William James was in attendance when she died. Mary was buried in Brompton Cemetery.