

Inscriptions on our Family tombstone in Warminster Churchyard
1740 - 1794. on the Vault.

In the Faith of a blessed Resurrection lie here deposited

The Bodies of

Hester Wansey	died	Sept. 6.	1740	aged	79	A.
Henry Wansey	-	Nov. 6.	1740	-	22	C.
Eliz. Ball	-	March 19	1750	-	66	B.
Eliz. Wansey	-	March 20	1750	-	68	B.
Geo. Wansey	-	July 20	1751	-	1.9 mo.	D.
Henry Wansey	-	Aug. 12	1750	-	6.8 mo.	D.
Sarah Wansey	-	Jan. 22	1760	-	4.11 mo.	D.
Geo, son of John & Sarah London	-	Oct. 3	1784	-	2.8 mo.	E.

On the West End.

William son of Henry & Eliz. Feb. 23, 1780, aged 63 years C.

On the South Side.

Near this Vault are interred

George Wansey	died	Aug. 2	1707	aged	57	A.
Henry son of George	-	Jan. 6.	1761	-	71	B.
Hester dau. of ditto	-	Apl. 13.	1761	-	47	C.
George son of ditto	-	Feb. 12.	1762	-	49	C.
John son of ditto	-	Sept 20.	1776	-	53	C.

On the North Side.

William son of Wm. and Sarah	died	Sept 11.	1780	aged	2 mo.	B.
Mary dau. of ditto	-	Marh 28	1788	-	7 mo.	E.
Esther Wansey	died	July 24	1794	aged	81	C.
William Wansey son of George and Esther (G)	-	Feb. 27	1805	-	58	D.
Eliz. Wansey dau. of William (D)	-	Apl. 22	1805	-	29	E.
Wm. Raymond Wansey son of Henry and Elizabeth	-	Oct. 1	1810	-	6	F.
Esther Wansey dau of Henry & Elizabeth	-	Dec. 20.	1810	-	5	F.
William Hubbard Wansey son (twin) of George Wansey	-	Jan. 29.	1816	-	7 mo.	F.
Sarah Anne Wansey dau of William	-	Oct. 24.	1817	-	38	E.

New Grave close adjoining old, Church Side.

Geo. Wansey son of Geo. & Esther (C) dyed Mar. 19, 1807. aged 58

There were apparently more Wanseys before these buried in this vault in the Minster Churchyard, for a record refers to "these last 22 buried in Our Grave." An old record says that when on Jan. 13, 1816, William Hubbard Wansey was interred (aged 7 months and nine days) at the West end of the grave, all the old coffins appeared quite sound.

In the Boreham Rd. Non-Conformist Burial Ground (subscribed to by Henry Wansey F.S.A) are the following cut on one grave stone.

Jane Wansey dau. of Geo. & Jane Wansey	dyed Oct. 24.	1862	aged 16 wks
Henry Wansey	- July 25	1827	- 75 y. 11
Walter Wansey son of Geo. & Jane Wansey	- Apl. 26	1828	- 5 y. 10
Catherine Wansey dau. of Henry and Eliz. Wansey	- Dec. 6	1829	- 11 y. 10
John Wansey son of Henry and Eliz. Wansey	- Jan. 6	1830	- 15 y. 6
Sarah Wansey	- Jan. 21	1833	- 83
Fanny Wansey dau. of George & Jane Wansey	- Nov. 13	1835	- 14 y. 9
Agnes Wansey " " " " " "	- Aug. 29	1838	- " 5d
Harriet Wansey dau of Henry and Eliz. Wansey	- Mar. 23	1840	- 27
Anne Lye	- Sept -	1848	- 66
Henry Wansey, <u>Sambourne, WARMINSTER</u>	- Mar. 27	1855	- 80
George Wansey, <u>Church Street,</u>	- Jan. 4	1859	- 73
Jane Wansey wife of George Wansey <u>Church Street.</u>	- Jan. 23	1861	- 67
Edward Wansey, <u>Sutton Veny,</u>	- Aug. 31	1864	- 56
Elizabeth Wansey, <u>Sambourne,</u>	- Jan. 28	1868	- 87
Catherine Morgan	- Aug -	1891	- 69

and on an adjoining tombstone

George Wansey	- Dec. 29	1858	- 77
and Jane his wife, dau of (John Hubbard?)	- - -	1861	- 67

1658 John Wansey of Merriott married Frances Allen Crewkerne March 25, (Registered).

1832 A John Wansey died aged 48.

Gifts to Churches by the Wauncies.

1080 Hugo de Waunci, Patron of the Church of West Barsham gives it to the Priory of Castleacre. Ditto as Patron of Depeden. Sir Hugh also gave the Church of Thruyton to Castleacre Priory (Dug.Mon. I.622)

Hugh, his grandson is Patron and had the advowson of Thruyton Church. He confirmed certain lands at West Barsham in pure alms as Esmond his Aunt had before done.

William son of Hugh confirmed the gifts of his father and further gave them 4 acres with liberty of the fold course for 180 sheep and also confirmed to them the mill called Bridge Mill with the customs belonging thereto.

Sir Roger de W. gave Stansted Church to Merton Abbey in Surrey also Hunsdon Church temp. H.I. STANSTED & HUNSDON WERE NEAR REYDON

Michael de W. half the Manor of Stansted, Herts.

1353 Walter Wansey gave lands to Cambridge University at Poundisbury which is in the hundred of Casleford (Carleford?) in Suffolk - a rectory valued in the King's Book 17.11.3. in the gift of Trinity College, Cambridge. It is 3 1/4 miles N.W. of Wodebridge with C h d a d (Church) to St. Mary. Worth now over £700 a year. When Walter Wancy, Clerk, gave this land to the Master and scholars of Michalhouse there was no College at Cambridge and only one other Hall (Peterhouse founded in 1257 and just endowed in 1282). Michalhouse was founded in 1324 by Harey de Stanton who was Chancellor of the Exchequer to Edward II, so that Walter Wancy's Benefaction was within 30 years of its foundation, and he being styled "Clericus" might probably have had his education there

Wanseys in Wiltshire.

1199 1.J.I. Ricardus de Waunci signs as witness King John's Charter to Amesbury Abbey on Salisbury Plain.

1216 1.H 3. Geoffry de Wancy holds a Knight's fee at Adhelmerston.

1228 Ralph de Wancy holds a Knight's fee at Adhelmerston.

1275 Ralph de Wancy " " " "

1300 Sir William and Sir Geoffrey (Geoffry) de Wancy, Knights and owners temp. Henry III. and Edward I.

1306 Roger de Bygal Earl of Norfolk Clyve Wancy dimid feed. Robert Tregoz held one fee at Clyve Wancy in the time of King Edward.

1306 Robert de Waunsi is juror on an Inquisition at Compton,

1319 (Chamberlaine?) and also at Salisbury in 1319.

1329 3.E.3. John Waunsi at Wilton signs (twice) as witness of a post mortem inquisition.

1331 " John Waunsi at Salisbury " " " " etc..

1375 49 E.3. John Waunsi at Wilton " " " " "

(See Jackson & Aubrey's Wilts Collections: Inquisitions of post mortem Ed. III.)

"It seems not improbable that this early family of Waunsey may have migrated from the neighbourhood of Salisbury along the Vale of Wylve and eventually settled in Warminster (20 miles distant). We often find the younger sons of good families embarking in the clothing business in its earlier and more prosperous days" (McKite's Letter, Devizes Museum)

Achelmerston was called Clyve Wancy after Radulfus (Ralph) de Wancy who held lands there C. 1275. (Test de Nevill 137) Clyve Wancy now Clevancy is in the Parish of Hilkarton on the road from Calne to Wootton Bassett in N. Wilts, 3 miles N.E. from Calne. It took its name from our family. The land is 8 carucates. It paid geld (tax) for 9 hides.

Geoffrey de Waunsey held lands in Oxfordshire, Wiltshire and other places in the reign of Edward I. (1272 - 1307). His name which is misprinted Waunci in Archaeologie Vol XXXIX. occurs as Gefrai de Waunci in St. George's Roll of Arms - with the old coat of GULES, THREE GAUNTS, ARGENT, and the same coat of arms is given for "Ion (John) de Waunci" in the very ancient roll of the Society of Antiquaries, No. 17.

Two branches of our family were in Wilts in the reign of Henry III. In the Testa de Nevil it is recorded that Ralph de Waunci in 1221 holds at Helmerton a military fee of Roger de Bluet also one military fee at Wodhall (near Cricklade) of the Earl Marshall and the King.

Geoffry de Waunsey holds in Clive Wancy $\frac{1}{2}$ military fee of the Earl Marshall (E. Clare) and he of the King, together with one fee at Lewarton in Berks under the Abbey of Abingdon (temp. H. 3 or Ed. 1.

William Wansey in 1779 says:- "About 40 names are entered in the Warminster Church Register before any Wansey, but none of those 40 are any names of people that now reside in Warminster (at least of any note) so that our Family are upon Record, as inhabitants of this town, prior to any other Family now residing here."

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Born			Died	Age	Buried
Circ. 1480 ?	Henry		1546		
1522-32	Henry	= Katherine Stibbs	1592		Minster
1560	John	= Margaret Yockhey	1626	66	Minster
Had 9 children					
1627 (Bn. after f's death)	George	= Elizabeth Rawlins	1699	72	Bugley
Three children					
1649	George	= Joyce Short Hester French	1707	58	Minster
Three children					
1690	Henry	= Elizabeth Farmer	1761	71	Minster
Seven children					
1713	George	= Hester Green	1762	49	Minster
Nine children					
1746	William	= Sarah Jeffries	1805	58	Minster
Eight children					
1774	Henry	= Eliz. Wansey (cousin)	1855	80	Boreham Rd
Fifteen children					
1827	Arthur Henry	= Blanche Wellsted	1900	73	Stoke Bishop Bristol.
Eight children					
1873	Henry Raymond	= Beatrice Margaret Nottidge Hilda Thomson			

Died in a hospital for dummies = 15yd x 7yd at Baynes St. Bury, beside the old Pauline Trade

Married to daughter

Paul John Peter Mary Joseph = Olive Washburn Bramhall
CHRISTOPHER.
Margaret = Michael Norgett
Mary Katherine Elizabeth Margaret

All these have lived sometime in Warminster during a period of over 400 years.

A Margaret Wansey died in 1560

