

The 'Drury / Freeman / Seeney Families'

Elizabeth Drury – born in 1700, married William Garlick (1681-1774) in St Nicholas Church, Kenilworth in 1724 and they had 5 children, one of whom was Mary born in 1739 and baptised in St Nicholas church, Kenilworth. Elizabeth dies in 1789 a widowed pauper.

Mary Garlick – Mary went on to marry William Freeman (1733-1815) in Kenilworth. His parents were Samuel Freeman and Hannah Spires. At one point William was an innkeeper. William and Mary had a son, also named William. Mary died in 1784 and is buried in Kenilworth with her husband.

William Freeman (1761-1846) - He was born and baptised in November 1761 in Kenilworth. He married Mary Page in 1798. He was able to read and write but his wife was not. William died in St John's parish in Coventry but was buried in Kenilworth with Mary who had died 2 years before him. At the time of the 1841 census, William and Mary had been living in Studley in Warwickshire and William was a farmer. They had a son named John.

John Freeman – he was born in 1798 and died 1881. He married Eleanor Ann Spraggett who came from Bishop's Itchington. On the 1851 census John was a lead miner but he changed career and on subsequent census recordings he was a shoe maker. By 1851 John and his family had left Kenilworth and, by the time he died, he was living in Coventry, a widowed lodger. John and Eleanor had a daughter named Maria Ann who was born in Kenilworth in 1835.

Maria Ann Freeman – Maria left Kenilworth as a child between the ages of 6 and 16. By the age of 17 she shows up on the census as a household servant living in Coventry, working for a carpenter. In 1855 she married Charles Seeney in Holy Trinity Church in Coventry. Charles had been born in Middleton Chaney which is on the Oxfordshire/Northamptonshire border. By 1861 Charles was working as a Farm Bailiff in Stoneleigh in Warwickshire. Charles and Maria stayed in the Stoneleigh area until their deaths. Charles prospered and eventually had his own farm and employed others and, when he died he left over £2000 in his estate. Maria died in 1916. One of Charles and Maria's children was named Agnes.

Agnes Seeney – born in 1872 in Stoneleigh, by 1891 Agnes was living in Kenilworth, working as a servant for a Bank Manager and his wife. Within 10 years she had met and married Thomas Radford, a soldier and was living in Longdon in Staffordshire. Thomas and Agnes had several children, one of whom was Ann. Agnes died in 1940.

Annie/Ann Radford was born in 1908 in Rugeley and died in 1992 in Stoke on Trent. She married Ernest George Richardson and they had one daughter named Cynthia who was born in 1934. Cynthia married Frederick Graham Bowers and had 2 sons, Andrew (born 1958) and Timothy (born 1960). Both are married, Andrew has 3 children and Tim has 2 and 1 grandson.



Maria Ann Freeman b. 1835 Kenilworth



Annie Radford 1920s