

Edward Baker Senior 1824 - 28 January 1908

Edward Baker was born in 1824, in Horsted Keynes. Edward married Mary Ann Gasson who was born in Fletching in 1833. They had 10 children; Esther (1853-1923), Elias (1855-?), Emma (1858-1952), Mary Ann Harriet (1860-1933), Annie (1863-1946), Edward (1865-1949), Agnes (1868-1917), Charlotte (1870-?), Clara (1873-?), Charles (1876-1955)

Edward Snr was a pork butcher, and in 1871 he was listed as having 13 acres of land, and by 1881 he had a shop in Fletching. By 1901 he had changed his occupation to a fruit farmer and was living in Chelwood Gate.

Edward senior died on 28th January 1908, aged 85

Mary Ann Baker (nee Gasson) 1833- 13 October 1906

Mary Ann Gasson married Edward Baker. They had 10 children

Mary died on 13 October 1906 aged 73. She is buried at Danehill cemetery



Mary Baker is buried in the
burial ground at Danehill
cemetery



Edward and Mary Ann Baker's children

Clara Baker

1873 -

Clara married James Robert Green, whose occupation was a rope and matting manufacturer.

She is listed on the 1911 census as a visitor to her brother Edward's house along with her sisters Agnes and Charlotte.

Edward Baker Junior

25 September 1865 - 24

October 1949

Edward Baker, son of Edward Baker Snr and Mary Ann Gasson was born on 25th September 1865 in Chelwood Common.

He was a fruit grower and in 1911 was living at Holly House, Chelwood Gate and possibly helped his father with the farm. He was single at that time, and had two sisters Agnes and Charlotte living with him.

Edward died on 24th October 1949 in Chelwood Common. In his Will he left £1984. 6s. 5d to John Edward Baker, a market gardener.

Annie Baker

14 March 1863 - 1946

Annie one of Edward's sisters was born on 14th March 1863 in Danehill, she did not marry and in 1911 was housekeeper to Samuel Soper, a retired convict warder living at Stone House, Chelwood Gate.

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1902. Marriage solemnized at the Parish Church in the Parish of Brighton in the County of Sussex

No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Residence.	Rank or Profession of Father.
153	June 24 th 1902	James Edward Wheeler	47	Widower	Freeman Packer	50 Southampton	James Wheeler 1001	Shoemaker
		Anna Eliza Lovett	36	Spinster	-	50 Southampton	Richard Lovett 1001	Printer

Married in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by

This Marriage was solemnized between us
James Edward Wheeler In the Presence of us
Anna Eliza Lovett

J. C. Lovett
Arthur Mott
Curate

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154	June 25 th 1902	James Robert Green	25	Bachelor	Rope & Matting Dealer	Thrington Pt	James Green	Rope & Matting Dealer
		Clara Baker	29	Spinster	-	61 Staplebury Rd	Edward Baker	Farmer (Retired)

Married in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by

This Marriage was solemnized between us
James Robert Green In the Presence of us
Clara Baker

J. C. Lovett
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Clara Baker and Robert Green's marriage certificate



Edward Snr, Edward Jnr Annie and Agnes are buried in the burial ground at Danehill cemetery



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Charles Baker

6 July 1876 - 8 January 1955

Charles was a brother of Edward Baker. He was born on 6th July 1876 Charles married Mary Ann Wheeler (1881-1963). They had 3 children; Sydney Spencer (1901-?) baptised 23rd January 1901 Alfred Charles (1903-1971), baptised 6th August 1904 and Cecil John (1908-1993).

In 1911 they were all living in a cottage in Chelwood Gate which only had 4 rooms including the kitchen. Charles' occupation was a general labourer.

Charles died on 8th January 1955, aged 78. He was buried in Danehill cemetery on 12 January 1955. In his Will he left £1711.1s.7d.



Charles is buried in the burial ground at Danehill cemetery



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Cecil John Baker
18 November 1908 - 24 March 1994

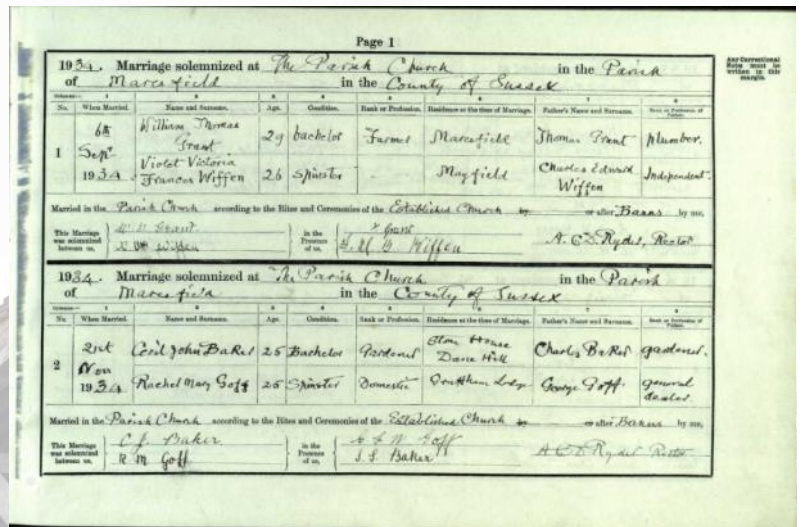
Cecil Baker was born on 18th November 1908 in Chelwood Gate. He married Rachel Mary Goff in December 1934 in the Uckfield District. They had one son, Terence John Baker

He was a gardener by profession, and he died on 24th March 1994, aged 85.

Rachel Mary Baker (nee Goff)
1910 - 14 May 1993

Rachel Goff married Cecil John Baker in December 1934 on the Uckfield District.. They had one son, Terence John Baker.

Rachel died on 14th May 1993, aged 83.



Above: Cecil and Rachel's marriage certificate. Below: Cecil and Rachel and their son Terence are all buried in Danehill cemetery

Terence John Baker
1944 - 3 July 2017

Terence John Baker was the son of Cecil and Rachel. He died on 3rd July 2017, aged 74.



George Baker

1812 - 20 January 1899

George Baker was born in 1812 in Horsted Keynes in Danehill. His parents were George Baker (1778-1855) and Barbara Lucas (1790-1864). George married Sarah Ann Tomsett (1819-1884) on 25th June 1837 and they had 11 children; Mathias (1837-1915), Reuben (1839-1925), Samuel (1841-1908), Harriet (1846-?), Alfred (1848-1910), Walter (1850-1935), Lewis (1852-1935), Esther (1854-1923), Louisa (1858-?), Emma (1861-1914) and Fanny (1862-1939)

They lived at Holly Cottage, Danehill from 1871-1891, when George and Sarah were living there alone and George is listed as living on own means.

George died on 20th January 1899, aged 88. He was buried in Danehill cemetery on 25 January 1899



George and Sarah are buried in Danehill cemetery



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William Baker October 1851 - 19 June 1929

William Baker born in October 1851, in Fletching, was the son of William Baker (1818-1880) and Harriet Wickens (1814-1880).

William married Jane Ann Tester from West Hoathly in January 1880 in the Uckfield District. They had 9 children.

Their first born son Arthur William was born in 1881, but he must have died before the next census as he is not listed with the rest of the family. Also on the 1911 census it states that they had had 9 children and 1 that had died. Children born after Arthur; William, Emily, Henry, Mary, Louisa, Kate, Annie and Walter.

William and Jane spent all their married life living in Chelwood Common, William was an agricultural labourer.

William died on 19th May 1929, aged 78. He was buried in Danehill cemetery on 24th May 1929



William is buried in Danehill cemetery



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Lewis Baker

26 August 1852 - 14 February 1935

Lewis Baker, born on 26th August 1852, was the son of George Baker (1812-1899) and Sarah Ann Tomsett (1819-1884).

In 1871 Lewis was working as a servant to William and Jane Martin at Collingford Farm House, Danehill. By 1891 he had married Alice Jensen Hunt (1852-1899), they had married in the East Grinstead District, they did not have any children and sadly Alice died in 1899.

Lewis then married Jane Turner in July 1900 and a son Walter was born in September 1900. Two more children followed, with Edith in 1902 and Elsie in 1904.

Edith married Albert Richard Jenner and Elsie married Edmund Etherton.

In the 1901 census Walter was 6 months old and the family were living at Hope Cottage, Danehill, they were still there in 1911 with their 3 children. The cottage had 3 rooms including the kitchen.

Lewis died 14th February 1935, aged 82. In his Will Lewis left £665.

Jane Baker (nee Turner)

1873 - 2 March 1944

Jane Turner was born in 1873. She married Lewis Baker in July 1900. They had three children, Walter, Edith and Elsie.

Jane died on 2nd March 1944, aged 71.



Elsie and Edmund Etherton



Lewis and Jane are buried in Danehill cemetery



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Frank Baker

October 1882 - 17 September 1939

Frank Baker was born in Danehill in October 1882 and baptised on 28th January 1883 in Danehill. His parents were Frederick Baker (1845-1916) and Elizabeth Wood (1846-1918).

In the 1939 register there is a Frank Baker recorded with his wife Edith, living in the Borough of Sutton and Cheam, he is listed as a linotype operator.

Frank Baker died on 17th September 1939, aged 57 and was buried on 20th September 1939



Frank is buried in Danehill cemetery



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Matthias Baker

14 April 1896 - 31 July 1918

Matthias Baker was born on 14th April 1896. Matthias was the son of Elias and Mary Elizabeth Baker of Yew Tree House, Chelwood Gate. He was baptised at Danehill and attended the local school.

Enlisted at Eastbourne and was later posted to "D" Company the 7th Battalion The Royal Sussex Regiment, G24225.. He was a Private.

He was killed in action on 3rd July 1918, aged 22. He is buried Harponville Communal Cemetery.



Matthias Baker

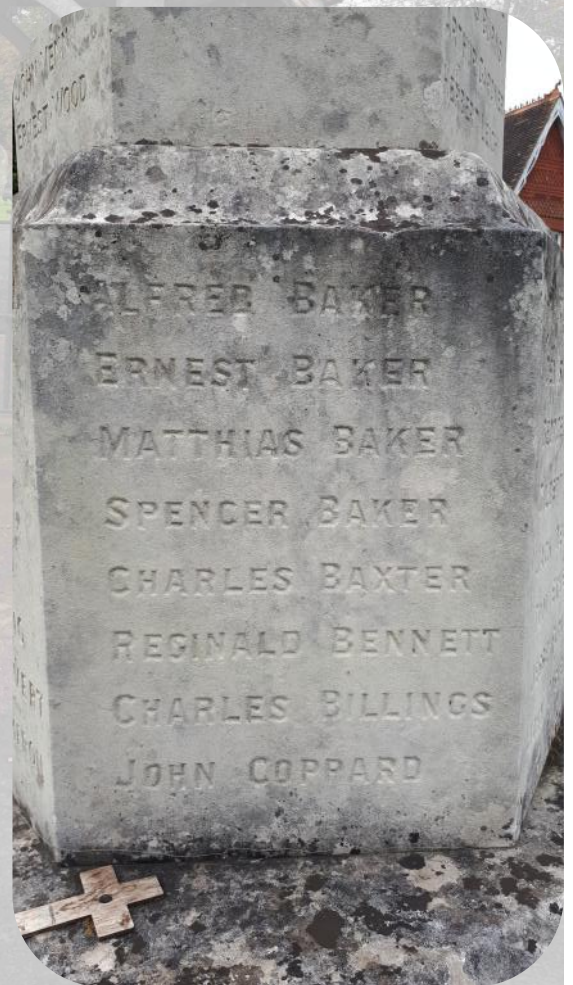
A history of this battalion, published in 1934, includes in the Diary of Movements "June 17th to July 10th 1918 Trenches, Senlis and Bouzincourt, East of Albert."

From the entry for 3rd July 1918 – "they were heavily shelled on the way and one platoon of "D" Company was almost wiped out by a direct hit from an 8 inch shell."

The list of casualties includes Baker, Matthais, Pte, ("D" Company) killed in action.



Matthias home on leave with his father, Elias



Matthias Baker is remembered on the War Memorial at Danehill Church



Spencer Baker

9 December 1879 - 26 October 1917

Spencer was born on 9th December 1879

Spencer was the son of Spencer Baker (1851 - 06 November 1917) and Susan Lindfield (1853 - 31 March 1923) of Forest Farm, he attended Danehill school, leaving in 1893 to work on his father's farm. The 1881 Census for Chelwood Farm shows the one year old Spencer, his parents and two older brothers. Sharing part of the house was James Francis and his wife, Laura Ann, born in Canada. Was this a clue to his emigration to Canada? Spencer joined the Canadian Army and was a Lieutenant, in August 1914, 46th Battalion Canadian Expeditionary Force.. He was killed on the day the Canadians launched their attack on Passchendaele.

There is a rather sad report of the funeral of his father, Spencer, in the *Sussex Express & Surrey Advertiser* 16th November 1917, which includes an entry on the death of his son, Lieut. S. Baker on 26th October 1917 at Passchendaele Road, "he was buried near where he fell in the Gonnebeke Cemetery."

From The Book of Remembrance: Brother officers wrote of him "He died while courageously carrying out orders in the front line. He had advanced in the attack very bravely and courageously and his relatives have every reason to be intensely proud of his record. He endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact."

On his parent's grave stone in Danehill Cemetery, -
"Spencer Baker died November 6th 1917 aged 66,

Susan Baker died March 31st 1923
aged 70, also Spencer Baker killed in
action October 27th 1917 aged 38."



**Spencer Baker is remembered on
the war memorial at Danehill
church**



**Spencer Baker is buried with his
parents, Spencer and Susan
Baker and his brother Ernest
Baker at Danehill cemetery**



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Ernest Baker

1878 - 16 June 1904

Ernest Baker was born in 1878 in Fletching. His parents were Spencer Baker 1851-1917 and Susan Lindfield 1853-1923.

In 1881 aged 3 years Ernest was living with his parents and siblings at Chelwood Home Farm, in the parish of Danehill. His 8 siblings were; John, Spencer, Arthur, Lily, Amy, Minnie, Edith and Maud.

Sadly, his brother Spencer was killed on 26th October 1917 at Passchendaele.

Ernest's father Spencer was a farmer and in the 1881 census was recorded as having a farm of 102 acres, employing one man and a boy.

In 1901 Ernest was 13 years old and living with his family, but sadly he died at Chelwood Home Farm, aged just 23 years, on 16th June 1904.

He is not the Ernest Baker named on the Danehill War Memorial.



Ernest Baker is buried in Danehill cemetery with his



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Other Baker's

There are other Baker's buried in Danehill cemetery that could not be identified and no further information can be found on them. These are recorded below with all the information found:



Agnes Baker,
daughter of Mathias
and Annie Baker,
who died on 27
August 1893, aged
19



**Albert Baker (1878 -
20 January 1962),
aged 84 buried on 25
January 1962 and
his wife Emily
Harriett Baker (1881
- 24th March 1944),
aged 63, buried on
27 March 1944**

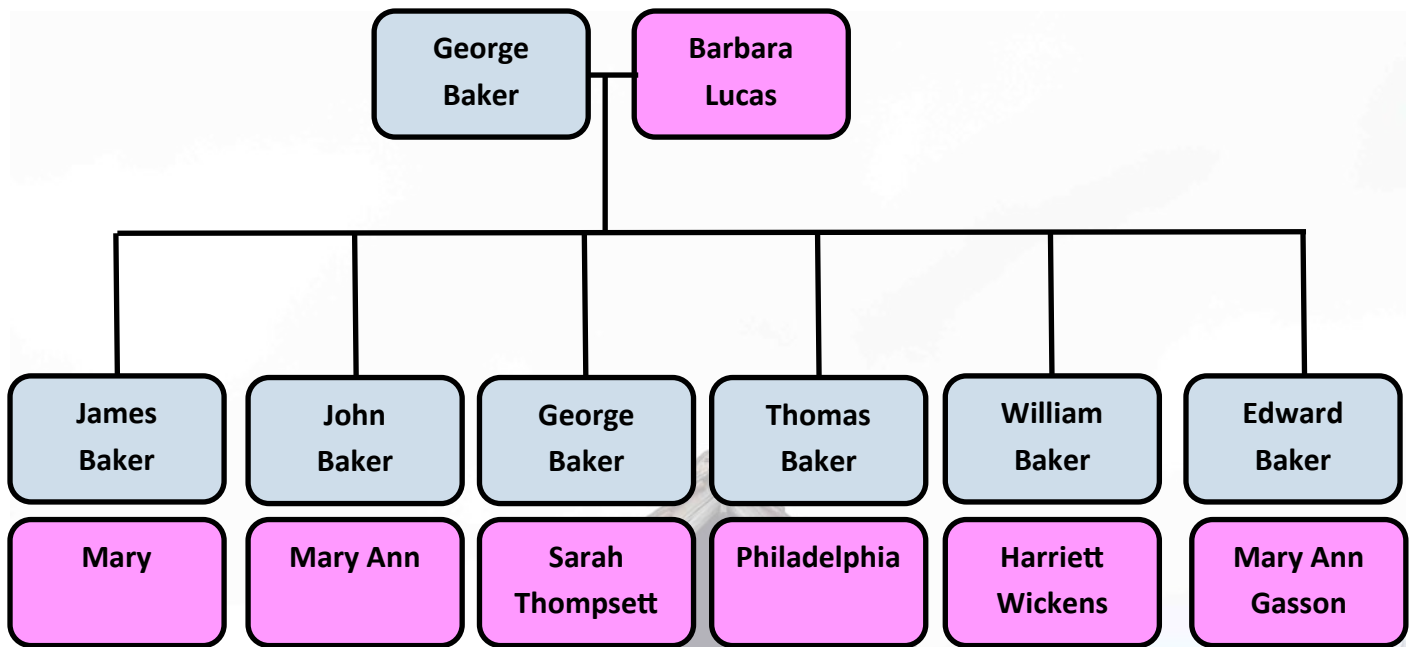


**Arthur William Baker (1880 - 18
May 1905), aged 84. It was first
thought that Arthur was the son
of William and Jane Tester,
although the dates do not match
up**



**Edith Carrie Baker (1886 - 12
May 1959), aged 70. She was a
mother, as the inscription
states, and is unclear whether
she was the wife of Frank Baker**





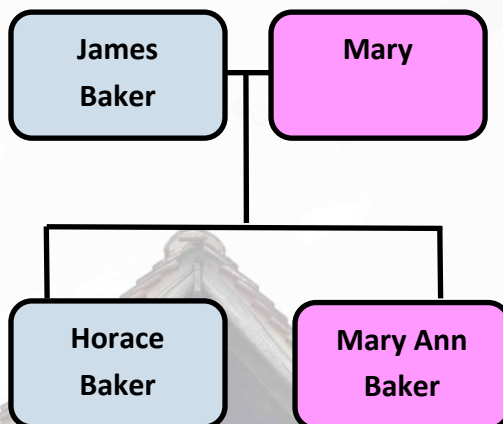
Baptismal dates

James Baker
 John Baker
 George Baker
 Thomas Baker
 William Baker 20 April 1872
 Edward Baker



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James Baker



Baptismal dates

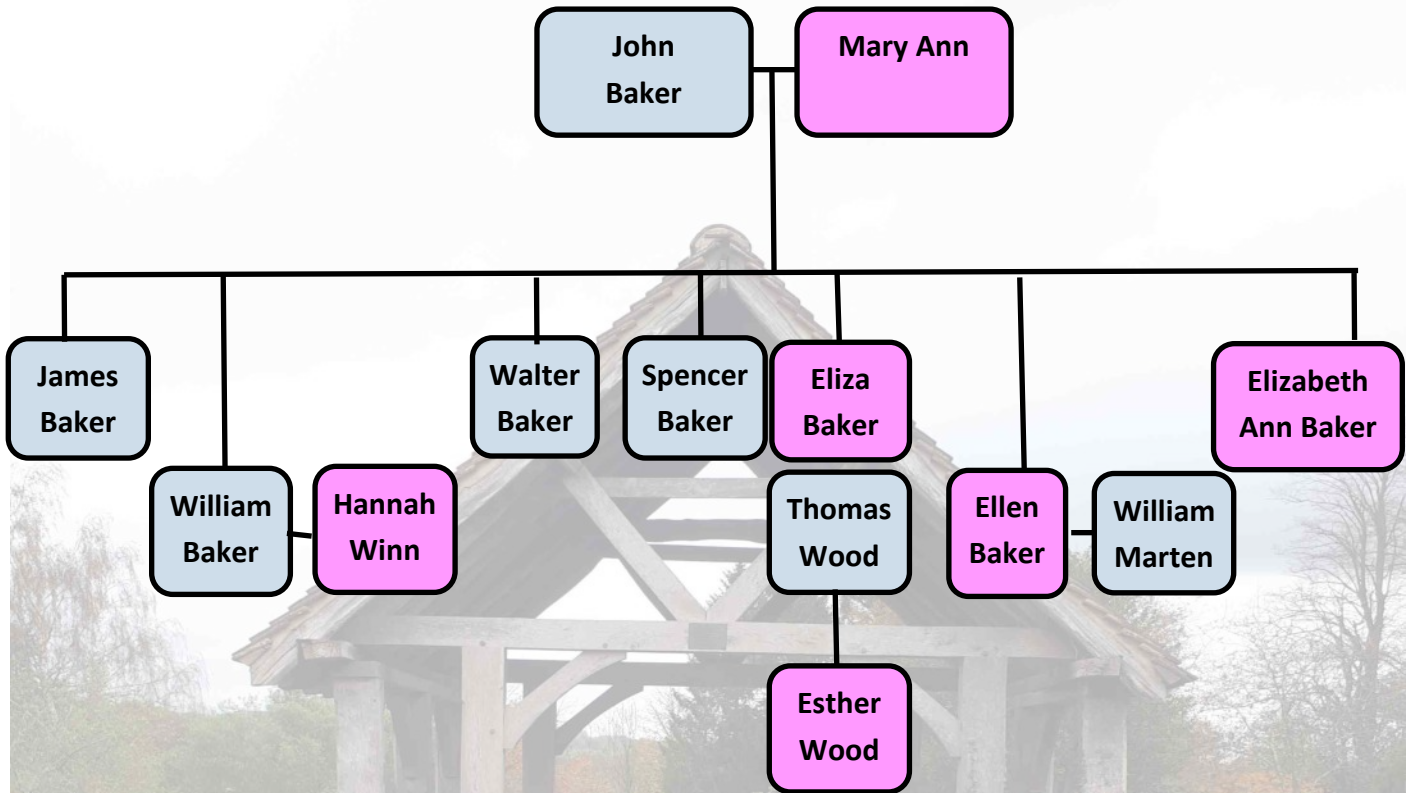
Horace Baker

Mary Ann baker



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John Baker

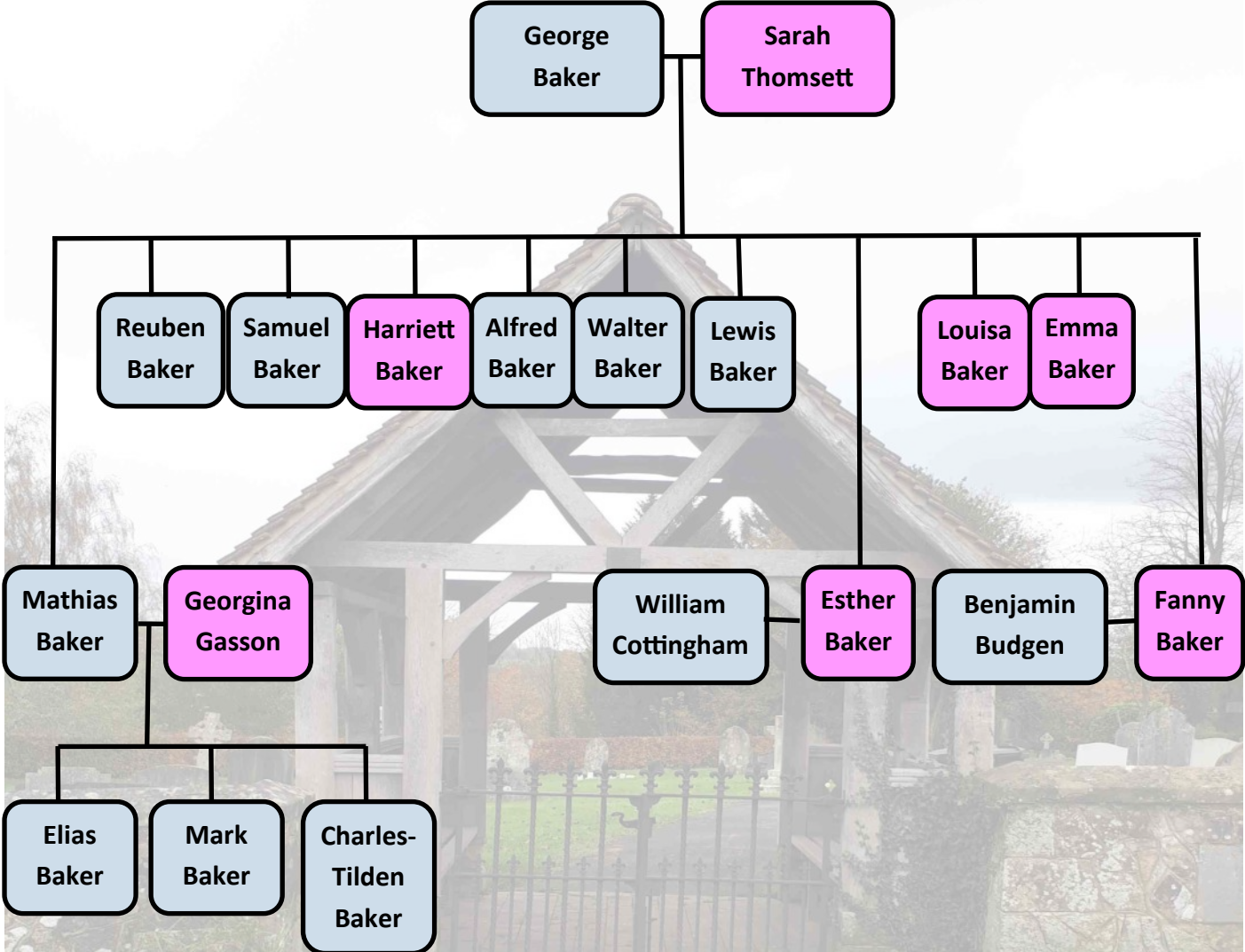


Baptismal dates
James Baker
William Baker
Walter Baker
Spencer Baker 14 December 1851
Eliza Baker 28 November 1853
Ellen Baker 14 January 1855
Elizabeth Baker 15 May 1857



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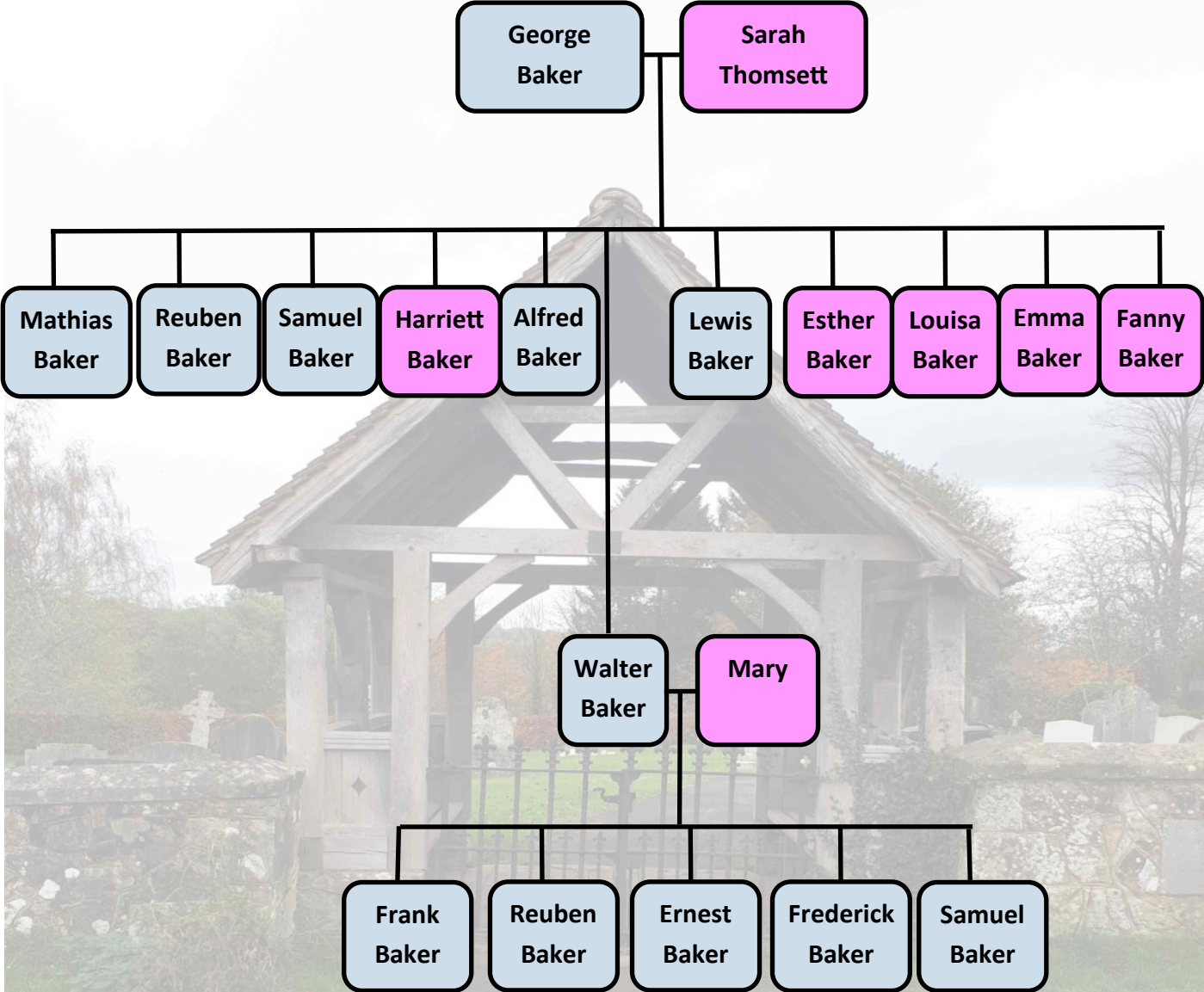
George Baker



Baptismal dates
Elias Baker
Mark Baker 8 December 1867
Charles-Tilden Baker

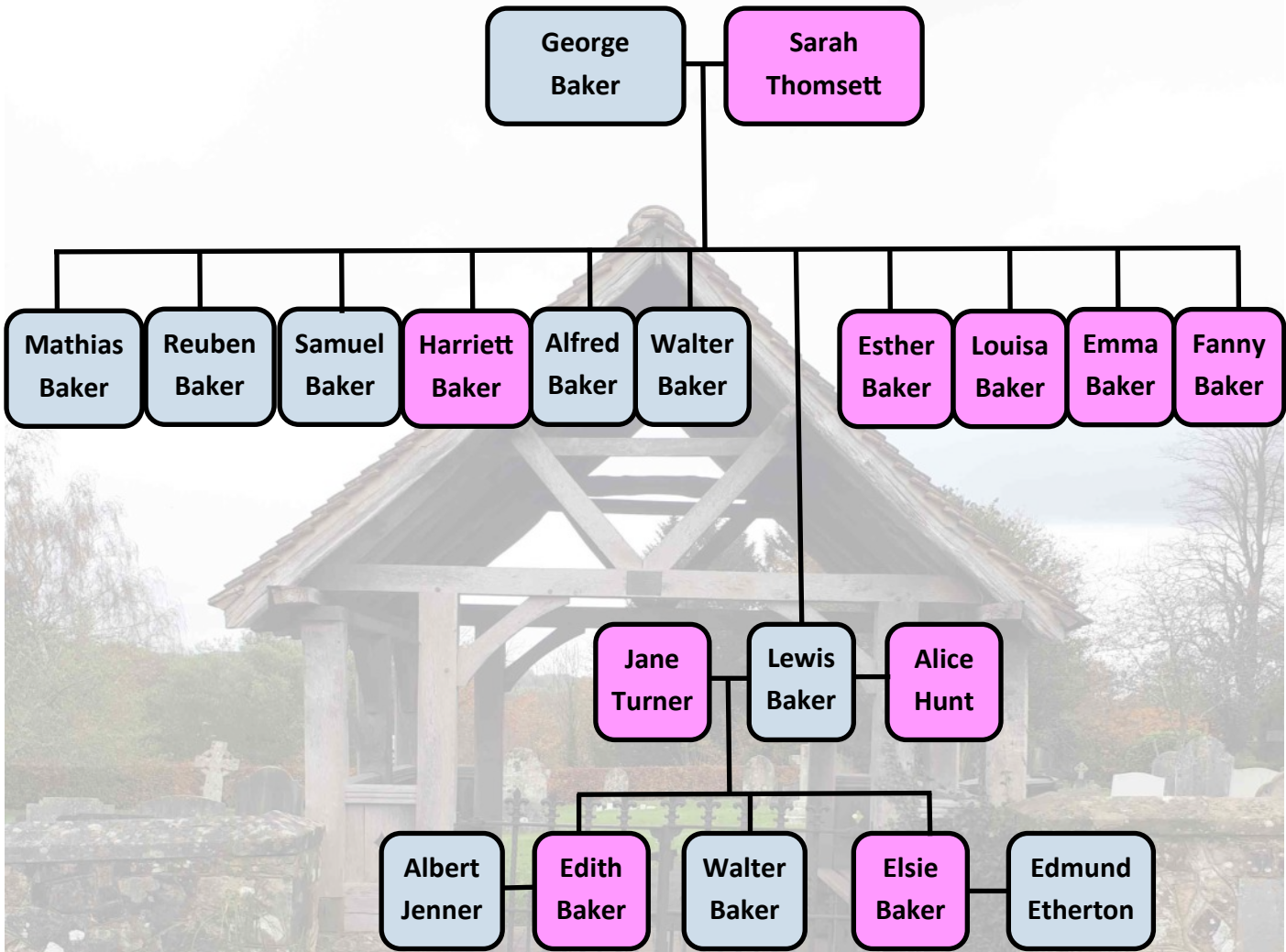


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Baptismal dates
Frank Baker 29 June 1884
Reuben Baker 28 February 1892
Ernest Baker 11 March 1898
Frederick Baker 24 September 1899
Samuel Baker

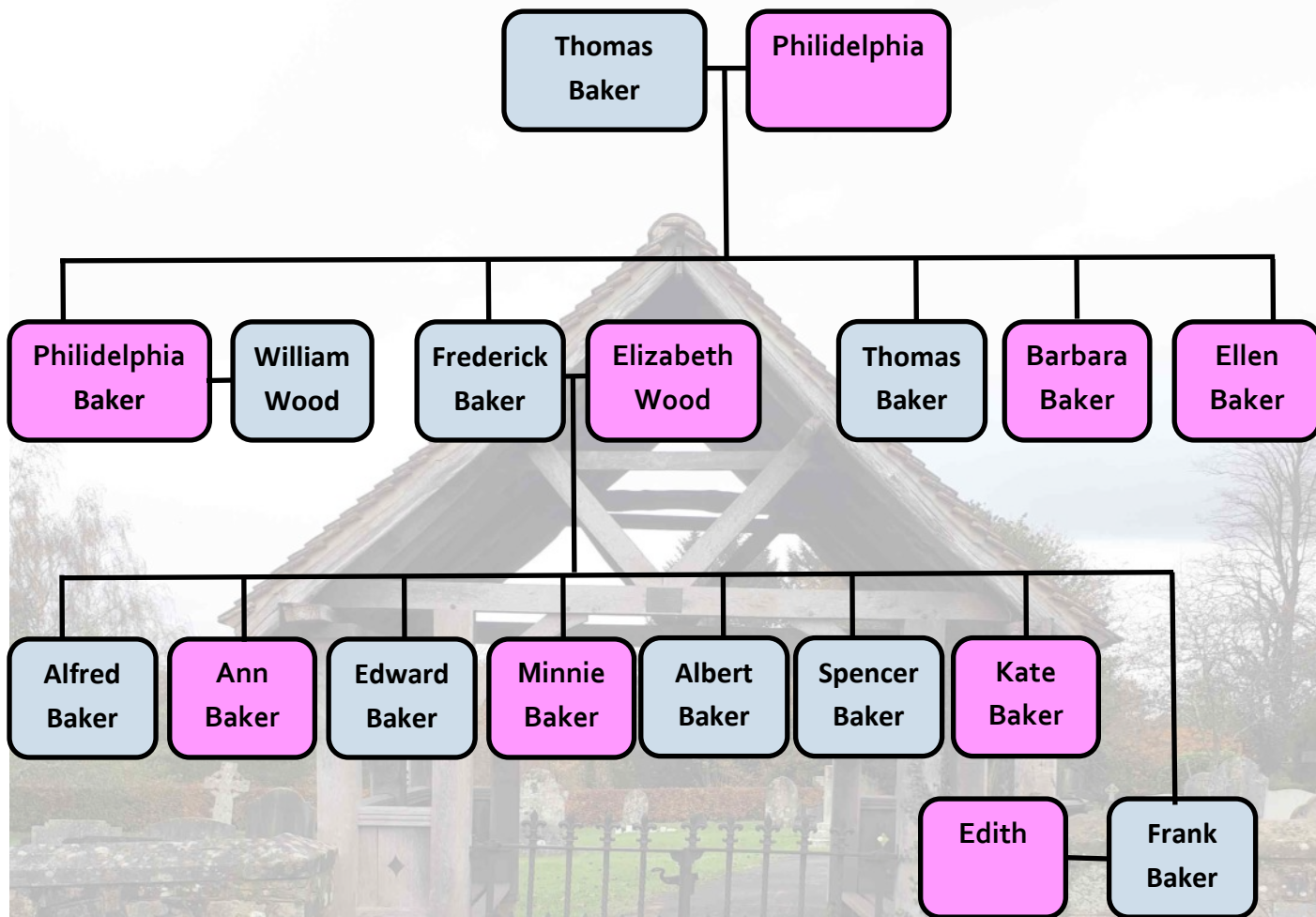




Baptismal dates
 Mathias Baker
 Reuben Baker
 Samuel Baker
 Harriett Baker
 Alfred Baker
 Walter Baker
 Lewis Baker 12 September 1852
 Esther Baker 10 September 1854
 Louisa Baker 12 September 1858
 Emma Baker 19 July 1863
 Fanny Baker 19 July 1863

Baptismal dates
 Edith Baker
 Walter Baker 28 October 1900
 Elsie Baker





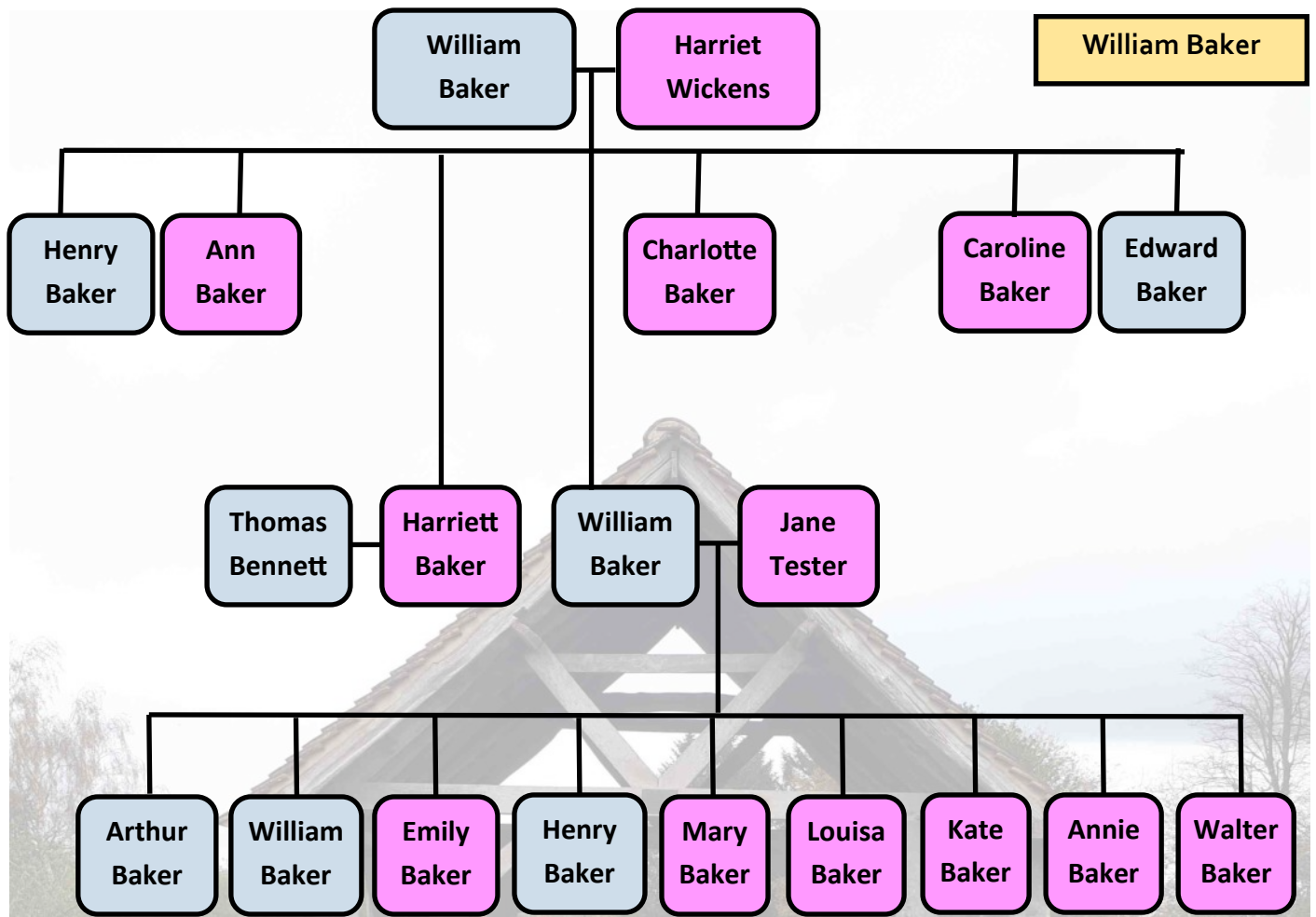
Baptismal dates

Philideplpha Baker
 Frederick Baker
 Thomas Baker 12 October 1851
 Barbara Baker 11 September 1853
 Ellen Baker 11 November 1855

Baptismal dates

Alfred Baker 29 June 1873
 Ann Baker 27 September 1874
 Edward Baker 31 October 1875
 Minnie Baker 8 February 1877
 Albert Baker 31 March 1878
 Spencer Baker 30 November 1879
 Kate Baker 28 August 1881
 Frank Baker

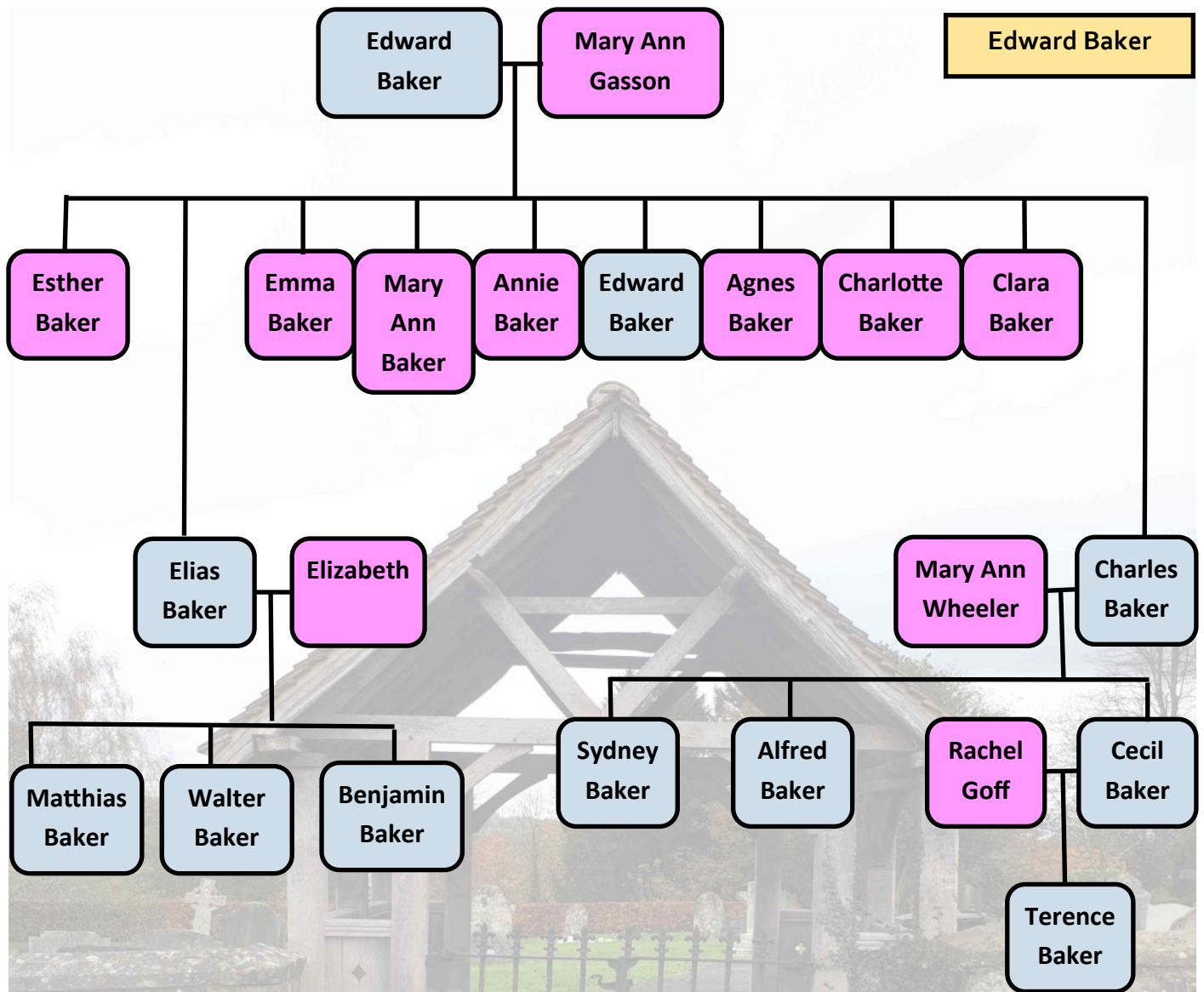




Baptismal dates
 Henry Baker
 Ann Baker
 Harriett Baker
 William Baker 14 March 1852
 Charlotte Baker
 Caroline Baker 10 December 1854
 Edwards Baker 12 December 1858

Baptismal dates
 Arthur Baker 27 June 1880
 William Baker
 Emily Baker 29 July 1883
 Henry Baker 29 March 1885
 Louisa Baker
 Kate Baker 31 August 1891
 Annie Baker 26 February 1892
 Walter Baker 30 September 1894





Baptismal dates

Esther Baker 10 July 1853
 Elias Baker 10 February 1856
 Emma Baker 10 October 1858
 Mary Ann Baker 9 December 1860
 Annie Baker 3 May 1863
 Edward Baker 7 January 1866
 Agnes Baker 14 June 1868
 Charlotte Baker 20 November 1870
 Clara Baker 11 May 1873
 Charles Baker 28 October 1876

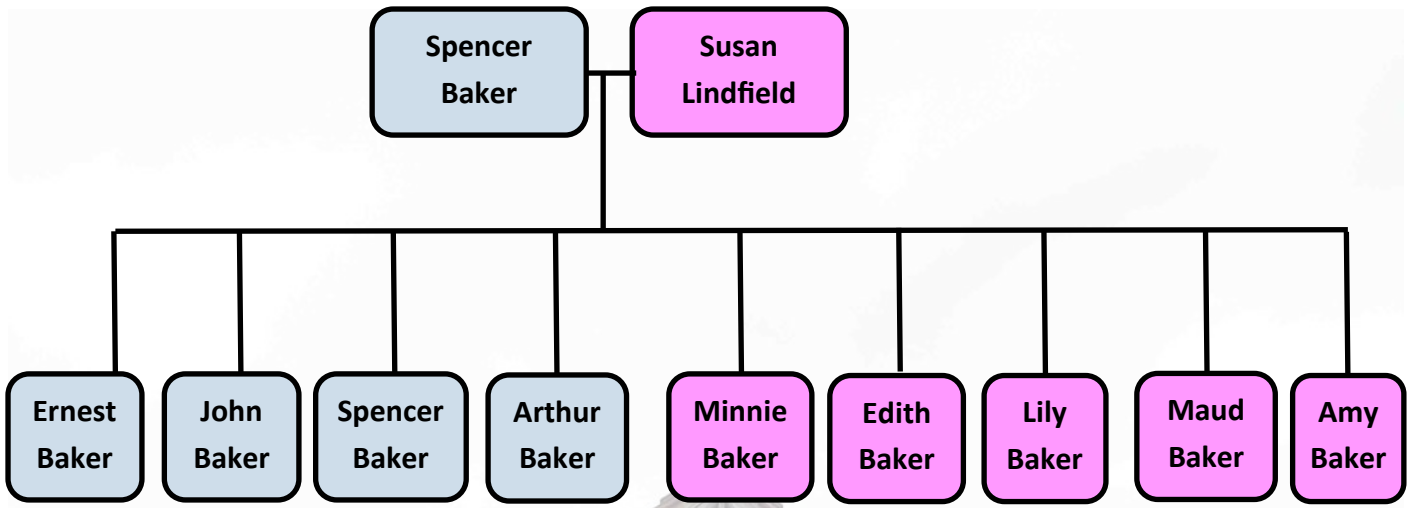
Baptismal dates

Mathias Baker 28 June 1896
 Walter Baker 26 May 1895
 Benjamin Baker 14 November 1897
 Sydney Baker
 Alfred Baker
 Cecil Baker

If you have any more information about this family that you believe would be of interest please contact the Danehill Parish Historical Society dphs@outlook.com. We'd love to hear from you



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