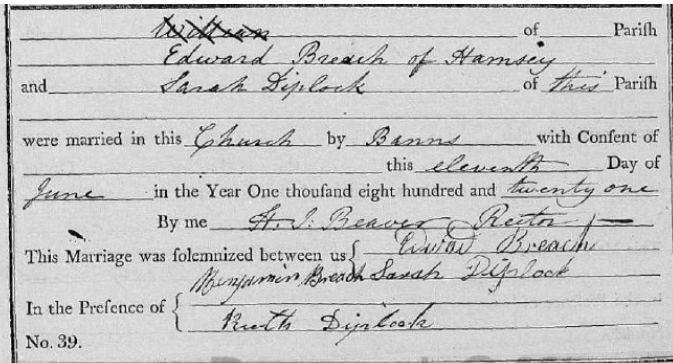


Edward Breach

6 April 1839 - 21 February 1919

Edward Breach was born on 6th April 1839 in Hamsey, he was baptised on 30th June 1839 in Hamsey.

Edward's parents were Edward M Breach (1798-1843) and Sarah Diplock (1803-1868). Edward and Sarah married on 11th June 1821 in Barcombe, and had 11 children including Edward.



Handwritten wedding certificate for Edward Breach and Sarah Diplock. The document is dated 11th June 1821 and was solemnized by Rev. A. B. Breach. It lists the names of the bride and groom, the officiant, and the witnesses. The certificate is numbered 39.



In 1861 Edward was a lodger with George Allcorn living at Pauls House, Hamsey, his occupation is an agricultural nursery labourer. The census record is unclear as to the name of the house, but it was next to the railway crossing gate.

Edward (snr) and Sarah's wedding certificate

Edward married Mahala Tomsett on 9th August 1866 in Hamsey and by 1871 Edward they are living in Chelwood Common, near to Greenfields Cottage, Perrymans Lane, with two children, Edward 4 years old and Sarah aged 2. Sarah does not appear in the next census of 1881 so it is likely she died, but cannot find a record of this.

In 1881 Edward and Mahala have more children, Eliza aged 11, Mercy aged 9, Ann aged 6, John aged 3 and William who is 2 months old.

In 1891 Edward and Mahala are still in Chelwood Common and Mahala's father John Tomsett is recorded living with them. They now have another son, Ernest who is 7 years old.

By 1901 the family have moved to Flower Cottage in West Hoathly, and Ernest is a grocer's apprentice.

Edward died 21st February 1919 aged 79. He was buried at Danehill cemetery on 28th February 1919

Left to right: John & Elizabeth Breach, William, Rose & Leslie Breach & William Breach



John and William both married and later emigrated to Australia. John married Elizabeth Norman and William married Rose Adelaide Wood. They both died in Australia, John in 1963 in Cheltenham, Victoria, and William in 1953 in Hurstville, Western Australia.



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Mahala Breach (Nee Tomsett) **15 February 1845 - 24 December 1933**

Mahala Breach was born on 15th February 1845 in Chelwood Common, her parents were John Tomsett (1815-1894) and Susanna Breedon (1818-1878).

John and Susanna had married on 7th February 1836 at St. Michael's Church in Withyham. They had 11 children including Mahala.

Susanna was born 20th September 1818 and had a twin sister Phoebe. After Susanna's death, in 1878, John lived firstly, in 1881, with his daughter Martha and her family in Laurel Cottage, Chelwood Common. Afterwards in 1891 with Mahala and her family also in Chelwood Common. In 1891 he was 76 years old and still working as a general labourer. John died in April 1894.



Mahala Breach

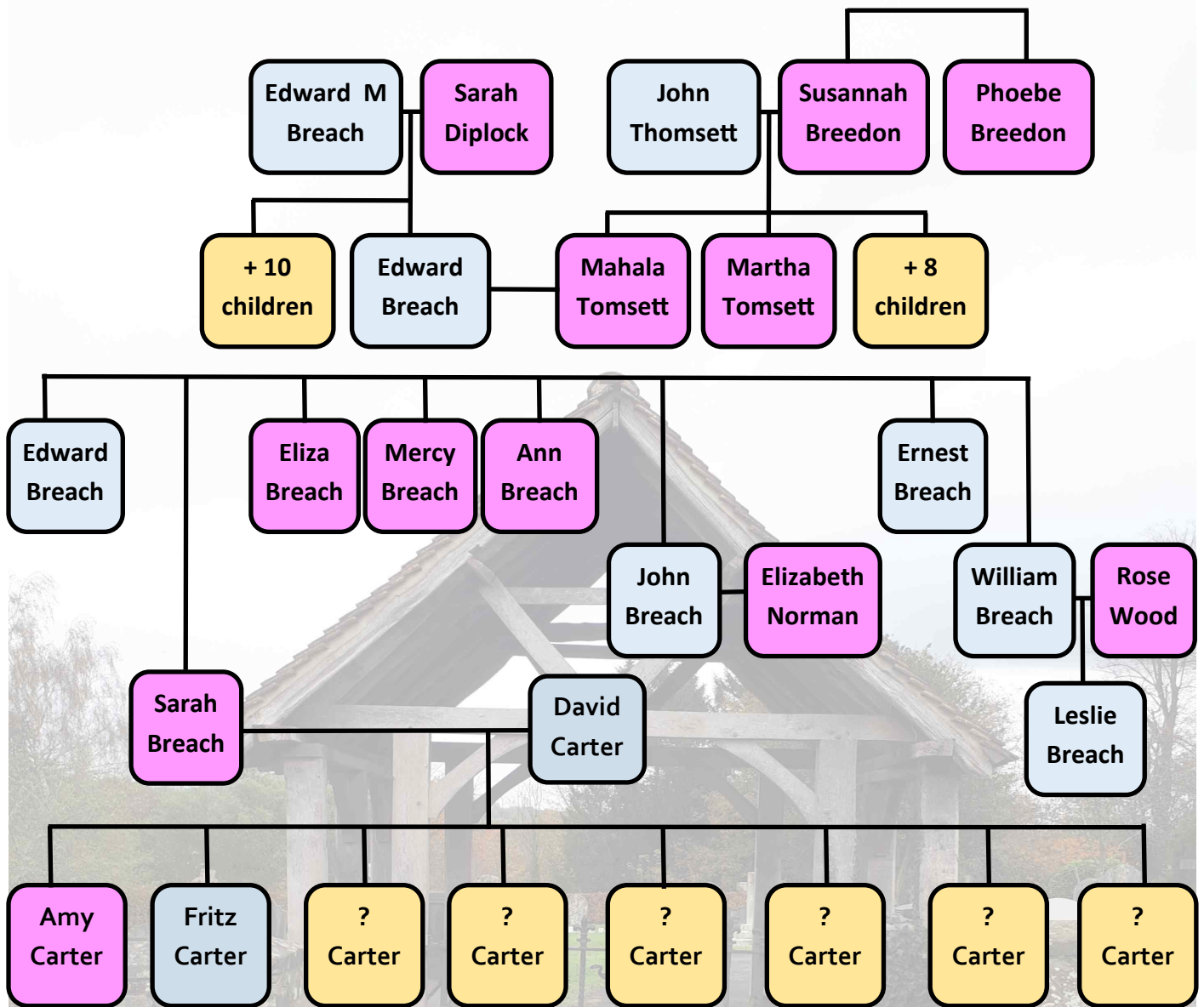
Mahala died 24th December 1933 aged 89. She was buried at Danehill cemetery on 28th December 1933.



Edward & Mahala Breach are buried at Danehill cemetery



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