Joseph Dier
4 November 1839 - 13 November 1891

Joseph Dier was born 4th November 1839 in Withyham. His father also Joseph (1792-1868) was a farmer, and his mother was Ansley Wickens (1806-1879).

Joseph like his father, was also a farmer and in 1881 they were living at Black Dog House, Fletching.

Joseph married Mercy Ann Martin in July 1859 in the Uckfield District, and they had 7 children; Mark (born in 1858, a year before their marriage), Abigail Mary Rose, Joseph Benjamin, Mercy Ellen Kate, Elizabeth Blanche, Lillie Ada and William George.

Joseph died on 13th November 1891. He was buried at Danehill cemetery on 17 November 1891

Mercy Ann Dier (nee Martin)
1839- 18 October 1909

Mercy Ann Martin was born in 1839 and baptised on 16th June 1839 in Fletching. Her parents were Benjamin Martin and Abigail?

Mercy Ann Martin married Joseph Dier in July 1859 in the Uckfield District, and they had 7 children; Mark (born in 1858, a year before their marriage), Abigail Mary Rose, Joseph Benjamin, Mercy Ellen Kate, Elizabeth Blanche, Lillie Ada and William George.

Mercy died 18 October 1909. She was buried at Danehill cemetery on 22nd October 1909.

Children:

Abigail Mary Rose
???? - 24 November 1931

Abigail married Richard Luck and after his death in 1913 she married Oliver Hambling Dixon. She died at Ivy Villas, Framfield, on 24th November 1931.

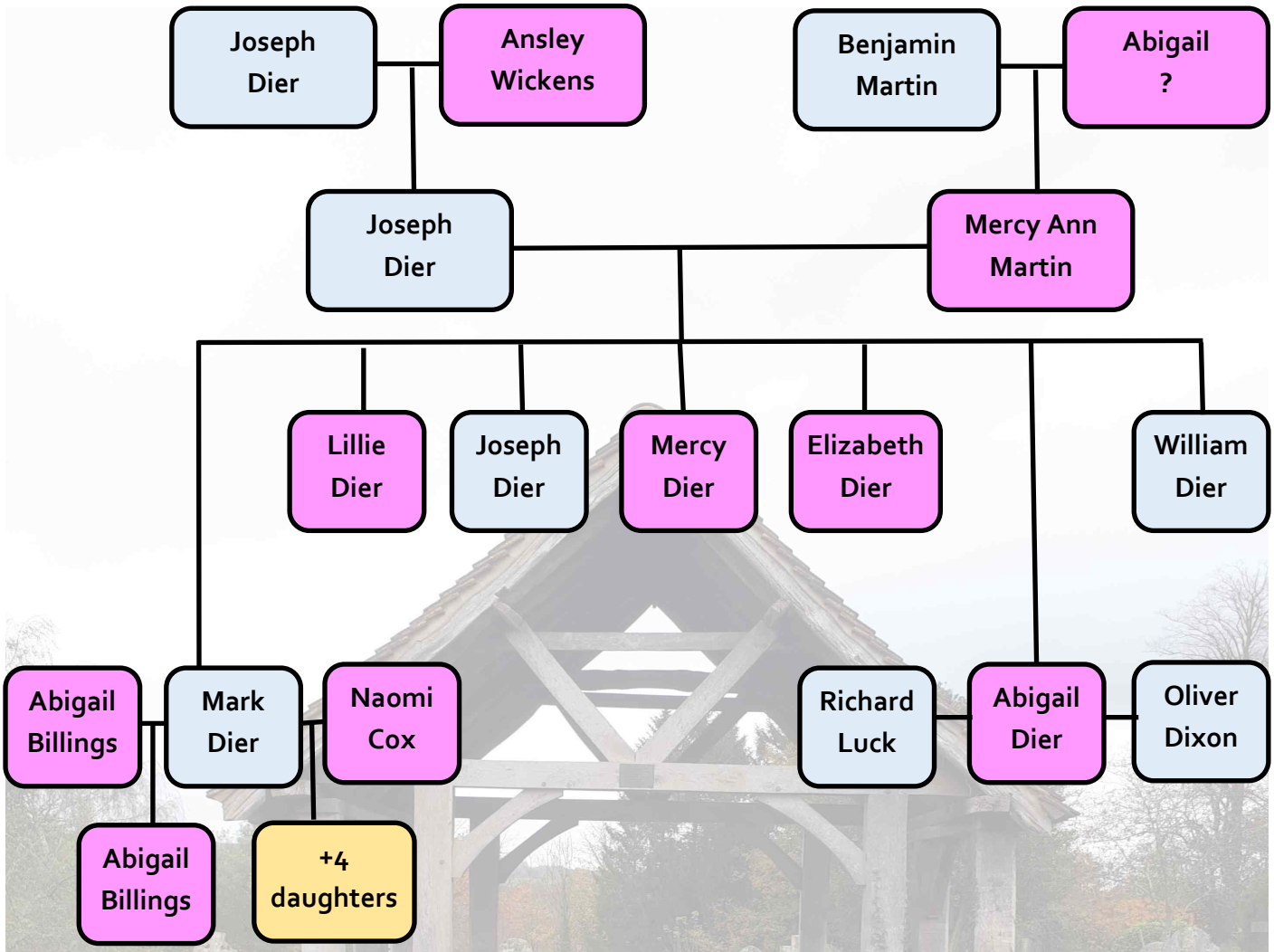
Mark Dier
1858 - 1904

Mark became a veterinary surgeon and after the death of his first wife Abigail Billings in 1885, he married Naomi Cox. The 1891 census records the family living at 9, Boltro Road, Haywards Heath with his wife Naomi, daughter Abigail Mercy Maria Dier from his first marriage, and four other daughters.
Later they emigrated to USA and he died there in 1904.

Abigail Dier (nee Billings)
1852 - 6 January 1885

Abigail was the wife of Mark Dier she died 6th January 1885. She was the daughter of Maria Billings, a single women. She was buried at Danehill cemetery on 10th January 1885.

Left: Joseph and Mercy Ann Dier are buried at Danehill cemetery Right: Abigail Dier, the first wife of Mark Dier, is also buried at Danehill cemetery



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