

John Nugent Harris

23 March 1861 - 18 December 1953

John Nugent was born on 23rd March 1861 in Clare, Ireland. His father was Harry Bradshaw Harris (1830-1914) who came from Knockany, Co. Limerick. John's mother was Sarah Bent Jackson (1829-1918).



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Ten other children were born to Harry and Sarah; Arthur Jackson, Susan, Albert, Arthur Henry, George, Martha, Arthur Henry, Irwin and Richard. Three children were named Arthur, perhaps that is because Arthur Jackson died aged 2 years and the first Arthur Henry died shortly after birth.

On 11th September 1888 John married Elizabeth Frances Crawford at the Methodist church in Sligo, Ireland. A daughter, Helena Clare, was born the next year in 1889.

Nothing is known about their life in Ireland before they came to England, but in 1911 John, aged 49, and his family are living at 124, Ritherdon Road, Balham. The house had 9 rooms and they employed one general domestic servant.

In 1910, whilst secretary of the Agricultural Organisation (AOS) he heard Madge Watt address a conference. He later said – 'I felt that I had come in touch with the very movement I wanted'.

Between 1915 – 1917 he was involved with the WI committee of the Agricultural Organisation Society (AOS), which was responsible for forming WI's in Britain. The object of the AO's was to organise farmers into co operative societies for the purchase of agricultural requirements and the sale of produce. At the time very few women were involved in this work. John Nugent Harris heard of Canadian WI's from Madge Watt who was visiting from Canada. He persuaded AOS. To employ Madge Watt to set up WI's. first in Wales then across the rest of Britain.

John's occupation is a secretary to an Agricultural Association. He was the editor of Home and Country between 1920-1926.

John died at Horsed Brook, alisa Danehill Brook, in Brookside Bungalow, on 18th December 1953 aged 86 years. John was buried at Danehill cemetery on 23rd December 1953.

John Nugent Harris	Brookside Bungalow	23 rd Dec ^r 1953	91	J. Eastham Rector of Horsed Brook
No. 1313				

John's record of death



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Elizabeth Frances Harris (nee Crawford)

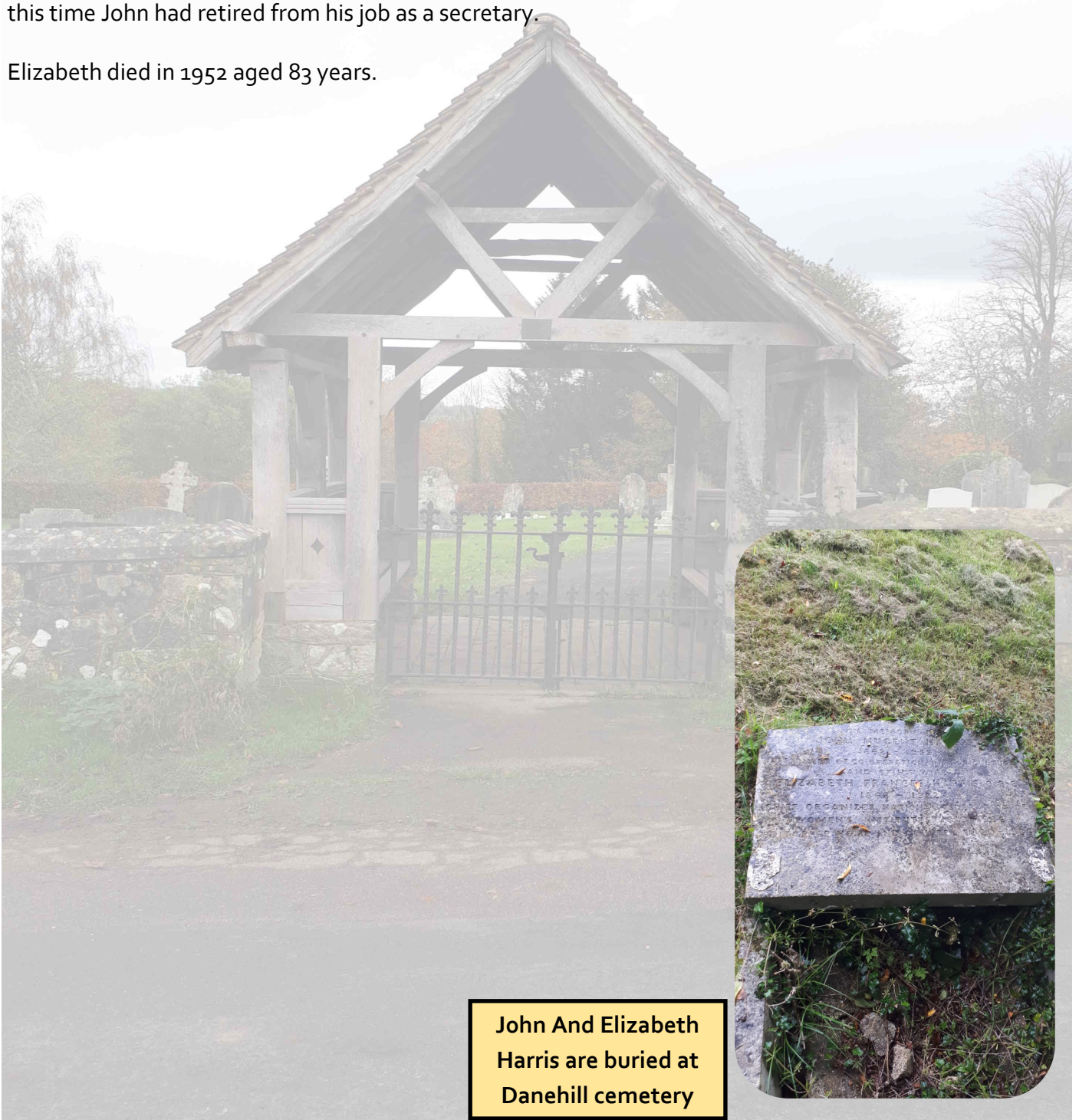
22 April 1869 - 1952

Elizabeth Frances Crawford was born on 22nd April 1869 in Sligo, Ireland. Her parents were Robert Crawford and Helena Geren.

She married John Nugent Harris in Sligo at the Methodist church on 11th September 1888. They had one daughter Helen Clare born in 1889.

They came to England and in the 1939 register John and Elizabeth are living at 346, Kew Road, Kew. At this time John had retired from his job as a secretary.

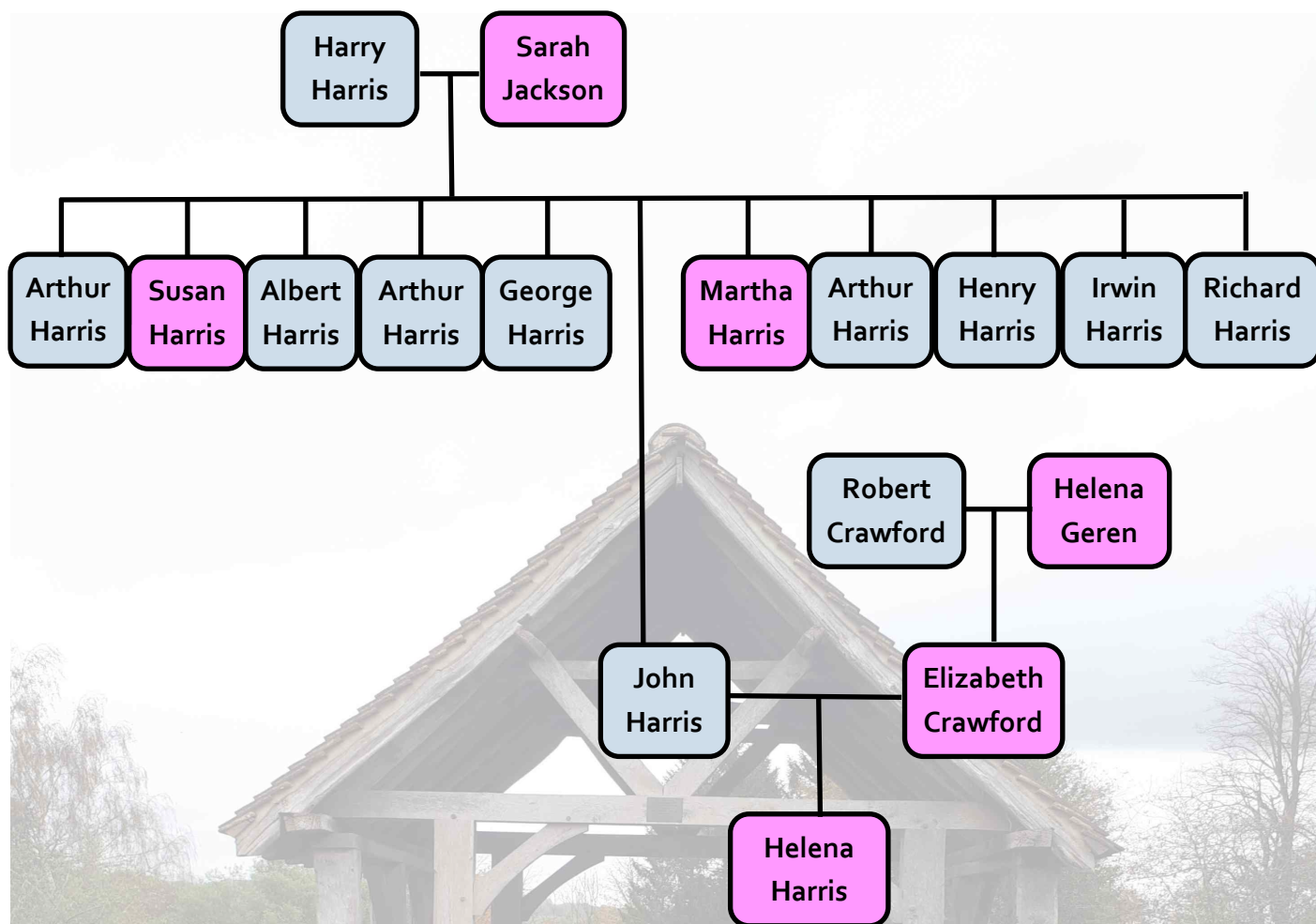
Elizabeth died in 1952 aged 83 years.



John And Elizabeth
Harris are buried at
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