

THE AMES SURNAME IN BARTON STACEY, HAMPSHIRE c.1910-c.1915

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Henry Oliver Ames lived in Barton Stacey village for only a few years from around 1910. He had probably moved to London before the outbreak of war but his name appears on Barton Stacey's Roll of Honour as a result of his marriage into the Broad family who lived in the village. Henry Ames' family lived in Shirley, Southampton.

SYDNEY AMES was born in Child Okeford, Dorset in 1857, son of Henry Ames, a tailor, and his wife Eliza Oliver. In 1888 he married Elizabeth Richards (born about 1861 in Shirley, Southampton). He was a policeman and by the time of the 1891 census they were living in police accommodation in Gosport. They moved to Warren Avenue, Shirley Warren, Southampton, where Mr Ames was a night watchman and later a dock labourer. Elizabeth Ames died on 1 December 1909, Sydney Ames in 1941.

Children of Sydney and Elizabeth (Richards) Ames,

- i. Frank, born 1889 in Selborne, Hampshire. He was a gardener before working for the Winchester Road Motor Garage in Shirley. He attested in October 1915 and was a motor transport driver with the Army Service Corps (service number M2/135702). He died on 18 October 1918 at the 4th London General (military) Hospital, Denmark Hill, London, of gunshot wounds received a month earlier in France. Private Ames is buried in Hollybrook Cemetery, Southampton.
- ii. Amy Elizabeth, born 1890 in Gosport. She died early in 1891.
- iii. **HENRY OLIVER**, born 30 April 1892 in Gosport, Hampshire. He came to work in Barton Stacey before 1911 as a domestic gardener and in 1915 married a local girl, Bertha Annie Broad, daughter of Samuel Broad, a farm carter of New Cottages, Barton Stacey village, and his wife Mary Elizabeth Gaiger. They had perhaps moved away from the village before the war, since their marriage took place in the West Ham area of London. We know that Henry volunteered on 31 August 1914, since this was recorded when he re-enlisted with the Royal Engineers in 1926. The Barton Stacey Roll of Honour shows that he served in Motor Transport in the Army Service Corps; he was later to become a bus driver in Mitcham, Surrey. He died in 1975.

Children of Henry Oliver and Bertha Annie (Broad) Ames, born in London,

- i. Ronald H., born 1919.
- ii. Frank, born 1920.
- iii. Brenda H.
- iv. Ethel Janetta, born 1893 in Droxford, Hampshire.
- v. Robert Edwin, born 1899 in Kingsclere, Hampshire.
- vi. **JAMES SIDNEY**, born 1901. He married Elsie Beatrice Dudley. He died in 1966.
- vii. Evelyn Maude, born 1905.
