## Billy and Margaret Ann Shuttleworth, farmers

William (Billy) was born in 1862 in Ireby, between Ingleton and Kirkby Lonsdale, one of 11 children of farmer James Shuttleworth [ph3] and Sarah Gornall. As was usual, sons were sent to work as servants with other farmers to learn the trade. William went to work for Joseph Parker at the Lodge in Settle and a fellow servant was Abel Marklew – Abel became the second husband of William's sister Margaret Ann Shuttleworth.

In 1885, aged 23 Billy married **Margaret Ann Robinson** who was born in Bradford but brought up in Settle with her uncle **Thomas Walton Dean**, a clogger (and then greengrocer) and aunt **Margaret (Riley) Walton Dean**. (Thomas was the illegitimate son of Alice Walton Dean and the double barrelled surname stuck.) Margaret Ann's mother Ann

(Riley) Robinson had died when Margaret Ann was an infant. Thomas Walton Dean died suddenly

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in 1891 [2] and a coroner's inquest decided his collapse was due to heart failure. Aunt and uncle Walton Dean are buried in the unmarked grave *Old AX48* with their daughter Alice (Walton Dean) Marsden in *Old BX48*.

Billy [ph4], still farming and delivering milk lived with Margaret Ann in the same house in Victoria Square with uncle Thomas Walton Dean (before he died) and had nine daughters and two sons but two daughters, Lilian and Maggie died in infancy. Billy and Margaret died within two years of each other and are buried with their infant daughters. The Parker Brothers on the Green organised the coffin for William's funeral providing an oak coffin with brass fittings, a flannel shroud and a notice in the Craven Herald [ph4].



## Mrs. M. A. Shuttleworth, Settle

On Tuesday, a greengrooer named Thomas Walton

Dean (75) dropped down dead in the street at

The interment took place at the Settle Parish Churchyard on Monday afternoon of Mrs. Margaret Ann Shuttleworth, of Victoria Square, Settle, who died on Friday. The service, which was conducted by the Rev. T. P. B. Twemlow, Vicar, was attended by an exceptionally large gathering of relatives, friends, and neighbours. Mrs. Shuttleworth was the widow of Mr. William Shuttleworth, farmer, of Settle. She was 76 years of age, had resided in her home at Victoria Square for 74 years and was well-known throughout the district through her generous and genial disposition.

Margaret Ann's funeral in 1938 'was attended by an exceptionally large gathering of relatives, friends and neighbours. She was 76 years of age and had resided at her home for 74 years and well known throughout the district through her generous and genial disposition.'[3] A fabulous gravestone was erected, Old D26.

In Loving Memory of William Shuttleworth died April 18th 1923 aged 61 years. Also Lily and Maggie died in infancy, Margaret Ann, wife, died Nov 25th 1938, aged 76 years. Old D26

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What happened to their children? Eldest **Sarah Ann** and sons **John William** and **James** all lived together, unmarried, in the same house until they died. They are buried together in *New J58* 

In Loving Memory of Sarah Ann Shuttleworth Died 10th Jan 1972 Aged 86 years At Rest Also a dear brother John William Shuttleworth Died 30th May 1974 Aged 81 years Also James Shuttleworth brother of the above Died 30th December 1984 Aged 72 years

Second daughter Mary Alice Shuttleworth married Westby Kew in 1912 [ph1]. Westby's father William Henry Kew, a blacksmith, had moved to Settle from Derbyshire when his widowed mother Sarah Margaret Kew re-married. William Henry married Elizabeth Moorby, the daughter of John Moorby, a quarryman and Margaret Wilkinson who are buried in the unmarked grave OldAX12.

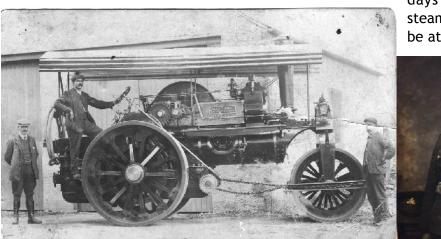
Three years before they married Elizabeth Moorby had a son John Thomas Moorby (Tommy). William Henry and Elizabeth had another two sons and four daughters. After living in Helwith Bridge for three years the family moved to Poole's Row in Upper Settle. Elizabeth died in 1907 when youngest child, Sarah Kew, was just six. William Henry brought up the rest of the family himself still in Poole's Row. He died in 1934, aged 70 and is buried alone, in the unmarked grave New JX3. William Henry Kew's mother Sarah Margaret Hoyle moved to Settle after





her second husband had died in 1915. She died in Settle, aged 75 and is buried in the unmarked *OldCX27* with Elizabeth, infant Lena and an infant Mary Ralph. Mary was the daughter of William Henry and Elizabeth's daughter **Doris Kew** and her husband **Thomas Bernard Ralph** who were buried in the unmarked New KX4.

Eldest son Westby Kew and Elizabeth's son Tommy Moorby both served in the West Riding Regiment and had an obvious resemblance [ph1]. Westby worked as a steam engine driver in the



days when steam engines were steam rollers. Westby is thought to be at the front of the engine [*ph2*].



Westby and Mary Alice lived in Lower Croft Street in Upper Settle. Their only child **William Shuttleworth Kew** was born soon after their wedding but died in infancy and they didn't have any other children. They are all buried together in *Old G44* 

In loving memory of Westby Kew died Nov ..... 1956 aged 66. Also William Kew died in infancy. Also Mary Alice Kew ...... his wife who died April 7th 1958 aged 69 years.



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William and Margaret Ann's daughter **Grace Shuttleworth** married **Hubert Young**, a boot repairer and they lived in Higher Croft Street *[ph4]*. They are buried with their daughter Lilian.

In Loving Memory of Hubert Young died 13th Feb 1976 aged 86 years also his dear wife Grace died 20th Aug 1973 aged 82 years also Lillian Young died 17th Nov 2004 aged 89 years at rest, New L51

William and Margaret Ann's daughter Eliza Shuttleworth was pictured (centre) with sisters Sarah Ann (left) and Mary Alice (Kew) (right) [ph4]. In 1922 Eliza married Robert Wallbank, one of ten children from a long established farming family in Lawkland. Robert and Eliza moved to farm at Blacko near Nelson/Colne.

Robert's grandfather **Thomas Wallbank** had a few problems. In February 1855 he was caught embezzling money from his employer Mr Richard Coward [2]. Thomas was entrusted with a quantity of cattle to sell for a sum of £217 10s 4d. He pretended some of the money, £91 6s 8½ d was stolen from his pocket but was later found with it in his possession.

This didn't end well. Incredibly Thomas remained in the employment of the forgiving Mr Coward. However, just two years later, in July 1857, Thomas was 'found drowned' in a deep eight foot hole in the River Lune [1]. Some

thought he had committed suicide because of money worries.

EMBEZZLEMENT.-At the Town Hall, on Wednesday last, Thomas Wallbauk was brought up charged with having, on the 13th of January last, emberaled £217 10s. 4d., the money of Richard Coward, farmer, of Caton. It ap-peared that on the 13th of January last Wallbank had been entrasted with a quantity of catile, which he was to take to Preston for sale. The satile were sold, and the proseeds, along with some other money, belonging to Mr Coward, amounting to £217 10s. 4d. retained by Wallbank on his person. Wallbank, on arriving at the Preston Station with the intention of returning to Caton, found that some of the money had been abstracted from his pocket. He immediately went to the police station and gave information of the robbery to the police. Wallbank after that disappeared, and was not again seen or heard of until Tuesday last, at the SL John's Tavern, in Black. burn, in consequence of the fact of his abscouding having been advertised. On being searched he was found to have in his possession £94 6s. 84d., being the residue of the amount which he was charged with embezzling. He was committed to the assizes.

Coward, of Halton, but residing at Ings Close, near Clapham, who was drowned in the River Lune, the previous day. The melancholy occurrence created a great sensation, as by some it was thought that the deceased had committed suicide, owing to something about monetary affairs, which he had let fall whilst drinking at a public-house in Lancaster, on Monday evening; but it turned out that it had only been one of his jokes, and had no foundation in fact. It appeared from the evidence

his horse at the time. I heard about twelve o'clock that he was missing, and at four o'clock went in search and found the body in a hole about 11 feet deep. [The hole has since been measured and found to be 8 feet.] There were no marks of violence on the body. I was the first to go into the water. The river was flooded and the water was muddy. I have seen the deceased frequently upon the island, but never near this place before. The hole goes suddenly very deep. I noticed horses' feet marks on the brink of the hole, which I was certain were not made by our horse, they were smaller." There was no evidence to show how the deceased came into the water, and the jury returned au open verdict of "Found drowned,"



William and Margaret Ann's youngest surviving daughter **Florence Elizabeth Shuttleworth** helped her dad delivering milk as a teenager [*ph4*]. In 1924 she married **Thomas Hardacre**, the son of a Settle carter. Thomas found work as a railway fireman, based in Skipton.





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The life stories of people with italicised names have been researched as part of the graveyard project

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