

THE HARRISON / CHANCE / LAMMAS CONNECTION

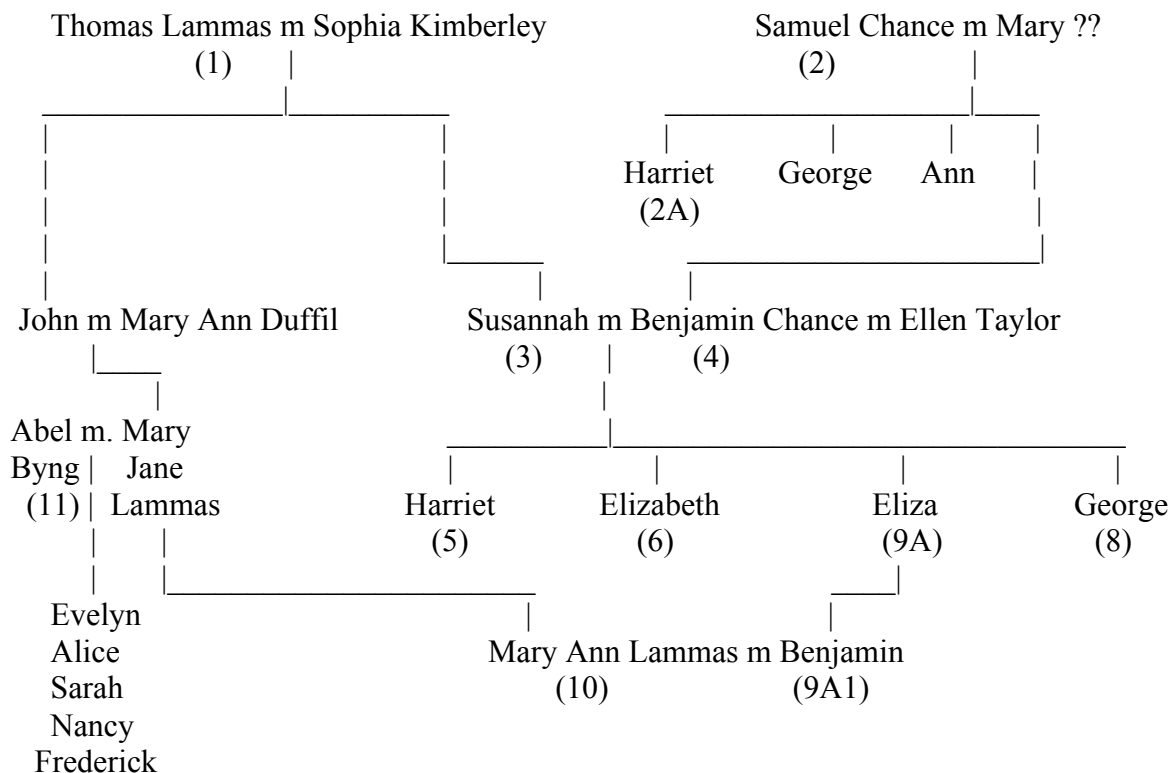
Explanatory note:

This Chance family I call the 'Worcester Street Chances' and although I have not found a link between these and the Sidemoor Chances I feel there must be one. In both families, there are people who indicate on census returns that they were born at Upton Warren.

There was another Chance family living in the Birmingham Road, Norton area and another in the Millfields/Hilltop area, which may also be connected.

Similarly I have found no link between the John Harrison who married Harriet Chance and the James Harrison who married Eliza Chance.

There is a four generation loop shown below: both Mary Ann Lammas and Benjamin Chance (9A1) had the same great grandparents, Thomas and Sophia Lammas. Mary and Ben were also both illegitimate.



1) Thomas Lammas

Born 10-3-1804 died ??-4-1876
age 72

Born at ????????????????

Married Sophia Kimberley on 27-11-1824 at St.Johns Church.

Had a total of 13 children.

Occupation was: Nailer on wedding cert of Susannah⁽³⁾.

Buried in Bromsgrove cemtery, plot # A578, on 30-4-1876, 'a 72 year old Nailer from Sidemoor.'

2) Samuel Chance

Born ??-?-1778 died ??-11-1841
age 63

Born at ????????????????

possibly married twice, 1st wife, Elizabeth.

Married Mary ??? on ??-?-18?? at ?????????? Church.

Occupation was: Labourer on marriage cert of Benjamin⁽⁴⁾.

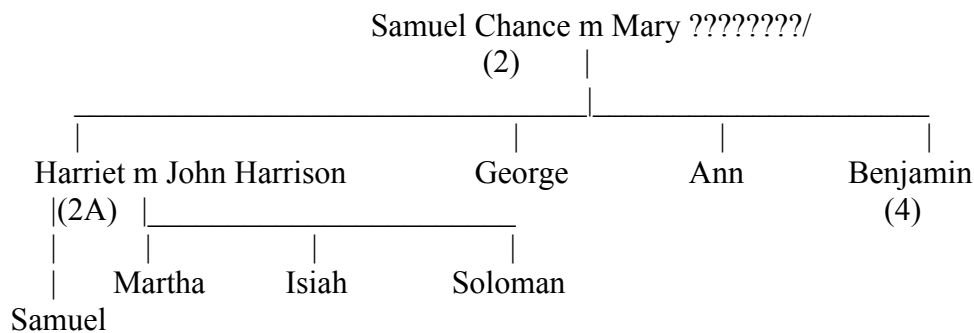
In 1841 census he is living at Worcester Street aged 60 and a Labourer. With him is his wife Mary, 60, no occupation; George Chance,20, Nailer; Ann Chance, 20, Nailer; Benjamin Chance⁽⁴⁾, 14, Nailer; Samuel Chance 5.

NOTE: Ann Chance was buried on 21-11-1841 aged 24, address was Worcester Street.

George Chance was buried on 24-1-1847 aged 27, address was Worcester Street.

The Samuel Chance is the illegitimate son of Harriet Chance who was also living in Worcester Street in 1841 with a John Harrison.

Samuel was buried in Bromsgrove churchyard on 28-11-1841, address was Worcester Street. His wife, Mary, was buried in Bromsgrove churchyard on 9-1-1853, aged 75, address was Sidemoor.



2A) Harriet Chance

Born ??-?-1819 died ??-4-1849
age 30

Born at ????????????????

Had an illegitimate son, Samuel who was baptised at St.Johns church on 28-12-1837, address was Worcester Street and Harriet was a Nailer.

Married John Harrison sometime before 1840.

Had a daughter, Martha in 1840.

Had a son, Isiah, on 9-7-1841, John registered the birth and was a Nailer from Worcester Street.

Isiah was buried in Bromsgrove churchyard on 26-8-1843 aged 2yrs, address was Worcester Street.

In July of 1863 wife, Susan, dies aged 34, and was buried in Bromsgrove cemetery on 21-7-1863 plot # L91. Address was Sidemoor.

In the 1871 census Benjamin is living at no.116 court no.38 Worcester Street. He is aged 44 and a Labourer. With him are his daughter, Eliza aged 15, a Nurse Girl; Ellen Taylor aged 45, a boarder and a Charwoman; and his daughter, Harriet who is a Labourer aged 20.

FROM THE MESSENGER OF 20-5-1871 page 2 col. 3 PETTY SESSIONS

Assault on a woman - Benjamin Chance was charged with assaulting Ann Gateley on 6th inst.. Both parties were neighbours in Hortons Yard Worcester Street and quarrelled over something complainant had said about defendant's children. Complainant stated that defendant got hold of her by the throat, hit her and tried to drag her down to the brook. Fined 2/6 plus 11/- costs.

In the 1881 census Benjamin is living at court no.38 Worcester Street. He is aged 56 and an Agricultural Labourer. With him are Ellen Taylor, lodger, 50, no occupation; Samuel Chance Gson, 8, Scholar; William Chance Gson, 6, Scholar; Lizzie Chance Gdau, 3; Mary Ann Chance Gdau, 4months.

Married Ellen Taylor on 4-8-1883 at St.Johns Church, Bromsgrove. He was 59 a Labourer from Worcester Street. She was 55 a widow and a Charwoman from Worcester Street. Her father was John Wardle(decd) a Labourer. Witnesses were Edward Peplow and Eliza Harrison^(9A).

FROM THE MESSENGER OF 11-8-1883 page 1 of the Supplement PETTY SESSIONS

Benjamin Chance was fined 2/6 with 8/- costs for being drunk in Worcester Street on 28th July.

Ellen Chance was buried in Bromsgrove cemetery, plot # S685, on 14-10-1889, 'the 70 year old wife of Benjamin from Worcester Street.'

In the 1891 census Benjamin is living at 95 Worcester Street. He is aged 67 and an Agricultural Labourer. With him is Ann Kimberley, single, aged 54, a lodger and a Nailer. In 1901 he is living at 100 Court 38 Worcester Street aged 76 a widower and Road Labourer. With him is a Ann Pinfield, 76, housekeeper (b. Wales)

FROM THE MESSENGER OF 3-2-1912 page 8. DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT

January 27th at Worcester Street, Benjamin Chance aged 82.

Benjamin was buried in the same plot as Ellen, S685, on 1-2-1912, 'an 82 year old Labourer from Worcester Street.'

There is no stone marking grave.

5) Harriet Chance

Born ??-?-1852 died 4-4-1881
age 28

Born at ??????????

Baptised at St.Johns Church on Xmas day 1852, address was Sidemoor and Benjamin was a Nailier.

In 1861 she is living at 75 the Pleck, Sidemoor, aged 9.

In 1871 she is living at 116, Court 38 Worcester Street, aged 20 and a Labourer.

Had illegitimate son, Samuel, who was baptised at St.Johns Church on 26-10-1874, address was Worcester Street and Harriet was a Nailier.

Had illegitimate daughter, Elizabeth Lloyd who was baptised at St.Johns Church on 8-10-1879.

Address was Worcester Street and Harriet was a Nailier.

Had illegitimate daughter, Mary Ann who's birth was probably not registered. It is NOT at Bromsgrove R/O. Mary Ann was baptised at St.Johns Church on 22-8-1881, address was Worcester Street and Harriet had no occupation.

Mary Ann died on 26-8-1881 at Worcester Street. She was 8 months old and the daughter of Harriet Chance a Nailier. Cause of death was Phthisis and Ellen Taylor was the informant.

Buried in Bromsgrove Cemetery, plot # M428, on 30-8-1881, 'the infant daughter of Harriet from Worcester Street.'

In 1881 Harriet is living at Court 38 Worcester Street, aged 28 and has no occupation. She is living next door to her father and is a lodger with a Edwin Peplow aged 57 a nailer and his daughter, Sarah Ann Peplow aged 22 and a nailer.

(NOTE on 30-6-1883 a Samuel, Lizzie, and William Chance were baptised at St.Johns Church to a Harriet and Edwin from Worcester Street.

In the 1881 census there is a Samuel, William, Lizzie, and Mary Ann Chance all grandchildren, living next door to Harriet Chance and Edwin Peplow with Harriet's father, Benjamin Chance.

(So is Edwin Peplow the father of Harriet's illegitimate children?????)

In 1891 Samuel Chance, William Chance and Eliza (Lizzie?)Chance are still living with Edward Peplow next door to their Grandfather, Benjamin, in Worcester Street. They are listed as Stepchildren.

In 1901 Edward Peplow is living at 101 court 38 Worcester Street aged 77 and a widower and Nailier. With him are William Chance, nephew, single, 26 a Nailier and Elizabeth Chance, niece, single, 23, Tailoress.

Is the William Chance mentioned here, the witness at the wedding of Benjamin Chance(9A1), Eliza's illegitimate son, to Mary Ann Lammas?

Elizabeth Eliza Chance was born on 5-11-1877 to Harriet Chance (no father's details) at Worcester Street. Harriet was a Field Worker.

Is this the Elizabeth Lloyd mentioned above?? If they are the same family why were they baptised twice???

Elizabeth married Simeon Troth on 25-12-1904 at All Saints Church. He was 36 a Drayman from 43 Melbourne Road, father John Troth a Nailier. She was 27 with no occupation from 21 The Strand, no father's details. Both sign. Witnesses were Hubert Hands and Lydia Troth.

FROM THE MESSENGER OF 19-12-1931 page 12 col.6 IN MEMORIAM

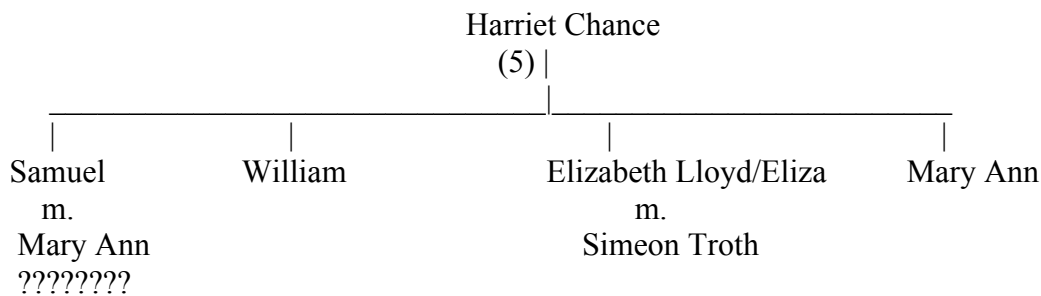
In Memory of Elizabeth Troth of Melbourne Road who died 17-12-1930 from Husband Simeon Troth and Brother Sam.

FROM THE MESSENGER OF 27-2-1932 page 12 col. 5 DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT
On February 21st at Cottage Hospital Simeon Troth of 43 Melbourne Road aged 63.

Harriet Chance died on 4-4-1881 shortly after the census was taken.
 Cause of death was Phthisis. She was aged 28 and the daughter of Benjamin Chance a Nailer. An Amy Stokes from Worcester Street was the informant.
 She was buried in Bromsgrove cemetery, plot # M428, on 11-4-1881. She had no occupation and was living in Worcester Street. A non-conformist service.

FROM THE MESSENGER OF 9-4-1881 page 4 DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT
April 4th at Worcester Street aged 28 Harriet daughter of Benjamin Chance.

There is a Samuel Chance burial in Bromsgrove Cemetery, plot # U200 on 26-4-1963, ' a retired 90 year old from The General Hospital.' Could be this Samuel.
 He appears to have married a Mary Ann ????? as she is in the same grave.
 Buried 29-4-1936 aged 63 'the wife of Samuel from South Road, Aston Fields.'
 In 1901 Samuel Chance is living at 86 South Road aged 28 and a Wood Sawyer. With him is his wife, Mary Ann, 28, no occupation.



6) Elizabeth Chance Born ??-?-1854 died ??-12-1859
age 5

Born at ??????????
 Baptised at St.Johns Church on 29-10-1854. Address was St.Johns Street and Benjamin was a Nailer.
 Buried in Bromsgrove cemetery on 21-12-1859, plot # L113. 'The 5 year old daughter of Benjamin Chance of Sidemoor.'

8) George Chance Born ??-?-1860 died ??-11-1870
age 9

Born at ??????????
 In 1861 he is living at 75 the Pleck, Sidemoor, aged 1.
 Buried in Bromsgrove cemetery, plot # I068/2, on 16-11-1870. 'The son of Benjamin Chance of Worcester Street.'

9A) Eliza Chance

Born 31-5-1857 died ??-7-1929
age 72

Born at Sidemoor, Bromsgrove. Her mother, Susannah, registered the birth.

In the 1861 census she is aged 4 and living at no.75 the Pleck Sidemoor.

In the 1871 census Eliza is living at house no.116 court no.38 Worcester Street. She is a Nurse Girl aged 15.

In 1879 Eliza has an illegitimate son, at the Workhouse, she names Benjamin(9A1).

On 17-10-1880 Eliza married James Harrison at St.Johns Church.

In the 1881 census Eliza is living at house no.89 Worcester Street, aged 23.

In July 1929 Eliza dies aged 72 and is buried in Bromsgrove cemetery on 11-7-1929 in plot # U100 along with her husband, James Harrison.

ELIZA features in a photograph on page 22 of the 'By-gone Bromsgrove' picture book. She is stood right in front of the Traction Engine. Also in the photo is Daisy Beatrice Chance and Dorothy Sarah Chance, her granddaughters. They are stood to the right of the girl holding a child.

SEE FILE :HARR9, FOR MORE INFORMATION.

9A1) Benjamin Chance

Born ??-??-1879 died 21-8-1934
age 55

Born at ??????? Bromsgrove, the illegitimate son of Eliza Chance^(9A).

Baptised at All Saints Church on 1-10-1879. Address was the Workhouse and Eliza was a Servant.

In the 1881 census he is living at house no.89 Worcester Street, aged 1.

Baptised on 30-6-1883 at St. Johns Church. Address is Worcester Street and James was a Labourer. (Benjamin is listed as a Harrison in the records)

[this second baptism took place on the same day as Walter Edward Harrison(Byng) and the three Chance children; Samuel, Lizzie, and Willie.]

In the 1891 census he is living at house no.42 Worcester Street, aged 11, and a Scholar.

In 1901 he is living with his mother and step-father at 124 [42] Worcester Street aged 21 and a Bicklayer's labourer.

Married Mary Ann Lammas on 10-10-1903 at the Church of Ascension in the Parish of Kings Norton. She was 21, no occupation, living at 26, Elm Tree Road Stirchley. Her father was John Lammas, a Nailmaker. (see note below) Benjamin was 25, a Brickmaker living at the same address. He indicates that his father was James Chance (this should be Harrison) a Bricklayer. Witnesses were William Chance and Annie Byng (Mary's half sister).

Had children:

Daisy Beatrice b.24-9-1905 baptised at St.Johns Church on 1-12-1910, address was Worcester Street and Ben was a Brickmaker.

Dorothy Sarah b.24-9-1907 baptised at St.Johns Church on 1-12-1910, address was Worcester Street and Ben was a Brickmaker.

Christopher Frederick b.11-4-1912 baptised at St.Johns Church on 25-4-1912, address was Worcester Street and Ben was a Brickmaker.

Phillip Benjamin b.26-2-1921, baptised at St.Johns Church on 17-3-1921, address was 31 Worcester Street and Ben was a Labourer.

Benjamin was a strict disciplinarian. He was a Foreman brickmaker at a Brickworks in Blackwell. He walked there and back every day.

He was in the 'Bantams' during WW1 and was wounded in the leg. Suffered from T.B. In 1914 he is living at 31 Worcester Street. The house is owned by the executors of George Owen. (The house was right opposite Albutt's fish and chip shop, two doors up from Joe Pinfields. His daughter Daisy lived in the house next door).

FROM THE MESSENGER OF 21-4-1923 page 8 col.1 COUNTY COURT

Linthurst Brick and Tile Company brought an action against a Birmingham builder; Benjamin Chance, Yard Foreman, gave evidence.

FROM THE MESSENGER OF 6-11-1926 page 10 col. 6 IN MEMORIAM

In memory of a wife and mother Mary Ann Chance of 31 Worcester Street who died on November 8th 1925. From Husband sons and daughters.

In memory of a dear daughter and sister Mary Ann Chance remembered by her mother, Sarah and Jim.

FROM THE MESSENGER OF 1-9-1934 page 12 col. 6 DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT

On August 21st at Hayley Green Hospital Benjamin Chance passed away aged 55 years.

Benjamin was buried in Bromsgrove cemetery on 25-8-1934, plot # J278, address was Worcester Street and he was a Labourer.

In the same plot is Mary Ann Chance, Wife of Benjamin, (d.8-11-25) who was buried on 12-11-1925. She was aged 43 and lived in Worcester Street. Her internment cost £1 3s 6d. There is a annotated curbing marking the grave.

OF THE CHILDREN:

Daisy Beatrice;

Admitted to the C. of E. Infants School on 5-10-1908, address was 31 Worcester Street. Next of kin was Benjamin Chance. Left on 30-11-1908 re-admitted on 19-4-1909.

Daisy (known as Beat) married Thomas Walter Monkton on 26-11-27 at St.Johns Church. She was 22 a Spinster from Worcester Street, father Ben was a Bricklayer. Thomas was aged 21 a Engine Driver from Worcester Street, father Tom a Plasterer. Witnesses were Dorothy Chance & C.A. Matthews.

Daisy and Thomas had a girl, Edna, b.16-11-29. bapt at St.Johns on 6-12-29. Address was 32 Worcester Street and Thomas was an Engine Driver.

And Derek, b.4-1942/3 who now lives in Broad Street.

Edna married Harvey Lawrence Matthews in 1947 and had two girls, Susan and Carol.

Susan married John Barrett from Stoke but is now divorced.

They had children: Andrew John, Sara, and Clare.

Andrew lives with Amanda Cummings.

Sara had a son Shaun by a Warman then married Steve Picken had a son Christopher.

Now divorced.

Clare had a girl Danielle now lives with Steve ? and has a child by him.

Carol married Geoff Baker in 1971 and have a son Matthew b.1976. All live in Willow Road.

Harvey Matthews died on 8-2-1994.

Derek married Miriam Lees but is now divorced, no children.

Daisy (Beat) died in Nov. 1988. She was aged 83 and lived at 117 Worcester Road. Her cremated remains were buried in plot # J278 on 17-11-88.

Thomas Walter Monkton died on 5-1-1964 at Hill Top Hospital aged 57. His usual address was 117 Worcester Road.

Dorothy Sarah;

Admitted to the C. of E. Infants School on 8-8-1910, address was 31 Worcester Street. Next of kin was Benjamin Chance. Transferred to girls school on 16-7-1915. (d.o.b. is '5-7-1907')

FROM THE MESSENGER OF 5-3-1921 page 8 col. 1. WESLEYAN SUNDAY SCHOOL

Dorothy Chance sang in a concert.

Dorothy married William Arthur Pugh at St.Johns Church on 3-11-34. She was 27 from Worcester Street, father Benjamin Chance (decd) was a Brickmaker. William was 26, a Stores Keeper from Windsor Terrace, father John Pugh (decd) a nailer. Witnesses were Harry Ingram and Ivy Clements.

Dorothy and William had children:

Clifford Arthur b.5-10-36, bapt at St.Johns on 21-10-36. Address was 31 Worcs. Str. And William was a Store Keeper at Austins.

Marian Ann b.11-9-42, bapt. St.Johns on 30-9-42. Address was 21 Central Road and William was a Store Keeper.

Cliff married Diane Alcock and has children: Sally, Clare, and Rebecca. Live Astwood Bank.

Sally married Ian Shorthouse, children: Beth and Rosie.

Clare married Jack Summers but is now divorced.

Marian married David Kidner and has children: Charlotte & Louise. Live Astwood Bank. William Pugh died in May 91 aged 82. Address was 6 Central Road. He was buried in plot no.B706 on 14-5-1991.

Dorothy Pugh died in February 1998.

Christopher (known as Fred) was a twin but the other one died at birth.

Admitted to the C. of E. Infants School on 14-2-1916, address was 31 Worcester Street. Next of kin was Benjamin Chance. Transferred to mixed dept on 31-8-1919.

He married Phyllis Annie Mace on 16-11-1935 at the Register Office. He was 23 a Farm Labourer from 31 Worcester Street, father Benjamin Chance a General Labourer. She was 19 a Machinist at the clothing factory from South Road Aston Fields, father Frank William Mace a Boiler man at the Wagon Works. Witnesses were John Berwick and Gladys Jones.

Fred and Phyllis had two girls:

Margaret Joan, b.2-6-36, bapt St.Johns on 18-6-36. Address was Parkside and Fred was a Labourer.

Mary Eileen, b.4-10-1938, bapt. St.Godwalds on 6-11-38. Address was South Road and Fred was a Labourer.

Margaret married Brian Sidney William Colin on 28-9-1963. He was 21 a Trainee Mechanic from 304 Shenley Fields Road Selly Oak, father Sidney Alfred Colin a Sheet Metal Worker. She was 27 a Wiring Assembler from 45 South Road, father Christopher Frederick Chance a Fitters Mate. Witnesses were E.A. Colin and P.A. Chance

They have a son, Dean Jonathan and a daughter, Clare Louise.

Dean married an Australian girl, Carol Sweeney, no children.

Clare married Neal Owen, no children.

Mary married Dave Smith on 4-6-1960 at St.Godwalds Church. He was 21 a Millwright from 3 Bowes Road Rubery, father Albert Smith a Vehicle Builder. She was 21 a Sewing Machinist from 45 South Road, father Christopher Chance a Factory Labourer. Witnesses

