

## John Lister Clay and family



John Lister Clay was buried in Lightcliffe churchyard on 26<sup>th</sup> October 1964 in plot H18 in the middle section of the churchyard. This was unusual as most burials at that time were in the new, bottom section of the churchyard.

The other side of the cope tomb over the plot has the memorial inscription to his friend Rev. Savile Brinton Lewis Hall. This probably explains why John Lister Clay was buried in plot H18 albeit over thirty-six years later.

Before becoming a curate, Savile Brinton Lewis Hall had seen action in WW1; first in the Army and then with the Royal Air Force. He had been badly injured and suffered afterwards with nervous shock which ultimately led to his death. His full story can be found at

### **Savile Brinton Lewis Hall**

What follows is the story of John Lister and some of his Clay family who have Lightcliffe connections.

He was the son of Joseph Clay and his third wife, Sarah Lister. His grandfather Daniel Clay had a number of children including Joseph Clay baptised at St. Matthew's Church, Lightcliffe. Daniel Clay was probably the son of John and Hannah Clay from Southowram who had their son, Daniel, born 30<sup>th</sup> April 1809, baptised at South Parade Wesleyan Chapel, Halifax on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 1809.

On 6<sup>th</sup> July 1828 Daniel Clay married Ann Hick of Northowram although she was originally from Tadcaster. Their children William, Mary Elizabeth, Joseph and Thomas Clay were all baptised at St. Matthew's Church, Lightcliffe on 11<sup>th</sup> November 1828, 19<sup>th</sup> September 1830, 15<sup>th</sup> January 1832 and 25<sup>th</sup> August 1833. Joseph's baptism record helpfully states that he was born on Christmas Day 1831. The family lived in Birkby Lane and their father was a 'Woolsorter'. In subsequent censuses Joseph Clay gave his place of birth as Bailiffe Bridge.

West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Births and Baptisms, 1813-1910 for Joseph Clays						
Lightcliffe, St Matthew > 1832						
Ann. Dec. 25 1831	15	Joseph	Daniel Ann	Clays	Birkby Lane	Wool Sorter
No. 1220.						

But then the family moved to Brookhouses, Cleckheaton where 31-year-old Ann Clay née Hick died in July 1834. A couple of years later the widower, Daniel Clay, married his sister-in-law, Elizabeth Hick. Daniel and Elizabeth Clay had four more children, three of whom – Henry, Daniel and Anne - were later baptised at St. Matthew's Church, Lightcliffe on 17<sup>th</sup> August 1845.

1841 census

Daniel Clay 30 Wool sorter  
 Bessey Clay 40  
 William Clay 13  
 Mary Clay 11  
 Joseph Clay 9  
 Daniel Clay ?  
 John Clay 5  
 Henry Clay 3  
 Address Cleckheaton

1851 census

Daniel Clay Head 40 Wool sorter  
 Elizabeth Clay Wife 49  
 William Clay Son 23 Dyehouse man  
 Joseph Clay Son 19 Wool sorter  
 John Clay Son 14 Blacksmith (App)  
 Henry Clay Son 12 Jobber in Worsted Mill  
 Daniel Clay Son 10  
 Bobbin Setter in Worsted Mill  
 Anne Clay Dau 8 Scholar  
 Address Moor End, Cleckheaton

Not long after the 1851 census was taken, in Q2 1851, Joseph Clay married Emma Porritt. They had Ann Elizabeth born Q2 1853 and Arthur Hick born Q4 1855 before 23-year-old Emma Clay née Porritt died on 28<sup>th</sup> July 1857.

Joseph Clay then married Emma Roberts in Q2 1859. Before the next census they had Daniel Alexander Q4 1860, Lucy Ann Q4 1862, Anna Louisa Q4 1864, Emily Jane Q1 1867 and Edith Amelia Q4 1869. But they lost Lucy Ann Q1 1864 and Anna Louisa Q1 1865. Joseph Harold Clay was born Q4 1871.

1861 census

Daniel Clay Head 50 Woolsorter & Grocer  
 Elizabeth Clay Wife 61  
 William Clay Son 32  
 Labourer at Worsted Factory  
 John Clay Son 24 Blacksmith  
 Henry Clay Son 22 Corn Miller  
 Daniel Clay Son 20 Mechanic (ap)  
 Elizabeth M Rawdon Grddauid11  
 Address Moor End, Cleckheaton

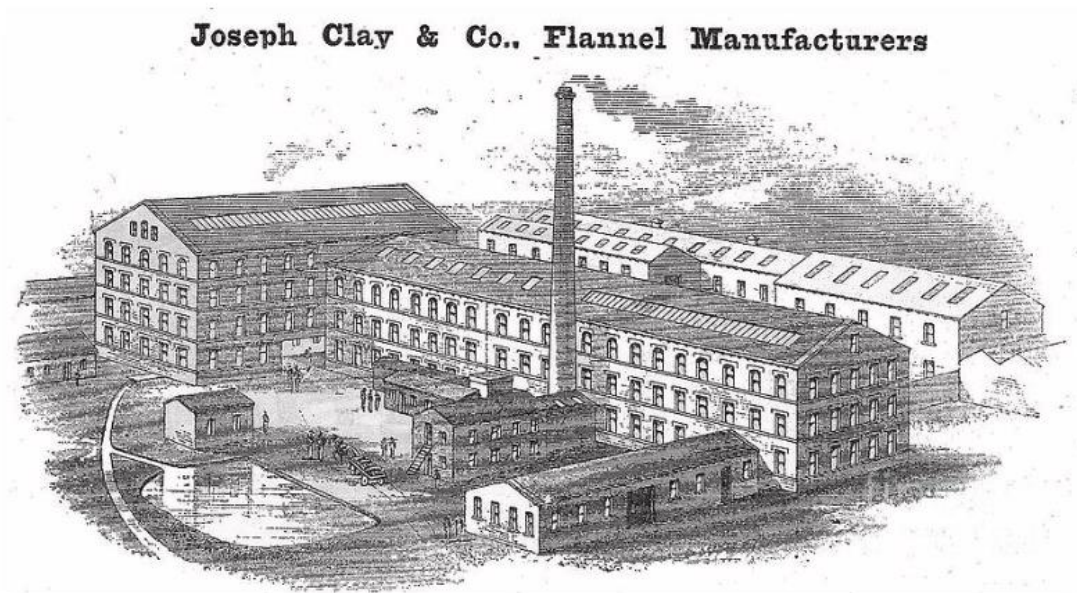
1861 census

Joseph Clay Head 29  
 Wool sorter & Flannel manufacturer  
 employing 6 men and one woman  
 Emma Clay Wife 23  
 Ann E Clay Dau 7  
 Arthur H Clay Son 5  
 Daniel A Clay Son 4m  
 Address Moor End, Cleckheaton

1871 census

Joseph Clay Head 39 Flannel manufacturer employing 125 men  
 Emma Clay Wife 33  
 Ann Elizabeth Clay Dau 17  
 Arthur H Clay Son 15  
 Emily Jane Clay Dau 4  
 Edith E Clay Dau 1  
 Mary Taylor Relation 46  
 Elizabeth Jones Servant 20 Servant  
 Address High Field House, Cleckheaton

Joseph Clay's business had grown somewhat between 1861 and 1871, perhaps by then into these premises at West End Mills, Cleckheaton, Yorkshire.



JOSEPH CLAY and CO., FLANNEL MANUFACTURERS, WEST END MILLS, CLECKHEATON, Yorkshire, UK is a drawing by Mick Flynn which was uploaded on January 18th, 2021.

His father Daniel Clay has not been found on the 1871 census although he was still alive. As his probate explains he died a year later.

The Will of Daniel Clay of Cleckheaton in the County of York Wool Sorter who died 18 November 1872 at Cleckheaton was proved at Wakefield by Joseph Clay of Cleckheaton Flannel Manufacturer and Henry Clay of Cleckheaton Corn Miller the Sons the Executors. Effects under £100.

And then in Q3 1874 Joseph Clay lost his second wife. This Emma Clay née Roberts was just 36 years old.

1876.

1876. Marriage solemnized in *St Pauls Church* in the Parish of *Birkenhead* in the County of *York*.

No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the Time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
61	July 18	Joseph Clay Susan Lister	44 38	Widower Spinster	Manufacturer —	Cleckheaton Birkenshaw	Daniel Clay John Lister	Wool Sorter Gentleman

Married in the *Church of St Paul Birkenhead* according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the *Church of England* after Banns by me,  
*Wm. Longbottom* Vicar.

This Marriage was solemnized between us, *Joseph Clay* and *Susan Lister* in the Presence of us, *Wm. Longbottom* and *Mary Anne Moore*

Two years later, on 18<sup>th</sup> July 1876, Joseph Clay married for a third time as announced in *The Leeds Times* on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1876.

CLAY – LISTER. — July 18<sup>th</sup>, at Birkenshaw Church, Joseph Clay of Spring Mount Villas, Cleckheaton, to Susan, second daughter of John Lister, Esq., of Croft House, Birkenshaw.

Susan Lister was born on 11<sup>th</sup> March 1838 and baptised at St. Peter's Birstall on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1838. She was the daughter of John Lister and his wife Nancy née Haley who had a large family.

John Lister Clay was born on 18<sup>th</sup> February 1879. He was probably named after his maternal grandfather who had been a butcher in 1841 but then became another wool stapler and by 1871 also a landowner. He died not long after his name-sake grandson was born.

The will with a Codicil of John Lister of Croft House Birkinshaw [sic] in the Township of Gomersal in the Parish of Birstal in the County of York who died 14 May 1879 at Birkinshaw [sic] was proved at Wakefield by Henry Longbottom of Tingley Hall West Ardsley in the said County Woolstapler Joseph Dyson Butler of Birkenshaw Land Surveyor and Frederick Lister of Lansdowne-place Bradford in the said County Wool and Noil Dealer the Son the Executors. Personal Estate under £8,000

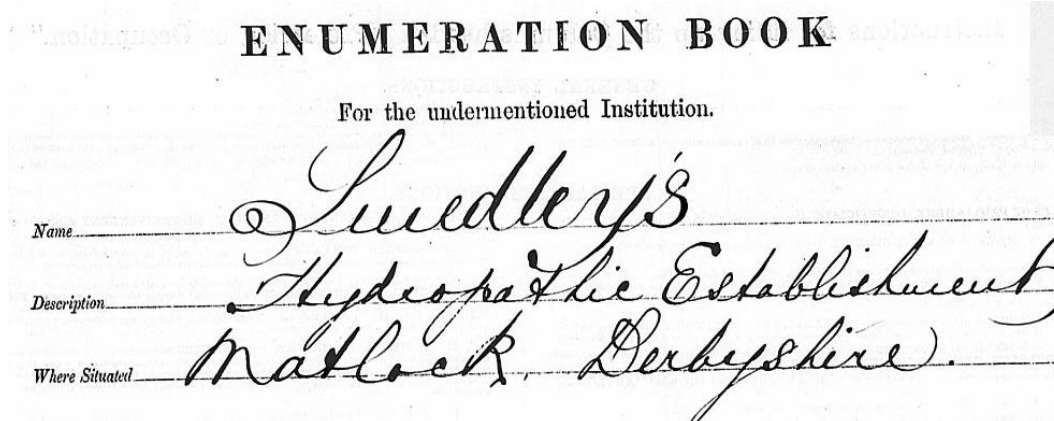
Joseph Clay's household looked like this on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1881.

1881 census

Joseph Clay Head 49 Flannel Manufacturer employing 140 men  
Susan Clay Wife 43  
Daniel Clay Son 20 Flannel Manufacturer  
Emily L. Clay Dau 14 Scholar  
Edith A. Clay Dau 11 Scholar  
Joseph H. Clay Son 9 Scholar  
John L. Clay Son 2  
Maggie Edward Servant 21 General Servant  
Address Mount Street, Bradford

Arthur Hick Clay, a flannel mill manager, was living with relatives at Prospect Place, Bradford. On 15<sup>th</sup> June 1887 he married a clergyman's daughter, Alice Marion Shepherd, in Bradford. Their son, Arthur Bryan Clay, was born 1<sup>st</sup> June 1889 in Cleckheaton. He was baptised by a Shepherd family member at Askham Bryam, York on 18<sup>th</sup> July 1889.

On 5<sup>th</sup> April 1891 his grandfather, Joseph Clay, was 'taking the waters' at



Most of his family were at Hardsoil Farm, Clifton.

1891 census

Susan Clay Wife 53  
Harold Clay Son 19 Merchant's Assistant  
John Lister Clay Son 12 Scholar  
Emily Jane Clay Dau 24  
Edith Emilia Clay Dau 21  
Mary Ellen Ashwood Servant 19  
Domestic Servant -Housemaid  
Eliza Shepherd Servant 16  
Domestic Servant - Housemaid  
Address Hardsoil Farm, Clifton

1891 census

Arthur H Clay Head 35  
Flannel Manufacturer  
Alice M Clay Wife 25  
Arthur B Clay Son 1  
Emma Taylor Servant 19  
General Servant (Domestic)  
Minnie Cundall Servant 14 Nurse  
Address Moorside, Cleckheaton

A few days later they would receive this news as reported in *The Yorkshire Evening Post* on 29<sup>th</sup> April 1891

INFORMATION has been received at Cleckheaton of the death, at Matlock, of Mr. Joseph Clay, of the firm of Messrs, Joseph Clay & Co., flannel manufacturers, West End Mills, Cleckheaton.

*Brighouse Echo* 8 May 1891

FUNERAL OF MR. JOSEPH CLAY.—The funeral of the late Mr. Joseph Clay, flannel manufacturer, of West End Mills, Cleckheaton, who died at Matlock on the 27<sup>th</sup>, took place at Cleckheaton Cemetery at noon on Friday last. The funeral was attended by a considerable number of townsmen, including Mr. Wadsworth, Mr. John Gill, Mr. Titus Berry, Mr. E. Mitchell, Mr. George Sykes (representing the Cleckheaton Liberal Club), and Mr. Joseph Clegg (representing the Spen Valley Liberal Association), and among others present were representatives of several firms associated with the deceased gentleman in business. The principal mourners were :- First carriage, Mrs. Clay, Mr. Arthur Clay and Mr. and Mrs F. Hirst, ; second, Miss Clay, Miss Edith Clay, Mrs Arthur Clay, Mr. Harold Clay and Master Johnnie Clay; third, Mr. William Clay, Mr. John Clay, Mrs. Butterworth and Mr. George Lock; fourth, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lister, Mr. and Miss Lister and Mr. John Clay (cousin). Mr. John Ellis, Cleckheaton, had charge of the funeral arrangements.

The Will of Joseph Clay late of Cleckheaton in the County of York Flannel Manufacturer who died 29 April 1891 at Matlock in the County of Derby was proved at Wakefield by Benjamin Lister of Birkenshaw in the County of York Woolstapler one of the Executors. Personal Estate £7,070 10s 2d

Edith Amelia Clay married James Arthur Greenwood, of Mayfield House, Lightcliffe, on 21<sup>st</sup> June 1899. The account of their wedding – the newspaper article does incorrectly say her father was Mr. Geo Clay - and subsequent story has already been told in

### **The Greenwood family**

#### 1901 census

Susan Clay Head 63 Widow  
John L Clay Son 22 Son  
Jane Peacock Servant 23 Servant  
Address 21, The Crescent, Hipperholme

#### 1901 census

Arthur H Clay Head 45  
Flannel Manufacturer  
Alice M Clay Wife 35  
Annie M Gerrans Servant 21 General Servant  
Address 23, The Crescent, Hipperholme

Arthur Bryan Clay was an 11-year-old boarder at a school in Ilkley.

On leaving school Arthur Bryan Clay must have joined the Territorial Army.

**4th Battalion, The Duke of Wellington's (West Riding ; Regiment) ; Arthur Bryan Clay to be Second Lieutenant. Dated 1st January, 1909.**

But then a year later *The Yorkshire Post* announced that he resigned his commission.

Neither he nor his parents have been found on the 1911 census. From a R.A.F document and a later newspaper article he and his parents may have moved from The Crescent to a house named Lyndhurst in Lightcliffe. Widow Susan Clay and her son had also moved but just to another house in The Crescent. John Lister Clay bought the freehold dwelling house No. 14 The Crescent in 1906 for £450 and lived there for almost the next sixty years.

1911 census

Susan Clay Head 73 Widow  
 John Lister Clay Son 32 Textile Mill Manager  
 Jane McLeod Servant 28 Domestic Servant  
 Address 14, The Crescent, Hipperholme

1921 census

Susan Clay Head 83 Home Duties -  
 John Lister Clay Son 42  
 Woollen Textile Factory Manager Clay Co  
 Elizabeth Ann Moors Servant 56  
 Domestic Servant  
 Address 14, The Crescent, Hipperholme

But between these two censuses the Great War happened. Arthur Bryan Clay seems to have been a pilot in the Royal Flying Corps which became the Royal Air Force.

WO 339/137041

2/Lieutenant Arthur Bryan CLAY  
 Royal Flying Corps (General List).

[1914-1922]

**UK, RAF Officer Service Records, 1918-1919 for Arthur Bryan Clay**  
Clegg, Herbert-Cloherly, Gerald

Official A.S.B. R.A.F. Form 101 7.11.18	Christian Names (in full) <i>Arthur Bryan</i>		Surname <i>Clay</i>		
	Date of Birth <i>June 1889</i>	Permanent Home Address <i>Lightcliffe, Yorks.</i>	Present Service Address <i>Lightcliffe, Yorks.</i>	Engagement	
	Name of Person to be Informed of Casualties	Name <i>A. H. Clay</i>	Address <i>Lyndhurst</i>	Relationship <i>Father</i>	
Date Sheet Started <i>9<sup>th</sup> April 1918</i>		Registered Papers No. <i>P. 9. 25005</i>			
MOVEMENTS					
Outgoing Authority	Unit from which	Unit to which	Date of Effect	Special Remarks re Duties	Incoming Authority Confirming
	<i>2. S.F.A.</i>	<i>2. S.F.A.</i>	<i>12.11.18</i>	<i>Admitted to Halifax</i>	<i>Home/201</i>
	<i>37. 19. 179</i>	<i>Admitted to</i>	<i>12.11.18</i>	<i>Admitted to Halifax</i>	
	<i>37. 19. 201.</i>	<i>Ceased flying at own request.</i>	<i>29.11.18</i>		
	<i>37. 19. 214.</i>	<i>4. T.S. S.</i>	<i>18.12.18</i>	<i>Admitted to</i>	
		<i>4. T.S. S.</i>	<i>7.11.18</i>	<i>Non-ful. req. 7.11.18</i>	
		<i>Transferred to unemployed list</i>	<i>30.2.19.</i>		

W.S.S. = Warrant as Employed  
 Temp. = Temporary  
 Ann. = Annul

His difficult to read R.A.F. record – which starts 9<sup>th</sup> April 1918 - gives his address as 'Netherfield' and his father's address as Lyndhurst, Lightcliffe. In November 1918 Arthur Bryan Clay was admitted to 'Mil:Hos:Halifax'. He 'Ceased flying at own request' dated 29.11.18 and then it says 'Leeds Hosp.' 18.12.18. Transferred 'to unemployment list 20.2.19'. What exactly happened to him can only be guessed at.

Arthur Bryan Clay has not been found on the 1921 census when his parents were staying at an address in Valley Drive, Harrogate. As he seems to have moved out of the area to Bingley he will no longer be followed.

Not many days after the 1921 census was taken the widow Susan Clay died. She was buried with her husband in Cleckheaton.

CLAY Susan of 14 The Crescent Hipperholme Halifax widow died 8 July 1921 Probate Wakefield 2 August to John Lester [sic] Clay flannel manufacturer. Effects £1907 2s 1d

A year later Arthur Hick Clay passed away on 6<sup>th</sup> September 1922 as reported in the *Halifax Evening Courier* on 8<sup>th</sup> September 1922. He was buried at St. John's Church, Coley on 10<sup>th</sup> September 1922.

DEATH OF MR. A.H. CLAY. – The death took place at Scarborough on Wednesday, of Mr. Arthur Hick Clay, of Lyndhurst, Lightcliffe, a well-known local resident. Mr. Clay, who was 66 years of age, had not been in robust health for some time, and a fortnight ago went to Scarborough for a rest. His end came rather suddenly and quite unexpectedly: and a large circle of business and other friends will regret his death. In business circles he was extremely well-known in the Heavy Woollen District, as the head of the firm of Messrs. Joseph Clay and Co., flannel manufacturers, West End Mills, Cleckheaton. He was the eldest son of the late Joseph Clay, the founder of the firm. He never took any active part in public affairs, being of a quiet disposition. He had resided at Lightcliffe over 25 years and had been a member of the Golf Club there. The interment takes place at Coley Church on Saturday afternoon.

CLAY Arthur Hick of Lyndhurst Lightcliffe Halifax died 6 September 1922 at 21 Avenue Victoria Scarborough Probate Wakefield 8 November to Alice Marion Clay widow John Lister Clay flannel manufacturer and John Clay flannel manufacturer's manager. Effects £94,131 14s 2d.

His widow, Alice Marion Clay née Shepherd, stayed on at Lyndhurst, Lightcliffe as the *Bradford Observer* reported on 20<sup>th</sup> May 1936.

CLAY – On May 18<sup>th</sup>, at her residence, "Lyndhurst," Lightcliffe Alice Marion, widow of the late Arthur Hick Clay aged 70 years. Interment at Coley Church Today (Wednesday) at 3 p.m.

CLAY Alice Marion of Lyndhurst Lightcliffe Halifax widow died 18 May 1936 Probate Wakefield 7 August to Midland Bank Executor and Trustee Company Limited and Arthur Bryan Clay retired manufacturer. Effects £119733 13s 3d



That just left John Lister Clay living in the area in 1939. He was still at 14, The Crescent.

1939 register

John L Clay 18 Feb 1879 Male Flannel Manufacturer Retired Single 262 1  
Amy S(crivens?)17 May 1875 Female Domestic Servant Single 262 2  
Address 14 The Crescent, Brighouse, Brighouse M.B., Yorkshire (West Riding), England

From earlier newspaper reports John Lister Clay would appear to have been a very active member of the Hipperholme and Lightcliffe community for over sixty years. His name appears with other well-known locals e.g. Samuel Lord Watkinson, debating Hipperholme council issues such as the drains and the fountain at Bailiffe Bridge. He and others heard cases at the West Riding Court, Halifax. His name is listed as attending Lightcliffe Literary and Scientific Society meetings. He was also heavily involved at St. Matthew's Church as a sidesman, dealing with the church finances and with the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Society.

Below are just two of the many reports about this society mentioning John Lister Clay and Tom Sander Gill as well as other familiar names.

*Halifax Daily Guardian* 29<sup>th</sup> March 1906

#### LIGHTCLIFFE YOUNG MEN'S SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the St. Matthew's Young Men's Society, Lightcliffe, was held on Monday, Mr. J. Dixon in the chair. There was a fair attendance. The election of officers resulted as follows:-  
- President, Rev. H. A. Kennedy; vice presidents, Rev. H. H. Green, Messrs. J. Dixon, J. L. Clay, T. H. Norwood, E. H. Knowles, C. H. Scott, S. L. Watkinson; secretary, Mr. T. S. Gill; treasurer, Mr. A. P. Knowles; committee, Messrs. J. Norwood, L. Lee, C. Taylor, G. Pickles, A. Thornton, and H. Craven.

*Halifax Daily Guardian* 25<sup>th</sup> March 1908.

#### LECTURE AT LIGHTCLIFFE

At the meeting of the Lightcliffe St. Matthew's Young Men's Mutual Improvement Society, on Monday, Mr. J. L. Clay gave a very interesting lecture, with views, on "Berwick on Tweed." The views, which were admirable, were much appreciated and also descriptions of the places shown and various anecdotes were listened to with interest. Mr. E. H. Knowles presided over a good attendance. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the lecturer, on the motion of Mr. C. Taylor, seconded by Mr. R. Clough.

## LIGHTCLIFFE MEMORIAL

To the Late Mr. W. S. Baines

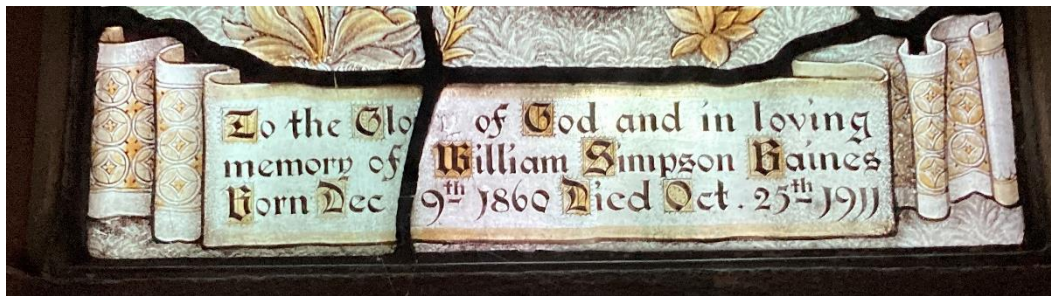
### Stained Glass Window Unveiled

A memorial in the shape of a stained-glass window was unveiled yesterday morning in Lightcliffe church as a mark of appreciation and esteem to the late Councillor W. S. Baines, who was for many years connected with the church, and took a great part in the work amongst the children of the parish.

The window was unveiled after morning prayer by Mr. J. L. Clay, a very old friend of Mr Baines.

The Vicar, the Rev. C. L. Hubert in the course of his sermon, said that the late Mr. Baines during the time he was in the parish always gave of his best in the interests of the church, and also particularly as regards the welfare of the children, and he (the vicar) said he thought the memorial was of a most befitting character. He also said how much they all deplored the death of Mr. Baines, and concluded with a word of encouragement to others to go forward in the way that their revered sidesman had gone during this lifetime.

The window, which has been excellently designed by Messrs. Shrigleyd and Hunt, Lancaster, depicts "Christ as the door", and it is undoubtedly a great acquisition to the church, the colouring being particularly beautiful and most artistically carried out.



Over the years John Lister Clay's name appears on the list of mourners at many Lightcliffe funerals. For family members he was also often named as an executor in their wills. He died aged eighty-five on 21<sup>st</sup> October 1964. As already explained, he was buried in plot H18 in the middle section of St. Matthew's churchyard with his friend Savile Brinton Lewis Hall on 26<sup>th</sup> October 1964. His strong and long connection with the area probably explains why he decided to be buried in St. Matthew's churchyard and not with his parents at Cleckheaton or his half-brother's family at Coley.

West Yorkshire, England, Church of England Deaths and Burials, 1813-1985 for John Lister Clay					
Lightcliffe, St Matthew > 1966					
3433	H 18	21 October 1964	26 October	John Lister Clay	85 years



IN REMEMBRANCE OF JOHN LISTER CLAY  
WHO DIED OCT. 21<sup>ST</sup> 1964  
AGED 85 YEARS  
R.I.P.

No obituary has been found for John Lister Clay but there was this public notice in the *Halifax Evening Courier* on 29<sup>th</sup> October 1964.

Re JOHN LISTER CLAY deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to s.27 of the Trustee Act 1925 that any person having a claim against or an interest in the estate of John Lister Clay late of 46 Bracken Road Brighthouse in the Count of York Retired Flannel and Shirting Manufacturer who died on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of October 1964 is hereby required to send particulars in writing of his claim or interest to us the undersigned Solicitors to Martins Bank Limited the Executor of the said John Lister Clay deceased on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December 1964 after which date the said Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased amount the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interest of which notice shall then have been received by the said Executor.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October 1964

BAIRSTOW RHODES and THOMAS

Solicitors

31 Harrison Road  
Halifax

By the beginning of 1965 the Executors must have been able to 'proceed to distribute the assets'. The *Huddersfield Daily Examiner* published the article below on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 1965 commenting on and quoting from his Will. It provides another reason why John Lister Clay's name appears on the memorial inscription on the Lightcliffe cope tomb illustrated at the top of the article.

# Bequest to church in £20,000 will

MR. JOHN LISTER CLAY, 46, Bracken Road, Brighthouse late of The Crescent, Hipperholme, retired flannel and shirting manufacturer, who died on October 21 aged eighty-five, left £20,309 gross, £20,223 net (duty £2,629)

He left £50 to Alice Spencer of Lillands Lane, Rastrick: £100 to the Vicar and churchwardens of the Parish Church of St.

Matthew, Lightcliffe, upon trust to apply the income there from the upkeep of the graveyard and the graves of “my late friends the Rev. Savile Brinton Lewis Hall and Tom Sander Gill”; £100 to the governing body of the Old Cemetery Cleckheaton upon trust for the upkeep of that cemetery and requesting that the grave of his parents be kept in good order; and subject to a few family bequests, one-fifth of the residuary estate each to his nephew Clifford Stead, niece Margery Jackson, and great nephew Arthur G. Clay; and two-fifths of the residuary estate to his nephew Harold Stead “in grateful thanks to him and his wife for giving a home to myself and my old cat Pompey when we were in great need of one.”

Probate has been granted to Martins Bank Ltd., the sole executor.

Now read about

**Tom Sander Gill and family**

D.M.Barker

August 2024