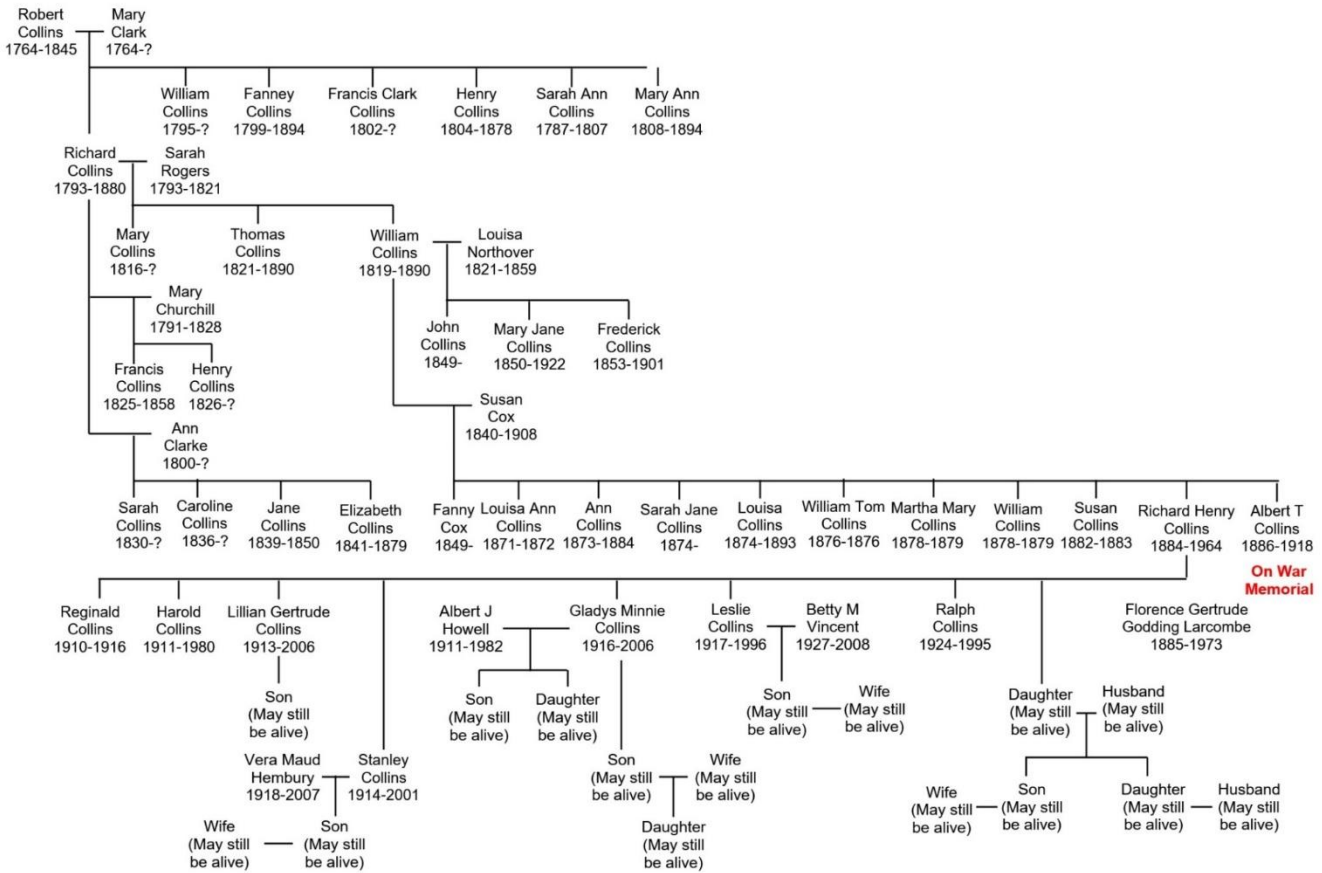


## Albert Thomas Collins - Family History

The following family tree traces Thomas Collins back to his great grandparents Robert and Mary, born in the 18<sup>th</sup> century. In summary it shows that he came from a long line of agricultural workers born either in Abbotsbury, Puncknowle or, later, in Litton Cheney.



Collins Family Tree

1846. Marriage solemnized by <u>Banns</u> in the <u>Church of Swyre</u> in the County of <u>Dorset</u>								
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.
7	July 9 <sup>th</sup>	<u>William Collins</u> <u>Louisa Northover</u>	<u>full age</u> <u>full age spinster</u>	<u>Single</u> <u>Single</u>	<u>Labourer</u> <u>Spinster</u>	<u>Swyre</u> <u>Swyre</u>	<u>Richard Collins</u> <u>Arthur Northover</u>	<u>Carter</u> <u>Fisherman</u>
Married in the <u>Church of Swyre</u> according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the <u>Church of England</u> by me, <u>J. G. Eastbridge Off. Minis</u> This Marriage was solemnized between us, <u>the mark of William Collins</u> in the Presence of us, <u>the mark of Louisa Northover</u> <u>Richard G. Eastbridge</u>								

Father's First Marriage

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Where Born
William Collins	Head	31	Agricultural Labourer	Puncknowle
Louisa Collins	Wife	30		Swyre
John Collins	Son	2		Abbotsbury
Mary Jane Collins	Daughter	5m		Abbotsbury

1851 Census for Abbotsbury

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Where Born
William Collins	Head (Widower)	41	Shepherd	Pins Knoll
John Collins	Son	11	Agricultural Labourer	Abbotsbury
Mary Jane Collins	Daughter	10		Abbotsbury
Frederick Collins	Son	8		Abbotsbury

1861 Census for Abbotsbury

1870. Marriage solemnized in the Parish Church in the Parish of Puncknoll in the County of Dorset

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.
139	December 22nd 1870	William Collins	49	Widower	Labourer	Puncknoll	Richard Collins	Labourer
		Susan Cox	30	Spinster		Puncknoll	William Cox	Labourer

Married in the in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church after Banns by me, J. J. Estridge, Rect.

This Marriage was solemnized between us, { the Mark of William Collins } in the Presence of us, { John Saver }  
 { the Mark of Susan Cox } { the Mark of Elizabeth Saver }

Father's Second Marriage

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Where Born
William Collins	Head	51	Agricultural Labourer	Puncknowle
Susan Collins	Wife	31		Puncknowle
Mary Jane Collins	Daughter	20		Abbotsbury
Fanny Cox	Daughter-in-Law	11	Scholar	Puncknowle

1871 Census for Abbotsbury

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Where Born
William Collins	Head	61	Agricultural Labourer	Puncknowle
Susan Collins	Wife	41	Fishing Net Braider	Puncknowle
Ann Collins	Daughter	8	Scholar	Abbotsbury
Sarah J Collins	Daughter	7	Scholar	Abbotsbury
Louisa Collins	Daughter	6	Scholar	Abbotsbury
Fanny Cox	Daughter-in-Law	21	Fishing Net Braider	Puncknowle

1881 Census for Abbotsbury

**Collins, Albert Thomas**

Thomas first appears in the 1891 census where the family's entries appear as 'Collings', rather than 'Collins'. This is probably due to them being illiterate and unable to correct the census taker.

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Where Born
Susan Collings	Head	51	Charwoman	Puncknowle
Louisa Collings	Daughter	16	Domestic Duties	Abbotsbury
William Collings	Son	9	Scholar	Abbotsbury
Richard Collings	Son	6	Scholar	Abbotsbury
Albert T Collings	Son	4		Litton Cheney
Louisa Cheney	Grand Daughter	2		Puncknowle

1891 Census – in Litton Cheney

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Where Born
Susan Collins	Head	62	Net Braider	Puncknowle
William Collins	Son	19	Farm Carter	Puncknowle
Richard Collins	Son	16	Agricultural Labourer	Puncknowle
Thomas Collins	Son	14	Cow Boy	Litton Cheney

1901 Census – in Litton Cheney

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Where Born
Harriet Foot	Head	61	Net Braider	Symondsburly
Bessie Foot	Daughter	22	Farm Carter	Litton Cheney
<b>Thomas Collins</b>	Boarder	23	Farm Labourer	Litton Cheney

1911 Census – staying with future mother-in-law in Puncknowle

1913. Marriage solemnized at the Church in the parish of Litton Cheney in the County of Dorset.

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.
238	June 6	Albert Thomas Collins	26	Bachelor	Labourer	Litton Cheney	William Collins	Shopier
		Bessie Foot	24	Spinster	-	" "	George Foot <i>deceased</i>	Labourer.

Married in the Church of St. James according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England by me, R. H. Each.  
*Rector of Puncknowle*

This Marriage was solemnized between us, { Albert Thomas Collins } in the Presence of us, { Benjamin Foot  
Bessie Foot } { Emma Ann Rogers }

### Marriage Certificate

Litton Cheney Bellringer. He married Bessie Foot on 6<sup>th</sup> June 1913.

During the war he was a private with the 1/4th Battalion Dorsetshire Regiment. Service No. 201210  
He fought in Mesopotamia (now Iraq) where he died on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June 1918.  
Buried in Baghdad War Cemetery Ref. XII L5

