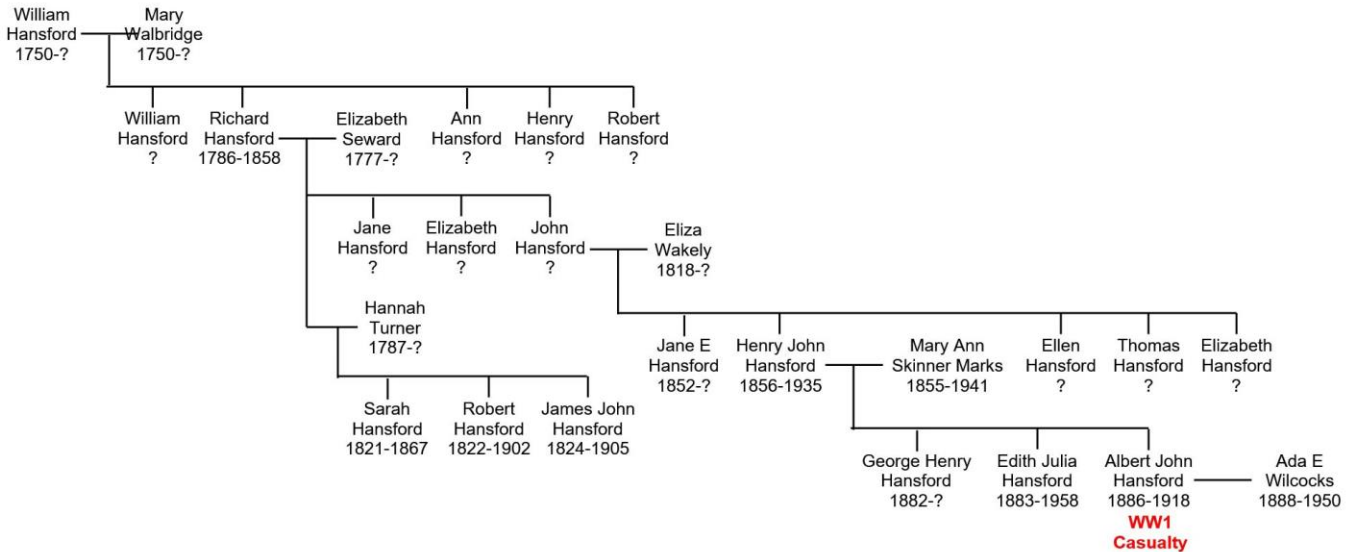


Albert John Hansford – Family History

Albert John Hansford was born in Litton Cheney but does not appear on the Litton Cheney war memorial. The family were living in Woodford, Essex at the time of his death so presumably they did not think to ask for his name to be included on the memorial at Litton Cheney.



Albert John Hansford - Family Tree

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
John Hansford	Head	33	Dairyman	Shipton Gorge
Eiiza Hansford	Wife	32		Netherbury
Thomas Hansford	Son	10		Powerstock
Elizabeth Hansford	Daughter	9		Powerstock
Ellen Hansford	Daughter	5		Powerstock

1851 Census Kingsbury Episcopi, Somerset

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
John Hansford	Head	44	Dairyman	Shipton Gorge
Eiiza Hansford	Wife	44		Netherbury
Ellen Hansford	Daughter	15		Powerstock
Jane Hansford	Daughter	9	Scholar	Kingsbury, Somerset
Henry Hansford	Son	5	Scholar	East Chaldon
Elizabeth Taylor	Servant	19	Domestic	

1861 Census Isle Brewers, Somerset

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
John Hansford	Head	52	Dairyman	Powerstock
Eiiza Hansford	Wife	52		Netherbury
Ellen Hansford	Daughter	24		Powerstock
Jane Hansford	Daughter	19		Kingsbury, Somerset
Henry Hansford	Son	14	Scholar	East Chaldon
John Haines	Servant	14	Dairy Boy	Netherbury

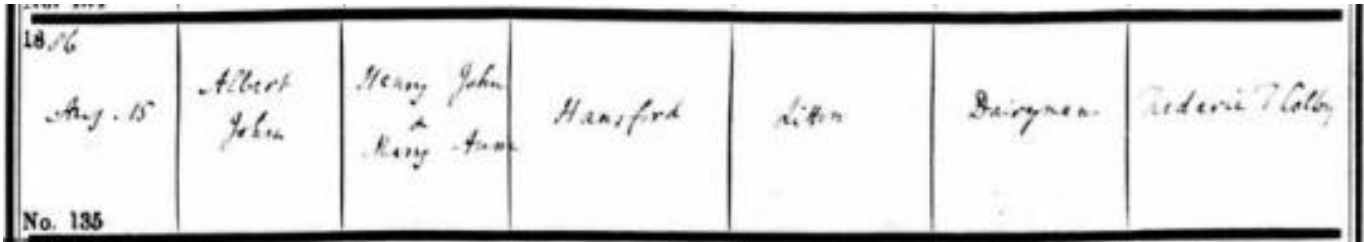
1871 Census Litton Cheney

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
Henry J Hansford	Head	24	Dairyman	East Chaldon
Mary Hansford	Wife	25		Woodbury, Devon
William Bennett	Servant	16	Servant, Dairywork	Puncknowle
John Carslake	Servant	16	Servant, Dairywork	Marshalsey

1881 Census Litton Cheney

Albert John Hansford

Albert was born in 1886 at Litton Cheney, the son of Henry and Mary Hansford.



He married Ada Wilcocks, from Wickford Essex, in 1917 at Edmonton in London.

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
Henry J Hansford	Head	34	Farmer	East Chaldon
Mary Hansford	Wife	35		Woodbury, Devon
George Hansford	Son	9	Scholar	Litton Cheney
Edith Hansford	Daughter	7	Scholar	Litton Cheney
Albert John Hansford	Son	4	Scholar	Litton Cheney
Samuel Mills	Servant	15	Farm Servant	Litton Cheney
Emily Field	Servant	16	General Servant	Limington, Somerset
Walter Guppy	Servant	35	Farm Servant	Long Bredy

1891 Census Litton Cheney

Name	Relationship	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
Henry J Hansford	Head	44	Dairyman	East Chaldon
Mary Hansford	Wife	44		Woodbury, Devon
Albert John Hansford	Son	14		Litton Cheney

1901 Census Woodford, Essex

1911 Census India

Before the war he and his elder brother, George Henry, went to Canada as farmers. He joined the Canadian Infantry (Saskatchewan Regiment), 46th Battalion, Service No. 426238. He was one of 765 who died on the 21st of April 1918 during the Battle of the Lys or 4th Battle of Ypres.. He is buried at Roelincourt Military Cemetery, Pas de Calais, France His nephew Albert Henry died in 1942 in the Second World War.

HANSFORD, ALBERT JOHN, Corpl., No. 426238, 46th Battn. South Saskatchewan Regt., Canadian Expeditionary Force, yr. s. of Henry John Hansford, of Wood Farm, Eastwood, near Leigh-on-Sea, co. Essex, Farmer, by his wife, Mary Ann, dau. of Robert Marks; b. Litton Cheney, co. Dorset, 25 June, 1886; educ. Culmstock Grammar School; went to Canada in 1911, and settled at Stalwart, South Saskatchewan, as a Farmer; enlisted 31 Dec. 1914; came to England with the Contingent in Nov. 1915; served with the Expeditionary Force in France and Flanders from Aug. 1916, and was killed in action near Arras 21 April, 1918. Buried in Roelincourt Military Cemetery, north of Arras. An officer wrote: "He was a man in a thousand; in all my experience in the Army I have never seen any man whose death was more keenly felt by his many friends, both officers and men alike. He was recognized by all as a straight, God-fearing man, one who ever put his duty before self, and who was ever courteous and obliging to all." He m. at Ferme Park Church, Hornsey, N., 30 Aug. 1917, Ada Elizabeth (6, North View Road, Hornsey, N.), dau. of Frederick George Wilcocks; s.p.

In Memory of

Corporal

Albert John Hansford

426238, 46th Bn., Canadian Infantry who died on 21 April 1918 Age 31

Son of Henry and Mary Ann Hansford, of Litton Cheney, Dorset; husband of Ada E. Hansford, of White Lodge, Wickford, Essex.

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