

# Family History

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## ELY - POULTER FAMILY – GREENSBOROUGH

James Ely b 1768 Sf m 1790 Alice Went b 1770 Sf son George  
fth Henry Went - mth Sarah

George Ely b 1793 Sf m 1814 Sarah Poulter b 1792 Sf son Frederick

Frederick Ely b 1838 Sf d 1915 Gb m c1866 Elizabeth Poulter bc 1846 Sf d 1916 son John  
fth Wm Poulter b Sf - mth Mary Frost b Sf  
(brother of Geo Poulter)

John Ely b 1881 Gb d 1966 Gb m 1907 Melinda Iredale b1884 Gb son Alan R & son Phil. O

Frederick Ely was born in Cowlinge Suffolk, in 1838, to George Ely b1793 and Sarah Poulter b1792, both were born in Cowlinge. He came to Australia on the "Ocean Monarch" in 1856 with, most likely, his brother George, aged 34 his wife Elizabeth (Piper) aged 22 and daughters Elizabeth aged two and Harriet aged one.

George and his family settled in the Harcourt area in Victoria, as did his brothers William and Henry.

In 1857, Henry, his wife Mary Anne (Parker) and a daughter came to Australia, and settled in Greensborough for a short time, then moved to Harcourt, taking a large amount of apple tree cuttings and plants from Greensborough, where he, brother William, William Eagle, a childhood friend from Cowlinge, and a Nathan Vick, planted and started apple orchids.

Fred settled in Greensborough, and in 1866 married Elizabeth Poulter also born in Cowlinge Suffolk. Their marriage is registered under the name Elley. Elizabeth and her parents arrived in Australia in 1852.

Fred and Elizabeth's children:

Sarah	b1867	m1897	Geo Staines	Ellen	b1868	m1894	Alex Barlow
*Mary Ann	b1871	m1899	Henry Splatt	George	b1873	m1894	C/tina Woods
Wm Poulter	b1875	m1905	Eth Warne	Betsey	b1877	d1878	
*Betsey Emma	b1879	m1897	Chas Staines	*John	b1881	m1905	Melinda Iredale
James	b1884	m1905	Ed James	Henry	b1886	m1920	Min Moore
Melinda J	b1888	m1912	Jos Jennings	Fred J	b1890	m1922	Martha Coleman

\* The only members of the Ely family who remained in Greensborough.

Fred and Elizabeth lived in Main Street; Fred was a miner, until 1914, then a gardener.

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He and a friend, Fred Passey worked a couple of gold mines in Green Hills/Briar Hill, and it was reported that, "They did very well". Frederick Jeff was living with his parents when he enlisted in 1916.

Fred died in 1915 and Elizabeth in 1916, both are buried at Greensborough Cemetery.

Daughter Mary Ann and husband Henry Splatt, lived in Grimshaw Street, Henry was a carter.

Children: Clements m Annie Jack, Elvie m Sid Crees, Ronald m Lily Henry.

Daughter Betsy Emma and husband Charles Staines, lived in Greensborough, Chas was a cutter.

Children: Albert m I. Owen, Ada m H. Jebb, Doris m A. Clarke, Florence m E. Hazelwood, Elsie ?

Son John and wife Melinda(Iredale), lived in Main Street, then Grimshaw Street, John a labourer, later an assistant.

Children, Allen R. m Maisie Love, Phillip O. m Linda Skewes.

John owned land in Grimshaw Street, where he built their home, he subdivided the land, this was when Eldale Avenue came to be, a combination of John's and Melinda's surnames.

He sold a block of land, to Dr. E.R. Cordner, this is where the Cordner house, "Ashmead" was built.

John and Melinda's house later became a Medical Centre, "Ely House". Alan and Maisie's a Physiotherapy Centre.

John died in 1966 and Melinda died in 1952.

Families from Cowlinge, Suffolk (an apple growing area) who came to Australia and settled in Greensborough. Aldridge, Bailey, Buck, Butcher, Chapman, Ely, Foster, Frost, Godwill, Jarvis, Jolly, Limmer, Murking, Palmer, Poulter, Roberts and Rose.

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