

**MEMORIAL INSCRIPTIONS IN THE
ANABAPTIST or GENERAL BAPTIST BURIAL GROUND
BURIAL GROUND LANE, TOVIL, KENT (GR TQ75085426)**

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The following record of the burial ground inscriptions are the result of combining information from:

- i) 'The Tombs Register of the Ancient Burial Ground at Tovil' – an anonymous list of names, dates of death and ages produced about 1870, apparently accurate but obviously not including the few burial details after that date;*
- ii) a nearly complete survey undertaken by M.C. Thomsett in 1979, but he was clearly unaware of the 1870 Tombs Register with its dates and ages and it is full of inaccuracies and omissions;*
- iii) a less than complete survey undertaken by pupils from Oldborough Manor School in 1992;*
- iv) a survey undertaken by me in June/July 2010.*

The inscriptions as here transcribed are probably as accurate as can now be produced, given that many of the stones have been weathered so that the lettering is no longer easy to read, and in some cases is illegible or has vanished. The numbers refer to the graves as they are numbered on the plan, which was originally drawn up by Mr Thomsett but which has been revised by me. The square brackets indicate illegible or missing portions of the inscriptions. Capital letters have been used where they appear on the stones, and obliques indicate ends of lines.

- 1 In Memory of / JOHN BALLARD / who departed this life Sept^r 25th 1815. / Aged 35 years / Also of / PHOEBE BALLARD. / Wife of the above who departed this Life / May the 5th 1852 Aged 72 years. / Also ELIZTH BALLARD Daughter of / the above who died Feb^{ry} 25th 1815. / Aged 19 months / Left Issue Four Sons (viz) John. Henry./ Charles. & William./ Also WILLIAM Son of the above who died / Sept^r 24th 1822 Aged 11 years & 5 Months. / Also CHARLES. third Son of the above / who died Nov^r 15th 1839. Aged 30 Years. / Also JOHN. Son of the above / who died July 10th 1863. / Aged 58 years
- 2 IN MEMORY OF / REBECCA PINE WIDOW OF / JOHN PINE OF TOVIL AND ONLY CHILD / OF CHRISTOPHER CARBERRY AND / REBECCA HIS WIFE, / WHO DIED OCTOBER THE 2ND 1865 / AGED 92 YEARS / ALSO IN MEMORY OF / REBECCA PINE, / SECOND DAUGHTER OF THE ABOVE NAMED / WHO DIED 15TH JUNE 1892, / AGED 89 YEARS.
- 2a R.P. 1865
- 3 In / Memory of / ROBERT only Son / of WILL^M & MARY GROSVENOR / of St Michael's Parish, Cornhill, London, who died Oct 9th 1776. / Aged 7 years / Also of LYDIA GEORGE / Born May 19th (OS) 1748 / Died May 13th 1834 / Aged 86 Years
- 4 IN MEMORY / OF / THOMAS PINE / OF MAIDSTONE / WHO DIED JUNE 17TH 1857, / AGED 83 YEARS. / ALSO OF / ANN, HIS WIFE, / WHO DIED JANUARY 6TH 1857, / AGED 83 YEARS.
- 4a T.P. 1857
A.P.1857

5 (Left hand panel)
 HERE / LIES [THE] / BODY [OF] / JANE [GRIGSON] / DAUGH[TER OF] /
 BENJAM[IN GRIGSON AND] / CON[STANCE] /
 (Lines 8 – 11 illegible)
 DAUGHTER OF OF BENJN / GRIGSON & CONSTANCE / [HIS] WIFE
 DEPARTD / THIS LIFE Y^c 2 OF MAY / 1712 AGED 3 YEARS / AND 6
 MONTHS / JOHN GRIGSON SON / OF BENJAMIN / GRIGSON AND
 CONSTANCE / HIS WIFE DEPARTED / THIS LIFE Y^c 24TH OF / MARCH 1712
 (The 1870 list gives Jane's death, in infancy, as being 1707. The name of Eliza must
 have been in the lines on this stone which are now illegible as she appears in the
 1870 list as having died in 1712 at the age of 3½.)

(Right hand panel virtually gone)

6 [HERE · / LIETH]· THE · BODY · / OF · SIMON · PYNE · / WHO · DEPARTED ·
 / THIS · LIFE · THE · 28 · / OF · OCTOBER · IN · / THE · YEARE · / OF · OVR ·
 LORD · 1681 · / BEING · AGED · 47 · / YEARS · TWO · / MONTHS · AND ·
 12 · / DAYES · LEAVING · / ISSVE · JOHN · THOMAS · / ARTHOR · MARY · /
 AND · HANNA

7 (Top of table tomb)
 Here / [Li]eth the Remains [of] / [W]ILLIAM [Son of] / [THOMAS?] and HANNAH
 [PINE] / who died Feb^{ry} 21st 18[49] / Aged 6[4] Years / Also ELIZABETH Wife of
 the above / WILLIAM PINE / who died July [..] 18[53] / Aged 65 Years / Also
 ROSE PINE / who died Feb^y [..] 1855 / Aged 73 Years / Also MARY PINE / who
 died Feb^y 23rd 1855 / Aged 75 Years

(West face: not properly checked as it is difficult to read without helpful lighting.)
 JOHN son of THO and MARY PINE died March 15th 1810 aged 31 Years. Also
 THO son of THO & HANNA PINE who died Oct^r 5th 1852 Aged 75 Years. Also
 SARAH Wife of the above THO PINE who died Jan 23rd 1863 Aged 77 Years .
 CHARLES ARTHUR SCOTT PINE died Oct^r 22nd 1861 Aged 10 weeks.
 WILLIAM ROSE PINE died Nov^r [...] 1863 Aged 17 Years.

8 In Memory of / ELIZABETH Wife of SIMON PINE / who departed this Life 19th
 Day / of September 1782 Aged 6[8] Years. / Also to the Memory of the above /
 SIMON PINE who departed this / Life the 25th Feb^y [1789 aged 75]

9 [In] / Memory of [EDW^D] DAVIS / who died N[ov^r 1800] / Aged 2[7 Years] /
 Also HAN[NAH D]AVIS / his Wi[fe who died] / Oct^r the [.... 1811] / [Age]d 36
 [Yea]rs

9a E D
 H D
 (Leaning against wall alongside headstone.)

10 In A Vault / in Front of this Stone /are deposited the Remains / of M^{RS} MARY
 HAWKINS Wife of M^R GEORGE HAWKINS / (of Gabriel Hill Maidstone) / who
 departed this Life Dec^r 28th 1812 / Aged 39 Years. / Also of SOPHIA their Daughter
 / Aged 8 Years. / SAMUEL READER & EBENEZER 2 SONS / who died in their
 Infancy.

GRAND / DAUGHTER OF JAMES WATT THE ENGINEER / AND LEFT ISSUE
 AN ONLY CHILD ARTHUR CHILLEY / BORN APRIL 20TH 1854 AND WHO
 WAS / BAPTISED AT THE CHAPEL OF THE ROYAL HOSPITAL /
 KILMAINHAM, MAY 31ST 1854. / HAVING EXPRESSED A WISH THAT HIS
 REMAINS “MIGHT ONE D[AY REST IN THIS PLAC]E” AMIDST / T[HOSE OF
 HIS ANCESTORS] / THIS ST[ONE WAS ERECTED TO HIS MEMORY] / BY A
 SUP[..... ER AND BROTHER] / ALSO IN MEM[ORY OF OF
 OTFORD] / KENT, (ELDER B[ROTHER OF THE ABOVE CHILLEY PINE]) /
 DIED UNMAR[RIED BORN 12TH 18....]

(The last 5 lines of this inscription flaked off and fell onto the ground; some of it was saved in 1992 and reassembled onto a board which is now with the Loose Area History Society.)

- 17 HERE LIE THE REMAINS / OF / REBECCA WOOD. WIDOW OF / JOHN
 WOOD OF CRANBROOK. AMD FORMERLY / WIDOW OF CHRISTOPHER
 CARBERRY. / WHO DIED FEB^{RY} 21ST 1827. AGED 76 YEARS. / LEAVING
 ISSUE ONLY BY HER FIRST / MARRIAGE ONE DAUGHTER (VIZ)
 REBECCA. / THE WIFE OF JOHN PINE OF TOVIL.

- 18 In Memory / OF / ANN PINE, THIRD DAUGHTER OF / THE LATE JOHN PINE
 OF TOVIL / WHO DIED THE 13TH OF FEBRUARY 1826 / AGED 21 YEARS. /
 ALSO OF / ELIZABETH JANE PINE, / ELDEST DAUGHTER OF / BENJAMIN
 CHILLEY PINE / OF MAIDSTONE, WHO DIED 31ST AUGUST / 1826 AGED 16
 YEARS. / “THE WINTRY BLAST OF DEATH,” / “KILLS NOT THE BUDS OF
 VIRTUE; NO, THEY SPREAD,” / “BENEATH THE HEAVENS BEAM, OF
 BRIGHTER SUNS.” / “THROUGH ENDLESS AGES, INTO HIGHER POWERS.”

- 18a A P 1826
 E P 1826

- 19 In / Memory of / BENJAMIN CHILLEY PINE / who died September 12th 1827 /
 Aged 49 Years

- 19a B.C.P.
 1827.

- 20 IN MEMORY / OF / ELIZABETH PINE / DAUGHTER OF / JOHN & ELIZTH
 PINE / WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE JULY 16TH / 1793 AGED 17 YEARS /
 ALSO OF MARY PINE / SISTER OF THE ABOVE / ELIZABETH PINE / WHO
 DIED DECEMBER 28TH 1839 / AGED [56] / ALSO OF ANN PINE SISTER OF /
 ELIZABETH & MARY PINE / WH[O DIED JANUARY.....1849] / [AGED
 71.....] / ALSO
 [.....] / B[.....] / [.....] / WHO [.....]
 [.....?.....]

- 20a [*Facing the back of headstone No. 35 , so inscription cannot be read.*]

- 21 THOMAS PINE / Died Jan [28th?] 1763 Aged 60 Years. / MARY Widow of THO^S
 PINE / Died March 18th 1788 Aged 82 Years. / JORDAN Son of T & M PINE / Died
 [*blank*] 1747 Aged 1 Year / JAMES Son of T & M PINE / Died August 1748 Aged
 17 Years. / SARAH Daughter of T & M PINE. / Died Jan 31st 1754 Aged 4 Years. /
 ELIZABETH Daughter of T & M PINE / and Wife of the Rev^d M^R JOHN WICHE. /

- Died Apr. 16th 1766 Aged 30 Years. / JOHN Son of T & M PINE died Apr 16th / [1789 Aged] 48 Years. / Also [ELIZAB]ETH Wife of the above / JOH[N PIN]E died April the 12th 1796 / Aged 51 Years.
- 22 *[Thomsett mistakenly allocated this number to the second half of stone No.21.]*
- 23 The Rev^d / JOHN WICHE / died April 7 1794 / Aged 76 Years / He was a teacher of Youth and Pastor / of the General Baptist Church at / Maidstone for near Half a Century / Also ELIZABETH WICHE his Daughter / Born Jan^{ry} 24th 1761. died July 3rd 1778 / Aged Seventeen Years. / Also Jane his youngest Daughter / who died July 31st 1822 / Aged 58 Years.
- 24 THOMAS JORDAN PINE / Born Oct^{br} 9th 1733 / Died Dec^{br} 17th 1805 / Aged 72 Years. / Pure religion and undefiled befor[e God] / and the Father is this to visit the Fat[herless] / and widows in their affliction and t[o keep] / oneself unspotted from the worl[d] / Also THOMAS PINE Son o[f] / the late JOHN PINE of Tov[il] / Born Sept^r 2nd 1808. / Died Nov^r 20th 1833. Aged 25 Years.
- 24a T J P
1805
- 25 Sacred to the Memory of / STEPHEN BEECHING / Departed this Life the 7th June 1791. / Aged 32 Years.
- 26 To the Memory of / JOHN BEECHING / Late of Maidstone died October 6th 1810. / Aged 47 Years. / Issue One Son & Two Daughters / Also MARY / Wife of the above JOHN BEECHING / who departed this Life the 4th March / 1826 Aged 62 Years / Near this Place are also deposited the remains / of eleven Infant Children of the above / John Beeching and Mary his Wife.
- 27 Sacred / to the Memory of SAMUEL DAWSON / who died Dec^r 23rd / 1785 Aged 24 Years / Also ELIZABETH DAWSON / who died Oct^r 23rd 1786 Aged 26 Years / Likewise THOMAS DAWSON / who died Jan^y 13th 1789 Aged 40 Years / Also ELIZABETH Wife of the Rev^d J DAWSON who died / November 12th 1815 Aged 51 Years / Sons and Daughtrs of / M^R ISAAC DAWSON / Likewise the above Rev^d JOSEPH DAWSON / Son of the aforesaid M^R ISAAC DAWSON / who departed the Life October the [..] / 1825 Aged 66 Years
- 27a S.D. 1785
- 28 In Memory of / MARY Wife of WILL^M BOORNE / who departed this Life May the 22nd / 1774 Aged 63 Years / Redeeming grace Electing love / Her theme below Her song above / Also ELIZABETH BOORNE second / Wife of the above WILLIAM BOORNE / who departed this Life December / the 9th 1825 Aged 94 Years
- 29 In Memory of / ELIZABETH Wife of / RICHARD ALLCHIN of Maidstone / who was born August 27th 1779 / died April 19th 1815 / Leaving Issue one Daughter ELIZABETH / For many years she labored incessantly / for the welfare of others and long previously / to her Death was almost precluded / from every enjoyment herself. Doubtless / there is a future state in which suffering / Virtue will be amply recompenced. / Also in Memory of / the said RICHARD ALLCHIN who died / June 30th 1842 Aged 71 Years / Also of ELIZABETH their Daughter / who died Sep^t 29th

- 1828 Aged 20 Years / He was distinguished by his intelligence and / [.....] amiable daughter
 [.....] the patient / [.....] of [.....] / [.....] / [.....]
- 30 Here lieth the Body of / M^{rs} Eliz Law Relict / of M^r John Law Jun^r / late of Faversham Dec / who departed this Life / y^e 22^d of Feb 1741 / Aged 44
- 31 In Memory of / MARY Wife of THOMAS ATKINS / who died 26th of May 1797. / Aged 34 Years. / Also two children died in their Infancy / Left Issue one Daughter SALLY. / Also the ab[ove n]amed SALLY ATKINS died t[he] 30th March 1798. / Aged 3 Years and 8 Months.
- 32 In Memory of Mary / Wife of ISAAC DAWSON / who died 10th Dec^{br} 1753. / Aged 27 Years. / Also Sarah their Daugh^t / Aged 1 Year.
- 33 In Memory of / JANE Wife of / ISAAC DAWSON / who died August 14th 1806 / Aged 79 Years / Also of the above ISAAC DAWSON / who died July 28th 1814 / Aged Ninety two Years.
- 34 Here lyes / the Body of / MARGARET [Wife] of / THO DAWSON / of Maidstone [....] / she departed this life / Nov^r 23^d 1728 / Aged 22 Years / Also y^e Body of / AMOS their son / Also the Body [of Margarett] / Dawson their d[daughter Aged] / one Year [.....] / Left Issue one [son ...] / Thomas Dawson
- 35 Sacred to the Memory of / SAMUEL EDMETT who died Jan / the 15th 1786 Aged 58 Years / Also SARAH his Wife died May the 17th 1781 Aged 47 Years / ELIZ^h their Daugh^t died Sept^r 22^d 1783 Aged 9 Years / GEORGE their Son died 27th Aged 6 Years / Also SARAH their Daugh^t died Feb^{ry} / the 16th 1792, Aged 20 Years / Also ESTHER their Daughter died / January the 27th 1801, Aged 21 Years / Also MARY their Daughter who died / the 19th of June 1833 Aged 61 Years
- 35a (*Footstone standing against headstone, badly flaked.*)
 S E
- 36 To the Memory of / WILL^M Son of WILL^M & ANN EDMETT / who died March 6th 1806. Aged 7 Months / also ESTHER their daughter who died May / 23rd 1808 Aged 4 Years 9 Months / also SAMUEL their Son who died Oct^r [25th] / 1810 Aged 12 Months / also WILLIAM their Son who died Oct^r [16th] / 1815 Aged 8 Years & 8 Months
- 36a (*Footstone close to headstone.*)
 W. E
 1806
- 37 IN MEMORY OF / WILLIAM EDMETT / OF MAIDSTONE / WHO DIED APRIL 8TH 1845 / AGED 75 YEARS / THOMAS CLARK EDMETT / [SON OF THE ABOVE] / [WHO DIED1848] / [AGED 29 YEARS] / [..... ED]METT / [.....] / [..... ED]METT
- 37a W. E.
 1845

38 In Memory of Eli^z / Wife of Benjamin Knowlden / who died July 7th 1762 / Aged 33 Years / Also two Children died in their Infancy. / Left Surviving one Son and four Daugh^s. / Will^m Mary Eliza^h Martha and Sarah. / Also Mary Knowlden died / Feb^{ry} 29th 1774 Aged 21 Years. / Likewise the Said BENJAMIN KNOWLDEN / who died Novem^{br} the 8th 1776 Aged 50 Years / Also ANNA his Daugh^{tr} by ANNA his Second / Wife died Oct^{br} 20th 1779 Aged 14 Years

39 In Memory / of ELIZABETH the / Dearly beloved Wife of / JOHN FAULKNER of East- / Farleigh who Lived together / in love and Unity 46 Years / She died April [...] 1765 / Aged 75 Years / Also JOHN FAULKNER died / Feb^{ry} 8th 1772 Aged 77 Years

40 IN MEMORY OF / GEORGE BENTLIF. / BORN FEB^Y 11. 1779. DIED FEB^Y 4. 1824. / AND SARAH. HIS WIFE / BORN MAY 7. 1783. DIED NOV^R 30. 1871. / Also in remembrance / OF THEIR DECEASED CHILDREN.- / THOMAS. BORN SEPT^R 20. 1807. DIED APRIL 26. 1830. / WILLIAM. BORN MARCH 20. 1809. DIED AUG^T 1. 1842. / (INTERRED AT ST. MARY'S BERMONDSEY.) / EMILY. WIFE OF GEORGE BOOTH / BORN FEB^Y 27. 1821. DIED SEPT^R 22. 1847. / HENRY. BORN OCT^R 12. 1810. DIED DEC^R 2. 1847. / ALFRED. BORN FEB^Y 25. 1823. DIED FEB^Y 23. 1855. / AND MARY-ANNE. WHO DIED IN INFANCY. / This memorial was erected in 1872. / BY THE SURVIVING CHILDREN OF THE ABOVE / GEORGE & SARAH BENTLIF. / VIZ GEORGE AMATT ELIZA SARAH CAROLINE. / MARY-ANNE AND SAMUEL. /

(On rear of stone)

FURTHER RECORDS OF BURIAL / ON GRANITE MONUMENT / OVER VAULT / IN MAIDSTONE CEMETERY

(Stone coffin has G B 1821 on its end.)

41 Sacred / to the Memory of / JOHN BURCH / Departed this Life [..] Sept 1802 / Aged 73 Years /

42 Sacred / to the memory / EMILY ELGAR Daughter of / WILLIAM & MARY ELGAR / of ths Parish / died August 11th 1808 / Aged 2 Years 6 Weeks & 5 Days / Also WILLIAM ELGAR Son of the above named WILLIAM & MARY ELGAR / died Sept^r 27th 1810. / Aged 10 Years 7 Months & 22 Days / Also of the above Named / MARY ELGAR / died April 1st 1813 Aged 37 Years.

(Stone coffin has W E on its broken-off end.)

43 In Memory of / THO^S ELGAR Junior (Late) of Maidstone / he Departed this Life December y^c 26th 1755 / Aged 27 Years / Here also lieth the Body of THO^S ELGAR / Senior he Departed this Life August y^c 3^d 1763 / Aged 71 Years / Left Issue 3 Sons, 2 Daughters.

(Stone coffin has E.E. 1808 on its end.)

44 Here Lyeth the Body of / M^r / THO^S MERCER / Late of Maidstone / who Departed this Life / the 22 of July 1744 / Aged 41 Years / Also Here Lyeth the Body of / M^{rs}

Sarah Late Wife / to the above said M^r Tho^s Mercer / who Departed this Life / the 19 of April 1752 / Aged 49 Years

45 Here Lieth the Body of / JOSEPH MERCER / Formerly of Sedlescombe / in Sussex and Late of / Maidstone in this County / who Departed this Life / y^e 7th Day of February / 1737 / Aged 78 Years / [Thin]k Seriously on Death / [.....] and Eternity

46 In Memory / OF / ALICE / Wife of JAMES WIDGEON / who departed this Life March 5th 1819 / Aged 61 Years. / Likewise JAMES WIDGEON / Husband of the above (Late of Sheerness) / who departed this Life the 14th of August / 1830 Aged 75 Years / Also CHARLES WIDGEON HAYWARD / Grandson of the above / who died August 19th 1856 / Aged 41 Years

(Stone coffin has A.W. 1819 on its end.)

47 *(Top of table tomb)*
HERE REST THE REMAINS OF / ISRAEL LEWIS OF HAMPSTEAD / WHO DIED DEC^R 28TH 1820, AGED 72. / ROBERT LEWIS / OF LONGCROFT NEAR TRING, / WHO DIED SEP^T 13TH 1827 AGED 67. / M^{RS} ELIZABETH STORKE / COOPER / WHO DIED JULY 28TH 1818 AGED 75. / AND THEIR NEPHEW / JAMES COOPER / WHO DIED MAY 24TH 1820 AGED 27. / ALSO IN MEMORY OF / LEWIS COOPER, / WHO QUITTED THIS WORLD / ON THE 28TH DAY OF OCTOBER, / IN THE YEAR 1842. / AT THE AGE OF 66. / AND OF MATILDA HIS WIFE, / WHO DIED AT HAMPSTEAD, / ON JUNE 17TH 1854 AGED 73. / LIKewise OF EMILY COOPER, / THEIR DAUGHTER / WHO DIED SEPT^R 10TH 1877 AGED 75.

48 [Here lieth the Bod]y / [of] DEANE / [.....] of / the [.....] of Ash / Son [of WILL]IAM / DE[ANE of] Ridley / wh[o died] / this [.....] / in y^e [year of our] / LORD 1727 in y^e / *(rest of inscription below ground).*

49 WILLIAM DEANE / of Ridley in Kent [died Ma]y 1 / 1734 Aged [68] / Here lies the B[ody of] / SA[RAH] DEANE [wife of] / WIL[L] DEANE daughter of [.....] / Deane of Ridley / [.....] Oct Year of our LORD / [1721 Aged 49] / [.....]

50 In Memory / of / CATHERINE Wife of / JOHN PILLOW / who died April 27th 1818 / Aged 69 Years / Also the above / JOHN PILLOW / who died Oct^r 3rd 1836 / Aged 87 Years

50a *(Footstone standing against headstone.)*
C. P. [1818]
J. P. 1836

51 IN MEMORY OF / FLOWER, / WIFE OF THOMAS SICKLEMORE, / WHO DIED OCTOBER 15TH 1798, / AGED 35 YEARS. / ALSO / JAMES SON OF THE ABOVE, / WHO DIED NOVEMBER 25TH 1811, / AGED 18 YEARS.

52 Here lieth the body / of M^{rs} Sarah Bedwell / who Departed this life [4th?] of / December 1755 / Aged 81 Years

- 53 Here Lieth the body of / MARY MERCER / of Maidstone Who Departed / this Life
2nd September / 1737 / Aged 65 Years
- 54 Here / Lieth y^e Body of /DAVID PAIN Son of / [.....Pa]in of
Ha] / [who d]eparted this Life / [.....] y^e 20th 17[..] / In y^e
51st Year of his Age
- 54a (*Footstone may belong to No. 54, but only the top is visible; inscription is below
ground.*)
- 55 In Memory of / HARRIOT / Daughter of EDWARD and / MARY PINE of Otham: /
who died November 19th 1798 / Aged 28 Years. / Her life tho painful was to others
dear. / Her early death has left a loss severe. / Also SARAH their daughter died /
May 14th 1804. Aged 28 Years. / She too alas from friends is torn away / To join her
valu'd sister's mould'ring clay; / The selfsame gloomy path her feet have trod /
While we for both lament they rest in peace with God.
- 55a/b (*Tops only of two footstones are visible, side by side; inscriptions are below ground.*)
- 56 In Memory / OF / Ann wife of JOHN TURNER / who Departed this Life / March the
14th 1803. / Aged 65 Years.
- 57 Sacred / To the Memory of / ELIZABETH Wife of SAMUEL CORNFORD / of this
Parish / who departed this Life March 28th 1810 / Aged 40 Years / Also SARAH
their Dau^r died Feb^y 7th 1802 / Aged 2 Years / EDWARD their Son died Oct^r 13th
1810 / Aged 5 Years / And 2 Sons Twins viz: BENJAMIN / & JOSEPH died in their
Infancy / Also SARAH / Daughter of the above named / ELIZABETH CORNFORD
/ and the beloved Wife of / JOHN WOOD of Maidstone / died Jan^y 21st 1868 Aged
61 Years / They rest from their labours / Also JOHN WOOD / Husband of the above
/ who died January 14th 1880 / in the 75th Year of his Age / In God have I put my
trust
- 58 To the Memory / OF / REBECCA Wife of ROB^{RT} DAWSON / Who Departed this
Life March 24th / 1803, Aged 63 Years. / Wife so lovely to my Soul was and is knit. /
Time must end with me before I her forget.
- 59 Here Lyeth the Body of / EDWARD BEDWELL / Brewer Who Departed this / [Life]
y^e 19th of October / Anno Domini 1728 / Aged 59 Years
- 60 IN MEMORY OF / ANNE HAYWOOD WIFE OF / CHARLES WIDGEON
HAYWOOD ESQ^R / LATE OF TOVIL DIED 5TH JANUARY 1864 / AGED 43
YEARS. / ALSO / ELIZABETH AMY HAYWOOD / WIDOW OF CHARLES
GARNELLS HAYWOOD / WHO DIED AUGUST 15TH 1864. / AGED 83 YEARS.
- 61 (*Inscription on 2-panel face eroded away completely – probably 18th century.*)
- 62 HERE Lieth [y^e Body] of / MARY [M]OORE [the] Wife / of W[.....]
Daughter / [.....] LE [.....] MARY / WRIGHT [.....] / [
.....?.....]
- 63 (*This inscription is one of the most significant in the burial ground, but is difficult to
read not only because it is faint, but because it is in Greek and Latin as well as*

English. The Greek has not been attempted here, and both the Latin and English sections are incomplete – and the Latin seems not to agree with the English!)

HIC JACET IN TUMULO / CORPUS J[.....] WRIGHT / MEDICI / QUI OBIIT
DECIM DIE / AUGUSTI ANNO D 1706 / ET AETATIS SUA QUADRAG[
.....] / FILIOS DUOS ET FILIAS [.....] EM RELINQUEM

HERE LIETH THE BODY OF JOSEPH WRIGHT / LATE OF MAIDSTONE WHO
DEPARTED THIS / LIFE THE 14TH MAY ANNO DOMINI 1703 / AGED 78
YEARS

64 *(Large slab presently covered with moss; some elements of the inscription were recorded by Oldborough Manor pupils in 1992, and these together with the date of death and age from the 1870 list, plus some guesswork, have been used to produce this less than complete version.)*

[Here lieth the Body of] Tho^s / Penwall of [.....] grocer / who Departed this
Life in / [.....] Oc[t^r] / Anno Domini [1705 Aged 42 Years]

65 *(Large slab presently covered with moss; it may or may not have an inscription.)*

INDEX OF NAMES

This list is of all names that appear on the gravestones, not just those of people buried in the Burial Ground. Any person who should have a gravestone (according to the 1870 list) but whose stone cannot now be located (eroded inscription etc.) has been given a '?' in the 'Stone no.' column.

<i>Surname</i>	<i>Christian name</i>	<i>Stone no.</i>	<i>Date of death</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Notes</i>
ALCHIN	E E	(12)	1812 1826		Stone seems to have disappeared – footstone?
ALLCHIN	Elizabeth Elizabeth Richard	29 29 29	1815 1828 1842	35½ 20 71	Elizabeth (d.1815) was wife of Richard; their daughter was Elizabeth (d. 1828)
ATKINS	Thomas Mary Sally Two infants	31 31 31 31	1797 1798	34 3⅓	Mary was wife of Thomas Atkins; Sally and the two infants were their children.
BAILEY	Elizabeth Thomas	13 13	1810 1814	59 66	Husband and wife; their daughter was Sally Ottaway.
BALLARD	Elizabeth John William Charles Phoebe John Henry	1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1815 1815 1822 1839 1852 1863	1½ 35 11⅓ 30 72 58	John & Phoebe were husband & wife. They had one daughter Elizabeth, and four sons - John (d. 1863), Henry, Charles & William.
BASSUCK	Alexander Sarah	11 11	1702 1703	83 72	Husband & wife. Alexander was a freemason.
BEDWELL	Elizabeth Edward Edward Sarah	15 15 59 52	1708 1716 1728 1755	76 83 59 81	Husband & wife (15). Edward (59) was a brewer.
BEECHING	Stephen John Mary Eleven infants	25 26 26 26	1791 1810 1826	32 47 62	John & Mary were husband & wife. Three of their children seem to have survived.
BENTLIFF	Mary-Anne George Thomas William Henry Alfred Sarah George Amatt Eliza Sarah Caroline Mary-Anne Samuel	40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40	1814 1825 1830 1842 1847 1855 1871	Inf 45 22 33 37 32 88	Stone was erected 1872 by George, Amatt, Eliza, Sarah, Caroline, Mary-Anne & Samuel, surviving children of George & Sarah.

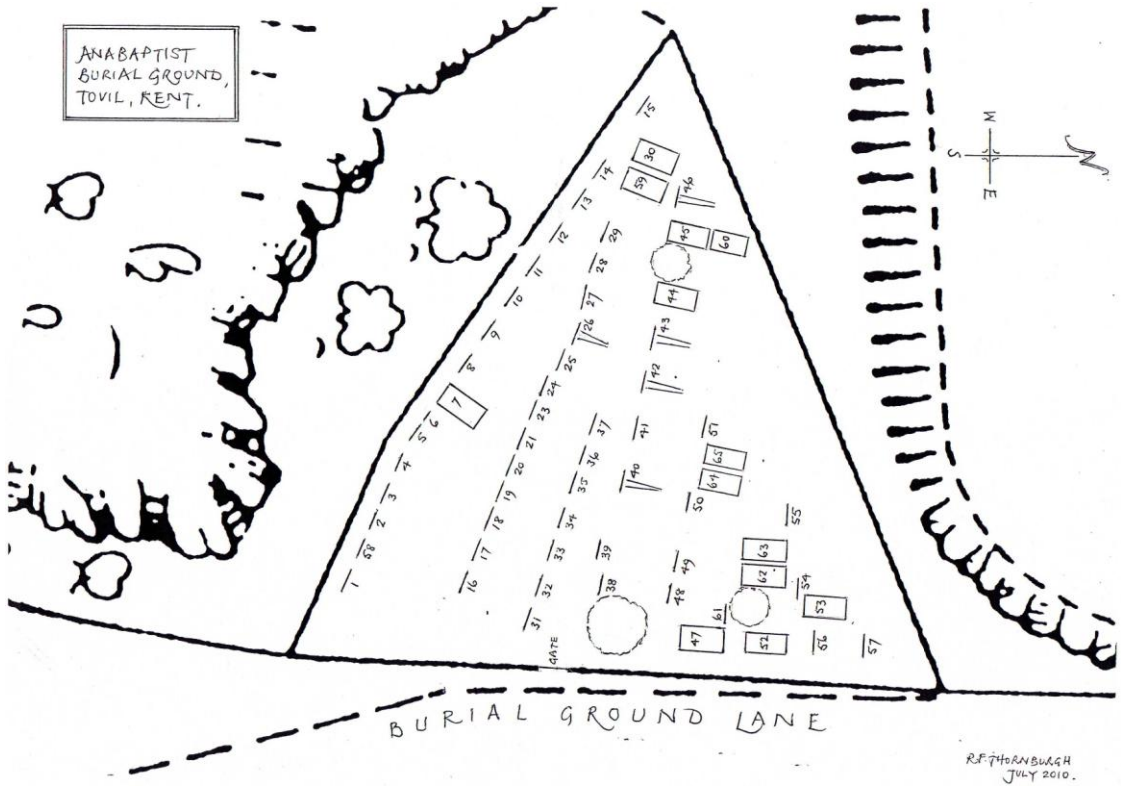
BOORNE	William Mary Elizabeth	28 28	1774 1825	63 94	Mary & Eliz were 1st and 2nd wives of Wm Boorne.
BOOTH	Emily George	40	1847	26	Emily, née Bentlif, was wife of George Booth.
BURCH	John Susanna Mary Joseph	41 41 41 41	1802 1806 1808	73 71 21	John was husband of Susanna. Mary was wife of their son Joseph.
CARBERRY	Christopher Rebecca	2 /17 2 /17			Husband and wife. Rebecca later married John Wood of Cranbrook (see under WOOD)
COOPER	Elizabeth Storke James Lewis Matilda Emily	47 47 47 47 47	1818 1820 1842 1854 1877	75 27 66 73 75	Lewis was husband of Matilda ; Emily was their daughter.
CORNFORD	Sarah Samuel Elizabeth Edward Benjamin Joseph	57 57 57 57 57 57	1802 1810 1810	2 40 5 Inf Inf	Samuel and Elizabeth were husband & wife; Sarah, Edward and twin sons Benjamin & Joseph were their children.
DAVIS	Edward Hannah Emma	9 9 ?	1800 1811 1829	27 36 6	Edward was husband of Hannah.
DAWSON	Thomas Margaret Amos Margarett Thomas Mary Sarah Samuel Elizabeth Thomas Elizabeth Revd. Joseph Rebecca Robert Jane Isaac	34 34 34 34 34 32 32 27 27 27 27 27 27 58 58 33 27/32/33	1728 1729 1753 1785 1786 1789 1815 1825 1803 1806 1814	22 1 1/3 27 1 24 26 40 51 66 63 79 92	Thomas & Margaret were husband & wife; Amos, Margarett & Thomas were their children. Mary was wife of Isaac Dawson and Sarah, Samuel, Eliz, Thos & Revd Joseph were their children. Elizabeth (d.1815) was wife of the Revd Joseph. Rebecca was wife of Robt Dawson. Jane was (2nd?) wife of Isaac.
DEANE	Sarah William William	49 48 49	1721 1727 1734	29 23 68	Badly eroded stones, making reading of inscriptions difficult.
EDMETT	Sarah Elizabeth George Samuel	35 35 35 35	1781 1783 1783 1786	47 9 6 58	Sarah was wife of Samuel; Eliz, George, Sarah Esther & Mary were their children.

	Sarah Esther William Esther Samuel Mary William William Thomas Clark Ann	35 35 36 36 36 35 36 37 37 37?	1792 1801 1806 1808 1810 1833 1815 1845 1848 1854	20 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ $4\frac{3}{4}$ 1 61 $8\frac{2}{3}$ 75 29 76	William, Esther, Samuel & Thos Clark were the children of William & Ann.
ELGAR	Thomas Thomas William Emily William Mary	43 43 42 42 42 42	1755 1763 1808 1810 1813	27 71 2 $10\frac{1}{2}$ 37	These two were son & father. Mary was the wife of William Elgar; their children were William & Emily.
FAULKNER	Elizabeth John	39 39	1765 1773	75 77	Husband & wife.
FRENCH	Stephen Elizabeth Elizabeth William Stephen	14 14 14 14 14	1814 1818 	54 64 	Husband & wife; Elizabeth, William & Stephen were their children.
GEORGE	Lydia	3	1834	86	Daughter of William & Mary Grosvenor?
GIBSON	James	16			MD, and father of Agnes Miller Pine.
GRIGSON	Benjamin Constance Jane Eliza John	5 5 5 5 5	 1707 1712 1712	 Inf $3\frac{1}{2}$ 1	Jane, Eliza & John were children of Benjamin & Constance Grigson.
GROSVENOR	William Mary Robert	3 3 3	 1776	 7	Robert was son of William & Mary Grosvenor.
HAWKINS	George Mary Sophia Samuel Reader Ebenezer	10 10 10 10 	 1812 	 39 8 Inf Inf	Mary was wife of George Hawkins; Sophia, Samuel & Ebenezer were their children.
HAYWOOD	Charles Widgeon Anne Charles Garnells Elizabeth Amy	46 60 60 60	1856 1864 1846	41 43 83	Charles Widgeon was husband of Anne. Eliz was widow of Chas Garnells Haywood.
JAMES	Charles Charles Elizabeth	13 13 13	1808	$3\frac{2}{3}$	Son of Charles & Elizabeth James.
KNOWLDEN	Elizabeth Two infants	38 38	1762	33	Elizabeth was wife of Benjamin;

	Mary Benjamin William Elizabeth Martha Sarah Anna Anna	38 38 38 38 38 38 38	1774 1776	21 50	William, Mary, Elizabeth, Martha & Sarah were their children. Anna was Benjamin's 2nd wife; Anna (d.1779) was their daughter.
LAW	Elizabeth John	30	1741	44	Elizabeth was wife of John Law Junr.
LEWIS	Israel Robert	47 47	1820 1827	72 67	
MERCER	Joseph Mary Thomas Sarah	45 53 44 44	1737 1737 1744 1752	78 65 41 49	Thomas & Sarah were husband & wife.
MOORE	Mary	62			Badly eroded stone.
OTTAWAY	Sally Walter	13 13	1803	24	Sally was 2nd daughter of Thomas Bailey & wife of Walter
PAIN	David	54	17--	51	Not on 1870 list.
PENWALL	Thomas	64	1705	42	
PILLOW	Catherine John	50 50	1808 1836	69 87	Husband & wife.
PINE	Jordan James Sarah Thomas Elizabeth Mary Eliza John Simon Ann Elizabeth Elizabeth Edward Mary Harriot Sarah Thomas Jordan Thomas Mary John Matilda Hannah Ann Elizabeth Jane Benjamin Chilley Thomas	21 21 21 21 8 21 ? 20/21 8 ? 20 20/21 55 55 55 24 (7?) 7 7 ? (7?) 18 18 18/19 24	1747 1748 1754 1763 1782 1788 1784 1789 1789 1792 1793 1796 1798 1804 1805 1808 1810 1812 1814 1826 1826 1827 1833	1 17 4 60 68 82 1 48 75 3 17 51 28 29 72 65 31 1/3 64 21 16 49 25	Thomas was husband of Mary; their children were Jordan, James, Sarah, Elizabeth & John (21). Elizabeth & Simon (8) were husband & wife. Elizabeth, Mary & Ann were daughters of John & Elizabeth Pine (20/21). Edward & Mary Pine were from Otham; Harriot & Sarah were their daughters (55). Was this Thomas the husband of Mary or Hannah? John (7) was son of Thos. & Hanna Pine. Ann was 3rd daughter of John Pine of Tovil. Elizabeth Jane was eldest daughter of Benjamin Chilley Pine. Thomas (24) was son of John Pine of Tovil.

	Mary	20	1839	56	<p>William (7) was son of Thos & Hannah Pine and husband of Elizabeth (7).</p> <p>Chilley's memorial is long and detailed. He married Agnes Gibson; Arthur was their only son.</p> <p>Thos (7) was son of Thos & Hannah Pine and husband of Sarah (7)</p> <p>Thos & Ann (4) were husband & wife.</p> <p>Rebecca (d.1865) was wife of John of Tovil. Rebecca (d.1892) was 2nd daughter of the above John & Rebecca.</p>
	Ann	20	1849	71	
	William	7	1849	64	
	Elizabeth	7	1853	65	
	Rose	7	1855	73	
	Mary	7	1855	75	
	Chilley	16	1855	45	
	Agnes Miller	16			
	Arthur Chilley	16			
	Thomas	7	1852	75	
	Thomas	4	1857	83	
	Ann	4	1857	83	
	Chas Arthur Scott	7	1861	1/8	
	William Rose	7	1863	17	
	Sarah	7	1863	77	
	Rebecca	2	1865	92	
	John (of Tovil)	2/18/24			
	Rebecca	2	1892	89	
PYNE	Simon	6	1681	47	Earliest grave in the burial ground. John, Thomas, Arthor, Mary and Hanna were Simon's children.
	John	6			
	Thomas	6			
	Arthor	6			
	Mary	6			
	Hanna	6			
SICKLEMORE	Flower	51	1798	35	Flower was wife of Thomas Sicklemore; James was their son.
	Thomas	51			
	James	51	1811	18	
TURNER	Ann	56	1803	65	Ann was wife of John Turner.
	John	56			
URIDGE	Anna	?	1716	85	
WATT	James	16			Famous engineer who was great grandfather of Agnes Pine, née Gibson.
WICHE	Elizabeth	21	1766	30	Elizabeth, daughter of Thos & Mary Pine (21), was wife of Revd John Wiche; Elizabeth & Jane(23) were their daughters.
	Elizabeth	23	1778	17½	
	Revd John	21/23	1794	76	
	Jane	23	1822	58	
WIDGEON	Alice	46	1819	61	Husband & wife. Their grandson was Charles Widgeon Hayward.
	James	46	1830	75	
WOOD	Rebecca	17	1827	76	Rebecca was widow of John Wood of Cranbrook by whom she had one daughter, Rebecca (2). Sarah, daughter of Samuel & Elizabeth Cornford, was married to John Wood (of Maidstone).
	John (of Cranbrook)	17			
	Sarah	57	1868	61	
	John (of Maidstone)	57	1880	75	
WRIGHT	Joseph	63	1703	78	See Russell's 'History of Maidstone'.
	Mary	62			

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