

How time flies when you are very busy, it does not seem possible that it was December 2012 when I last issued a Hagger Newsletter. Then I said I was going to try and issue a Newsletter twice a year, something I have clearly totally failed to do. All I can say I will try to do better from now on in.

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## **Early Parish Register Entry**

This could be one of the earliest Parish Register entries for Hagger, found in the NBI an Adra Hagger buried on 8th November 1596 at Holy Trinity, Berwick upon Tweed.

Do you have something earlier.

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## **Families we have been working on**

We have quite a lot of Haggars from Suffolk and we have recently done some work on two Ipswich families which I am pretty sure are connected. The first family starts with Elisha Haggar marrying Elizabeth Atherold in 1818 at Great Chesterford in Essex but by 1841 the family had migrated to Witnesham in Suffolk. The other family starts with Luck and Elizabeth Haggar with the baptism of their son James at Westerfield (close to Ipswich) in 1827, some of the other family also were found in Westerfield.

Over the years there have been quite a few Haggars in Great Chesterford in Essex. One family we have done a little work on starts with Samuel Haggar and Ann who had children baptised there from 1681 and their children had their offspring baptised here up to 1754 but we cannot trace them beyond that at present.

We have lots of Haggars of course in Hertfordshire and another family we have been working on came from Norton starting with John Haggar and Sarah and having their children baptised there from 1793 onwards.

Finally for this issue let me mention the Broomfield (Essex) Haggars we have built quite an extensive family tree of these starting with John Haggar and Mary who had children from 1817 to 1839.

If you have connections to these families or have ancestors from the places mentioned please do contact me.

## World War One Project

A small team of us have started working on those Hagers that died in the Great War, there are at least sixty five of these and we are trying to make sure we have built the family trees of all of these folk. As we complete our research and get it all entered in the master database of Hagers we are loading a write up on each individual on a web site created by the [Guild of One Name Studies](#).

So far we have entered the following:

[Arthur Hagger](#) - born in Islington, Middlesex 1893, son of Henry James and Annie Louisa (nee Winter).

[Bernard William Hagger](#) - born in West Ham, Essex 1896, son of William and Mary.

[Bertie Hagger](#) - born in Southwark, 1895, son of Frederick and Annie (nee Gasson).

[Charles Robert Hagger](#) - born in Chelmsford, Essex 1889 son of Walter F and Sophia (nee Brown).

[Edwin Mead Hagger](#) - born in Hackney, Essex 1893 son of Mary A Hagger.

[Ernest Hagger](#) - born in West Bromwich, 1899 son of George Robert (known as Robert) and Alice (nee Fox).

[Frank Arthur Hagger](#) - born in Sudbury, Suffolk 1897 son of James and Ellena Amelia (nee Dixey).

[Fred Hagger](#) - born in Southoe, Huntingdonshire 1881 son of Frederick and Mary (nee Metcalfe) and husband of May Ann (nee Usher).



The War Memorial at Southoe Parish Church

[Harold Hagger of Chelmsford](#) - born in Chelmsford, Essex 1897 son of Walter F and Sophia (nee Brown).

[Harold Hagger of Openshaw](#) - born in Openshaw, Lancashire 1898 son of Paul and Rosa Frances (nee Boyd).

[Henry \(also known as Harry\) Hagger](#) - born in Cambridge, 1888 son of Henry and Sarah Ann (nee Langley).

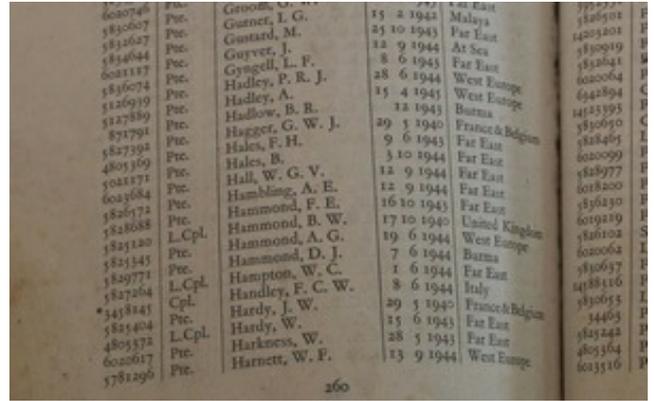
[Thomas Hagger](#) - born in Preston, Lancashire 1887 son of James and Elizabeth (nee Wilcock) and husband of Susannah Clough.

[Thomas Ignatius Hagger](#) - born in Preston, Lancashire 1895 son of Joseph Richard and Alice (nee Welsby).

## G W J Hagger

Of course the second World War also had those that lost their lives. One of these was G W J Hagger who I discovered very recently is commemorated in the Suffolk Regimental Roll of Honour in St Mary's Church in Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk.

G W J was George William James Hagger born at Newmarket in 1920 and died 29 May 1940. We can trace George to his Great\*3 Grandfather John who was baptised at Therfield in 1793. John was a brother of Henry my Great\*2 Grandfather also baptised at Therfield in 1804. They were 2 of 6 children of Edward and Sarah Reynolds married at Therfield in 1789. However, we do not know which Edward this was, all we know it is one of two cousins Edward born in 1763 at Therfield. Both Edward's of course shared the same Grandfather but their father could have been either Thomas or George. We can then trace back to Richard, GWJ's Great\*6 Grandfather who was baptised at Barkway in 1642 and buried at Therfield in 1724.



600746	Pvt.	Groom, W.	15	2	1942	Malaya	379777
5810607	Pvt.	Gunter, I. G.	25	10	1943	Far East	3429201
5812627	Pvt.	Gustard, M.	12	9	1944	At Sea	3510919
5814644	Pvt.	Guyver, J.	8	0	1943	Far East	352641
6041117	Pvt.	Gyngell, L. F.	28	6	1944	West Europe	602064
5816674	Pvt.	Hadley, P. R. J.	15	4	1943	West Europe	3423393
5826919	Pvt.	Hadley, A.	13	13	1943	Burma	3510650
5827899	Pvt.	Hadlow, B. R.	29	1	1943	France & Belgium	342451
871791	Pvt.	Hagger, G. W. J.	9	6	1943	Far East	6020999
5827392	Pvt.	Hales, F. H.	3	10	1944	Far East	342977
4803359	Pvt.	Hales, B.	12	9	1944	Far East	6018200
1041177	Pvt.	Hall, W. G. V.	12	9	1944	Far East	351230
6023684	Pvt.	Hambling, A. E.	16	10	1943	Far East	6019219
5826772	Pvt.	Hammond, F. E.	17	10	1943	United Kingdom	341012
5828688	L.Cpl.	Hammond, B. W.	7	6	1944	Burma	602062
582120	Pvt.	Hammond, A. G.	19	6	1944	West Europe	3510637
5823143	Pvt.	Hammond, D. J.	1	6	1944	Italy	3418116
5829771	L.Cpl.	Hampton, W. C.	8	6	1944	Far East	3510613
5827264	Cpl.	Handley, F. C. W.	29	1	1943	France & Belgium	34463
3418141	Pvt.	Hardy, J. W.	15	6	1943	Far East	341242
5821404	Pvt.	Hardy, W.	28	3	1943	Far East	489164
4803372	L.Cpl.	Harkness, W.	13	9	1944	West Europe	603116
6020617	Pvt.	Harnett, W. F.					
5781296	Pvt.						

The Roll of Honour Book showing the entry for G W J Hagger



The corner of St Mary's Church, Bury St Edmunds where the Roll of honour can be found.

## Newspapers

Another area where we try to do some research is that of Haggars appearing in Newspapers. One character who has come up a few times is Seth Hagger, he was born to Seth and Elizabeth at Willisham, Suffolk in 1845. Seth senior was a Rake Maker.

*Here are a couple bits about Seth junior.*

*Ipswich Journal 7 Oct 1876 - The County Registration - "The Revising Barrister ... sat at the County Hall Ipswich yesterday for the revision of the list of voters for the Ipswich Polling District. .... Seth Hagger appeared as Overseer of Willisham, he answered various questions and was made to look a fool."*

*Ipswich Journal 28 Oct 1876 - The Willisham Overseer in Trouble - "Seth Hagger overseer and innkeeper, was charged by Sergt. Reeve with being drunk and riotous on 16th October, on the highway at Willisham. The case was proved ..... The defendant said he had been pressed so much on parish business it had almost crazed him. The defendant was fined 15s, including costs, which he paid."*

## Facebook

Yes we have a **Hagger Facebook Group** and you will find it here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/190587957621440/>

I am very grateful to David Lee from Australia who recently posted some pictures from Great Chesterford in Essex, specifically he mentioned his Great 3\* Grandfather Jeremiah Hagger born in Great Chesterford in about 1789 and was a Carpenter and Wheelwright.

