

GEORGE ADAMS

1806 – 14 May 1872

Born : SOMERSET, ENGLAND

Died : EAST MAITLAND, NSW

Buried : EAST MAITLAND, NSW



George was born in Symington, Somerset, England about 1806 to John and Mary Adams .

On 7 October 1821 George married Sarah Fudge in St. John's Church, Yeovil, Somerset, England.

George brought his family out to Australia as a free settler under the Bounty Scheme on the ship "Victoria" arriving on 4 September 1849. There were apparently complaints of shortage of rations on board ship and that the Captain abused and generally ill-treated the passengers – perhaps he was used to transporting convicts.

The shipping records show that George's parents were both deceased and his religion was Church of England, his occupation was given as a Leather Dresser.

Seven of their nine children accompanied them to Australia, as far as is known their eldest son either died prior to their departure, or remained in England. Their eldest daughter married in England and had already arrived in Australia with her husband.

George died on 14 May 1872 at High Street, East Maitland, his occupation at that time was given to be a farmer. An inquest was held into his death in the County of Northumberland by Thomas W. Pearse, Coroner. The evidence was that on Monday forenoon the deceased, an old man about seventy-five years of age, was working about in his garden at East Maitland, and had dinner at the usual time, eating heartily. He went to work again after dinner, and at about a quarter to five, feeling ill, he attempted to go into Maitland to see the doctor, but was unable to walk, and fell down. He was taken back to his son-in-law's residence, his son-in-law then went off to Dr. Gordon, and obtained some medicine, which was administered, but the deceased got worse towards eleven o'clock, and the doctor was contacted a second time but on return found the deceased was dead. The deceased had complained at dinner time of a pain in his bowels, which he fancied arose from his having eaten some peas the day before. His daughter had given him some laudanum in the afternoon, which had afforded relief and had applied hot fomentations. Prior to this George had enjoyed good health, but about thirty-three years before had an attack of paralysis. The evidence of Dr. Wilton, who was called in to examine the body, was that the deceased had died from inflammation of the bowels. The verdict was death from natural causes. He was buried on 15 May 1872 in the Presbyterian Burial Grounds, East Maitland.

BIRTH REGISTRATION FACT FILE

NAME	George Adams
SEX OF CHILD	Male
DATE OF BIRTH	Abt. 1806
PLACE	Symington, Somerset, England
FATHER	John Adams
OCCUPATION	
BIRTH PLACE	
AGE	
DATE OF MARRIAGE	
PLACE OF MARRIAGE	
MOTHER	Mary (?)
OCCUPATION	
BIRTH PLACE	
AGE	
NOTES	

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MARRIAGE REGISTRATION FACT FILE

GROOM	George Adams
STATUS	Bachelor
PLACE OF BIRTH	Symington, Somerset, England
OCCUPATION	Leather Dresser
AGE	22
USUAL RESIDENCE	
FATHER	John Adams
OCCUPATION	
MOTHER	Mary (?)
<u>BRIDE</u>	Sarah Fudge
STATUS	Spinster
PLACE OF BIRTH	Yeovil, Somerset, England
OCCUPATION	
AGE	21
USUAL RESIDENCE	
FATHER	Giles Fudge
OCCUPATION	
MOTHER	Susan (?)
<u>DATE OF MARRIAGE</u>	7 October 1821
PLACE OF MARRIAGE	St. John's Church, Yeovil, Somerset, England
RELIGION	C. of E.
WITNESSES	
MINISTER	

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DEATH REGISTRATION FACT FILE

NAME	George Adams
DATE OF DEATH	14 May 1872
PLACE	High Street, East Maitland NSW
OCCUPATION	Farmer
AGE	75
CONJUGAL STATUS	
PLACE OF BIRTH	Limington, Somersetshire England
TIME IN AUST COLONIES	22 years in the Colony
FATHER	John Adams
MOTHER	Not Known
PLACE OF MARRIAGE	Yeovil, England
AGE AT MARRIAGE	25 (altered from 27)
NAME OF SPOUSE	Sarah Frugge (should be Fudge)
CHILDREN OF MARRIAGE	Alfred 48, Sarah 45, Walter 41, Emily 37, Jane 35, Henry 29, James 27, Edward 35
INFORMANT	(Signed) Sarah Sams, Daughter, Wife of Jehoiada Sams, Laborer, High Street, East Maitland
CAUSE OF DEATH	Inquest held in the County of Northumberland 14 May 1872 – verdict: Inflammation of the Bowels – Thomas W. Pierce, Coroner
LENGTH OF ILLNESS	
DATE OF BURIAL	15 May 1872
PLACE OF BURIAL	Presbyterian Burial Ground East Maitland
MINISTER AND RELIGION	James McCulloch, Minister, (religion not stated)
WITNESSES	Thos Banfield, Samuel Porter

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