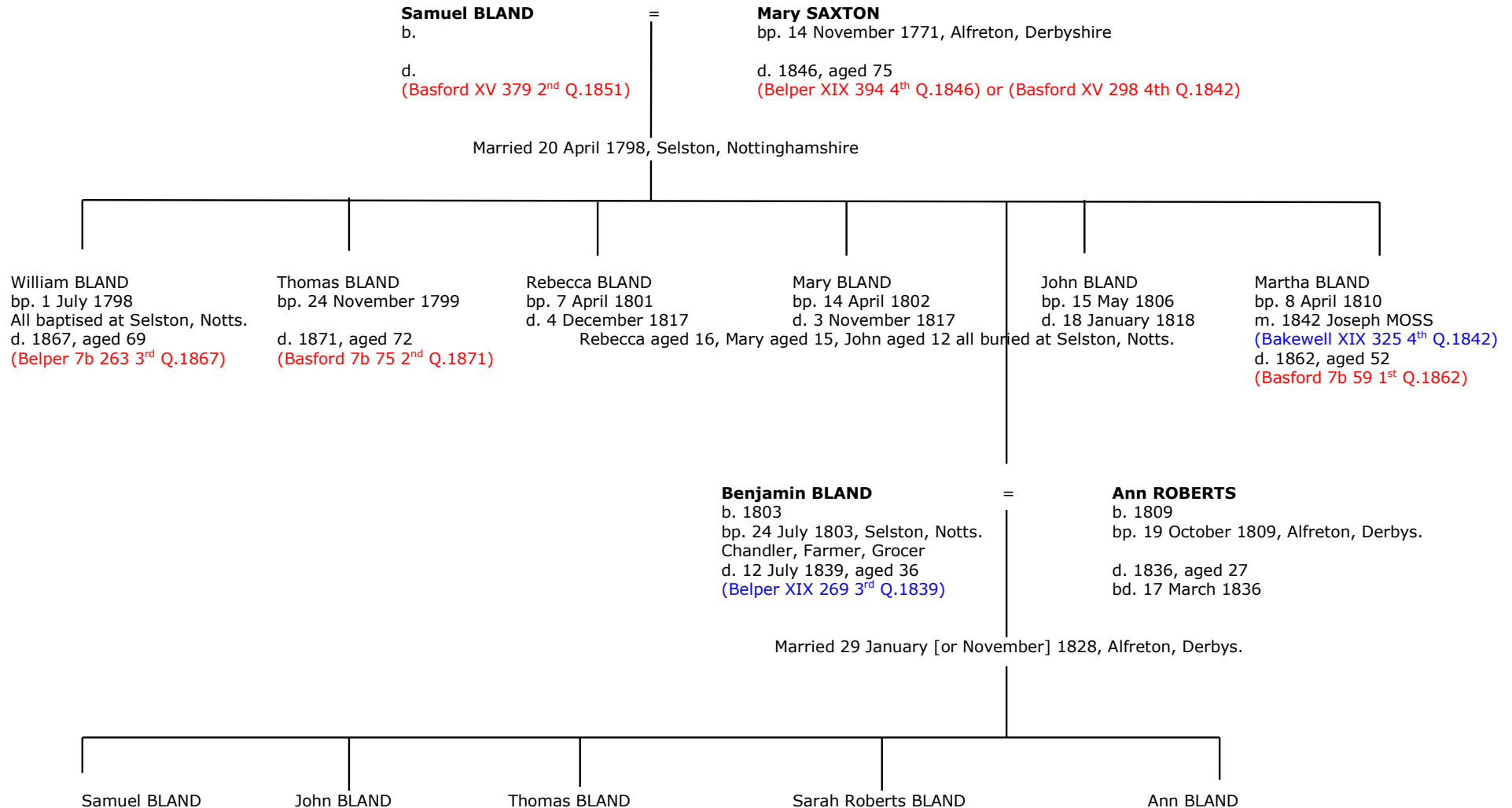


# The BLAND Family History Chart



## Notes

From the *International Genealogical Index (IGI)* which includes records from the Nottinghamshire Parish of Selston for the period 1557-1875 it is thought that **Samuel BLAND** married **Mary SAXTON** on 20<sup>th</sup> April 1798. It is believed that they had six or seven children all of whom were baptised at Selston. The eldest was **William BLAND** who was baptised on 1<sup>st</sup> July 1798, and their second child, **Thomas Bland** was baptised on 24<sup>th</sup> November 1799. The third child, a daughter, **Rebecca BLAND** was baptised on 7<sup>th</sup> April 1801 but died on 4<sup>th</sup> December 1817 aged 16 years. **Mary BLAND** the next child to appear was baptised on 14<sup>th</sup> April 1802 and also died young and just under five weeks before her sister on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1817. She was 15 years old. The fifth child, a son named **Benjamin BLAND** was baptised on 24<sup>th</sup> July 1803. **John BLAND** was baptised on 15<sup>th</sup> May 1806 at Selston. He only survived until the age of 12 dying on 18<sup>th</sup> January 1818. That was some eleven weeks after one sister and just six weeks after the other. All are apparently buried in Selston Churchyard. The IGI lists a seventh child christened on 8<sup>th</sup> April 1810 at Selston and named **Martha BLAND**.

She would have been aged 26 when she had her first child and 28 when the second was born. She then gave birth at the age of 29, 30 and 31 with **Benjamin BLAND**. She would have been 34 for the sixth and aged 38 with the last. She would have been around 46 years old when she lost the three children. When she lost her daughter-in-law and grand-daughter she would have been 64 years old and 67 when her son **Benjamin BLAND** died.

In 1841 at the age of 72 **Mary BLAND** was living at Hackney Lane, Darley. Also present was a **Samuel SAXTON**, aged 74 (presumably an elder brother) and her daughter **Martha BLAND**, aged 32. **Thomas BLAND**, her grandson, then aged 9 was also there. He was there presumably because he had been orphan since 1839.

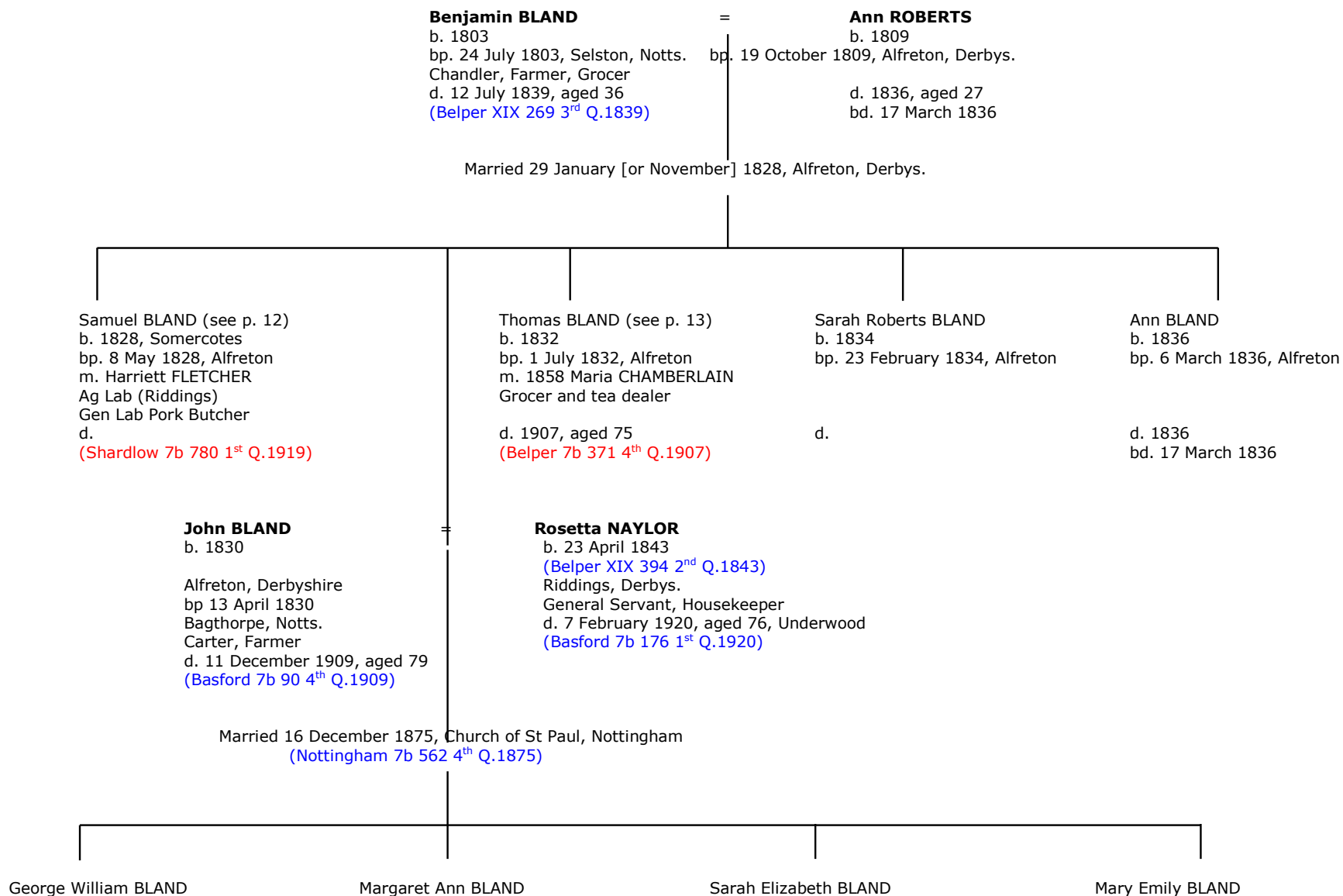
**Benjamin BLAND** born 1803 has both his christening, 24<sup>th</sup> July 1803 and his marriage on 29<sup>th</sup> January 1828 recorded in the IGI. At the age of 14 he lost both his sisters, one aged 16 and the other 15 along with his younger brother who was 12 years old.

**Ann ROBERTS** was born in Alfreton, Derbyshire in 1809. She married **Benjamin BLAND** on either 28<sup>th</sup> January [or possibly?] November 1828 in Alfreton. (From the date of birth of the first born, however, January is more likely to be the correct date!). **Benjamin BLAND** was variously described as a Chandler, Farmer and Grocer. They had five children.

The first child, a son born in 1828, was called **Samuel BLAND** (presumably after his grandfather). He went on to become a Agricultural Labourer and Pork Butcher). His brother **John BLAND** came along in 1830 and was christened in Alfreton on the 13<sup>th</sup> April 1830. **Thomas BLAND** was their third child, born around 1832. He went on to become a Grocer and Tea Dealer in Somercotes. **Sarah Roberts BLAND** their first daughter was born in 1834 and **Ann BLAND** was baptised on 6<sup>th</sup> March 1836. Unfortunately mother and child were lost in childbirth. **Ann ROBERTS** was 26 years old and the mother (Ann) and the child (also called Ann) were both buried on 17<sup>th</sup> March 1836.

Worse was to follow. **Benjamin BLAND** died aged 36 three years later of tetanus caused by a wound in the leg. He died on 12<sup>th</sup> July 1839. The informant being a J. Hutchinson, the Chesterfield Coroner. ([Source: GRO Index: Belper XIX 269 3<sup>rd</sup> Q.1839](#)).

The family were dispersed. **Samuel Bland**, aged 11 went to live with his uncle and aunt Thomas and Sarah BLAND at Hobsick Farm, Selston. ([Source: 1841 Census: RG07 Piece 861 Folio 1\15 Page 22](#)). **John BLAND** who would have been 9 years old went to stay with relatives in Alfreton, before moving a couple of years later when he was about 11 years of age to live with an uncle at Bagthorpe. The uncle in Alfreton according to the 1841 Census was **William SAXTON** then aged 30. Also at the same address was **Sarah MASSEY** aged 25. ([Source: 1841 Census: RG07 Piece 193 Folio 2\5 Page 4](#)). **Thomas Bland**, aged 7 went to Darley to live with his grandmother, Mary BLAND. ([Source: 1841 Census: RG07 Piece 184 Folio 6\11 Page 16](#)). Sarah, aged 2 when her mother died and 5 years of age when her father died) went to live with another aunt and uncle, William and Elizabeth BLAND at Upper House, Selston.



## Notes:

**John BLAND**, was christened 13<sup>th</sup> April 1830 at Alfreton, Derbyshire. He would have been a 9 year old orphan when he went to stay with relatives in Alfreton, before moving a couple of years later when he was about 11 years of age to live with an uncle at Bagthorpe.

By 1861 he is living in Somercotes with his uncle **Joseph MOSS** who had married **Martha BLAND**. Next door living alone is Martha's brother **Thomas BLAND** now a 60 year-old widower. John himself is listed as an unmarried 38 year-old Carter. This is incorrect, he should be 30 years of age. (Source: 1861 Census: RG09 Piece 2515 Folio 55 Page 29). Also at the same address is a 16 year-old general servant going under the name of **Rosetta NAYLOR**. She was born on 23 April 1843 at Riddings, Derbyshire (Source: GRO Index: Belper XIX 394 2<sup>nd</sup> Q.1843). By 1871 she was described as a 27 year-old housekeeper.

**Rosetta NAYLOR** was thought in, April 1861, to be living at home in Greenhill Lane, Alfreton but the first name is not clear but looks like Roseheter. (Source: 1861 Census: RG09 Piece 2516 Folio 45 Page 23). It might have been her elusive sister **Ebsibah NAYLOR**, but no - so Rosetta appears to be recorded twice in the 1861 Census!

**John BLAND** married **Rosetta NAYLOR**, by licence, on 16 December 1875 at the Church of St Paul, Nottingham. (Source: GRO Index: Nottingham 7b 562 4<sup>th</sup> Q.1875). She stated that she was 33 and he was 45 years-old. On the wedding certificate **John BLAND** is a bachelor farmer living in Selston. Rosetta's name spelt **Roasetter NAYLOR** is a spinster with no occupation recorded. Her residence at the time of marriage was Hockley, Nottingham. A William Cooper and Mary Booth were the witnesses.

Their first child, **George William BLAND**, was born 1 November 1876 at Bagthorpe. (Source: GRO Index: Basford 7b 137 4<sup>th</sup> Q.1876). There were three other children, all girls. The first was **Margaret Ann BLAND** born 18 August 1878. (Source: GRO Index: Basford 7b 125 3<sup>rd</sup> Q.1878). Then **Sarah Elizabeth BLAND** in 1880 (Source: GRO Index: Basford 7b 123 2<sup>nd</sup> Q.1880) and who went on to become an Assistant School Mistress (the first of several!). Following on in 1881 we have the final child **Mary Emily BLAND**. Also destined to become an assistant school mistress. (Source: GRO Index: Basford 7b 123 1<sup>st</sup> Q.1881).

John would have been 46 when George was born and 51 by the time Mary the last child was born. Rosetta would have had her first child at the age of 33, then 35, 37 and 38 years-old when the last daughter arrived.

By the time of the 1881 Census John BLAND is farming 110 acres in Bagthorpe. He is down as being 57 years-old with a date of birth of 1824. (Source: 1881 Census: RG11 Piece 3323 Folio 141 Page 18). This must be a mistake because he was 41 in 1871 and aged 71 in 1901.

John and Rosetta are living in the Manor Farmhouse on the north-side of Wansley Hill, Lower Bagthorpe. The Farmhouse is a late 18<sup>th</sup> century brick with plain tile roofs and received Grade II listing in May 1988.

Lower Bagthorpe is a really picturesque village which straddles Bagthorpe Brook and is part of the Green Belt. Attractive farm buildings and dwellings are dotted throughout the mature landscape adding to the scenic quality of the village.

Also at the farmhouse on Census night, 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1881 was a 16 year-old domestic servant called **Sarah Anne NAYLOR** (presumably a relation of Rosetta's and born 1865 at Riddings). There was also an unmarried 62 year-old Indoor Farm Servant named **George SPINNER** who was born around 1819 and from Bingham, Nottinghamshire.

In the 1901 Census, John now 71 and Rosetta 58 are still at the same address as are all the children. George now aged 24 is working on the farm and like his sisters is single. Margaret is 22, Sarah is 20 and Mary is 19. As already mentioned Sarah and Mary were assistant school mistresses.

There are no longer any servants listed but **Reginald BLAND**, a nephew aged 11 was staying at Bagthorpe on Sunday 31 March 1901. (Source: 1901 Census: RG13 Piece 3145 Folio 110 Page 21 Schedule no.130).

**Reginald Ernest BLAND** was born in Ilkeston but to which family is not clear yet. (Source: GRO Index: Derby 7b 487 2<sup>nd</sup> Q.1890).

**John BLAND**  
b. 1830

Alfreton, Derbyshire  
bp 13 April 1830  
Bagthorpe, Notts.  
Carter, Farmer  
d. 11 December 1909, aged 79, Bagthorpe  
(Basford 7b 90 4<sup>th</sup> Q.1909)

**Rosetta NAYLOR**

b. 23 April 1843  
(Belper XIX 394 2<sup>nd</sup> Q 1843)  
Riddings, Derbys.  
Housekeeper  
d. 7 February 1920, aged 76, Underwood  
(Basford 7b 176 1<sup>st</sup> Q.1920)

Married 16 December 1875, Church of St Paul, Nottingham  
(Nottingham 7b 562 4<sup>th</sup> Q.1875)

Margaret Ann BLAND  
b. 18 August 1878  
Bagthorpe, Notts.  
(Basford 7b 125 3<sup>rd</sup> Q.1878)  
m. John Housley, June 1912

Sarah Elizabeth BLAND  
b. 1880  
(Basford 7b 123 2<sup>nd</sup> Q.1880)  
Assistant School Mistress

Mary Emily BLAND  
b 1881  
(Basford 7b 123 1<sup>st</sup> Q.1881)

**George William BLAND**  
b. 1 November 1876  
Bagthorpe, Notts.  
(Basford 7b 137 4<sup>th</sup> Q.1876)  
Agricultural worker, Farmer  
d. 7 January 1958, aged 81  
City Hospital, Nottingham  
(Nottingham 3c 286 1<sup>st</sup> Q.1958)

**Elizabeth Ann SWAIN**  
b. 27 August 1881  
Cordy Lane, Brinsley, Notts.  
(Basford 7b 107 4<sup>th</sup> Q.1881)  
d. 1949, aged 68  
(Basford 3c 85 4<sup>th</sup> Q.1949)

Married 14 April 1903, Selston Parish Church, Notts.  
(Basford 7b 412 2<sup>nd</sup> Q.1903)

## Notes:

**George William BLAND**, was born 1 November 1876 at Bagthorpe. (Source: GRO Index: Basford 7b 137 4<sup>th</sup>.Q 1876). At the time of the 1881 Census he was 4 years old with a father aged 51 and mother of 37. (Source: 1881 Census: RG11 Piece 3323 Folio 141 Page 18). He had two sisters at that time. The first one was the 2 year-old Margaret and the other being Sarah who was just 11 months.

At the time of the 1901 Census George is still living at home. He is single and working on the farm with his 71 year-old father and his mother is now aged 58. His three sisters, also single, are also present. Margaret is 22, Sarah is 20 and Mary is 19. (Source: 1901 Census: RG13 Piece 3145 Folio 110 Page 21 Schedule no.130).

**George William BLAND** married **Elizabeth Ann SWAIN** at Selston Parish Church on 14<sup>th</sup> April 1903. He was 26 and she was 21. The witnesses were her elder brother Joseph and sister Bertha SWAIN. (Source: GRO Index: Basford 7b 412 2<sup>nd</sup> Q.1903)

**Elizabeth Ann SWAIN** was born in Brinsley on 27 August 1881 (Source: GRO Index: Basford 7b 107 4<sup>th</sup> Q.1881) Her father, a coal miner, registered the birth with his mark. They were living on Cordy Lane, Brinsley.

George and Elizabeth had seven children, three girls, then 3 boys and then two more girls between 1903 and 1916. **Elsie Elizabeth BLAND** was born 15 July 1903 and died in October 1988 aged 85. The only child not to be given a second name **Daisy BLAND** often said she had adopted the name Beryl was born 13 July 1904 and died 26 December 2001 aged 97. **Beatrice May BLAND** was born 20 March 1906 and died 15 February 2003 aged 96. **George William BLAND** was born 24 May 1908 and died at the end of October 2001 aged 93. My father, **John Joseph BLAND** was born 7 December 1909 and died in Leicester Royal Infirmary on Sunday 24 September 1995 aged 85. His younger brother **Samuel Harold BLAND** was born 19 July 1911 and died, aged 87 in November 1998. The youngsters, **Dorothy Constance BLAND** was born 18 February 1915 and **Margery Ibell BLAND** was born in November 1916.

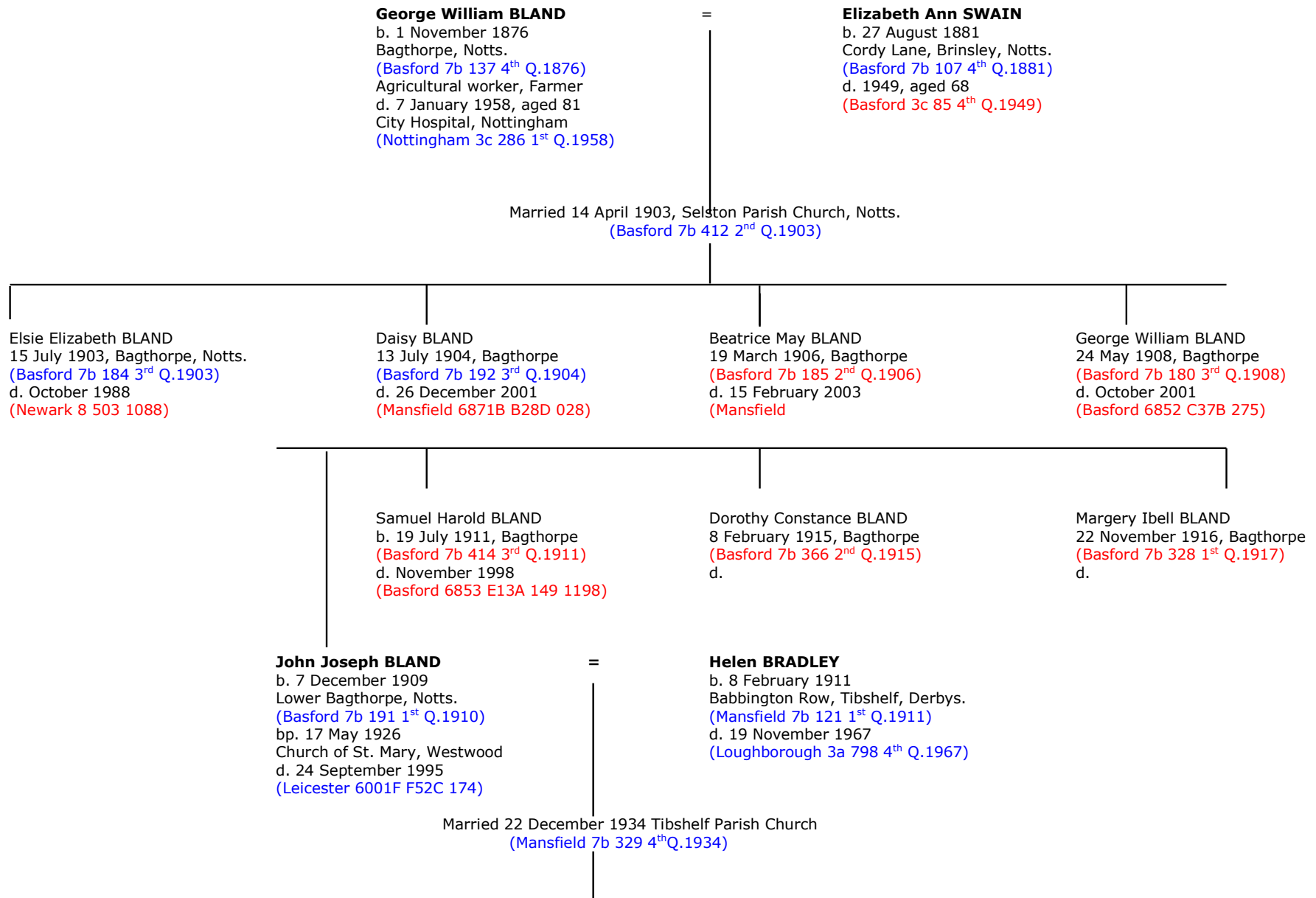
**George** and **Elizabeth BLAND** lived in Lower Bagthorpe and later moved to Franklin Road, Jacksdale and then to Station House.

**John Joseph BLAND** married **Helen BRADLEY** on 22 December 1934 at Tibshelf Parish Church. (Source: GRO Index: Mansfield 7b 329 4<sup>th</sup> Q.1934)

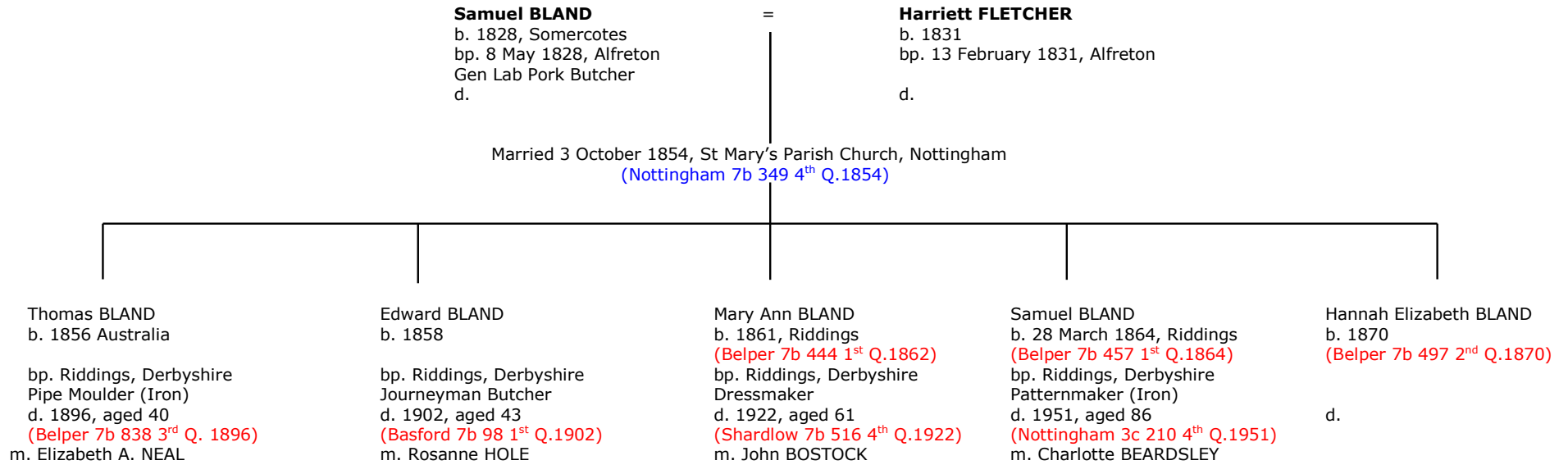
*"Bland (Jacksdale) - Bradley (Tibshelf) Jacksdale and Tibshelf families were united at the Parish Church, Tibshelf on Saturday by the marriage of Mr. John Bland, second son of Mr. & Mrs George Bland, of Franklin Road, Jacksdale and Miss Helen Bradley, daughter of Mr. & Mrs Bradley, of Haddon Street, Tibshelf, which was performed by the Rev. James Ducker. Attired in a mauve silk crepe dress, the bride wore hat and shoes to tone and carried a bouquet of white chrysanthemums. She had two bridesmaids. Miss Emily Bradley (sister of the bride) and Miss Daisy Bland (the bridegroom's sister). Both wore dresses of pink crepe with shoes and hats to tone and both carried bouquets of bronze chrysanthemums. The bride was given away by Mr. R. Allan (her brother-in-law) and Mr. Horace Eley (the bridegroom's friend) was the best man. A reception was held at the home of the bride. The couple were the recipients of many useful presents and will reside at Franklin Road, Jacksdale. (newspaper cutting)*

*Margery Bland, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs George Bland of Station House, Jacksdale, was married on 31 May 1941 at St Mary's Church, Westwood, Nottinghamshire. The wedding reception was held at the bride's home. The bride's father was a farmer, and rented the Station House, as there was no stationmaster on the LNER line.*

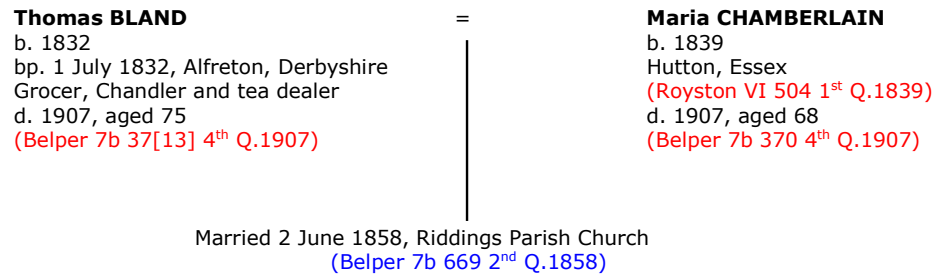
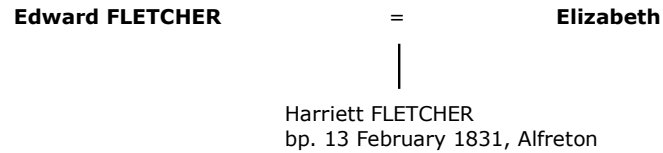
**John BLAND** died at Bagthorpe on 11<sup>th</sup> December 1909 just four days after the birth of John Joseph Bland, his second grandson. (Source: GRO Index: Basford 7b 90 4<sup>th</sup> Q.1909). Is it any wonder that his daughter-in-law recorded the wrong father's name when she registered the birth of John J on 14<sup>th</sup> January 1910 (John instead of George!!). **Rosetta BLAND** died 7<sup>th</sup> February 1920 at New Street, Underwood (Source: GRO Index: Basford 7b 176 1<sup>st</sup> Q.1920). The informant was her son-in-law John Housley (Margaret Ann Bland's husband) who were in residence at New Street, Underwood, Selston, Nottinghamshire.

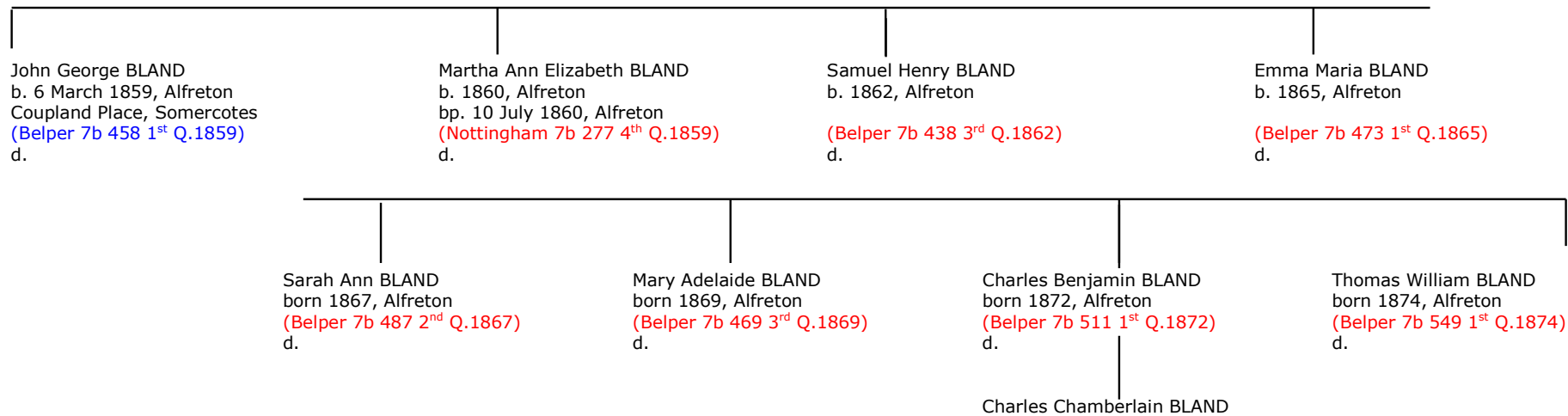


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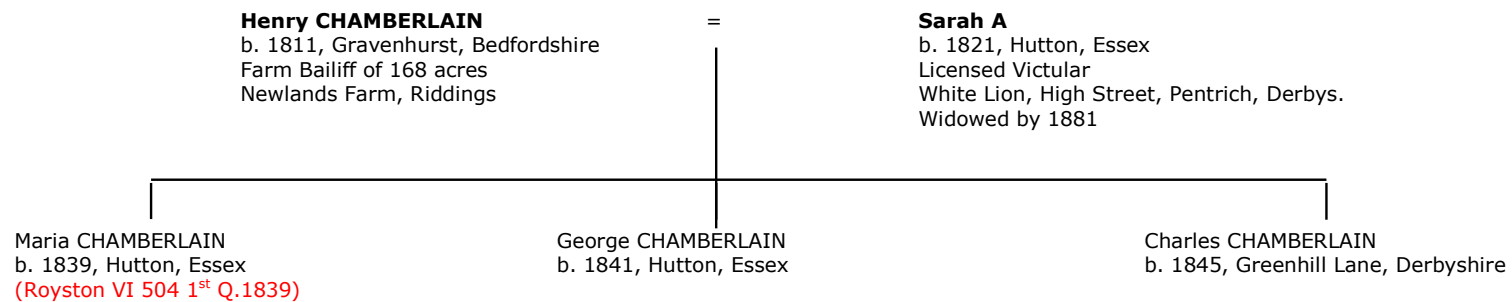


## Harriett FLETCHER and family

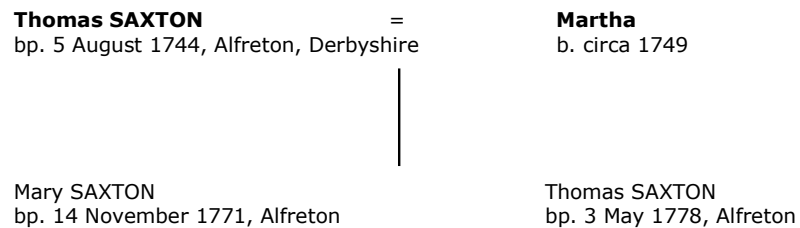




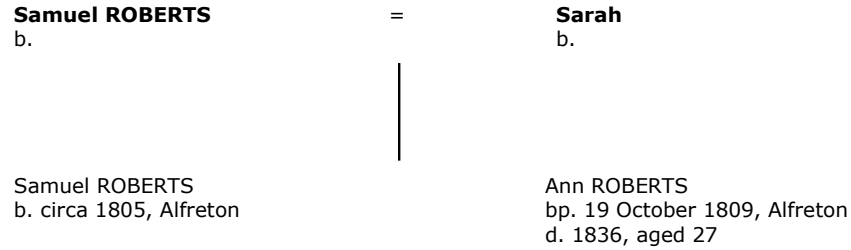
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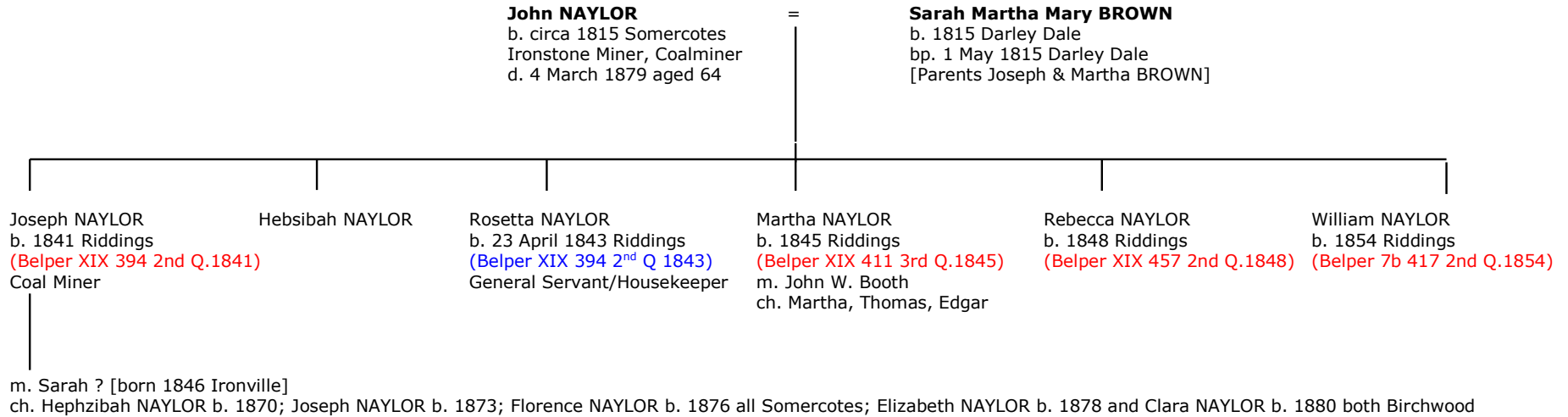
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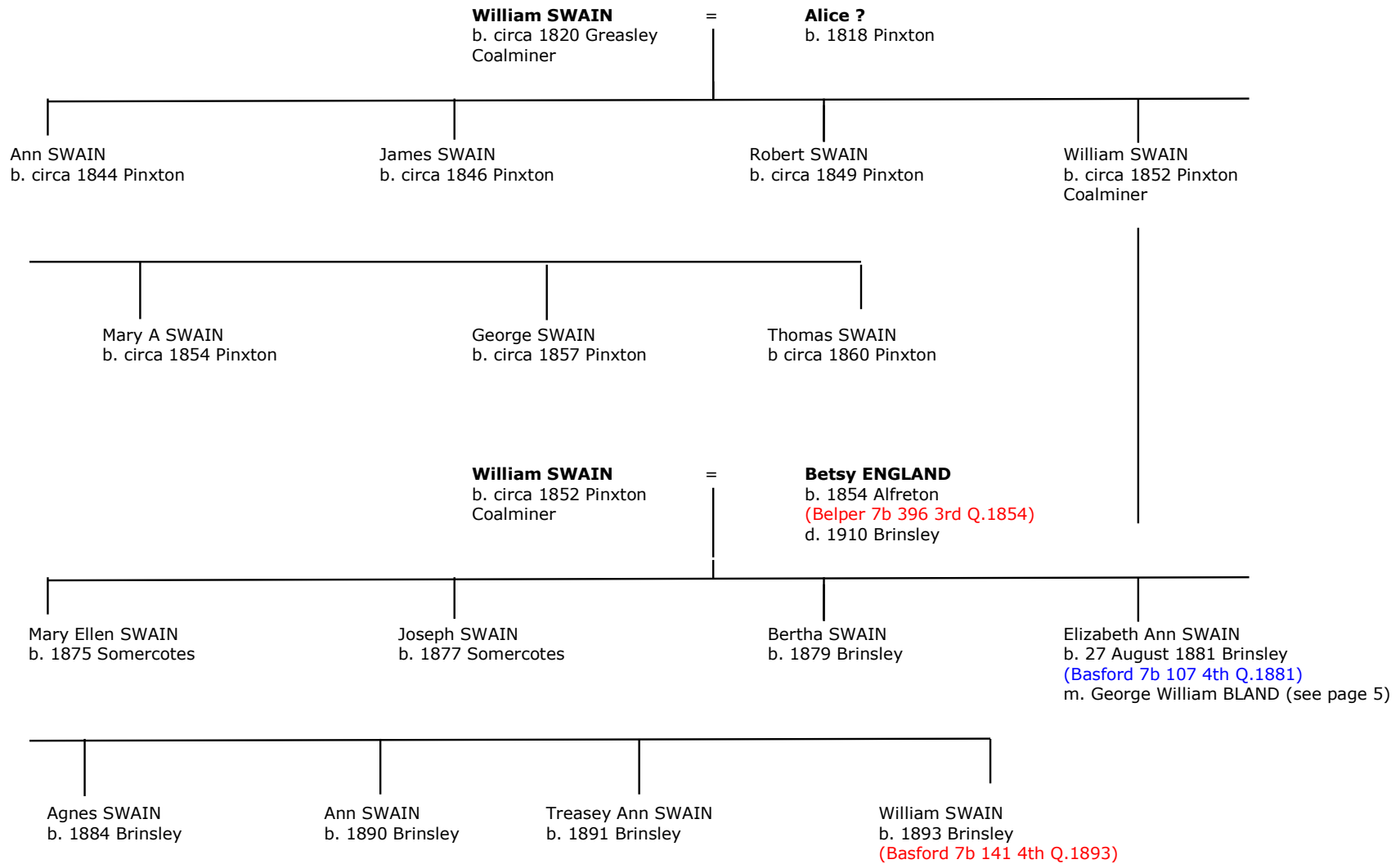
Ann **ROBERTS** and family



Rosetta **NAYLOR** and **BROWN** families



Elizabeth Ann **SWAIN** and **ENGLAND** families



**Henry ENGLAND**  
b. circa 1822 Alferton  
Coalminer

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**Hannah ?**  
b. 1823 Alferton  
Frame Work Knitter

James ENGLAND  
b. circa 1846 Alferton  
Coalminer

Mary Ann ENGLAND  
b. circa 1848 Alferton

Hannah ENGLAND  
b. circa 1851 Alferton

Betsy ENGLAND  
b. 1854 Alferton  
(Belper 7b 396 3rd Q.1854)

Catherine ENGLAND  
b. circa 1856 Alferton

Sarah ENGLAND  
b. circa 1859 Alferton