

The Avery Family of Staplehurst

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Introduction

The Avery family in Staplehurst was headed by James Avery who migrated to Staplehurst sometime before 1799.

This document has been prepared with assistance of Bruce Avery of New Zealand and Greg Osland of Australia both of whom are descendents of the Avery family of Staplehurst.

Thomas Avery, 3rd son of James, immigrated to New Zealand with his wife Elizabeth nee Dabson. Bruce has all the details of this branch.

George, the 7th son of James, immigrated to Australia and Greg has been the contact on this branch of the family.

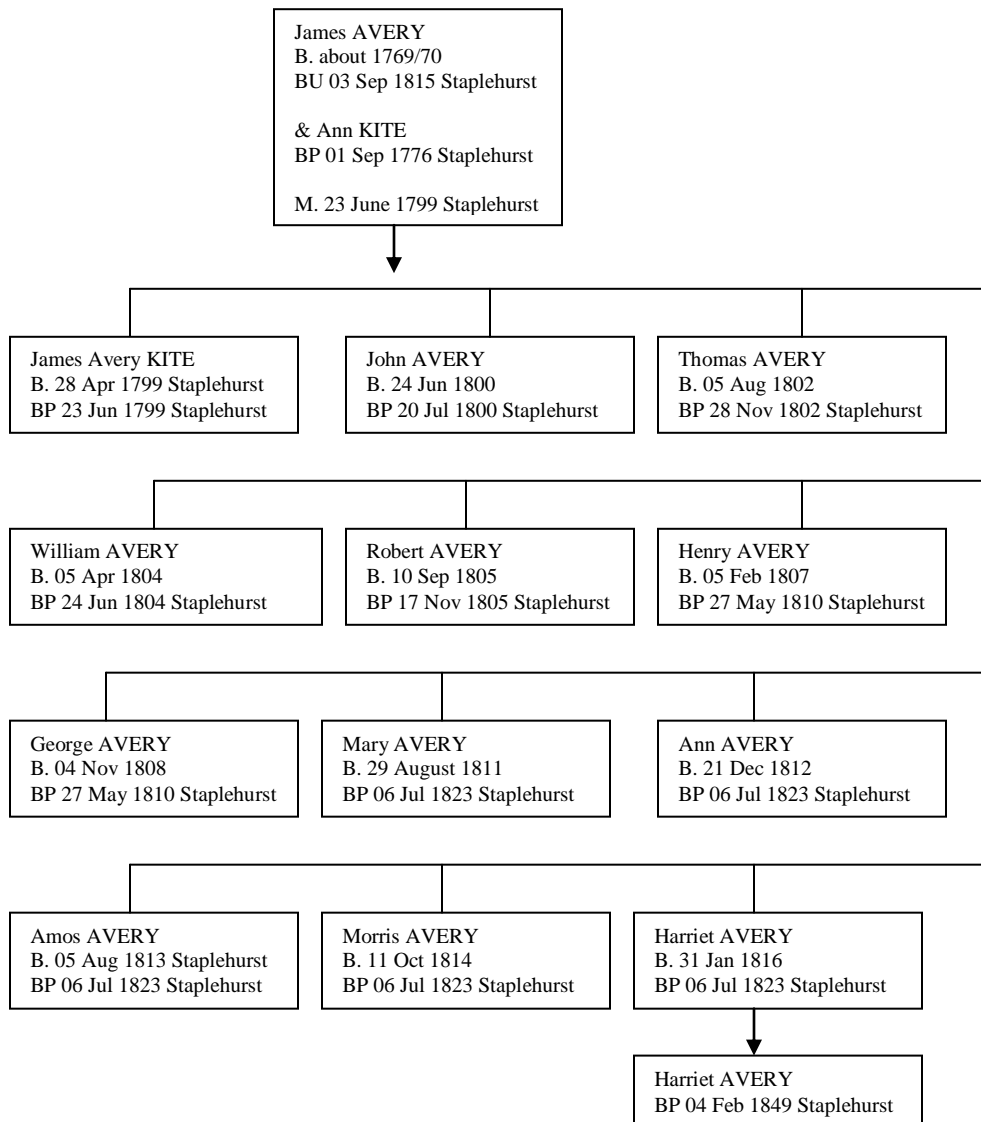
Bruce and Greg would be keen to hear from any other descendents of the family. If you can provide any information to assist please use the contact button to email me and I will pass to Bruce and Greg.

James Avery 1769/70- 1815

James is said to be the son of John Avery and Mary Morris. John Avery was married to Mary Morris in Rolvenden on 18 November 1770. James was buried in Staplehurst on 03 September 1815 and was said to be 46 years old giving us a birth year of about 1769/70.

James Avery married Ann Kite in Staplehurst on 23 June 1799. Ann was baptized in Staplehurst as Nanny Kite on 01 September 1776, the daughter of Robert and Sarah Kite.

There is a marriage recorded in Staplehurst on 11 October 1795 of James Avery and Elizabeth Butcher of Loose. They married by license and the license (dated 07 October 1795) states that James was a bachelor of Staplehurst and his occupation is given as labourer. It seems probable that this was a first marriage for James but I have not found a burial for Elizabeth so there is uncertainty.



James and Ann had the following children:

- James Avery Kite was born 28 April 1799. He was baptized in Staplehurst on 23 June 1799, the same day that his parents were married. His baptism record records the fact he was base born.
- John Avery was born 24 June 1800 and baptized in Staplehurst on 20 July 1800, the son of James and Ann Avery.
- Thomas Avery was born 05 August 1802 and baptized in Staplehurst on 28 November 1802, the son of James and Ann Avery.
- William Avery was born 05 April 1804 and baptized in Staplehurst on 24 June 1804, the son of James and Ann Avery.
- Robert Avery was born 10 September 1805 and baptized in Staplehurst on 17 November 1805, the son of James and Ann Avery.
- Henry Avery was born 05 February 1807 and baptized in Staplehurst on 27 May 1810, the son of James and Nanny Avery.
- George Avery was born 04 November 1808 and baptized in Staplehurst on 27 May 1810, the son of James and Nanny Avery.

There were a further 5 children who were all baptized at one time on 06 July 1823 which took place after the death of their father James.

- Mary Avery was born on 29 August 1811 who would have been almost 12.
- Ann Avery was born on 21 December 1812 at 11 years of age.
- Amos Avery was born on 05 August 1813, 10 years old.
- Morris Avery was born on 11 October 1814, 9 years old.
- Harriet Avery was born on 31 January 1816. On 04 February 1849, Harriet's daughter (also named Harriet) was baptized in Staplehurst. The child was noted as base born.

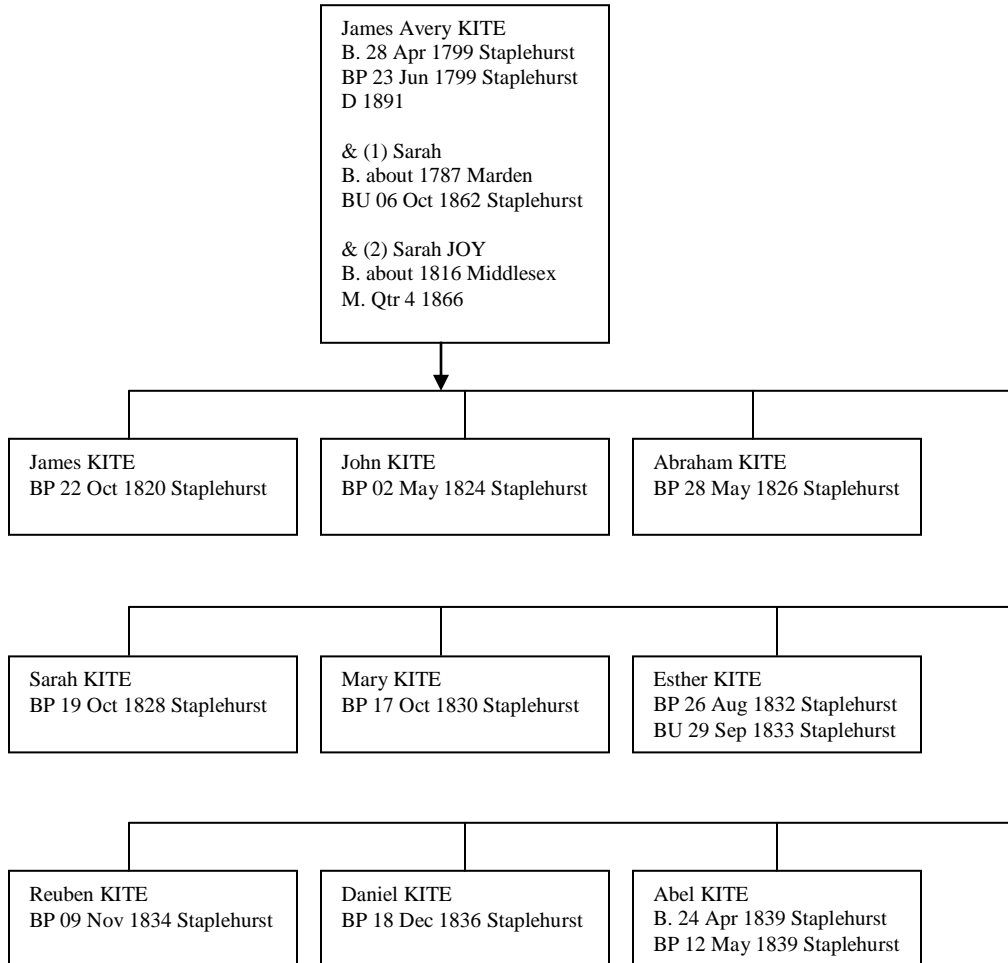
James Avery was buried in Staplehurst on 03 September 1815 aged 46 years.

There is a burial in Staplehurst of Elizabeth Avery aged 56 on 17 April 1830. I have not been able to match this with the family line and suspect that it is an incorrect entry and is really Ann Avery, widow of James.

James Avery Kite 1799 - 1891

James Avery Kite was born 28 April 1799; the son of Ann Kite and James Avery. He was baptized in Staplehurst on 23 June 1799, the same day that his parents were married. His baptism record records the fact he was base born.

James married Sarah but no marriage record has been found to date. They probably married in 1819.



James and Sarah had the following children baptized in Staplehurst. In each case, James was said to be a labourer.

- James Kite was baptized on 22 October 1820.
- John Kite was baptized on 02 May 1824.
- Abraham Kite was baptized on 28 May 1826.
- Sarah Kite was baptized on 19 October 1828.
- Mary Kite was baptized on 17 October 1830.
- Esther Kite was baptized on 26 August 1832. Esther was buried in Staplehurst on 29 September 1833.

- Reuben Kite was baptized on 09 November 1834.
- Daniel Kite was baptized on 18 December 1836.
- Abel Kite was born on 24 April 1839 and baptized on 12 May 1839

In the **1851 census**, James and his family are living at Cross at Hand in Staplehurst.

- James Avery Kite, head, 51, timber carrier and farmer of 15 acres employing 1 labourer, born Staplehurst.
- Sarah Kite, wife, 53, born Marden.
- John Kite, son 27, unmarried, agricultural labourer, born Staplehurst.
- Daniel Kite, son, 14, born Staplehurst.
- Abram. Kite, son, 11, scholar, born Staplehurst.
- Malichi Richardson, lodger, unmarried, 23, agricultural labourer, born Wimbleton.

In the **1861 census** James is recorded as Avery Kite and is living at the Kings Head Inn, Boughton Malherbe.

- Avery Kite, head, 61, licensed victualler and farmer at Staplehurst, born Staplehurst.
- Sarah Kite, wife, 62, farmers wife, born Marden.
- Abel Kite, son, 21, farmer, born Staplehurst.
- Hannah Kite, son's wife, 20, born St. Lukes, Middlesex.
- Sarah Kite, granddaughter, 1, born Boughton Malherbe.

In the **1871 census**, James is recorded as Avery Kite and is living at the Kings Head Inn, Boughton Malherbe.

- Avery Kite, head, 70, publican, born Staplehurst.
- Sarah Kite, wife, 53, publican's wife, born Hamstead, Middlesex.
- Leah Hales, granddaughter, 10, born Stockbury, Kent.

In the **1881 census**, James is recorded as Avery Kite and is living at 4 Westbrook Place, Margate.

- Avery Kite, head, 81, fruitier and green grocer, born Staplehurst.
- Sarah Kite, wife, 63, born Hamstead, Middlesex.
- Harriet Bently, servant, 17, general servant, born Sittingbourne, Kent

In the **1891 census**, James is living with his son Abraham at the Wagon at Hale Public House in Waggon Lane Chatham.

- Abraham Kite, head, 65, publican, born Staplehurst.
- Margaret Maria Kite, wife, 57, born Marden.
- James Avery Kite, father, widower, 92, born Cranbrook.
- Minnie Charlotte Hales, niece, 15, barmaid, born Loose.

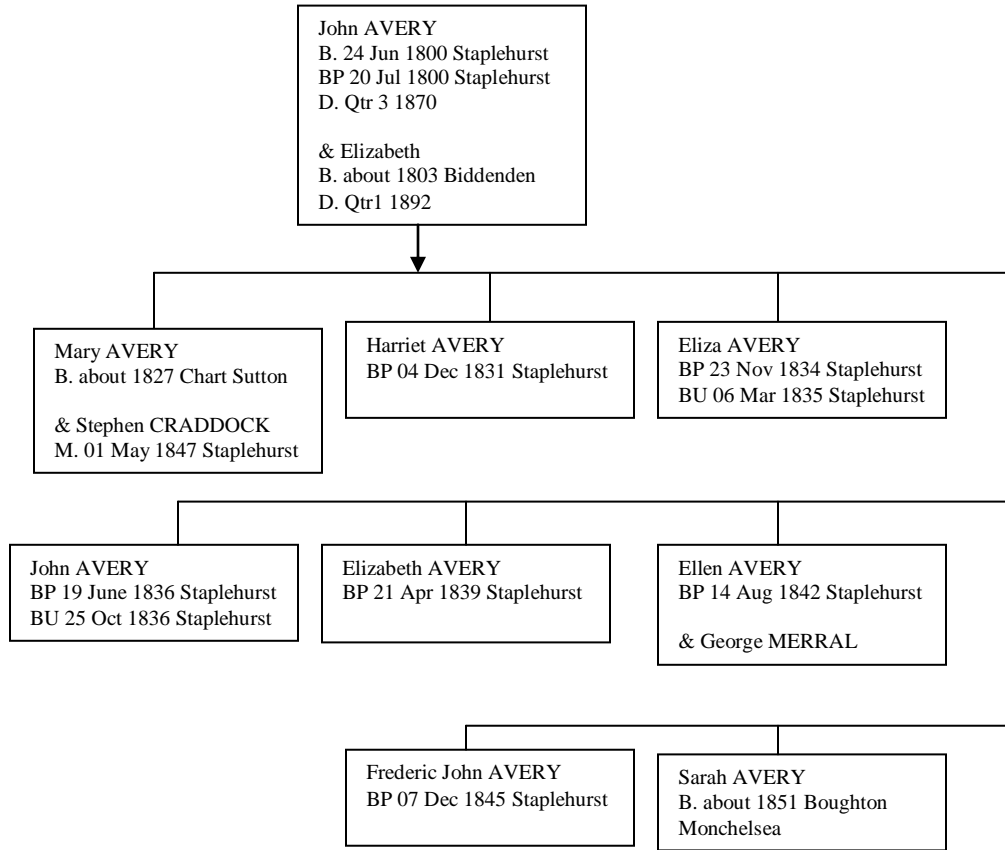
Sarah Kite, the wife of James Avery Kite was buried in Staplehurst on 06 October 1862. She was 65 years old and said to be of Boughton Malherbe.

James married a second time in 1866 to Sarah Joy. The marriage is registered in Maidstone in the 4th quarter 1866. By 1891, James is a widower again.

James burial is recorded in the Medway register in the 4th quarter 1891. He was 92 years old.

John Avery 1800 - 1871

John Avery was born 24 June 1800 and baptized in Staplehurst on 20 July 1800, the son of James and Ann Avery. John was married to Elizabeth. The marriage has not yet been found but probably took place about 1826. From census information we know that Elizabeth was born in Biddenden about 1803.



John and Elizabeth had the following children baptized in Staplehurst. John was noted as a labourer.

- Mary Avery was born in Chart Sutton about 1827. In the 1841 census, Mary age 14, is working as a female servant with the Carly family in Staplehurst. On 01 May 1847, Mary was married to Stephen Craddock in Staplehurst. Mary was said to be a spinster of full age and the daughter of John. Stephen was a bachelor of full age with an occupation of labourer. His father was John Craddock.
- Harriet Avery was baptized on 04 December 1831.
- Eliza Avery was baptized 23 November 1834 and buried on 06 March 1835 at 4 months of age.
- John Avery was baptized on 19 June 1836 and buried on 25 October 1836 at 5 months of age.
- Elizabeth Avery was born on 28 March 1839 and baptized on 21 April 1839.
- Ellen Avery was baptized on 14 August 1842.
- Frederic John Avery was baptized on 07 December 1845.

- Sarah Avery was born about 1851 in Boughton Monchelsea

In the 1841 Census, John and his family are living in Staplehurst.

- John Avery, 40, agricultural labourer, born Kent.
- Elizabeth Avery, 30, born Kent.
- Ann Avery, 10, born Kent.
- Harriet Avery, 8, born Kent.
- Elizabeth Avery, 2, born Kent.

The family has not been found in the 1851 census but appear again in the **1861 census** living at Elderden Cottages, Chart next Sutton.

- John Avery, 63, head, carter, born Staplehurst.
- Elizabeth Avery, 58, wife, born Biddenden.
- Ellen Avery, 19, daughter, born Staplehurst.
- Sarah Avery, 10, daughter, scholar, born Boughton Monchelsea.
- Sarah J. Avery, 9 months, granddaughter, born Hunton.

John Avery's death is registered in the Hollingbourne district 3rd quarter 1870. He was 71 years old.

In the **1871 census**, Elizabeth the widow of John, was living at Tong, in Headcorn with her daughter Mary Craddock and her family.

In the 1881 census, the widow Elizabeth was living in Ulcombe with her daughter Ellen Merrall's family.

In the 1891 census, the widow Elizabeth is living with her daughter Ellen Merrall's family in Leeds, Kent. She was then 88 years old.

Elizabeth Avery, the widow of John, died in 1892. Her death was registered in the Hollingbourne district in the first quarter 1892.

Thomas Avery 1802 – 1870



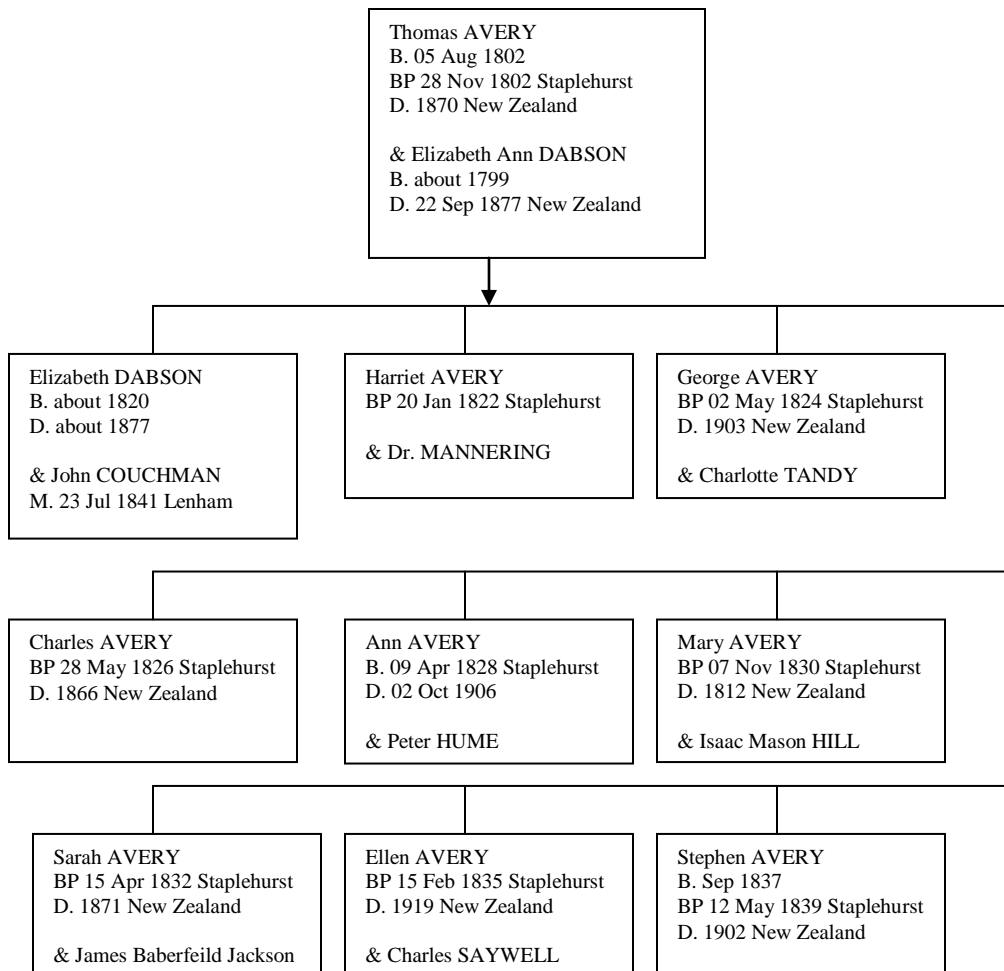
Elizabeth Ann Dabson



Thomas Avery
B. 1802 Staplehurst

Thomas Avery was born 05 August 1802 and baptized in Staplehurst on 28 November 1802, the son of James Avery and Ann Kite.

Thomas married Elizabeth Ann Dabson.



Thomas and Elizabeth Ann had the following children baptized in Staplehurst. In each case, Thomas is said to be a labourer.

- Elizabeth Dabson was the eldest daughter of Elizabeth and is assumed to be from an earlier marriage. She was born in about 1820 but there is no baptism record for Elizabeth in Staplehurst. Elizabeth married John Couchman in Lenham on 23 July 1841 and when the rest of her family immigrated, she remained in England. She died in 1877. (Source: Bruce Avery).
- Harriet Avery was baptized on 20 January 1822. Harriet married Dr. Mannering in New Zealand. There were no issue.
- George Avery was baptized on 02 May 1824. George married Charlotte Tandy in New Zealand. They had 17 children! George died in 1903.
- Charles Avery was baptized on 28 May 1826. He died Christchurch, New Zealand in 1866. He never married.
- Ann Avery was born in Staplehurst on 09 April 1828. There is no baptism record for Ann. Ann married Peter Hume and they had 14 children. (Source: Bruce Avery).
- Mary Avery was baptized on 07 November 1830. Mary married Isaac Mason Hill in New Zealand. The couple had 12 children. Mary died in 1912.
- Sarah Avery was baptized on 15 April 1832. Sarah married James Baberfeld Jackson in New Zealand; they had 7 children. Sarah died in 1871.
- Ellen Avery was baptized on 15 February 1835. Ellen married Charles Saywell in New Zealand. They had no issue. Ellen died in 1919.
- Stephen Avery was baptized on 12 May 1839; he was noted as born in September 1837. Stephen married 3 times in New Zealand. His first wife was Eliza Hopper (Mrs) Whiteman; they had 5 children. His second wife was Marion Stewart by whom he had 6 children and lastly he married Sarah Jane Collard. They had 2 children. Stephen died in New Zealand in 1902.



Elizabeth Avery
b. 1820 Staplehurst



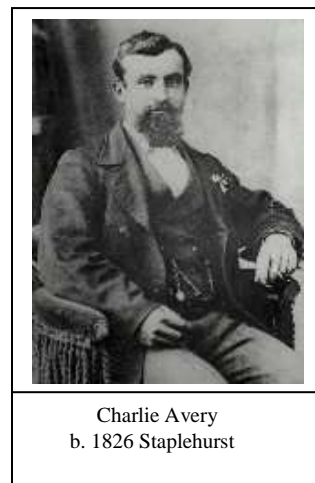
Ann Avery
b. 1828 Staplehurst

In 1840, Thomas Avery and his family including 8 children, immigrated to New Zealand arriving on board the sailing ship 'The Bolton' after a voyage of five months.

The passage to New Zealand was sponsored by the Staplehurst parish with the Reverend Thomas Waldron Hornbuckle bending the rules to assist the parishioners. An article published in the Archaeologia Cantiana 109, 1991 is a summary of a dissertation submitted to the University of Kent in May 1991 by D.J. Francis King.

It includes an excerpt from a letter written by William Bannister in 1841 which is assumed to be in reference to Thomas Avery: "There is a poor man close to me that came out with us; I am very partial to him; he comes out of Kent; has a wife and eight children and told me when he landed he had only 6d. in the world; he has now £60 in gold, and has bought a piece of land to put a house on, which cost £90; he is a labourer, and his lads the same; his wife washes for hire."

By 1882, the Avery family is reported to own almost £2000 worth of property. And also in the same article it states "The Averys were even more spectacularly successful, producing in the present generation, the Rt. Hon. Mike Moore, the last Prime Minister of New Zealand and the millionaire Sir Frank Renouf."



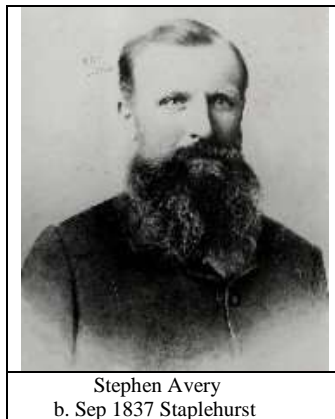
Thomas and Elizabeth had one further child born in New Zealand. Eliza was born in 1840 but died the following year. There were no further children recorded.



Mary Hill nee Avery
b. 1830 Staplehurst
& Isaac Mason Hill



Sarah Avery
b. 1832 Staplehurst



Stephen Avery
b. Sep 1837 Staplehurst

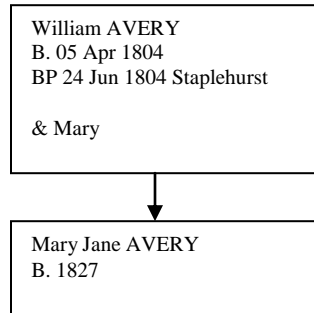
Elizabeth Avery, the widow of Thomas, died on 22 September 1877 in Taita, Lower Hutt aged 78.

My thanks to Bruce Avery who has provided the brilliant photographs and the details of the family in New Zealand.

Bruce would be happy to hear from any descendents of the Avery family of Staplehurst. He you contact me via the contact button; I will pass the information to Bruce.

William Avery 1804

William Avery was born 05 April 1804 and baptized in Staplehurst on 24 June 1804, the son of James Avery and Ann Kite.



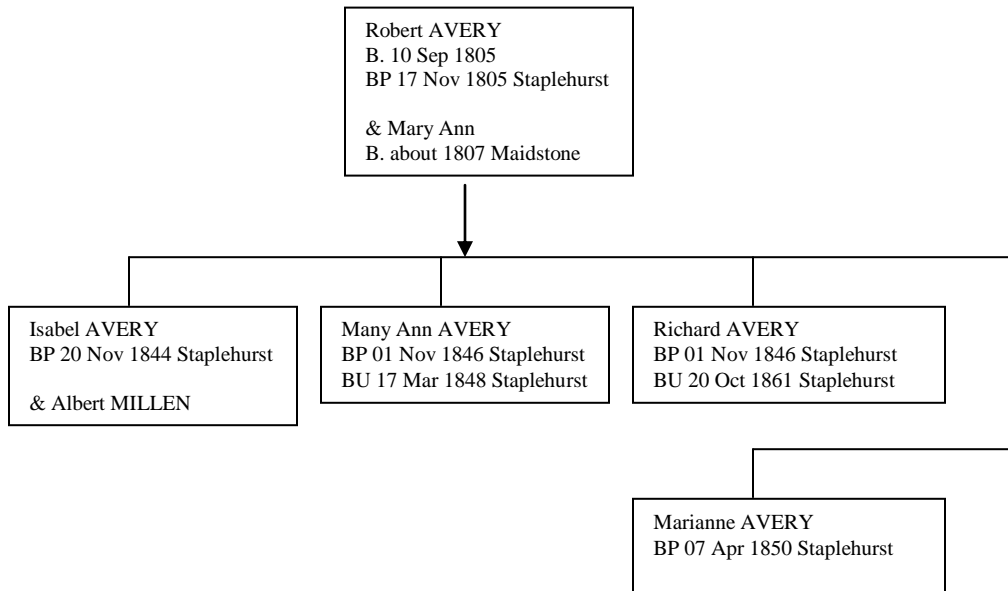
We know very little about the adult William. All that has been found to date is a removal order where William, his wife Mary and baby daughter Mary Jane (aged 6 weeks) were removed from Boughton Monchelsea and sent back to Staplehurst. The removal order is date 05 December 1827 (CKS reference: P347/13/2 Bundle 2 Doc #: 60).

In the 1871 census, William is living in Leeds, Kent. He is a 68 year old lodger classed as an agricultural labourer. His birthplace is given as Staplehurst. Living with him is his wife Lucy Avery, 70 years old, born Chart Sutton.

Robert Avery 1805 - 1871

Robert Avery was born 10 September 1805 and baptized in Staplehurst on 17 November 1805, the son of James Avery and Ann Kite.

Robert Avery married Mary Ann; surname unknown. There is a marriage registered in Kensington in the second quarter 1839 which may be the one we are looking for. In this case Robert Avery married Mary Ann Comber.



Robert and Mary Ann had the following children baptized in Staplehurst. Robert is noted as a labourer.

- Isabel Avery was baptized 20 November 1844, the daughter of Robert and Mary *Jane*. There is no burial record indicating Isabel died as an infant.
- Mary Ann Avery was baptized on 01 November 1846, the daughter of Robert and Mary *Ann*. Mary Ann was buried in Staplehurst on 17 March 1848 aged 1 year.
- Isabel Avery was baptized on 01 November 1846, the daughter of Robert and Mary Ann. Census records indicate that Isabel was born about 1844. This implies that it is likely that Isabel was baptized twice. Once in 1844 and again in 1846 when the family baptized the other children all at the same time.
- Richard Avery was baptized on 01 November 1846, the son of Robert and Mary Ann. The 1851 census indicates that Richard was born about 1840 in Maidstone while the 1861 suggest he was born in Staplehurst. Richard was buried in Staplehurst on 20 October 1861 at just 21 years of age.
- Marianne Avery was baptized on 07 April 1850, the daughter of Robert & *Marianne*. Census records confirm that Mary Ann was born in 1850.

In the **1851 Census** Robert and family are living in Staplehurst.

- Robert Avery, head, 45, agricultural labourer, born Staplehurst.

- Mary Ann Avery, wife, 43, born Maidstone.
- Richard Avery, son, 11, scholar, born Maidstone.
- Isabel Avery, daughter, 7, born Staplehurst.
- Mary Ann Avery, daughter, 1, born Staplehurst.

In the **1861 census**, Robert and his family are found living at Station Cottages in Staplehurst.

- Robert Avery, head, 56, platelayer, born *Maidstone*.
- Mary A. Avery, wife, 54, born Staplehurst.
- Isabell Avery, daughter, 17, born Staplehurst.
- Mary A. Avery, daughter, 11, scholar, born Staplehurst.

Note: we do know that Robert was born in Staplehurst and Mary Ann was born in Maidstone so we can be fairly certain that the enumerator made a mistake when entering the details.

Son Richard Avery is found living in Willesborough, Kent in 1861. He is a 20 year old lodger living with the Tucker family. His occupation is given as agricultural labourer and he gives his birth place as Staplehurst. Also in the household is another lodger from Staplehurst; George Day who is 22. Presumably these young men were friends. A few months later, on 20 October 1861, Richard aged 21, was buried in Staplehurst.

Robert Avery was buried on 21 March 1871 at the age of 66.

The **1871 census** was taken on the 02 April 1871 shortly after the date of Robert's burial. We find his widow, Mary Ann, as a visitor in Frittenden. She is staying with Edward and Frances Potter and we note that Frances Potter was previously married to Amos Avery. Also in the household are Amos children, Anne and Robert Avery.

Roberts daughter, Isabel, is now married to Albert Millen and living in Lewisham, Kent.

In the **1881 census**, Mary Ann, Robert's widow, is living in Ryde, Isle of Wight. She is said to be 78 years old and a refreshment room keeper.

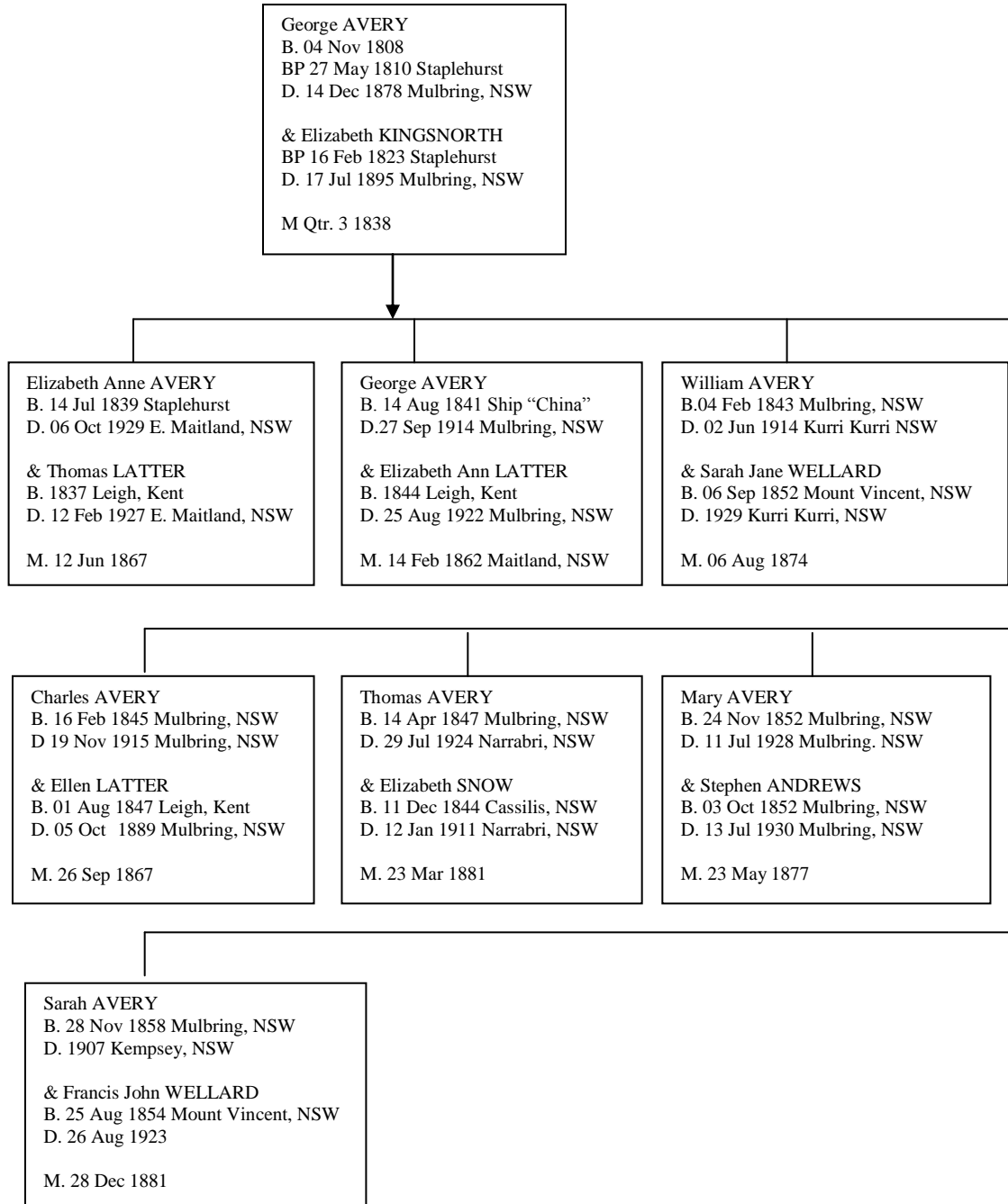
- Mary A. Avery, head, unmarried, 78, refreshment room keeper, born Maidstone.
- Elizabeth Avery, niece, unmarried, 35, born Ryde.
- Caroline Avery, niece, unmarried, 33, born Ryde.
- Harry C. Avery, nephew, 12, scholar, born Ryde.

Henry Avery 1807

Henry Avery was born 05 February 1807 and baptized in Staplehurst on 27 May 1810, the son of James Avery and Nanny Kite. We have no further information on Henry.

George Avery 1808

George is the son of James Avery and Ann Kite. He was born on 04 November 1808 and baptized in Staplehurst on 27 May 1810. George died in Mulbring, NSW, Australia on 14 December 1878.



George Avery married Elizabeth Kingsnorth in 1838. The marriage is registered in Hollingbourne, Kent registration district in the 3rd quarter 1838. Elizabeth's death certificate gives the place of marriage as Sutton Valance, Kent.

Elizabeth is the daughter of Daniel and Martha Kingsnorth and was baptized in Staplehurst on 16 February 1823. Elizabeth died in Mulbring, NSW, Australia on 17 July 1895.



Elizabeth Kingsnorth (1820 – 1895)

Married George Avery 1838

The widow Elizabeth Avery married a second time to Elias Godfrey in 1883 at West Botany. There were no issue from the second marriage.

In 1841, George Avery and his wife Elizabeth immigrated to New South Wales Australia. The record of entry states they arrived on the ship 'China'. George was said to be 30 years old and his parents are named as James and Ann Avery and he was said to have been born in Staplehurst. His wife Elizabeth Avery was 21 years old and born in Staplehurst. Her parents are given as Daniel & Martha Kingsnorth. They arrived in Port Jackson, Sydney on 09 September 1841.

Bruce Avery kindly provided information on the children of George and Elizabeth Avery. Subsequently, we have been in contact with Greg Osland (another descendent of this family) who has provided a further two generations of the Australian Avery family plus the picture of Elizabeth Avery nee Kingsnorth.

- Elizabeth Ann Avery was born in Staplehurst on 14 July 1839. No baptism was found in the Staplehurst parish registers. (Note that at the time of the burial of the parents they appear to have been non conformist (Wesleyan)). Elizabeth married

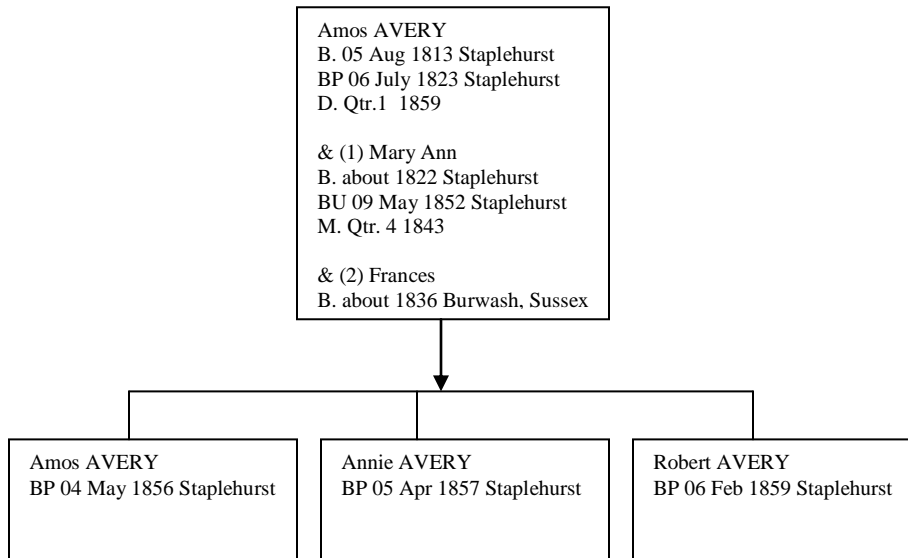
- Thomas Latter (b. 1837 in Leigh, Kent) on 12 Jun 1867. She died in East Maitland, NSW on 06 October 1929. Elizabeth and Thomas Latter 12 children.
- George Avery was born on the ship “China” in route to NSW. He was born on 14 August 1841 a couple of weeks before they landed in Port Jackson, Sydney. George died on 27 September 1914 in Mulbring, NSW. George married Elizabeth Latter on 14 Feb 1862 at Maitland, NSW. Elizabeth was originally from Kent, born in Leigh in 1844. Elizabeth died on 25 August 1922 in Mulbring, NSW. George and Elizabeth Avery had 13 children.
 - William Avery was born 04 February 1843 in Mulbring, NSW. He died on 02 June 1914 at Kurri Kurri, NSW. William married Sarah Jane Wellard in Mount Vincent, NSW on 06 August 1874. Sarah Jane was born in Mount Vincent on 06 September 1852 and died at Kurri Kurri, NSW on 06 August 1876. William and Sarah Jane had 12 children.
 - Charles Avery was born on 16 Feb 1845 in Mulbring, NSW; he died on 19 November 1915 in Mulbring, NSW. Charles married Ellen Latter who was born in 1847 in Leigh Kent; she died on 05 October 1889 at Mulbring, NSW. The couple were married on 26 September 1867 in Maitland, NSW and are known to have had 9 children.
 - Thomas Avery was born on 14 April 1847 in Mulbring, NSW and died on 29 July 1924 in Narrabri, NSW. Thomas married Elizabeth Snow on 23 March 1881. Elizabeth was born on 11 December 1844 in Cassilis, NSW and died on 12 January 1911 in Narrabri, NSW. Thomas and Elizabeth are known to have had 11 children.
 - Mary Avery was born on 24 November 1852 in Mulbring, NSW and died 11 July 1928 in Mulbring, NSW. Mary married Stephen Andrews on 23 May 1877. Stephen was born on 03 October 1852 in Mulbring, NSW and died in Mulbring on 13 Jul 1930. Mary and Stephen are known to have had 4 children.
 - Sarah Avery was born on 28 November 1858 in Mulbring, NSW and died in Kempsey, NSW in 1907. Sarah married Francis John (Frank) Wellard on 28 Dec 1881. Frank was born on 25 August 1854 in Mount Vincent, NSW and died on 26 August 1923.
 - There was one further female child born identified from the mother’s death certificate which states there was one female child deceased.

Amos Avery 1813 - 1859

Amos Avery was born in Staplehurst on 05 August 1813 the son of James and Ann Avery. He was not baptized until 06 July 1823 when 3 children from the family were baptized together.

Amos was married twice and neither marriage has been found to date. His first wife was Mary Ann who was born about 1822 in Staplehurst. Mary Ann was buried in Staplehurst on 09 May 1852. Amos and Mary Ann do not appear to have had any children.

Amos then married Frances.



In the 1841 census, Amos Avery aged 25 is living at the Bell Inn in Staplehurst. He was noted as an agricultural labourer.

There is a marriage for Amos Avery registered in the fourth quarter 1843 in the Maidstone Registration district. We know he was married to Mary Ann but we are not certain of her surname as there are two options on the index (Watts or Riddle) and the certificate would need to be ordered to clarify. The couple did not marry in Staplehurst.

In the 1851 census, Amos and Mary Ann are living at Chapple House in Staplehurst. Amos is a 27 year old agricultural labourer born in Staplehurst and Mary Ann is 29 years old born Staplehurst.

There is a burial in Staplehurst of Ann Avery aged 30 on 09 May 1852. I believe this to be the wife of Amos.

By 1856 Amos is married to Frances. No record of the marriage has been found to date.

Amos and Frances Avery had the following children baptized in Staplehurst. In all 3 cases the father was said to be a labourer.

- Amos Avery was baptized on 04 May 1856.
- Annie Avery was baptized on 05 April 1857.
- Robert Avery was baptized on 06 February 1859.

Amos Avery died in 1859. His death is registered in the Maidstone registration district in the first quarter 1859. He does not appear to be buried in Staplehurst.

Frances, the widow of Amos, married again in the second quarter 1860 to Edward Potter.

In the 1871 census we find Frances living in Frittenden with Edward Potter.

- Edward Potter, head, 36, agricultural labourer, born Marden.
- Frances Potter, wife, 36, born Burwash, Sussex. (note Frances was previously married to Amos Avery).
- Anne Avery, daughter, 14, dressmaker, born Staplehurst.
- Robert Avery, son, 12, agricultural labourer, born Staplehurst.
- Henry White, boarder, 28, agricultural labourer, born Rogate, Sussex.
- Mary A. Avery, visitor, widow, 67, born Maidstone. Mary had been recently widowed, her husband Robert having died a few weeks previously.

Morris Avery 1814

Morris Avery is the son of James and Ann Avery. He was born on 11 October 1814 and baptized in Staplehurst on 06 July 1823.

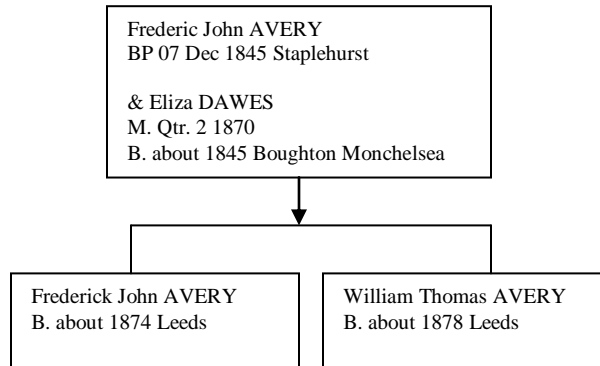
Morris AVERY B. 11 Oct 1814 BP 06 Jul 1823 Staplehurst & Sarah B. about 1815 Sailhurst, Sussex
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In the 1851 census Morris is living with his wife at Chapel Court Maidstone. Morris was said to be a waterman, 36 years old, born in Staplehurst. He is married to Sarah who is 36 years old who was born in Sailhurst Sussex. There are no children living in the household.

Frederick John Avery 1845

Frederic John Avery was baptized on 07 December 1845, the son of John & Elizabeth Avery. In most census he gives his birth place as Boughton Monchelsea and this may be correct as his sister Sarah was born in Boughton Monchelsea. However, he was baptized in Staplehurst.

Frederick married Eliza Dawes in the 2nd quarter 1870. The marriage was registered in the Maidstone district.



In the **1871 census**, we find Frederick J. Avery living with his wife at Back Street, Leeds Kent.

- Frederick J. Avery, head, 25, agricultural labourer, born Staplehurst.
- Eliza Avery, wife, 26, born Boughton

In the **1881 census**, Frederick John Avery is recorded as John F. Avery. The family is living in Upper Street, Leeds.

- John F. Avery, head, 35, agricultural labourer, born Boughton Monchelsea.
- Eliza Avery, wife, 35, born Boughton Monchelsea.
- Frederick J. Avery, son, 7, scholar born Leeds.
- William T. Avery, son, 3, born Leeds.

In the **1891 census**, Frederick and family are living at Otham Hole Lane, Otham.

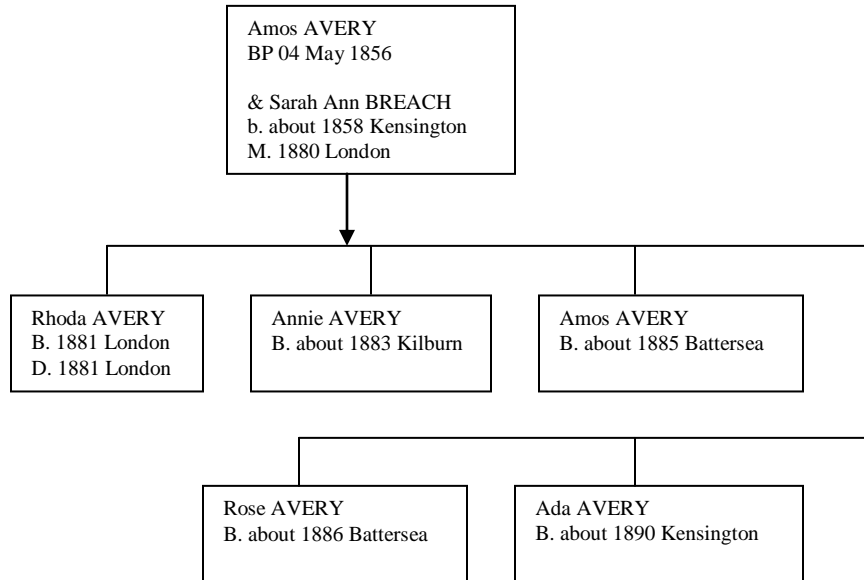
- Frederick J. Avery, head, 45, farm labourer, born Boughton Monchelsea.
- Elisa Avery, wife, 46, born Boughton Monchelsea.
- Frederick John Avery, son, 17, farm labourer, born Leeds.
- William Thomas Avery, son, 13, farm labourer, born Leeds.

In the **1901 census**, William Thomas Avery, son of Frederick, is found as a patient in the hospital in Maidstone. He was 23 years old, a farm labourer, born Leeds. The rest of the family are not found in the 1901 census.

Amos Avery b.1856

Amos Avery was baptized in Staplehurst on 04 May 1856; the son of Amos and Frances Avery. Amos father (also Amos) died when Amos was just 3 years of age.

Amos married Sarah Ann Breach in 1880. The marriage was registered in Fulham, London in the 3rd quarter 1880.



In the **1861 Census** Amos Avery, aged 5 is living at Martins Hill Cottages with his mother Frances and step father Edward Potter. His brother Robert is also with the family.

In the **1871 Census** Amos Avery, aged 15 years, is living with the Borer family at Mathurst Green Farm in Staplehurst. He is noted as a farm servant and born in Staplehurst.

By the time of the **1881 Census**, Amos is married to Sarah and living in Willesden, Middlesex.

- Amos Avery, married, 25 years old, traveler, born Staplehurst.
- Sarah Avery, married, 23 years old, born Kensington, London.
- Rhoda Avery, aged 2 months, born Kilburn, London.

Amos is living at 2 Stanley Garden Mews, Kensington in the **1891 census**.

- Amos Avery, married, 35, coachman / groom, born Staplehurst.
- Sarah Avery, married, 31, born Kensington, London.
- Anne Avery, daughter, 8, born Kilburn, London.
- Amos Avery, son, 6, born Battersea, London.
- Rose Avery, daughter, 5, born Battersea, London

- Ada Avery, daughter, 1, born Kensington, London.

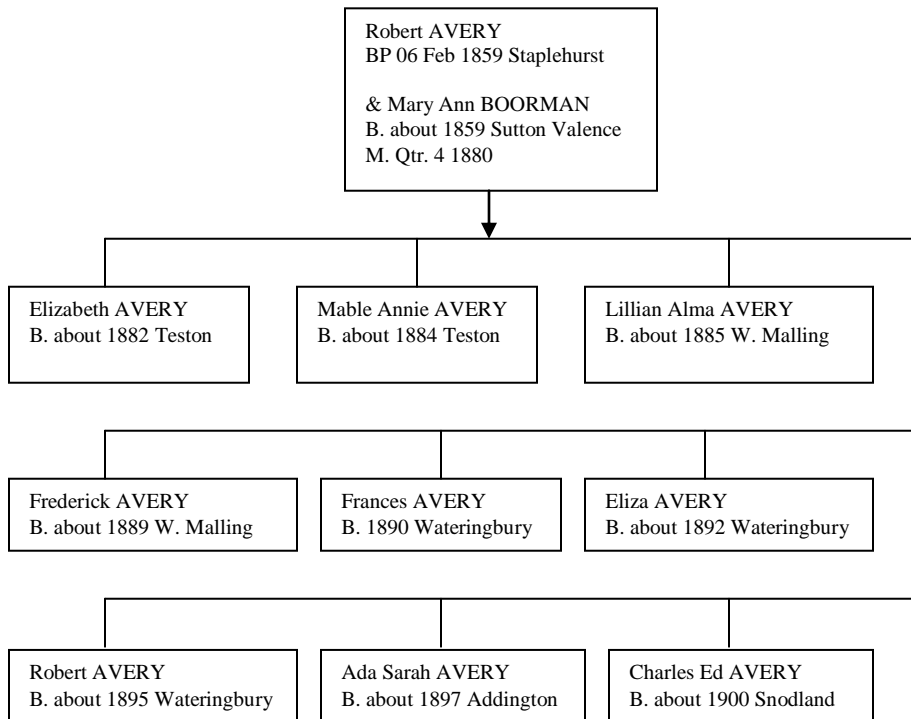
In the **1901 census**, the family is still living at 2 Stanley Garden Mews, Kensington.

- Amos Avery, married, 45, carman, born Staplehurst.
- Sarah Avery, married, 41, born Kensington, London.
- Amos Avery, son, 18, waiter, born Battersea, London.
- Rosa Avery, daughter, 15, draper, born Battersea, London
- Ada Avery, daughter, 11, born Bayswater, London.

Robert Avery 1859

Robert Avery was baptized in Staplehurst on 06 February 1859, the son of Amos and Frances Avery.

Robert Avery married Mary Ann Boorman in 1880. The marriage is registered in the 4th quarter at the Maidstone registration district.



Robert's father, Amos Avery, died in 1859. His mother, Frances, married again in the second quarter 1860 to Edward Potter.

In the **1871 Census**, Robert is living with his mother and step father in Frittenden.

- Edward Potter, head, 36, agricultural labourer, born Marden.
- Frances Potter, wife, 36, born Burwash, Sussex. (note Frances was previously married to Amos Avery).
- Anne Avery, daughter, 14, dressmaker, born Staplehurst.
- Robert Avery, son, 12, agricultural labourer, born Staplehurst.
- Henry White, boarder, 28, agricultural labourer, born Rogate, Sussex.
- Mary A. Avery, visitor, widow, 67, born Maidstone. Mary had been recently widowed, her husband Robert who died a few weeks previously.

In the **1881 Census**, Robert and his family are found at Liver St. Cottage, Teston.

- Robert Avery, head, 22, labourer, born Staplehurst.
- Mary Ann Avery, wife, 21, born Sutton Valence.

In the **1891 Census**, Robert and his family are living at Watringbury, Kent.

- Robert Avery, head, 31, farmer's wagoner (horse), born Staplehurst.
- Mary Ann Avery, wife, 31, born Sutton Valence.
- Elizabeth Avery, daughter, 9, scholar, born Teston, Kent.
- Mable Annie Avery, daughter, 7, scholar, born Teston, Kent.
- Lillian Alma Avery, daughter, 6, scholar, born West Malling, Kent.
- Frederick Avery, son, 2, born West Malling, Kent.
- Frances Avery, daughter, 10 months, born Wateringbury, Kent.
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In the **1901 census**, Robert and his family are living at Birling Road, Snodland, Kent.

- Robert Avery, head, 41, chalk quarry man, born Staplehurst.
- Mary Ann Avery, wife, 42, born Sutton Valence.
- Frederick Avery, son, 13, errand boy, born East Malling, Kent.
- Eliza Avery, daughter, 9, born Wateringbury.
- Robert Avery, son, 6, born Offham, Kent.
- Ada Sarah Avery, daughter, 4, born Addington.
- Charles Ed Avery, son, 1, born Snodland, Kent.
- Robert's daughter, Frances Avery, is shown as a visitor at the next door neighbours. She is now 10.

Harry Avery 1885 - 1917

Harry Avery was born in Benenden in 1885, the son of William & Louisa Avery, of Rovenden Road, Benenden, and was baptized in Benenden on 26th September 1885. His father was an agricultural labourer. A resident of Staplehurst, he enlisted in Cranbrook. Private G/41666, 22nd Battalion, Royal Fusiliers. Killed in action on Saturday 17th February 1917. Buried in Regina Trench Cememtery, Grancourt, Somme, France.

Elizabeth Ann Avery 1839 -1929

Elizabeth Ann Avery is the daughter of George Avery (1808 -1878) and Elizabeth Kingsnorth (1821 – 1895).

Elizabeth Ann Avery was born in Staplehurst on 14 July 1839. No baptism was found in the Staplehurst parish registers. (Note that at the time of the burial of the parents they appear to have been non conformist (Wesleyan)). Elizabeth married Thomas Latter (b. 1837 in Leigh, Kent) on 12 Jun 1867 in NSW. She died in East Maitland, NSW on 06 October 1929.

Elizabeth and Thomas Latter had 12 children:

- Elizabeth Annie Latter was born on 09 March 1868 at Mount Vincent, NSW and died in East Maitland, NSW in 1929. Elizabeth married Thomas Charles Barber on 20 August 1898.
- Mary Ann Latter was born on 06 February 1870 at Mount Vincent, NSW and died in West Maitland, NSW in 1931. Mary Ann married Edward Cocks on 1896.
- Thomas Latter was born in Mount Vincent, NSW in 1872 and died in Ryde, NSW in 1943. Thomas's first wife was Margaret Theresa Bussell (1871 – 1902) and his second wife was Mary Avery (1868 – 1898). They married in 1895. Thomas and Mary would have been 1st cousins.
- William Latter was born in Maitland, NSW in 1874 and died in Mulbring, NSW in 1950. William married Ada Elizabeth Threlfo on 16 Nov 1895. Ada was born in Maitland in 1874 and died in Mulbring on 04 March 1927.
- Emily Latter was born in Maitland, NSW in 1876 and died 12 Jan 1930 in East Maitland, NSW. We have no record of a marriage.
- Albert Edward Latter was born 03 September 1878 in Mount Vincent, NSW and died in Rutherford, NSW on 26 April 1929. Albert married Florence Ada Cocks on 09 September 1903. Florence was born about 1883 and died on 17 April 1970 in Rutherford, NSW.
- George Avery Latter was born on 17 December 1880 at Mulbring, NSW and died in West Maitland, NSW in 1944. In 1899, George married Matilda M. Latter (born Maitland 1881).
- Alfred Austin Latter was born 30 October 1882 in Mulbring, NSW and died 13 April 1925 in Gloucester, NSW. Alfred married Sarah Jane Andrews who was born 11 June 1883 in Mount Vincent, NSW. She died on 07 April 1967 in Gloucester, NSW. They were married on 20 October 1909.
- Ernest Gordon Latter was born on 10 Sep 1885 at Mount Vincent, NSW and died at Mulbring, NSW on 14 Apr 1887.
- Charlie Philip Latter was born in Maitland, NSW in 1886 and died in Sydney in 1945. Charlie was married in 1911 to Jessie Isabell Clifton (born 1889 in Mulbring).
- Jessie May Latter was born in Mount Vincent in 1889. Jessie married James Thomas Henry on 29 September 1909. James was born in Mount Vincent in 1886.

- Grace Darling latter was born in Maitland in 1891. She married Lyall Walter Zimmerman on 27 January 1919. Lyall was born in East Maitland, NSW in 1889.

George Avery 1841 – 1914

George Avery is the son of George Avery (1808 -1878) and Elizabeth Kingsnorth (1821 – 1895).

George Avery was born on the ship “China” in route to NSW. He was born on 14 August 1841 a couple of weeks before they landed in Port Jackson, Sydney. George died on 27 September 1914 in Mulbring, NSW. George married Elizabeth Latter on 14 Feb 1862 at Maitland, NSW. Elizabeth was originally from Kent, born in Leigh in 1844. Elizabeth died on 25 August 1922 in Mulbring, NSW.

George and Elizabeth Avery had 13 children.

- William Avery was born 14 Jul 1862 in Sugarloaf, NSW and died in 1934 at Port Macquarie, NSW. William married in 1891 to Sarah J Thompson. She was born in 1869 at Macleay River, NSW and died at Kempsey, NSW in 1941.
- John T. Avery was born in 1864 at Patrick Plains, NSW and died in 1865 in Muswellbrook, NSW.
- Charles Avery was born in 1865 at Patrick Plains, NSW and died in Mulbring on 26 November 1925. Charles married Martha Hollingsworth in 1891. Martha was born in Morpeth, NSW in 1868 and died in Mulbring on 05 Jun 1942.
- Mary Avery was born on 26 Dec 1867 at Sugarloaf, NSW and died in 1914 at Glenn Innes, NSW. She married Isaac Davy in 1901. Isaac died in 1938 at Kempsey, NSW.
- Mary Avery was born in 1868 at Mulbring, NSW and died in 1898 at Narrabri, NSW. She married Thomas Latter (1872 – 1943) in 1895.
- Thomas Avery was born on 23 April 1870 in Mulbring, NSW and died on 11 June 1958 at Mulbring, NSW. Thomas married Selina Buckton on 15 May 1895. Selina was born on 19 August 1876 at Maitland, NSW and died on 04 September 1959 in Mulbring, NSW.
- Bedelia Avery (born in Mulbring 1872) married Ephraim Morris in 1898.
- Jesse George Avery was born in 1875 in Mulbring and died in East Maitland on 08 Jun 1955. Jesse married Melbra Maude Leggett on 04 April 1904. Melbra was born in Tamworth, NSW in 1883 and died on 14 Sep 1961 at East Maitland, NSW.
- Edward Avery was born in 1877 at Mulbring, NSW and died on 14 Aug 1968 at Mount Vincent, NSW. Edward married Alice Sarah Monnox on 11 December 1901. Alice was born 13 July 1882 at Mount Vincent, NSW and died 22 May 1973 at Mount Vincent.
- Stephen Avery was born in Mulbring in 1879. He married Annie Shelton (born 1879 at Maitland) in 1903.
- Miriam E Avery was born in 1880 at Mulbring, NSW. She married James Hill in 1905.

- Ethel Maud Avery was born in 1883 in Mulbring, NSW. Ethel married William Taylor McDonald in 1906. William was born on 06 August 1880 in Richmond Vale, NSW and died on 10 April 1973 at Branxton, NSW.
- Robina Avery was born on 03 April 1885 in Mulbring, NSW. Robina married James McDonald on 02 February 1910. James was born in Mulbring, NSW in 1884 and died on 01 November 1951 at Kurri Kurri, NSW.

William Avery 1843 - 1914

William Avery is the son of George Avery (1808 -1878) and Elizabeth Kingsnorth (1821 – 1895).

William Avery was born 04 February 1843 in Mulbring, NSW. He died on 02 June 1914 at Kurri Kurri, NSW. William married Sarah Jane Wellard in Mount Vincent, NSW on 06 August 1874. Sarah Jane was born in Mount Vincent on 06 September 1852 and died at Kurri Kurri, NSW on 06 August 1876.

William and Sarah Jane had 12 children:

- Reuben Avery born in Mount Vincent, NSW in 1875.
- Stephen Avery born in Wallsend, NSW in 1877 and died in Wallsend, NSW in 1878.
- John Avery born 1880 in Wallsend, NSW and died in Teralba, NSW in 1944.
- Mary Ann Avery born 1883 in Wallsend, NSW. Mary Ann married George T. Heath in 1910.
- Hellen Avery born in Wallsend, NSW in 1885 married Willie J Davies in 1909.
- Arthur Avery, born Wallsend, NSW in 1887, married Mildred E. Whipps in 1911.
- Sarah Avery, born 1890 in Mount Vincent, NSW, married George L. Nixon in 1909.
- Jane Avery, born 1890 in Mount Vincent, NSW, married Percy F. Blisden in 1909.
- Lizzie Avery born in 1892 and died in 1894 in Mount Vincent. NSW.
- Lottie Avery was born in Mount Vincent, NSW in 1895 and died on 02 August 1918 in Newcastle, NSW.
- Tom Avery was born in 1898 in Mount Vincent, NSW.
- Ernest Avery was born in Mount Vincent, NSW in 1901.

Charles Avery 1845-1915

Charles Avery is the son of George Avery (1808 -1878) and Elizabeth Kingsnorth (1821 – 1895).

Charles Avery was born on 16 Feb 1845 in Mulbring, NSW; he died on 19 November 1915 in Mulbring, NSW. Charles married Ellen Latter who was born in 1847 in Leigh Kent; she died on 05 October 1889 at Mulbring, NSW. The couple was married on 26 September 1867 in Maitland, NSW and is known to have had 9 children.

- Martha Kingsnorth Avery was born in Mulbring, NSW in 1868 and died on 28 May 1946 in Mulbring, NSW. In 1910, Martha married James Joseph Curley. James was born in Murrurundi, NSW in 1873 and died in West Maitland, NSW on 08 October 1940.
- Jane Avery was born in Mulbring, NSW on 08 May 1870 and died on 13 March 1949 in Mulbring, NSW. Jane married Henry “Simon” Andrews on 27 October 1889. Simon was born on 17 September 1866 in Mount Vincent, NSW and died in Mulbring, NSW on 01 January 1943.
- Alfred Avery was born in Mulbring, NSW in 1872 and died on 19 February 1950 in Mulbring, NSW. Alfred married Agnes Hollingsworth in 1901. Agnes was born in Raymond Terrace, NSW in 1880 and died 19 June 1868 in Mulbring, NSW.
- Mary Avery was born in Mulbring, NSW in 1874 and died in Mulbring, NSW on 15 August 1958. Mary married Thomas James McDonald (1870-1959) on 06 September 1901.
- Albert Henry Avery was born in Mulbring, NSW in 1877 and died on 31 July 1944 in Mulbring, NSW. Albert married Elizabeth Janet Leggett on 10 April 1901. Elizabeth was born 16 June 1880 in Buchanan, NSW and died 17 August 1969 in Mulbring, NSW.
- George Avery was born in Mulbring, NSW in 1879 and died on 04 Nov 1946 in Mulbring, NSW. George married Violet Bowmer in 1927. Violet was born in Rockdale, NSW in 1891 and died on 19 August 1948 in Mulbring, NSW.
- Henry Charles Avery was born in Mulbring, NSW in 1882 and died in Mount Vincent, NSW on 31 May 1948. Henry married Ethel May Hector in 1911. Ethel was born in Mount Vincent in 1887 and died on 30 January 1943 at Mount Vincent, NSW.
- Emma Avery was born in Mulbring, NSW in 1884 and died in Mulbring on 12 August 1959.
- Howard Avery was born in Mulbring, NSW in 1887 and died in Mulbring on 22 August 1962. It is not know if he married.

Thomas Avery 1847 - 1924

Thomas Avery is the son of George Avery (1808 -1878) and Elizabeth Kingsnorth (1821 – 1895).

Thomas Avery was born on 14 April 1847 in Mulbring, NSW and died on 29 July 1924 in Narrabri, NSW. Thomas married Elizabeth Snow on 23 March 1881. Elizabeth was born on 11 December 1844 in Cassilis, NSW and died on 12 January 1911 in Narrabri, NSW.

Thomas and Elizabeth are known to have had 11 children:

- Thomas George Avery was born in Mudgee, NSW in 1873 and died in Moree, NSW in 1895.
- William H. Avery was born in Mudgee, NSW in about 1875 and died in Mudgee in 1878.

- Catherine Elizabeth Avery was born in Mudgee, NSW in 1877 and died in Mudgee in 1878.
- Isabella Ellen Avery was born in Dubbo, NSW in 1879.
- Charles Herbert Avery was born in Dubbo, NSW in 1881 and died in Narrabri, NSW in 1942.
- Victoria May Avery was born in Gunnedah, NSW in 1882. Victoria married Cecil Athol Wallis (date not known).
- Richard E. Avery was born in Gunnedah, NSW in 1883.
- Ethel Maud Avery was born in Gunnedah, NSW in 1885.
- Mark N. Avery was born in Gunnedah, NSW in 1886.
- Henry C. Avery was born in Narrabri, NSW in 1893.
- John Avery died in Narrabri, NSW in 1919.

Mary Avery 1852 - 1928

Mary Avery is the daughter of George Avery (1808 -1878) and Elizabeth Kingsnorth (1821 – 1895).

Mary Avery was born on 24 November 1852 in Mulbring, NSW and died 11 July 1928 in Mulbring, NSW. Mary married Stephen Andrews on 23 May 1877. Stephen was born on 03 October 1852 in Mulbring, NSW and died in Mulbring on 13 Jul 1930.

Mary and Stephen are known to have had 4 children of which only one survived to adulthood:

- Alice Andrews was born 15 March 1878 at Mulbring, NSW and died the same day at just 7 hours old.
- Amy May Andrews was born in Mulbring in 1880 and died 11 Dec 1954 in Mulbring. Amy married Bertie “Archer” Andrews on 15 May 1908. Archer was born 13 August 1877 in Mount Vincent, NSW and died 16 January 1946 in Mulbring.
- Stephen Andrews was born 06 October 1883 in Mulbring, NSW and died the same day just 1 hour old.
- Lizzie Andrews was born in September 1892 in Mulbring and died on 13 January 1893 at 4 months old.

Sarah Avery 1858 - 1907

Sarah Avery is the daughter of George Avery (1808 -1878) and Elizabeth Kingsnorth (1821 – 1895).

Sarah Avery was born on 28 November 1858 in Mulbring, NSW and died in Kempsey, NSW in 1907. Sarah married Francis John (Frank) Wellard on 28 Dec 1881. Frank was born on 25 August 1854 in Mount Vincent, NSW and died on 26 August 1923.

We have no record of children from this marriage.