

SAMUEL HINDLEY (1834-1916)

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04.10.1834 – 18.02.1916

ANTROBUS (Cheshire)

GAMEKEEPER

m(1) 03.04.1861 ANN
NEWTON

13.11.1835 – 20.03.1866

m(2) 22.04.1868 SUSANNAH

TAYLOR 1844 –1928(Q2)

WIGAN

HINDLEY NAME

DATE OF BIRTH
AND DEATH

PLACE OF BIRTH

OCCUPATION

DATE OF
MARRIAGENAME OF
WIFE/HUSBANDDATE OF BIRTH
AND DEATH

PLACE OF BIRTH

Father: Joseph Hindley (1806-1892)**Mother:** Sarah Knight (1809-1890)**Children:**

Edward (1) (1862-1864)

Mary (1) (1864-1919)

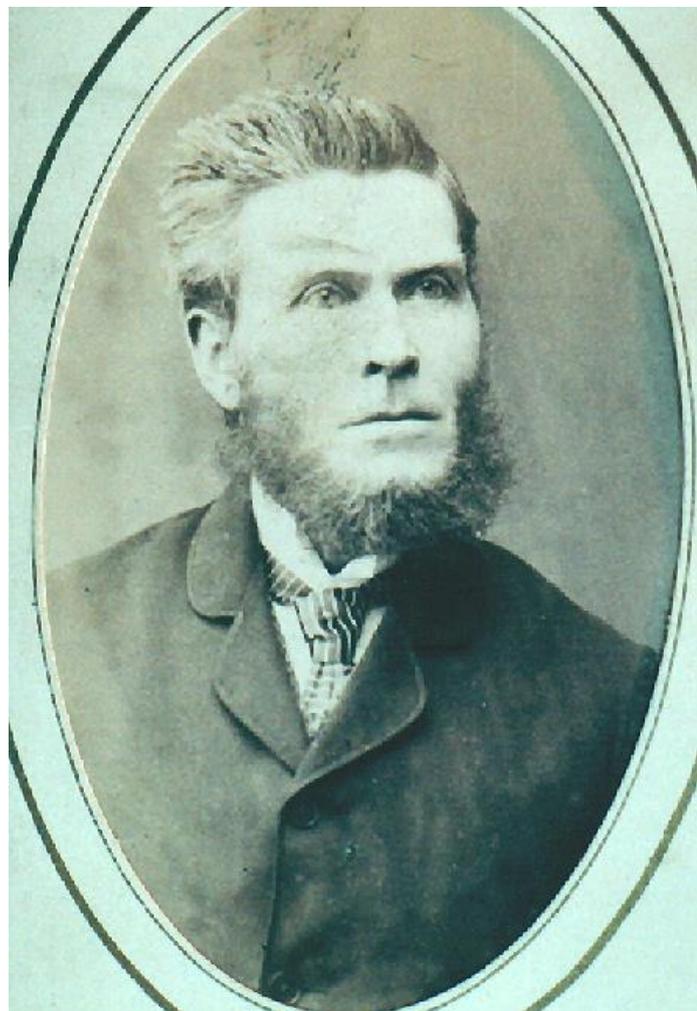
John (2) (1868-1868)

Jane (2) (1870-1947)

George (2) (1872-1956)

Sarah (2) (1874-1932)

James (2) (1877-1949)



Samuel in the uniform of the Cheshire Rifle Volunteers (left), in January 1887 at the latest. The date of the portrait of Samuel on the right is unknown.

1834 A manuscript written in 1878 by Joseph Hindley (father) lists the birth of Samuel as 4th of October 1834 at Antrobus, Cheshire. (*see Joseph Hindley (1806-1892)*).

GBBBBGBGGBGGGB Samuel was baptised at St. Mary's, Great Budworth on November 2nd 1834.

1851 The 1851 Census tells us that Samuel, aged 16, was living at Reed House Cottage, Antrobus, with his parents. He was an apprentice, possibly to his shoemaker father, but no more information was given in the Census. Two or three years later Samuel was working on the Sandiway Estate of the Littledales where he became a gamekeeper. And for the rest of his working life he was employed by the Littledales as a gamekeeper.

1861 On 3rd April 1861 Samuel married Ann Newton (from Cranage, Cheshire) at St. Mary's Church, Weaverham. Ann had been baptised at the Church Hulme Chapelry on 13th November 1835.

I booked an appointment to see the Church Registers at Weaverham (c2000). (*Most Cheshire Church registers had by this time been deposited at the Cheshire Record Office in Chester*).

In marriage entry 319 Samuel Hindley, bachelor and gamekeeper, married Ann Newton, spinster and servant. Both residences were given as Sandiway. The fathers were recorded as Joseph Hindley (shoemaker) and William Newton (labourer). Witnesses were John Berry and Jane Hindley (*a younger sister of Samuel*).

A few days before the marriage, on 29th March 1861, there was an entry in the "Cheshire Marriage Licence Bonds and Allegations 1606-1905". Samuel Hindley, servant, of Weaverham parish was preparing for marriage with Ann Newton of Sandiway parish.

1861 Soon after the wedding the 1861 Census records them at Brereton Ley, as visitors to Ann's parents. Samuel and Ann had two children, Edward who lived for two years and Mary who reached 55 years of age.

1866 Tragedy struck in 1866 when Ann died in labour (labour/peritonitis) on 20th March aged 30 years. She was buried in Great Budworth Churchyard.

1868 On 22nd April 1868 Samuel married again. He married Suzannah Taylor from Wigan at St. Mary's Church, Weaverham. Their first child, John, was born less than seven months later on 5th November but he died soon afterwards. John was buried at Weaverham on 10th November 1868. The rest of their children; Jane, George, Sarah and James, lived to be adults.

It is quite likely that Samuel started work for the Littledales as a servant (see above). By 1861 he was recorded in the Census as a Gamekeeper, and he married in 1861. It is highly likely that he moved into the cottage on Littledales Lane c1860, or if his obituary is correct it would have been 1853. He stayed there for the rest of his life.

The first photograph on page 1 of this profile was found in his daughter Mary's album. It shows Samuel in a sergeant's uniform of the Hartford Company of The Cheshire Rifle Volunteers which he joined on the inception of the movement, and retired from it in 1887. From the uniform the picture has been dated at between 1869 and 1878. As one would expect from a soldier and gamekeeper Samuel was a first class shot, shown by the rifle association badge on his left arm. His obituary says that he won many shooting awards during his lifetime; and that he reared sporting dogs and was expert at training them.

It is probable that Samuel rented the cottage on Littledales Lane from the Estate but he did acquire property. One we know of for certain was in London Road, Leftwich, Northwich; and his father owned houses in the same road. This information comes from Electoral Registers.



Samuel at home with his family in Little Dale Lane, Sandiway c 1890. Back Row, L to R: James; Unknown (but probably gamekeeper brother David, or maybe brother Joseph); George. Front Row, L to R: Susannah; Samuel; Jane; Sarah.

1886/1887 Court cases relating to Poachers:-

1. A long chase after a poacher (Cheshire Observer 1886)

John Johnson, a young man from Weaverham, was charged with trespassing in pursuit of game on land at Weaverham in the occupation of Mr. Gerrard, and over which Mr. Little Dale has the right of shooting. **Samuel Hindley**, gamekeeper, gave evidence of watching the defendant set snares on the land, and he chased the would be poacher for three miles, but failed to secure him. He was fined 5s and costs.

2. An Extraordinary Charge of Assault (Cheshire Observer 1887)

Samuel Hindley appeared in answer to a summons for assaulting Joseph Trickett at Weaverham, on May 3rd. Mr. Fletcher, who prosecuted, said the case was a somewhat peculiar one, inasmuch as the defendant was not only a respectable man but a gamekeeper as well.

On 3rd May, at a quarter past 6 o'clock, Mr Trickett, an independent gentleman living at Weaverham, went to land in the occupation of Mr John Gerrard, and over which he (Mr

Trickett) had a right of shooting, and over which no one else had a right to shoot. He there saw defendant, who is a gamekeeper in the employment of Major Littledale, going along a field accompanied by a couple of dogs, obviously in search of game. Mr Trickett went up to the defendant and civilly asked him if he knew he had no right there; whereupon Hindley came out with bad language and struck Mr Trickett a violent blow on the side of his head, knocking his hat off. Mr Trickett, surprised at such conduct, picked up his hat, and had scarcely resumed it when defendant again struck him and knocked his hat off. Not content with that, he also threatened to "out him in two" with a stick he had in his hand, and altogether acted very violently, literally driving him from the field, through Captain Joynson's yard.

Complainant having given evidence, Charles Fisher, coachman to Captain Joynson, deposed to having witnessed the assault. Mr J. Gerrard, occupier of the land in question, said Hindley had no permission to shoot over the land; Mr Trickett was the only person who had any such right. Defendant, in defence, said he had had the privilege of going over the land for thirty years, for several years he was tenant of the shooting and had a right to kill the rabbits. His version of the affair was that on the day in question he was "working" a couple of young pointers, and was making his way across the ground as he had been accustomed to do, when Mr Trickett came up, and in a very uncivil manner, put his stick up and in a threatening way observed "I wish I was twenty years younger!" He (defendant) put up his right hand as a guard and as he did so Mr Trickett's hat was knocked off; but he never struck him. He had no witnesses, and the Bench, having considered the case, the Chairman said that they had come to the conclusion that there must be a conviction, and fined defendant 20s and costs, 8s 6d.

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1861 Marriage of Samuel Hindley to Ann Newton at Weaverham Church.

No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the Time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
319	April 3 rd	Samuel Hindley	full age	Bachelor	Game Keeper	Sandway	Joseph Hindley	Shoe Maker
		Ann Newton	full age	Spinster	Servant	Sandway	William Newton	Labourer

Married in the at the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by Licence by me, N. B. Willetts

This Marriage was solemnized between us, Samuel Hindley and Ann Newton in the Presence of us, John Berry and John Hindley Curate

1861 census transcription details for: Brereton Ley, Sandlow Green, Brereton Cum Smethwick

National Archive Reference: RG09 Piece: 2608 Folio: 76 Page: 14
 Reg. District: Congleton, Cheshire. Sub District: 1 Church Hulme

Name	Relation	Condition	Sex	Age	Birth Year	Occupation , Disability	Where Born
HAYTON, William	Head	Married	M	36	1825	Agricultural Labourer	Worthington, Cheshire
HAYTON, Mary	Wife	Married	F	57	1804		Middleton, Cheshire
HAYTON, Mary	Daughter		F	4	1857		Branton, Cheshire
HINDLEY, Samuel	Visitor	Married	M	26	1835	Game Keeper	..., Cheshire
HINDLEY, Anne	Visitor	Married	F	25	1836		..., Cheshire

Ann died in 1866 following complications with a third pregnancy.

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1868 Marriage of Samuel Hindley to Susannah Taylor at Weaverham Church.

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1868. Marriage solemnized at the Parish Church in the Parish of Weaverham in the County of Chester

No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the Time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
433	April 22 nd	Samuel Hindley Susannah Taylor	full age full age	Widower Spinster	Gamekeeper servant	Sandiway Sandiway	Joseph Hindley Roger Taylor	Shemakers Joiner

Married in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church after Banns by me, *Edw. J. P. Curate*

This Marriage was solemnized between us, *Samuel Hindley* } in the Presence of us, *Wm. Gilbert*
Susannah Taylor } *Wm. Hancock*

1871 census transcription details for: Northwich Road Off Hodge Lane, WeaverhamNational Archive Reference: RG10
Reg. District: Northwich, Cheshire.Piece: 3694
Sub District: Weaverham

Folio: 154

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Name	Relation	Condition	Sex	Age	Birth Year	Occupation	Where Born
HINDLY, Samuel	Head		M	35	1836	Gamekeeper	Antrobus Cheshire
HINDLY, Susannah	Wife		F	27	1844		Wigan, Lancashire
HINDLY, Mary	Daughter		F	7	1864	Scholar	Sandiway, Cheshire
HINDLY, Jane	Daughter		F	1	1870		Sandiway, Cheshire

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1881 census transcription details for: Littledale Lane, WeaverhamNational Archive Reference: RG11 Piece: 3521 Folio: 63 Page: 8
Reg. District: Northwich, Cheshire. Sub District: Weaverham

Name	Relation	Condition	Sex	Age	Birth Year	Occupation , Disability	Where Born
HINDLEY, Samuel	Head	Married	M	47	1834	Game Keeper	Antrobus, Cheshire
HINDLEY, Susannah	Wife	Married	F	37	1844	Game Keepers Wife	Wigan, Lancashire
HINDLEY, Jane	Daughter	Single	F	11	1870	Scholar	Weaverham, Cheshire
HINDLEY, George	Son	Single	M	8	1873	Scholar	Weaverham, Cheshire
HINDLEY, Sarah	Daughter	Single	F	6	1875	Scholar	Weaverham, Cheshire
HINDLEY, James	Son	Single	M	4	1877	Scholar	Weaverham, Cheshire

1891 census transcription details for: Littledale Lane, WeaverhamNational Archive Reference: RG12 Piece: 2836 Folio: 57 Page: 8
Reg. District: Northwich, Cheshire. Sub District: Weaverham

Name	Relation	Condition	Sex	Age	Birth Year	Occupation , Disability	Where Born
HINDLEY, Samuel	Head	Married	M	54	1837	Game Keeper	Antrobus, Cheshire
HINDLEY, Susannah	Wife	Married	F	44	1847		Wigan, Lancashire
HINDLEY, George	Son	Single	M	18	1873	Wheelwright Apprentice	Sandiway, Cheshire
HINDLEY, Sarah	Daughter	Single	F	16	1875	Pupil Teacher Elementary Subject	Sandiway, Cheshire
HINDLEY, James	Son		M	14	1877	Blacksmiths Apprentice	Sandiway, Cheshire
HUOITT, Gertrude M	Niece		F	3	1888		Wigan, Lancashire

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1901 census transcription details for: Sandiway (Little Dale's Lane), Weaverham Cum MiltonNational Archive Reference: RG12
Reg. District: Northwich, Cheshire.Piece: 2836
Sub District: Weaverham

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Name	Relation	Condition	Sex	Age	Birth Year	Occupation , Disability	Where Born
HINDLEY, Samuel	Head	Married	M	66	1835	Gamekeeper	Great Dubworth, Cheshire
HINDLEY, Susan	Wife	Married	F	56	1845		Wigan, Lancashire
HINDLEY, Jane	Daughter	Single	F	31	1870		Sandiway, Cheshire
HINDLEY, James	Son	Single	M	24	1877	Blacksmith	Sandiway, Cheshire

1911 census transcription details for: Littledales Lane Sandiway Northwich

National Archive Reference: RG14PN21658 RG78PN1290 RD447 SD1 ED6 SN125

Name	Relation	Condition/ Yrs married	Sex	Age	Birth Year	Occupation	Where Born
HINDLEY, Samuel	Head	Married	M	76	1835	Game Keeper	Antrobus Cheshire
HINDLEY, Sussannah	Wife	Married 38 years	F	65	1846		Wigan Lancs
HINDLEY, Jane	Daughter	Single	F	40	1871		Weaverham Ches
HINDLEY, James	Son	Single	M	34	1877	Blacksmith	Weaverham Ches
HINDLEY, George	Son	Single	M	38	1873	Gamekeeper	Weaverham Ches

1914 TRANSCRIPT OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF SAMUEL HINDLEY OF WEAVERHAM, GAMEKEEPER. 7/2/1914

This is the last will and testament of me, Samuel Hindley of Weaverham in the county of Chester, Gamekeeper. I hereby revoke all wills by me at any time heretofore made. I appoint my two sons George Hindley and James Hindley (hereinafter called "my trustees") to be executors and trustees of this, my will.

I give and bequeath to my wife Susannah Hindley all my household goods, pictures, prints, china, linen, wearing apparel, books, plate and other effects, including livestock belonging to me in and about my dwelling house for her own absolute use and benefit.

I give and bequeath the following legacies, namely; To my said wife Susannah Hindley and my daughter Jane Hindley the sum of two hundred pounds each. To my said sons George Hindley and James Hindley and to my daughters Mary Jowitt and Sarah Ford the sum of one hundred pounds each and to each of my said sons George Hindley and James Hindley an additional sum of ten pounds if they act in the execution of the trusts of this my will.

I give, devise and bequeath all my real estate unto my trustees upon trust that they shall manage the same and collect the rents thereof, and pay thereout all necessary moneys to keep the same in good repair and tenantable order and condition and shall pay out of the said rents any rates, taxes, assessments or other outgoings payable by the landlord in respect thereof, and shall pay the net rents arising from my said real estate to my wife Susannah Hindley during her life and at her decease all my said real estate shall be sold and converted into money either by public auction or private treaty[.] And I direct that such real estate may (with the written consent of my said wife and all of my children who may then be living) be sold in manner aforesaid during the lifetime of my said wife and the net proceeds of such sale (whenever it shall take place) shall form part of my residuary trust funds hereinafter named.

I give and bequeath all my personal estate not hereby otherwise disposed of unto my trustees upon trust that my trustees shall sell, call in and convert into money the same or such part thereof as shall not consist of money and shall with and out of the moneys produced by such sale, calling in and conversion, and with and out of my ready moneys pay my funeral and testamentary expenses and debts and the pecuniary legacies bequeathed by this will or any codicil hereto.

And also all estate, legacy, succession or other duty payable in respect of my estate or in respect of the legacies bequeathed by this my will or any codicil hereto and shall at the discretion of my trustees place the residue on deposit partly or wholly at Parrs Bank Limited at Northwich, or in the Northwich Savings Bank or invest the same in Trustee securities with power for my trustees at such discretion as aforesaid from time to time to vary such deposits or investments, and shall stand possessed of the said residuary trust moneys and the investment for the time being representing the same including the proceeds of sale of my real estate when sold (hereinafter called my residuary trust funds) upon trust to pay the income thereof to my said wife Susannah Hindley during her life and at her decease in trust to divide the said residuary trust funds equally between my said children Mary Jowitt, Jane Hindley, George Hindley, Sarah Ford and James Hindley share and share alike provided always and I hereby declare that if any of my said children shall die during my lifetime or during the lifetime of my said wife leaving issue such issue shall, if

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more than one, take equally between them any legacy or share under this my will which their deceased parent would have taken if living, and if such issue shall be one child only the whole of such legacy or share shall go to that one child.

And I declare that if any vacancy shall arise in the trusteeship of this my will during the lifetime of my said wife the power to appoint a new trustee shall be jointly vested in my said wife and the surviving trustee.

In witness whereof I have set my hand to this my will this seventh day of February One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fourteen.....

Samuel Hindley Signed in the presence of James Marshall, Sandiway House, Hartford (Butler) and Mr Walter Gregg, Sandiway Cottage, Hartford, Cheshire, Chauffeur to Col. T A Earl esqr.

A brief summary of the Will is as follows:

- ! To his wife Susannah all his household goods, pictures, prints, china, linen, wearing apparel, books, plate and other effects including livestock in and around his dwelling house.
- ! £200 each to his wife Susannah and daughter Jane Hindley
- ! £100 each to his sons George and James and his daughters Mary Jowitt and Sarah Ford.
- ! A further £10 to George and James for acting as executors.
- ! Real estate to his trustees to manage on behalf of his wife and, after her death the proceeds to be divided amongst his five children.

1916

Samuel died at the cottage on Littledale's Lane on Friday 18th February 1916, aged 81 years, from "senile decay and cardiac failure" after a period of failing health. He was buried at Great Budworth with his first wife Ann and their first child, Edward.

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1916 . Death in the Sub-district of <i>Weaverham</i> in the <i>County of Cheshire</i> .									
No.	When and where died	Name and surname	Sex	Age	Occupation	Cause of death	Signature, description, and residence of informant	When registered	Signature
88	<i>Eighteenth February 1916. Sandiway Weaverham RD.</i>	<i>Samuel HINDLEY.</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>81 Years.</i>	<i>Gamekeeper</i>	<i>1. Senile decay 2. Cardiac Failure Certified by J. W. Smith M.R.C.S.</i>	<i>J. Hindley Son, Present at the death. Sandiway Weaverham.</i>	<i>Eighteenth February 1916.</i>	<i>H H</i>

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E. O. S. O'Neil Deputy Interim Superintendent
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1916 PROBATE

Hindley Samuel of Weaverham, Cheshire, Gamekeeper, died 18th Feb 1916. Probate Chester 27th March to George Hindley, Sergeant in the second Cheshire Yeomanry and James Hindley Blacksmith.

The headstone and location of the grave have now been lost but the inscription was recorded by the North Cheshire Family History Society.

It read:-

In memory of

Edward, son of Samuel and

Ann Hindley

Who died at Sandiway an August 29th

1864 aged 2 years and 4 months

Also Ann, wife of the above

Samuel Hindley who died

March 20th 1866 aged 30 years

Also the above Samuel Hindley

who died February 18th 1916

aged 81 years

OBITUARY OF SAMUEL HINDLEY (From the Northwich Guardian 25/2/1916)**SANDIWAY**

Death of Mr Samuel Hindley.-Mr Samuel Hindley, who had for some time been in failing health, passed away peacefully on Friday Morning at Littledale's Lane, Sandiway where he had lived for the last 63 years, having during the whole of that time been employed on the Sandiway estate of Mr J B Littledale and his late father. Mr Hindley was widely known and highly respected, and, after living to the age of 81 years, leaves a widow, two sons and three daughters to mourn their loss. Mr Hindley became a member of the Hartford Company of the 2nd Cheshire Rifle Volunteers on the inception of the volunteer movement, and on his retirement in January 1887, he was presented by the officers, non-commissioned officers and men with a handsome marble clock, in recognition of his long service as sergeant in the company and as a slight token of their esteem and regard. For a number of years he was the winner of many valuable prizes in plate and money. He was also an expert in the training of sporting dogs, many valuable ones having been reared and trained by him. The funeral took place at the parish church, Great Budworth, on Tuesday afternoon. Letters of condolence and floral tributes were sent by a number of relatives and friends.

Susannah carried on living at the cottage on Littlesdale Lane (with daughter Jane, at least) until her death in 1928. Jane did not marry but she continued to run the smallholding until her death in 1947. She was the last of the Hindleys to live at the cottage.

The Cottage in Littledales Lane was still there in 2013. It had been enlarged from the original and was being run as a smallholding and kennels under the name of Witz End Kennels. By 2020 the Cottage was under new ownership.