

Caroline Ann Hill (nee. Smith)

Born: 1862. Radstock, Somerset. **Died** 1947

Lived 35 Sunnyside. Hambrook. (

Lived: 25 North Street, Downend. Gloucestershire

Husband : Albert Hill (Teacher of Music)

Occupation: School Teacher

Caroline married Albert Hill who was according to the 1901 census a teacher of music. They separated in the early 1900's, the 1911 census shows Caroline living on her own with her children.

Mother of: Arthur. C. 1889 -1918

Winifred M. 1891 – 1969

Herbert. (Bert) S. 1892 -1923

Frederick. W. 1896 - 1980

Harold. R. 1897 -1916

Amy 1898 - 1984

Here at the back garden of 35 Sunnyside Hambrook in 1902 is **Caroline** with five of her six children.

Arthur the eldest is already away at work, he is thirteen years old and thought to have been an apprentice for a local newspaper.

Winnie has the cat on her lap, she is eleven years old.

Bert is the bigger boy behind, he is ten years old.

Fred is the smaller boy standing behind, he is six years old.

Harold is sitting with his arms crossed, he is five years old.

Amy Hill, the littlest in the pinafore, is four years old.



Taken probably just before the war in the garden of 25 North Street, **Fred** stands behind his mother **Caroline Hill** and her youngest son **Harold**.



This photo is **Winnie**, **Caroline's** daughter taken in the 1950's, the image of her mother.

Of her Six children **Caroline** lost her eldest and her youngest sons, **Arthur** and **Harold**.

Harold was killed aged just 20, in August 1916 by a torpedo in the trenches died at the front in France. Whilst **Arthur** died 28th September 1918 of meningitis (or malaria) whilst on active service in the Middle East he is buried in what is now Iraq.

Three of her other children emigrated, the two boys **Bert** and **Fred** to Canada and later **Amy** to Australia. **Caroline** lived with her daughter **Winnie** and her family at 25 North Street Downend until she died in 1947 aged 75.



This is **Caroline Hill** with her schoolboys in her teaching days.

Amy Hill always had a portrait of her 'mother in England' in a large oval frame in her home in Australia.

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