

Sabina Hyde

(b.1848, d.1907)

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Sabina Hyde was born in 1848 and was baptised at St Mark's Church Woodhouse, Leeds on February 13th **(1)**. Her parents were William Hyde and Jane Hodgson who had married at Leeds Parish Church in November 1840 **(2)**. Sabina was the second child of William and Jane and had five siblings - Sarah Jane, born 1845, Albert born 1849, Isaiah born 1851, Hezekiah born 1854 and Emily born 1859.

When Sabina was baptised, her father was described as a 'joiner', although when her older sister was baptised in 1845 **(3)**, he was said to be a 'Private in the 32nd regiment' which had barracks in Woodhouse where his family lived. Later records show that William continued as a joiner for the rest of his working life.

At the time of the 1851 census **(4)** Sabina (3) was living with her parents, her older sister Sarah Jane (5) and her younger brother Albert (1) at 12, Buslingthorpe Green. Her father was aged 33 and was described as a joiner. Sadly, the following year Sabina's older sister died aged 8 and, although they lived in Mabgate in a different part of Leeds at the time, she was buried in the churchyard of St Marks, Woodhouse as there was a family connection to the area **(5)**. (Sabina's father was born in Woodhouse)

In 1861**(6)** the family was still living in Mabgate, North Leeds. Sabina was now aged 13 and had four siblings, Albert (12), Isaiah (10), Hezekiah (7) and Emily (1). Five years later, when Sabina was 18 their mother, Jane, died aged 44 and was buried at St Matthew's Church, Chapel Allerton, Leeds **(7)**.

The family continued to live in Mabgate for at least the following ten years, and William, Albert, Sabina, Isaiah, Hezakiah and Emily were living there together at the time of the 1871 census **(8)**. William was a joiner, Albert a cabinet maker. Isaiah a boot maker, and Hezakiah a hackle filler. Emily was still a scholar and Sabina was described as a 'domestic servant', presumably acting as a housekeeper for the family. (For unknown reasons Emily was not baptised until 1870, when she was 10 years old.)

After 1871 there were several changes within the family. Two of Sabina's siblings married and left home - Isaiah in 1872, and Albert in 1874. Emily, Sabina's youngest sibling, sadly died in 1874 when she was 15 years old and was buried in Beckett Steet Cemetery on December 28th.

According to the Leeds Guardians Minutes **(9)** Sabina was admitted to the Leeds Workhouse in October 1879, and her father was asked to pay 2/6 a week for her

maintenance. This had seemingly proved difficult for William as two months later he was in arrears and the Guardians agreed that the arrears could either be paid at 1/- a week or he had to take her home **(10)**. Unfortunately, six months later William was still in arrears, and it was agreed by the Guardians that “proceedings be taken against him to enforce payment” **(11)**. The results of the ‘proceedings’ are not known, although Sabina did remain in the workhouse.

At the time of the 1881 census **(12)** Sabina, aged 36, was recorded as an inmate in the Workhouse and was described as a ‘domestic servant and nurse’. Her father, William, was living with his married son Isaiah and his family, as was her unmarried brother Hezekiah.

Three years later Sabina’s father died and was buried in Beckett Street Cemetery on June 15th, 1884 **(13)**. Five years after that Sabina’s brother Albert died and was also buried in Beckett Steet Cemetery.

In September 1888, Sabina had been admitted to the Leeds Union Infirmary where she was recorded on the census as a ‘sick inmate’, and by 1891 **(14)** her health had declined. It was stated that she had ‘no occupation’ so was too sick or disabled to work in the workhouse. However, ten years later **(15)** she was still being looked after as a patient in the Union Infirmary and remained there until she died on May 25th, 1907, aged 61 **(16)**.

Sabina’s cause of death was described as ‘cerebral softening and hemiplegia’ **(17)**. She was buried in the consecrated section of Beckett Street Cemetery on May 27th, 1907 **(18)**. Her grave number was 7721 and she shared it with five other adults and nine infants **(19)**.

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