

ABRAHAM GREEN

(b. 1817, d. 1883)

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Abraham was born in Halifax in 1817, the son of William Green, a dyer, and Alice, nee Brearley, who had married at St. John's Church, Halifax on 20 September 1812 (1). On 20 August 1817, Abraham was baptised at Pellon Lane Baptist Chapel, Halifax (2).

By the time of the Census of April 1851, Abraham, who also worked as a dyer, had been widowed and he had a ten year old son, Joseph, who had been born in Leeds. They were living in lodgings in Marlborough Street, Leeds (3). *(Definite details of his marriage and Joseph's mother/birth are not known).*

Abraham's parents had also been living in Marlborough Street when they died - William in September 1849, buried in Beckett Street Cemetery (4), and Alice in October 1850, buried in Leeds General Cemetery (5).

On 6 October 1851, Abraham was living and working in Shelf, when he married a widow, Sarah Bateman at Halifax Parish Church (6). Ten years later, Abraham, without Sarah, was with relatives in Castleton, Lancashire (7). He continued to work as a dyer.

By the time of the Census of April 1871, Abraham had been widowed again. He was boarding in Town Street, Bramley (8). *(Details of Sarah's death are uncertain).*

It seems that Abraham was down on his luck by 1881, as he was an inmate of the Leeds Union Workhouse (9). On 4 September 1883, he was admitted into the adjacent Union Infirmary, where he died on 3 November that year, the cause being 'fractured thigh, paralysis' (10).

On 7 November, he was laid to rest across the road in Beckett Street Cemetery (11).

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