

## Abbey Family in Oatley

OHHS recently received an email from Fran Ridley (living in Coffs Harbour) who was researching her family tree and one of the ancestors was the Abbey family from William (from 1916 Kitchener) street.

The info OHHS has and some supplied info is informally gathered in this document.

The following people living in William street in 1914. William street had a name change in about 1916 to Kitchener.

Abbey	Elizabeth Moore	William	HD
Abbey	Gertrude	William	HD
Abbey	Martha	William	HD
Abbey	Otto	William	Carpenter
Abbey	Wilfred	William	Traveller
Abbey	William	William	Carpenter

And I have Otto and Gertrude at 21 Kitchener in 1938 from electoral rolls.

I have some of the children at the Methodist church around 1913 as well- Ernie Phyllis and William.

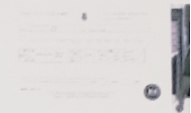
Fran -- William built this home, his wife is Elizabeth, and the other names are his children, Leonorah is not there but she is my father's mother. Have photos of most of them if they are needed by you. Have been doing family tree since 2001, and this is a gap I was trying to fill.

### William Abbey's house in Oaks estate



Built by William Abbey

#### Photos for William A



#### Photo information

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William Abbe  
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KITCHENER ST, OATLEY.

WILLIAM & ELIZABETH  
DIED IN THIS HOUSE

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This photo is not of 21 Kitchener street according some locals.

Cliff Crane reported the following

Just to add to the mix - Jan and I owned the 21 Kitchener Street property, for only a short number of years, during the 1960s. When we bought it the house, previously on it, had been

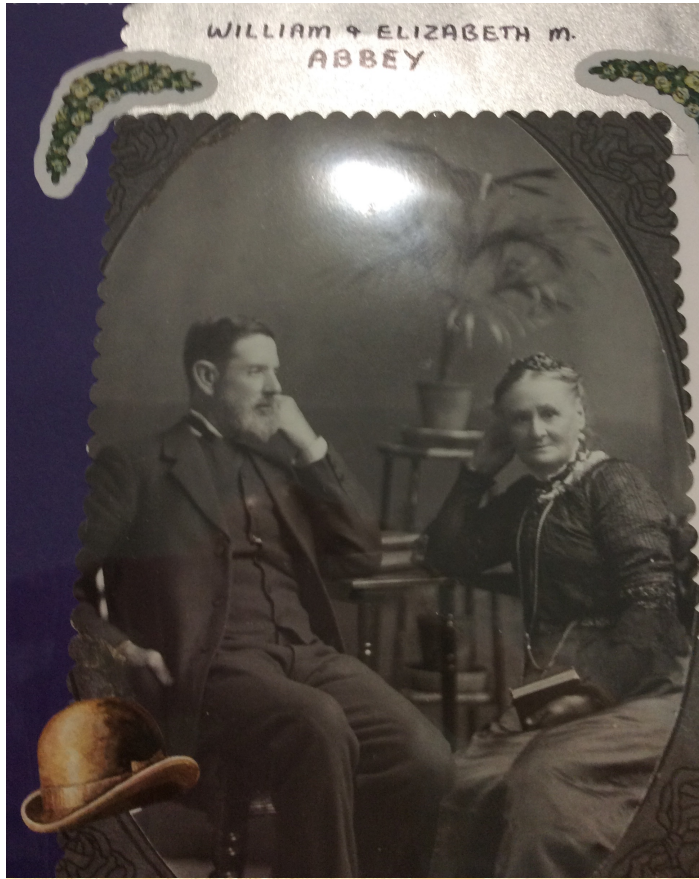
demolished except for the very dark brick footings. After demolition and removal of the footings, the property was vacant for some years until we sold it to friends Max and Diana Jackson who built on it the house that is still there, in which the Jackson family then lived. Some years after Max's death, in the early 2000s, Diana in 2009 sold the property to Ray and Laurie Taylor, the present owners.

I do not recall the name of the previous owner from whom Jan and I bought 21 Kitchener Street Oatley, in the 1960s, but believe a family called Pilkington lived there for a number of years, probably up until demolition of the house. Mr. Pilkington who came originally from Victoria was a close friend to the late Professor James 'Jim' Douglas, of Oatley.

William Abbey and wife Elizabeth, with son Otto and daughter-in-law Gertrude, were living in the weatherboard house on 21 William Street (as it was then) at Boxing Day, 26<sup>th</sup> December, 1911. Another son, 35 year old stud groom Wilfred Abbey who lived in a separate house in William Street with wife Martha and 7 year old surviving son William, came to 21 Kitchener Street and fired several shots from a rifle, one wounding his mother in the neck, then went outside where he killed himself with a gunshot to the head.

A report of an inquest on Wilfred's death said he suffered from fits, and had suffered from "water on the brain".







## Wilfred's grace

26 January 2020 at 3:58 pm



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Name: Wilfred Abbey

Birth Date: 1881

Birth Place: Kingston upon Hull Unitary Authority, East Riding of Yorkshire, England

Death Date: 26 Dec 1916

Death Place: New South Wales, Australia

Cemetery: Woronora Memorial Park

Burial or Cremation Place: Sutherland, Sutherland Shire, New South Wales, Australia

Has Bio?: N

URL: <https://www.findagrave.com/m...>





## WILFRED ABBEY

**BIRTH** 14 November 1880. **DIFFERENT** Myton, County of the town of Kingston Upon Hull, Yorkshire, England

**DEATH** 26 December 1916. **DIFFERENT** Oatley, New South Wales, Australia

sources (10) records (9) photos (4)  
 stories (2)

### Family Info

Father William Abbey (1852-1923)

Mother Elizabeth Moore Thorpe (1853-1925)

Spouse MARTHA S SCOTT (1884-1915)  
*Married* 1908

Children WILLIAM ALFRED (1909-1947)New  
ALFRED E (1912-1912)New  
VICTORIA M (1912-1913)New

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Sydney, January 5.

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**The death of Wilfred Abbey (35).**

**A SON'S CRIME**

The death of Wilfred Abbey (35), a native of England, residing in William street, Oatley, who died from a bullet wound in the head on December 26 1915, was inquired into by the City Coroner this morning, when a verdict of suicide was returned. Evidence was given that early on while at the home of his parent in William street Oatley, fired at his mother, who cried out "I am shot." Her husband rushed into the yard and saw his son with a rifle in his hand. Mr. and Mrs. Abbey then went into the house the son still firing shots.

Abbey walked around the house, looked through the windows and stepping back some paces, again fired. Several bullets pierced the wall. Shortly afterward the father heard another shot and going outside saw his son lying dead between his legs. A week previous to the shooting Mr Abbey spoke to his son about the way he was spending his money.

Then said, "I will never be better than a beggar"

**Date:** 26 December 1915  
**Place:** Oatley, New South Wales, Australia



LEONORA & WILLIAM WOOD

METHODIST CHURCH  
ARNCLIFF,  
11<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 1909



LEONORA & FRANK - 13<sup>TH</sup> FEB 1954  
WOOD