



Bedborough, Bishops Cannings

Wiltshire Friendly Society Membership 1837 – 1871

The Wiltshire Friendly Society was (and still is) a mutual assurance company. These days it is based in Trowbridge but from the time it was founded, in 1828, there were members from across Wiltshire. The Wiltshire Friendly Society offers affordable income replacement to individuals and groups of employees.

There were four types of insurance:

TABLE I: First Class. Single or monthly contributions for assuring two shillings per week during sickness. Bed-lying pay, and one shilling per week. Walking pay: a weekly allowance of one shilling after the age of 65; and two pounds on death. The monthly contributions and the allowances in Sickness are to cease at the age of 65 years.

TABLE II: First Class. Single or monthly contributions for assuring a weekly allowance of one shilling after having attained the age of 65. The monthly contributions are to cease at the age of 60.

TABLE III: First Class. Single or monthly contributions for assuring a weekly allowance of one shilling after having attained the age of 70. The monthly contributions are to cease at the age of 65.

TABLE IV: First Class. Single or monthly contributions for assuring a week.

| Year | Surname | Given Name | Abode | Ref. No. | Notes |
|------|----------|------------|------------------------------|----------|-------|
| 1851 | Abraham | Jabez | Bishops Cannings, Bedborough | 8496 | |
| 1852 | Eldridge | Jane | Bishops Cannings, Bedborough | 8823 | |
| 1852 | Gerrish | Charlotte | Bishops Cannings, Bedborough | 8825 | |
| 1847 | Willias | Louisa | Bishops Cannings, Bedborough | 4514 | |
| 1846 | Willis | William | Bishops Cannings, Bedborough | 3732 | |

Further information is available from [Wiltshire Family History Society](#) by contacting them direct and quoting the reference number (a fee is involved for extra information).