

Cooper Family Tree

The Cooper Family

John Cooper
m in 1747 Elizabeth Ragg

NB. ?? Grandfather of
John b 1767 below

John 1767-1846
Carpenter
m 1 in 1794 Elizabeth
Ashton 1771-1813
m 2 Sarah Mason 1785-
1827

Memorial inscr: he had
16 children, inc 5 twins

Parish Records suggest 16
by Elizabeth and 4 by Sarah

Twins in bold type

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Joseph b1794
James b1796 -1803

Charles Carpenter b1798
m in 1828 Sarah Bolsover
1802-1854

Peter b1798-1864
Carpenter
m in 1830 Anne Bennett
1805-1885

Frederick 1799-1802

John b1801 Carpenter
m Sarah Mason 1803-54

Elizabeth b1801-19
William b1805
Catherine 1805-30
Mary Ashton 1806-1809
Daniel b1808-08
David b1808
Hannah b1810
Millicent 1812-13
Mary b1813-13
Ann b1813

Edwin b1822
Mary Anne b1824
Henry 1827-27
George 1827-27

John b1828-37
Elizabeth b1831-34

Charles b1834

George b1836
Thomas b1840
Isaac b1844

William b1831
m Harriet b1836

Mary b1831

Catharine b1833
Elizabeth b1835-37

James b1837
Sarah b1839

Joseph b1840-40
Fanny b1845
Alice b1849
Anne b1849

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The Cooper family were in Baslow from the mid 1700s to the late 1800s. The first record is a marriage in 1747 between John Cooper and Elizabeth Wragg (the Wraggs were an established Baslow family)

The next record is John Cooper b1767 (probably the son of the above John). He had quite a family. The family gravestone is close to church porch and unusually faces west towards the river. It includes the words

*Sixteen sweet children I have bore
Five times I have double births
Of two girls at last by labour sore
God crowned me with happiness*

This may be an under estimate. According to the parish baptism records his first wife Elizabeth had 15 children (4 sets of twins). She died 2 days after her last were baptised. He married again and his second wife Sarah had four children including another set of twins.

John was a carpenter. His eldest pair of twins Charles and Peter were also carpenters. These three spent their lives in the village. At least after 1841 (the first census) they lived in Calver road next to the blacksmith, John and Charles in Jasmine Cottage and Peter in Japonica Cottage (modern names).

All the rest of the family, the twins' siblings and children, left after growing up. By 1891 there were no Coopers left in the village.

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