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Lily Margaret Wheeler Ne Bishop was born in a thatched cottage built next to the road at the lower end of the Village next to Thorncroft in or about 1930 She had three sisters Eileen Pearl and Kathleen and a brother John.

Her father worked and owned a market garden, now the site known as Broadacres, for many years along with his wife Mary.

Eventually a Mr Scratchly formed a partnership with Mr & Mrs Bishop and together covered a large area with greenhouses growing tomatoes & lettuces for local markets.

Lily went to school at Broadtown Church of England and then later Euclid Street Secondary School Swindon.

She married Douglas Wheeler and had two sons Nigel Robert & Phillip Douglas when she was able to she returned to work as a Cook Supervisor at Foundale School where she stayed for 23 years until she retired.

On the death of her mother she returned to 50A Broad town, Mary's Place and is still living Here at present. Although Douglas died in She has 4 grandchildren Joanne, Greig (Nigels) Ricky & Tracy (Phillips)

Her Hobbies are gardening Line dancing, Ballroom, dancing Swimming Gym and Computers!

Fred Poole was a cobbler who lived with her sister in law and worked in a small shed in the garden of Jasmine Cottage. He also drove a coach for Mr Len Sheppard taking workmen to Lyneham Camp.