

Cooper family

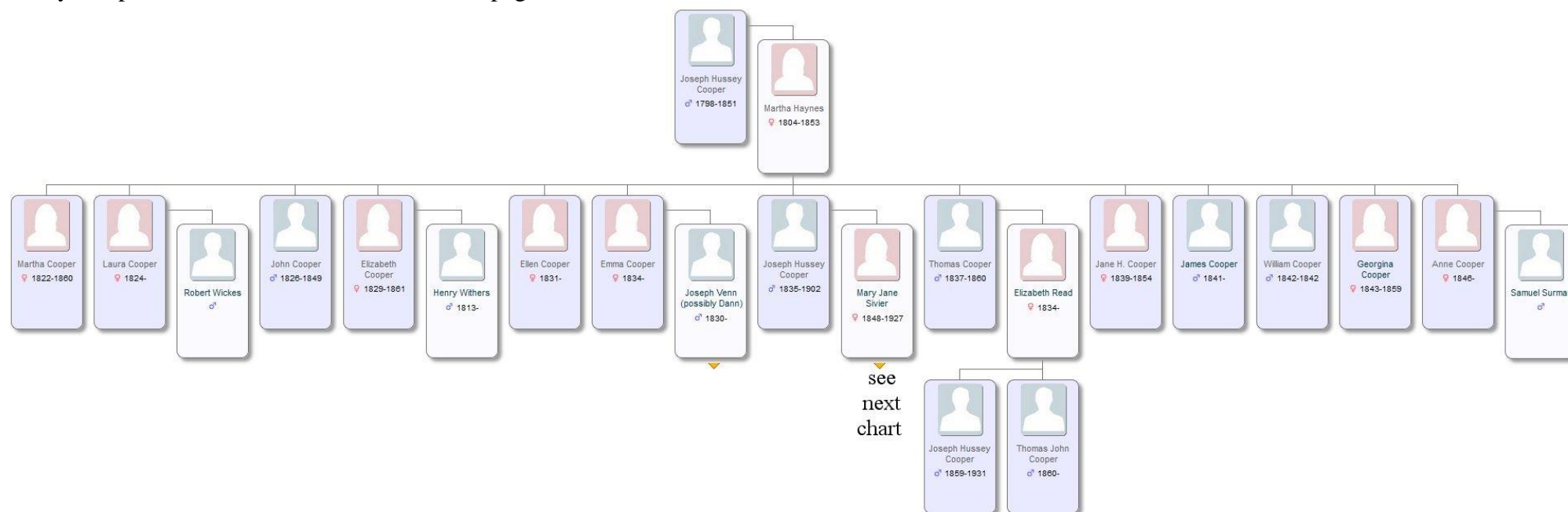
There are four separate and unconnected family trees in the Wheatley area. The first of these is the Hussey Coopers who owned the brickworks, shown in two charts below. Their forebears had a brick kiln on the site of Old House by 1742.



The Joseph Hussey Coopers are numbered to avoid confusion.

Not in the genealogical records, William Cooper (1773 - 1849) owner and occupier of house and garden, might have been the father of Joseph Hussey Cooper (1) born 1798, and also of John Cooper, born circa 1800 in Garsington, and shown in the third of the charts. He was a master baker, who owned a house and land in Westfield Road occupied by Joseph Cooper.

Joseph Hussey Cooper (1), possibly the grandson of the founder, married Martha Haynes and had 13 children, of which eight were girls. The tree of Joseph Hussey Cooper, born 1835, is shown on the next page.



There is another file on this record showing this family and the unrelated Coopers. Some of this information as it pertains to the brickworks is added here.

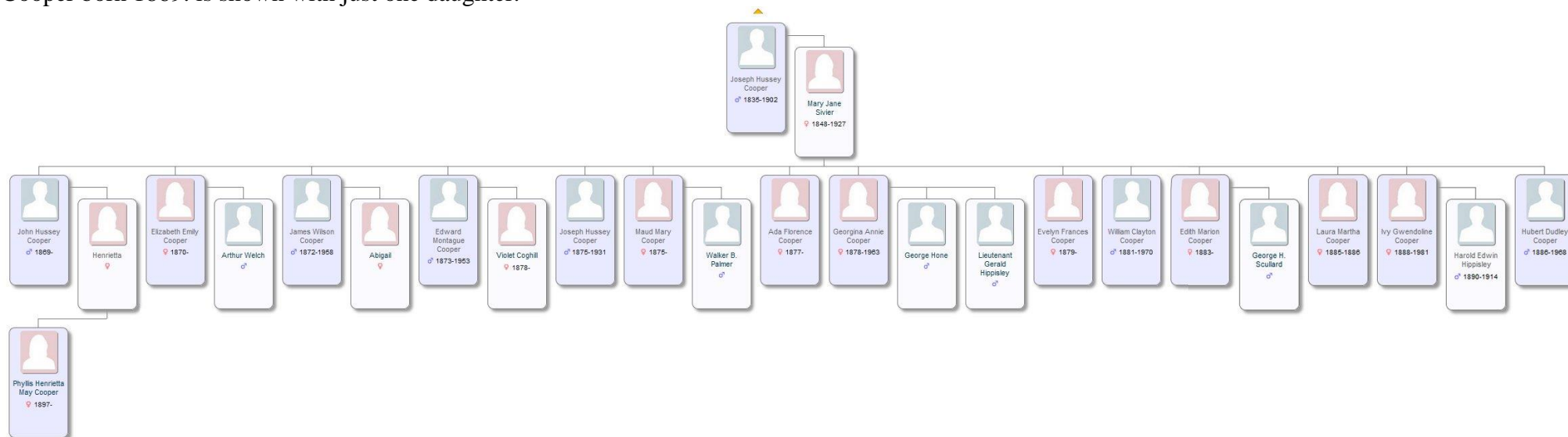
Joseph Hussey Cooper, b. 19.7.1835 in Wheatley, d. 1902, was a brickmaker and farmer of 16 acres. He lived at Old House, where he employed 13 men and 4 women. On 22 Feb 1868, he married Mary Jane Sivier, b. 1848 in Ryde IOW. She died 15 July 1927 in Wheatley.

Of the daughters, Martha, born 1822, was a schoolmistress; Ann Cooper, born 1846, married Samuel Surman, farmer of Great Milton, on 30.03.1869.

Joseph Hussey Cooper buried 9 January 1851 and his widow, who died in 1854 aged 48, are buried in the old Burial Garden, now the Memorial Garden. As is their daughter, Jane Hussey Cooper, who died at the age of 15



Joseph Hussey Cooper (2), born 1835, and his wife Mary Jane Sivier, were another prodigious pair with 14 children. Only one of the sons, John Hussey Cooper born 1869. is shown with just one daughter.



John Hussey Cooper, baptised 4/08/1869, was a lime burner. He married Henrietta, and they had one daughter, Phyllis Henrietta May Cooper, baptised 5/9/1897. In 1911 he was living at Taunton House (also known as 'The Racks'). Date of death not known.

In 1911 at least 4 sons who were running the brickworks between them were living with their widowed mother Mary Jane at The Lodge, 25 Park Hill. They were:

James Wilson Cooper, baptised 28/02/1872, married Abigail and died in 1958. In 1911 he was the brickworks manager.

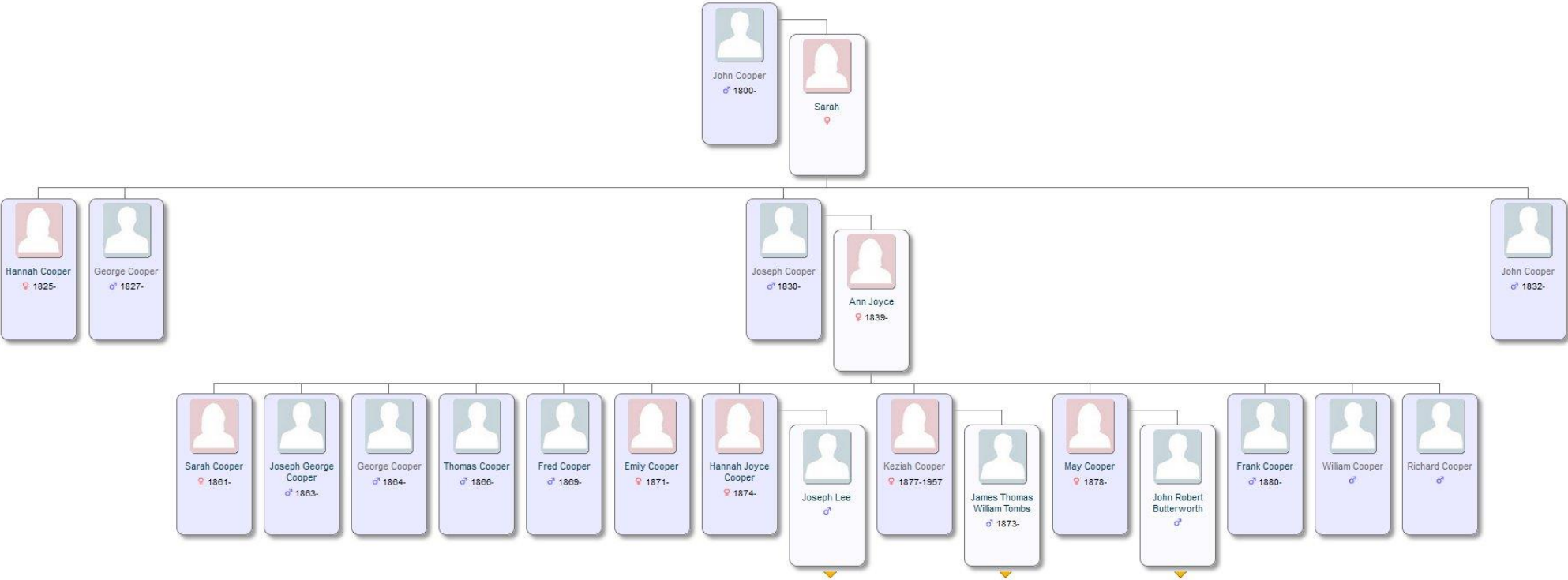
Joseph Hussey Cooper (3) was born in 1875. In 1911, he was a traction engine driver at the brickworks. He died 1931 in Oxford Mental Hospital, which might explain why he appears not to have been a manager.

William Clayton Cooper, born on 21 Aug 1881, was a brick merchant in 1911. He died in 1970.

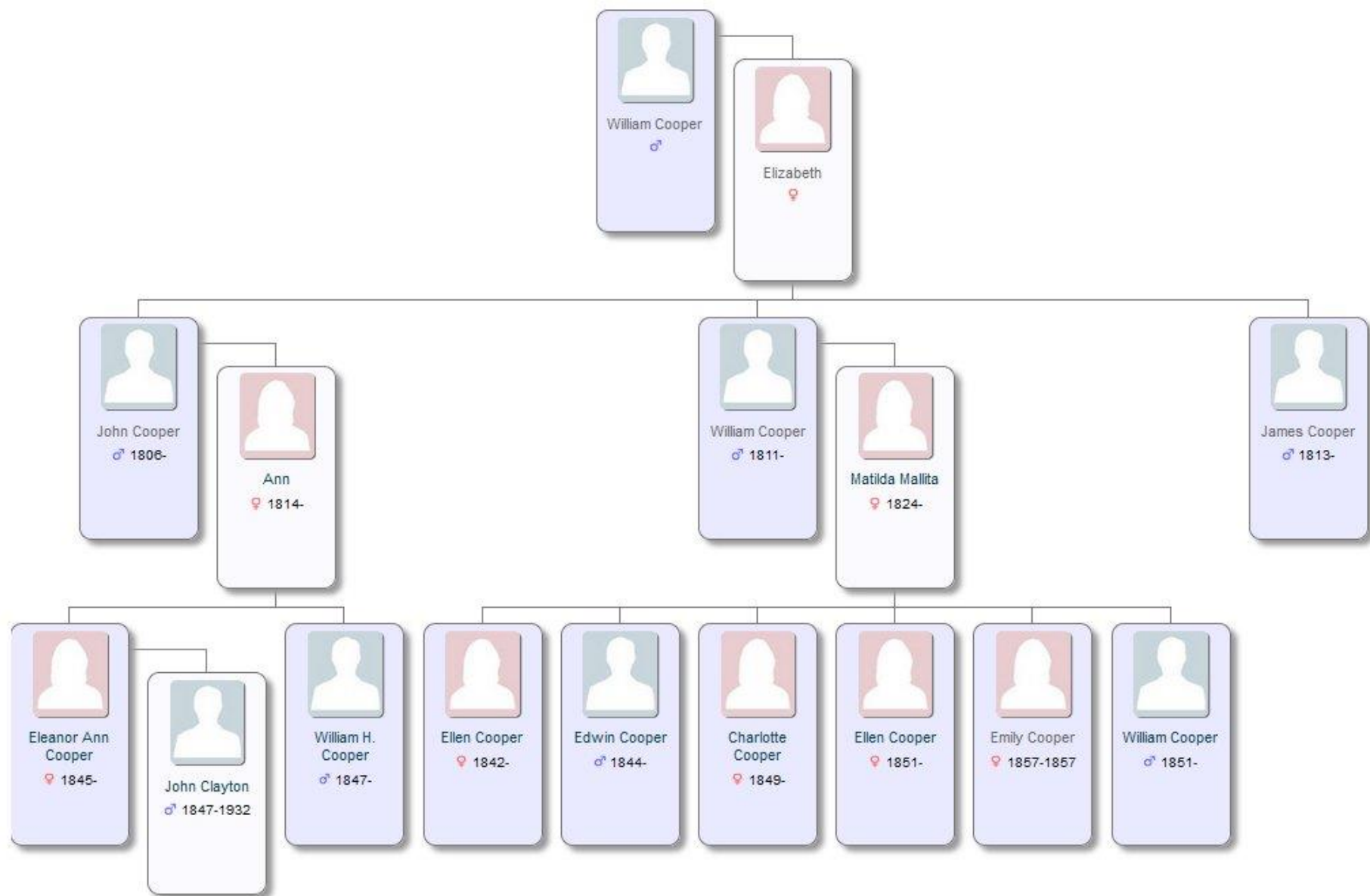
Hubert Dudley Cooper, was born in 1886 and died in 1968. In 1911, he was the brickworks manager.

Edward Montague Cooper was born in 1873. His service record shows that he was in the Royal Navy from the early 1900s and probably met his wife, Violet Coghill (born 1878 in New South Wales, Australia, died in 1965) while on board HMS Australia in Sydney in 1903. They were married on 22 July 1904, and were not living in Wheatley in 1911. He died in 1953 in Armidale, NSW, Australia.

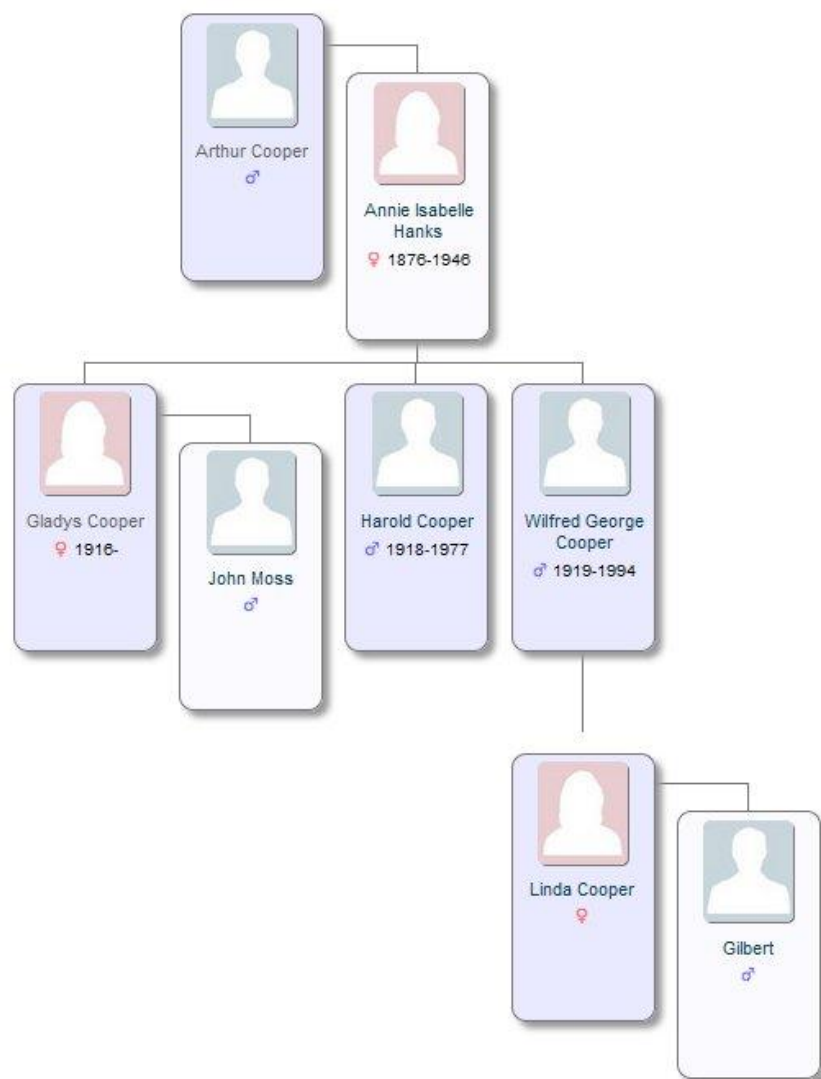
The next tree is from John Cooper, born about 1800, with three known Cooper generations, although descendants from three of his grand-daughters are known, but not shown here. Keziah Cooper married into the Tombs family.



A further Cooper tree, from an undated William, is shown with two generations known.



Finally, there is an additional small family tree from an undated Arthur Cooper.



There are another six Coopers among the genealogical records, but these don't fit into any of these trees.