

# Biographical Record

## LESLIE GEORGE BRETT

Representative of the Suffolk Guild 1957 - 1965

Attended 3 meetings

Leslie (Lester as he was known to his ringing friends) George Brett was born on December 24<sup>th</sup> 1904 at Framsdén, where he learned to ring in 1922, under the guidance of William G Crickner of Soham.

Later he was attached to Helmingham as well, as the band there was ringing London and he wanted to learn.

He rang his first peal, Plain Bob Major, at Framsdén on January 5<sup>th</sup> 1923.

On one occasion in 1926 he cycled over 80 miles and rang a peal of London at both Earl's Colne and Colchester in one day!

He rang his 1000<sup>th</sup> peal at Framsdén on 25<sup>th</sup> September 1976 and his 1000<sup>th</sup> peal for the Suffolk Guild (the first to achieve that) on 29<sup>th</sup> August 1977 at Saxmundham.

His peals included 10080 Minor, 10080 Plain Bob Major and 11568 Double Norwich CB Major. He rang a peal on each date of the year and the alphabet in Surprise Major. He also completed the Surprise Major alphabet as conductor.

He rang 1189 peals in total.

He was Secretary of the Debenham District for six years.

He was Master of the Suffolk Guild 1957-1964. He was a Vice-President of the Suffolk Guild from 1964 to his death in 1991.

He earned his living farming on the Tollemache Estate all his life.

He died on 4<sup>th</sup> January 1991; his funeral took place on January 14<sup>th</sup> at Framsdén, where he was buried in the churchyard.

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