

Biographical Record

WILLIAM LANCASTER (1894 –1957)

Represented the Derbyshire Association on the Central Council
from 1946 - 1948 and attended 0 meetings

William Lancaster was born in 1894 in Lancashire.

He learned to ring at Whittle-le-Woods, Lancashire.

He moved to Derby in 1926 and was attached to St. Peter's, where he later became Tower Captain. He continued to ring at St. Peter's until his final illness forced him to stop ringing.

He was the Derby District Secretary of the Midland Counties Association before it was broken up.

Although he was opposed to the breaking up of the Midland Counties Association, he worked hard to ensure the success of the Derbyshire Association and was its first General Secretary from 1946-1950.

He was Vice-President of the Derbyshire Association from 1952 until his death in 1957.

He rang about 180 peals, of which 61 were rung for the Derbyshire Association. One of these was the first peal of Cambridge Surprise Major for the Association.

He died at Clayton-le-Woods, near Chorley in Lancashire on August 3rd 1957. His funeral was held at Whittle-le-Woods on August 7th.



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