

MARY WALLIN (d.2003)

Mary was a Deddingtonian, born and bred. She helped run the bakery in the Market Place for many years with her husband Lawrence and her brother- and sister-in law. She will be remembered by her customers for the pleasantness of her service. She was married for nearly fifty years to Lawrence. Though she had no surviving children of her own, she enjoyed her large extended family in Deddington and was particularly close to her brother and next-door-neighbour, Jack. *Hugh White*

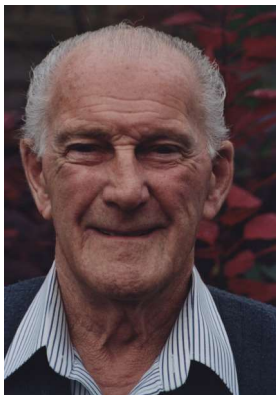


PEGGY WALLIN 1932–2013

Madge – Peggy as she came to be known later – was born in Deddington on 2 July 1932, the third child of Jimmy and Lily Hayward, who kept a greengrocer's shop in the Market Place. Peggy went to school in Deddington and after that worked in her parents' shop. She married John Wallin in Deddington Parish Church in September 1955.

Their first married home was in Council Street (now Hopcraft Lane). The family, Kate and Lauretta, arrived in due course, and they remember this as a place of limited amenities: no bathroom or outside toilet, as was the case with many Deddington properties in those days. It was hard work back then being housewife and mother. Tin baths for the children in the kitchen while Mother cooked the evening meal. Peggy did that on top of a full day's work at Wallin's bakery, having moved from her parents' to her husband's business on marrying John.

After a while the family moved to St John's Way in Hempton. From here, as well as working at the shop and keeping house for her husband and daughters, Peggy spent a good deal of time looking after her own mother and John's. That came easily to her because she was a selfless and caring person, always putting others' needs before her own satisfactions. Her being such a person meant that she became a hugely supportive grandmother and great-grandmother as the new generations appeared. Peggy and John's contribution as grand- and great-grandparents was facilitated by a move to Banbury some years ago but Peggy (and John and the Bakery) will be remembered with gratitude by many in Deddington and beyond. *HW*



JOHN WALLIN 1928–2016

John was born in Adderbury on 18 December 1928 to Bernard and Dorothy, before the family moved to the bakery in Deddington's Market Place which he and brother, Lawrence, inherited and ran together, with wives Peggy and Mary. John proudly enlisted in February 1947 for his National Service, becoming a Lance Corporal in the Parachute Regiment. Although he served for only two years, being forced to return to continue the family business, he remembered fondly the 12 months he spent in Hildesheim, Germany, the long trek home from Aldershot to Deddington for weekend leave, and training with the actor Bernard Cribbins with whom he exchanged Christmas cards for many years.

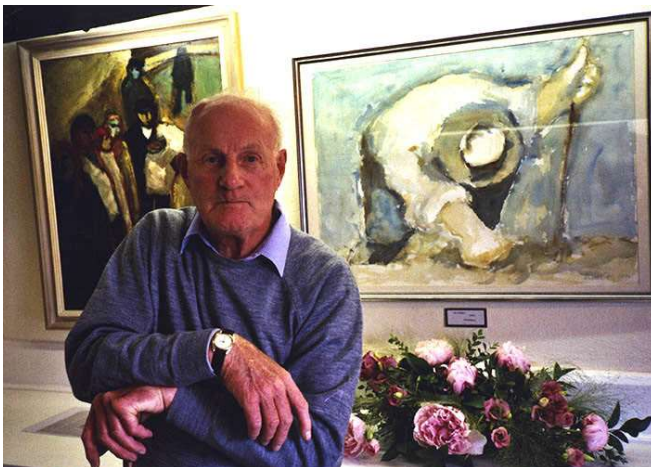
In 1955, John married Peggy Hayward, whose parents ran the greengrocers next to the Wallin bakery. They settled in a small cottage in Council Street (now Hopcraft Lane), convenient for John to walk to his brother's house at the far end of the street to wake him up for their early morning start. It was very hard work over long hours, making bread of various shapes and sizes, rolls, donuts, cakes (particularly the very popular lardy cake), jam sponges and macaroons, sold in the shop and from the van serving Aynho, Clifton, Duns Tew, North Aston and Worton six days a week.

Daughters Kate and Laurretta arrived in 1958 and 1959. Summer Sundays were spent travelling to and from Sandbanks near Bournemouth, sometimes with the Powell's, family friends, or with cousins Rodney and Martin Hayward. Regular trips were made to Reading to visit the Rose family and to Bournemouth with John's mother to visit her sister Lil and husband Bill and summer holidays were spent in Woolacombe.

Eventually they moved from the cottage, remembered for having no bathroom, to Hempton. Here John spent many hours tending his beloved garden, lawns edged to perfection and regularly mown, vegetables growing, flowers blooming and tomatoes and cucumbers so lovingly tended in the greenhouse that the excess was sold in the shop. John was very proud of all of the vehicles he owned over the years, taking great care of each and every one, regularly washing and polishing them.

John and Peggy retired in 1988 and moved to Banbury in 1995 to be nearer the girls and their families. Their retirement was spent helping with their four grandchildren, making trips to Chipping Warden on the school run and entertaining the younger ones. He was a much loved, hardworking, conscientious, proud family man and will be sadly missed.

The Wallin Family



Lawrence Wallin d. 2016