

The Lowther Memorials

William and Alice Lowther

William and Alice Lowther were the first of the family to live in Campsea Ashe. They bought the High House in about 1883. Alice was the first to die, in 1908, and William followed in 1912. They have two memorials – the East window which was erected in their memory by their 'loving children', and their grave outside.





The East window

To the glory of God and in memory of William and Alice Lowther This window was erected by their loving children 1912 *Oh death where is thy sting Oh grave where is thy victory*

William Lowther

The **Hon William Lowther** son of Col the Hon Henry Cecil Lowther and Lady Eleanor Lowther Born 14th Dec 1821 Died 23 Jan 1912 aged 90 He served his country for 27 years in the Diplomatic Service and for 24 years as Member of Parliament for Westmoreland. An affectionate father, a kind master, a genial neighbour and a firm friend. *Thus he bore without abuse The grand old name of gentleman Tennyson*

Alice Lowther

The Hon C. Alice Lowther daughter of James Parke Lord Wensleydale Born November 19th 1828 Married the Honourable William Lowther December 17th 1853 Died at the High House Campsea Ashe January 5th 1908 *The reason firm the temperate will Endurance, foresight, strength and skill A perfect Woman nobly planned To warn to comfort and command Wordsworth* The eldest son James William was elected Speaker of the House of Commons in 1905.

Children of William and Alice Lowther

James William Lowther



In memory of **James William Lowther** 1st Viscount Ullswater PC GCB Born 1st April 1855 The eldest son of William Lowther and Alice his wife daughter of Baron Wensleydale Called to the Bar 1879 He entered the House of Commons 1883 and was unanimously elected Speaker 1905 which office he held until 1921 when he was raised to the Peerage as Viscount Ullswater of Campsea Ashe In 1912 he came to live at the High House and was a regular worshipper at this Church

He died 27th March 1949

MAGISTRATUS INDICAT VIRUM

His grave memorial is less grand, as is that of his wife.

James Williar	m Lowther
Viscount U	llswater
Born	1855
Married	1886
Died	1849
Mary Frances, wife	of James Lowther
Born	1851
Married	1886
Died	1844

Perhaps the grandest memorial in the Churchyard is that of James's brother, **Sir Gerard Augustus** Lowther



The Right Honourable Sir Gerard Augustus Lowther BART GCMG CB PC HBM Ambassador in Constantinople 1908 – 13 Born 16th February 1858 Died 5th April 1916 *Ye are come in Christ To the spirits of the just made perfect*

Sister of James, Mabel Cecily, is buried next to Sir Gerard

	Mabel Ce	cily
	James Al	per
	Daughter	of
	Honoura	ble
W Lowther		
	Born	1862
	Married	1912
	Died	1949

Harold Arthur Lowther died away from the village, but was buried here

In memory of **Harold Arthur Lowther** Born at Ampthill Park July 23rd 1864 Third son of the Hon William and the Hon Alice Lowther Killed by fall from his horse near Bicester December 20th 1929 *He had not an enemy in the world God rest his soul* Harold's wife, Alice, is also buried here

Alice wife of Harold Arthur Lowther 1873 – 1939

The youngest son of William and Alice was **Sir Henry Cecil Lowther**. He has a memorial in the Church, opposite that of James Lowther.

In memory of Maj. General Sir Henry Cecil Lowther KCMC DSO Scots Guards	
Youngest son of the Hon William and Mrs Lowther.	
Born Jan 27 th 1869	
Died Nov 1 st 1940	

Christopher William Lowther was son of James and Mary Lowther

Christopher William Eldest son of Viscount Born 18 th Jan 18 Died 7 th Jan 18	t Lowther 887	
Major Yeomanary MP for Northumberland May he rest in pe	1914 – 1918 1918 – 1923 eace	

Christopher's son and his wife are also buried here

Lieut John Arthur Lowther MVO RN VR Killed on active service Aug 25 th 1942	
Aged 31	
John is also recorded on the World War II memorial inside the Church.	
Priscilla wife of John Arthur Lowther	

Priscilla wife of John Arthur Lowther	
Died Nov 10 th 1945	
Aged 27	
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Arthur James Lowther, son of James and Mary

Arthur James Lowther	
Born 28 th October 1888	
Died 2 nd March 1967	

Mildred Lowther OBE (1890 – 1973)

James and Mary's daughter's remains are scattered in the Churchyard, although there is no memorial to her.

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