

WOOD**Susan****1803-99****Matron (1841-47)**

Born: 24 Nov 1803 in Dorchester
Bapt 1 Dec 1803 at Pease Lane meeting house, Dorchester,
& again 1 February 1814 at Cann St. Rumbold
*1851 census; Pease Lane meeting house bapt
reg RG4/459 f32; Cann St. Rumbold bapt reg
PE/CAN: RE 2/1 entry 11*

Parents: Thomas Wood (d 1808), brazier & later soldier, & his wife
Susannah Gibbins
*Bapt regs; Dorset County Chron 16/02/1899
p5; Dorchester Holy Trinity burial reg
PE/DO(HT): RE 1/5 (entry dated 25/12/1803)*

Marriage(s): Never married

Died: 11 Feb 1899 (aged 95) at Frederick Place, Weymouth
Western Gaz 17/02/1899 p8

Probate: None traced

Training: None known**Qualifications:** None known

Notes: Father declared bankrupt, Jan 1804 (London Gaz 06/03/1804, no 15681 p294; 10/07/1804 no 15718 p862; 28/01/1806 no 15885 p141 & 27/09/1808 no 16187 p1349). He died at the Battle of Coruna (Dorset County Chron 16/02/1899 p5).

Lived with her uncles, Rev George Wood in Dorset, c1804-16 & James Wood in Ireland, 1816-36 (Dorset County Chron 16/02/1899 p5).

Obituary published (Dorset County Chron 16/02/1899 p5).

Census returns:

1841	Dorset County Hospital	35	U	[None stated]	<i>HO107/294/6 f24</i>
1851	High West St, Dorchester	47	U	Housekeeper to Rev Edmund & Miss Mary Bryer	<i>HO107/1858 f78</i>
1861	2 Darnaway St, Edinburgh SCT	54	U	Lady companion to Misses Elizth & Agnes Dunlop	<i>Census Scotland 685/1 64/9</i>
1871	2 Darnaway St, Edinburgh SCT	65	U	Companion to Miss Elizth Dunlop	<i>Census Scotland 685/1 67/</i>
1881	High West St, Dorchester	76	U	Sis-in-law to Elizth M Wood, ironmonger	<i>RG11/2110 f63</i>
1891	11 Frederick Pl, Melcombe Regis	88	U	Living on own means with neice	<i>RG12/1646 f81</i>

Dorset County Hospital employment:

1841	24 Mar	Appointed	Matron	-	<i>CM NG/HH/DO[C]/10L/191 p3</i>
1841	4 Nov	Paid	Matron	£5	<i>CM NG/HH/DO(C)/10L/191 p53</i>
1843	28 Dec	Paid	Matron	£6 5s	<i>CM NG/HH/DO(C)/10L/191 p222</i>
1844	26 Dec	Paid	Matron	£6 5s	<i>CM NG/HH/DO(C)/10L/191 p307</i>
1847		Paid	Matron	-	<i>WB NG/HH/DO[C]/10L/209 pp1, 7, 13</i>
1847	24 Aug	Left	Matron	-	<i>WB NG/HH/DO[C]/10L/209 p14</i>

Employment history abbreviations: CM = Management Committee Minutes WB = Wages Book AR = Annual Report