

Biographical Record

BRIAN GEOFFREY WARWICK (1930 – 2006)

Represented the Leicester Diocesan Guild on the Central Council from 1960 - 1981 and from 1987 - 2006 and attended 41 meetings

He was born on 20th March 1930 in Leicester.

He started to ring at Rothley, Leicestershire, in February 1946.

Subsequently he was a member of the Leicester Cathedral band 1948-1953 and then of St. Thomas, South Wigston from 1953 until his death in 2006. He was Tower Captain at South Wigston for several years.

He rang his first peal, Grandsire Doubles, at Rothley on 6th November 1948.

His first peal as conductor was on handbells: Plain Bob Major on 29th August 1949.

He rang a peal of Stedman Sextuples in hand.

He rang his 1000th peal at South Wigston on 31st March 1973. He rang his 1000th peal for the Leicester Diocesan Guild at South Wigston on 24th May 1978. His 1000th peal as conductor was at Leicester Cathedral on 15th May 1982 and his 1000th peal as conductor for the Leicester Diocesan Guild on December 29th 1983.

He rang his 2500th peal for the Leicester Diocesan Guild on 23 December 1997 at Kirby Muxloe.

He rang his 3000th peal at South Wigston on 30th March 2001.

He rang his 2100th peal with Winifred, his wife, at the Loughborough Foundry Campanile on 24th November 2004.

On 22nd April 2005 at South Wigston he rang his 1900th peal of Surprise, for the 60th anniversary of the foundation of the Leicester Diocesan Guild and the 60th anniversary of his learning to ring. He circled Ratby tower on 21st November 2005; it was the 26th Leicestershire tower he had circled.

He rang his 2900th peal as conductor on 9th January 2006 at Loughborough Bell Foundry Campanile.

He rang 3428 peals in total.

He was General Secretary of the Leicester Diocesan Guild 1956-1964 and a Trustee 1964-2001. In 1986 he was President of the Leicester Diocesan Guild.

He was an active member of the Keighley and Worth Valley Railway for over 30 years, having qualified as a Guard and a Signaller and being assistant membership secretary.

By profession, he was a schoolmaster.

He died on 5th November 2006. His funeral was at South Wigston on November 18th.

