

Biographical Record

GEOFFREY TEMBEY (1916 – 1991)

Represented the Cumberland and North Westmorland Association on the Central Council from 1966 - 1968 and attended 2 meetings

He was born on February 14th 1916 at Cleator, Cumberland.

He learned to ring about 1932 at Egremont in Cumbria, being taught by his father, George W. Tembey. Geoffrey formed a band at Cleator Moor in 1954 on completion of tower repairs, the bells not having been rung much since 1939. He was Tower Captain there for many years.

His first peal was Plain Bob Major at Hensingham on 17th March 1951.

By 1967 he had rung about 25 peals.

He listed as his 'interesting performance' the ringing of four quarter peals in one day to celebrate the return of H.M. the Queen from her Commonwealth tour on May 15th 1954. The quarters were rung at Hensingham, St. Bees, Egremont and Irton.

He was Treasurer of the Cumberland and North Westmorland Association. 1954-1980.

He was a teacher by profession, eventually becoming Head of the Physics department at Whitehaven County Grammar School.

He died on December 1st 1991.

