

# OBITUARY

DAME KATHLEEN KENYON. The Society lost one of its most distinguished members by the death, in August 1978, of Dame Kathleen Kenyon, aged 72. The daughter of Sir Frederick Kenyon, head of the British Museum, she was born in 1902, educated at St Paul's Girls School and Somerville College, Oxford. One of the foremost archaeologists of her time, she was Director of the British School of Archaeology in Jerusalem 1951 – 66, having been Acting Director (1944 – 49) of the Council of British Archaeology. From 1962 – 73 she was Principal of St Hugh's College, Oxford. She worked for the Red Cross during the last war. Dame Kathleen, who served on the Society's Council 1956 – 65, received many academic honours and was created D.B.E. in 1973.

E.V.

F. W. BATESON. Frederick Wilse Bateson, who died in his 77th year, was educated at Charterhouse and Trinity College, Oxford; he was for many years Fellow and Tutor in English Literature at Corpus Christi College. He was Editor of the *Cambridge Bibliography of English Literature* and, in 1951, founded the influential quarterly *Essays in Criticism* which he edited until 1974. During the war he

worked for the Bucks War Agricultural Committee and was agricultural correspondent of both the *Observer* and the *New Statesman* for some years after the war. He was a keen supporter of and lecturer for the W.E.A. and in 1977 actually joined the writer's local history course at Brill as a pupil! He was a member of the Society for many years and in 1966 published *A Short History of Brill*.  
E.V.

MRS. J. M. GRIMMITT who died in 1977 was the mainstay of the Natural History Section for a quarter of a century. She took over as secretary in 1951 and served until 1965, but right up to her husband Howard's death in 1976, continued to take a very active interest. She served on the Society's Council 1951 – 75 where her practical advice was always appreciated. Janet and Howard will be much missed not only in the Society but also in Wendover where many other organisations will miss their ability and enthusiasm.  
E.V.

G. K. TULL, who died suddenly in December 1977, was a Schoolmaster living at Haversham, who did much for local history in the north of the county. At the time of his premature death he had been Chairman of Wolverton Archaeological Society for some years.  
E.V.

DR GORDON WYATT who died in February 1978 worked as a scientist for British Rail and devoted his leisure to local history. He wrote two articles for *Records*, one on Civil War finance and the other a definitive account of George Lipscomb's life and work. His valuable book, *Maps of Buckinghamshire*, was published post-humously by Barracuda Books. Everything he did was thorough. The Society will remember him for his generous bequest of historical manuscripts, notes on the Civil War and a large collection of Buckinghamshire prints.  
E.M.E.

Other deaths recorded in 1978 were G. Beesley, A.J. Bower, M.S. Freeman, G.F. Glover, A.W.K. Stratford and H.M. Terry.