John Augustus Saward

John Augustus Saward was born in London on 13th June 1900 to William Thomas and Violet Georgina Saward nee Boulton.

In 1901 Rev. Thomas Saward was serving as Chaplain to the Forces in South Africa and was awarded the Queens South Africa medal with three clasps; his wife Violet Saward was living with sons John Augustus and Norman Cuthbert in Litchfield.

In 1904 Rev. William Thomas Saward was appointed rector at Bolnhurst in Bedfordshire where daughter Agatha was born in 1908. On 30th May 1913 Rev. W.T. Saward was formally inducted as vicar of Holme Pierrepont.

Rev. W.T. Saward was a composer and author of 21 plays including the historical and ecclesiastical play 'Glastonbury' and the drama William Shakespeare.

John Augustus Saward is named on the Holme Pierrepont War Memorial as a Flight Cadet, Royal Flying Corps, but little is known of his military career. On 26th September 1940 his appointment as a pilot officer is confirmed in the London Gazette.

John Augustus Saward died in 1971 in Uckfield in Sussex.



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