

**Submitted by Dennis Davis  
Sunnybank, Smalldale**

My name is Dennis Davis and I used to live in Bradwell. Our family came from Edale about 1935, first to the Far Hill and then later that year to Sunnybank, Smalldale, our neighbour on one side was Wilf Palfreyman and Singletons lived in the other half of the semi detached house. At this time my parents Joseph Henry and Edith Annie Davis, myself and my sister Katherine Agnes lived here. In 1936 Margaret Thea was born, 1942 Geraldine Ruth and Gwendolyn Helen in 1943. My mother lived in this house until she died in 1995. She was buried in Edale.

The house had been owned by the Tanfields of Church Street, later handed down to other relatives. The house had been lying derelict for some time and was in a very poor state of repair. My father did lots of work to it. He wired it for electricity and then the war came and he decided not to come home to us after the war. There was little or no improvements done to the house other than what we did for our own comfort. The landlords did next to nothing, no bath, it still had an outside toilet when she died.

Mr Frank Hall, followed Singletons as our neighbor. I think what was my mother's house lay empty for some years after her death.

I hope this gives you a start on your project and that the information will be useful. I left Bradwell in 1948 to join the army and have rarely been back since my mother died but I am sure I am still remembered by a few people in the village.