

WRITTEN TESTIMONY

A History of Working-Class Marriage, 1855-1976

Our Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC)-funded research project entitled *A History of Working-Class Marriage, 1855-1976* examines working-class courtship, marriage and couples in Scotland during the late nineteenth century and twentieth century. This work is being carried out by a team of researchers based in Economic and Social History, Lilybank House at the University of Glasgow.

We are interested in gathering written contributions from men and women happy to write about their experience of working-class courtship, marriage and long-term relationships during the 1920s, 1930s, 1940s, 1950s and 1960s. Through gathering these firsthand accounts, we hope to find out more about what couples' relationships and family life were really like and how much things changed for working-class men and women during these years.

Your memories are a useful and important part of Scotland's history

Before completing your contribution to our *Memory Box*, we ask that you please **read the accompanying Participant Information Sheet**, which gives further detailed information on the project.

All participants can be assured that their confidentiality will be strictly maintained at all times. All research material will be anonymised immediately and throughout the project. All details associated with the project will be stored securely within the University of Glasgow, in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998.

If you would like to include your memories, thoughts or experiences in our *Memory Box* today, please write on the attached sheets. When finished, please place this form in the envelope supplied, which can then be sealed for confidentiality, before posting this in the *Memory Box*.

Please also ensure to complete and sign the attached Consent Form, in order to confirm your agreement to the use of your written memories by the project researchers.

Some short general guidelines for writing about your memories

- ***Please feel free to write about your memories of any aspect of courtship, marriage and long-term relationships in these years***
- ***Please feel free to write as little or as much as you like (more sheets of paper can be supplied) - we are interested in everything you would like to tell us***
- ***Please do not hesitate to ask a member of the project team if you have any questions about any aspect of the project***



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CONSENT FORM – Written Testimony

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All items and material gathered as part of the *History of Working-Class Marriage, 1855-1976* project will be treated as confidential and stored securely in compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998.

To confirm your consent to the written testimony you have provided being stored and used by the project researchers, please answer each statement below by ticking your response, sign and date this form and complete your full contact details overleaf:

	YES	NO
<i>I agree to the contents of the written material I have provided being used for the research purposes of the History of Working-Class Marriage, 1855-1976 project.</i>		
<i>I understand that this written material will be processed by the University in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998, stored securely and accessed only by authorised researchers working on this research project.</i>		
<i>I understand that written material gathered during the course of this research may be subject to subsequent use or publication by authorised researchers working on this research project.</i>		
<i>I understand that I, or any others identified within the written material I have provided, will not be identified in any subsequent use or publication by researchers who are working on this research project, except where my explicit permission has been sought and given (for example, in the case of photographic images and any linked testimony).</i>		
<i>I agree to the written material I have provided being archived and used by other bona fide researchers in the future.</i>		
<i>I understand that I can withdraw the written material I have provided from the research project, or change any of my preferences given above, at any time without having to give a reason.</i>		

Name (printed) _____

Signature _____

Date _____

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Contact details

Full name:

Address (including postcode):

Contact telephone number(s):

E-mail address (if applicable):

A series of Public Engagement events will be held in connection with the *History of Working-Class Marriage, 1855-1976* Project in due course, featuring the results of this research and at which all participants are very welcome to attend. Please tick the appropriate box(es) if you wish to be sent:

- Details of such future Public Engagement events
- Information on future research related to the Project
- A copy of the final Project Report

Please note we would be grateful if you could let the Project Team know **if your contact details change** in the future, in order that we can maintain an up-to-date record (Contact Andrea Thomson at andrea.thomson@glasgow.ac.uk or c/o ESH, Lilybank House, Bute Gardens, University of Glasgow)

We hope that you find being involved in this project an enjoyable and interesting experience.

Many thanks for your help

Written testimonies, which should be signed and include full contact details, can also be returned by post, if preferred, to: Andrea Thomson, Project Team – A History of Working-Class Marriage, c/o Room 219, Economic and Social History, Lilybank House, Bute Gardens, University of Glasgow, GLASGOW, G12 8RT