

OWEN ALY CLARK MBE (1877-79)

The following is taken from the 1968 Register.

He was born in May 1863 and became a pharmaceutical chemist.

He was Major of Bury St Edmunds in 1907, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917 and 1918. The following year he received the Honorary Freedom of Bury.

He was awarded an MBE [*presumably for services to the community*] and was a JP for Bury and Suffolk.

He was also prominent in Freemasonry. He was Director of Ceremonies at the Grand Lodge of England; was Deputy Provisional Grand Master for Suffolk and was Grand Superintendent Royal Arch Masonary for Suffolk from 1917 till his death in 1924. He was only 7th holder of that office since 1784.

He was also an accomplished amateur pianist and organist and widely known in the Eastern Counties as a speaker.