

Birth, parentage, marriage and death of Adrian Cleydon

This brief evidences the details of the birth, parentage, marriage and death of Adrian Cleydon.

Those details are –

Adrian was baptised in Honington, Warwickshire on 9th December 1593 to Peter Cleydon.

Adrian married William Miles in Honington, Warwickshire on 18th January 1619.

Adrian's date and place of burial are unknown.

(The research for this brief was conducted in early 2026).

Adrian's marriage

Adrian Cleydon married William Miles in Honington, Warwickshire on 18th January 1619, see the brief relating to William Miles, Father of Timothy, for verification of that fact. The Family Search record of the marriage is at <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NV7J-Z5Z?lang=en>:¹

The screenshot shows the FamilySearch record for Wm Miles. The record is titled "Wm Miles" and is categorized as "Vital • England Marriages, 1538-1973". It includes a "SAVE" button, an "EDIT" button, and a "SHARE" button. The record details are as follows:

Field	Value
Name	Wm Miles
Sex	Male
Spouse's Name	Adrian Cleydon
Spouse's Sex	Female
Event Type	Marriage
Event Date	18 Jan 1618
Event Place	Honington, Warwickshire, England
Event Place (Original)	Honington, Warwick, England

Attached in Tree to: William Miles (Deceased • KHGF-PCW)

Similar Records: No similar records were found.

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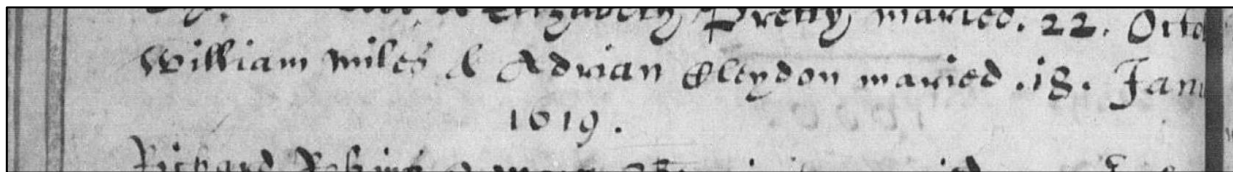
Collection Information: England Marriages, 1538-1973

Cite This Record: "England Marriages, 1538-1973", FamilySearch (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:NV7J-Z5Z : Wed Apr 16 18:28:14 UTC 2025), Entry for Wm Miles and Adrian Cleydon, 18 Jan 1618.

Wm Miles's Spouses and Children: Adrian Cleydon (Wife, F)

The relevant page of the parish register is set out in the brief relating to William Miles, Father of Timothy (and is at <https://search.findmypast.com.au/record?id=S2%2FGBPRS%2FWARWICKSHIRE%2FPR-NONEXC%2FHONINGTON%2FDR0210-01-00023>), but this is a close up of the marriage entry:

¹ URLs of Family Search records linked herein include "61903", presumably a specific member number, and likely need adapting to function.



Plainly, notwithstanding the year given in the Family Search record, the correct year is 1619 because, as is commonly observed, the curate did not write the year heading until after recording an event or events for the year in question.

Adrian's birth

For the purposes of researching the birth/baptism of Adrian's husband William Miles, the original Honington parish register was manually examined from 1571 to 1602, see the brief relating to William Miles, Father of Timothy. As explained in that brief, there is an original register relating to that time period, as well as a re-written register created by the Honington curate in 1609 due to the poor state of the original register.

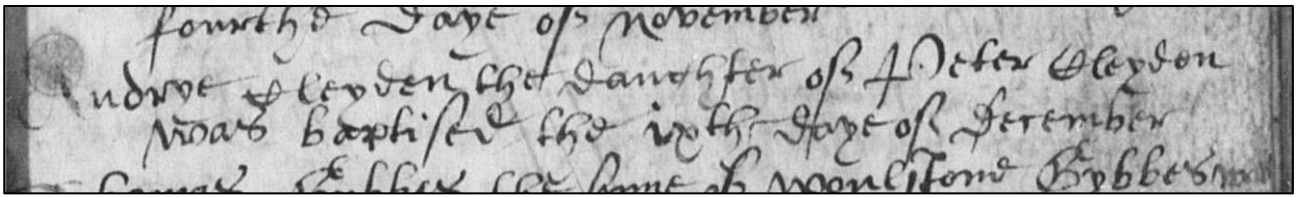
During the course of that manual inspection of the original parish register, a record was discovered for Adrian Cleydon's baptism on 9th December 1593 in Honington, although it names her as Audrye, see

<https://search.findmypast.com.au/record/browse?id=S2/GBPRS/WARWICKSHIRE/PR-NONEXC/HONINGTON/DR0210-01-00007>.²



² The FindMyPast transcript for the original record gives the first name as "Audrey", not "Audrye", see the transcript linked to the original entry at <https://www.findmypast.com.au/transcript?id=GBPRS%2FWARWICKSHIRE%2FBAP%2F001587394&tab=this>. That transcript has the baptism occurring on the 9th December 1593. The original entry appears to be "the ixth day of December" so, presumably the "ix" is the Roman numeral for the number 9, but the entry possibly could mean "the sixth day of December". Either way, the discrepancy, being only 3 days, is of no moment.

This is a close up of the relevant entry:

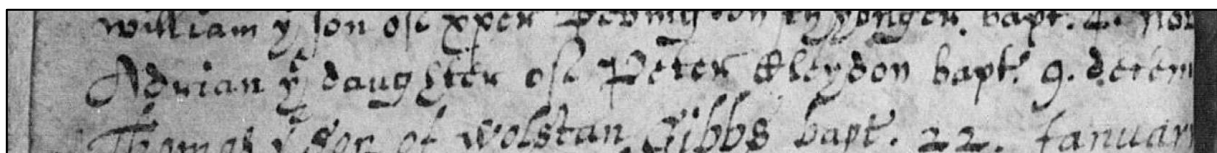


Armed with the event date of 9th December 1593, the baptism was then located in the re-written parish register, but notably with the name re-written as Adrian, see

<https://search.findmypast.com.au/record?id=S2%2FGBPRS%2FWARWICKSHIRE%2FPR-NONEXC%2FHONINGTON%2FDR0210-01-00015>:



This is a close up of the relevant entry:³



³ The entry is obviously in the same very elegant and legible handwriting as the marriage entry written some years later in 1619 (probably about ten years later, since this is particular entry is in the duplicate register which the curate re-wrote in 1609, or commenced to re-write in 1609).

It is noted that in the baptism record of William, the first born son of William and Adrian Miles, the mother's name was written as Audrey, see the brief relating to William Miles, Father of Timothy. The reason for these various spellings, in fact distinct names, is not entirely clear, but it is most probably due to the fact that Audrey/Audrye and Adrian have some phonetic similarity, and one shortened form of the name Adrian, namely "Adri",⁴ is almost identical phonetically to "Audrey".

Nevertheless, there is no doubt that Audrey/Audrye and Adrian are the same person – if they were not, they were likely twins since they were baptised to the same father on the same day, but, in that case, the records would note that.⁵ Further, that would mean that the later record is not a duplicate record, rather it is an original record for the other twin, notwithstanding the curate's note, as set out in the brief relating to William Miles, Father of Timothy, that he was re-writing the register for the period.

Adrian is described as a "daughter". The name Adrian is uncommon as a female name, but far from unknown as such, even now, see <https://www.parents.com/adrian-name-meaning-origin-popularity-8630957>. Another Adrian "daughter of John Cooke" was baptised in Honington on 30th May 1594, see the record five entries after the Adrian Cleydon entry in the above image of the parish register. Also, as noted in the brief relating to William Miles, Father of Timothy, a William Millyn baptised a daughter Adrian in Honington on 22nd May 1578. The name was obviously then more common than now as a female name, at least in the Honington locality.

Nevertheless, it is still quite unusual as a female name, as is the less common name of Cleydon (including phonetically identical names such as Claydon, Cleyden, Clayden, Cladon and Claden), so the first name and surname in combination would be rare. That also proved to be true of the late 1500s and early 1600s, as is borne out by searches for the full name referred to below. Given that, one can be confident that this baptism record is for the Adrian who married William Miles on 18th January 1619 after they had a child William the year before. Being 25 at that marriage date, she would have been of eminently marriageable age.

Another confirming fact is the common location (Honington) of the 1593 baptism, the 1619 marriage, and also the baptisms of all the seven children of William and Adrian Miles which were located (including Timothy), as listed in the brief relating to William Miles, Father of Timothy. Those seven children were baptised from March 1618 to February 1637, when the Adrian who was baptised on 9th December 1593 would have been aged between 24 and 43, a usual and expected child-bearing age range.⁶

Finally, a Family Search search for an Adrian Cleydon anywhere and anytime returned just the above 1619 marriage record,⁷ and a similar FindMyPast search for an Adrian (or variants) Cleydon anywhere and anytime returned only nine records,⁸ one relating to the 1593 baptism, three relating to the 1619 marriage, and five other records none of which was for a potential competing candidate for the Adrian Cleydon who married in Honington in 1619, and bore a son Timothy in February 1637.

Accordingly, Adrian Cleydon was baptised in Honington on 9th December 1593 to Peter Cleydon.

Adrian's death

Adrian's Family Search person record is at <https://www.familysearch.org/en/tree/person/details/MJVC-G7G>. It provides no death information, nor any link to a burial record.

A Family Search search for any Adrian (or variants) Miles (or variants) buried in Honington, Warwickshire between 1637 (when Adrian's last child was baptised, see the brief relating to William Miles, Father of Timothy)

⁴ See <https://nameberry.com/baby-names/1450/names-that-mean-adria>: "Adrian is an ancient gender-neutral name and Adri is its pan-European short form".

⁵ One might surmise that the names are too similar for the naming of twins, but equally one might surmise that twins with closely similar names are not uncommon.

⁶ See <https://www.mymenopausecentre.com/gp-resources/fertility-and-the-menopause/> and <https://www.healthline.com/health/womens-health/childbearing-age>.

⁷ See

<https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/record/results?count=20&q.givenName=Adrian&q.givenName.exact=on&q.surname=Cleydon&q.surname.exact=on>.

⁸ See https://www.findmypast.com.au/search/results?sid=100&firstname=adrian&firstname_variants=true&lastname=cleydon.

and 1700 returned no record which could be that of Adrian the wife of William Miles.⁹ As did a Family Search search for any Miles burial in Honington in that period,¹⁰ and also a search for an Adrian (or variants) Miles buried anywhere in Warwickshire in that period.¹¹ A Family Search search for an Adrian Miles buried in Warwickshire at any time also proved fruitless,¹² as did a search for an Adrian (or any variants) Miles burial in Warwickshire at any time.¹³

A FindMyPast search for any Adrian (or variants) Miles buried in Honington, Warwickshire between 1637 and 1717 did not return a possible burial record for the Adrian Cleydon who married in Honington in 1619.¹⁴ A search for the burial of any person at all with the surname Miles (or variants) in Honington between 1637 and 1717 also provided no conceivably relevant record.¹⁵ As did a FindMyPast search for any Adrian (or variants) Miles burial anywhere in England between 1637 and 1717.¹⁶ A search of all Miles burials in Honington or within 5 miles of it between 1637 and 1717 also returned no potentially relevant record.¹⁷

Adrian's son Timothy was baptising children in Stretton-on-Fosse, 3¼ miles south-west of Honington, between 1666 and 1672, then in Ilmington, 3½ miles west-north-west of Honington, in 1675 and 1677, and then in Quinton, 6 miles north-west of Honington, in 1680 (see the brief relating to him). Timothy was also well-to-do: he was a yeoman, and he died owning properties, see the brief relating to him. In case Adrian spent her last years living with him, FindMyPast searches for the death of an Adrian (or variants) Miles (or variants) in these 3 other locations between 1637 and 1717 were carried out, but no relevant record was returned.¹⁸

⁹ See

<https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/record/results?count=20&q.deathLikeDate.from=1637&q.deathLikeDate.to=1700&q.deathLikePlace=Honington%2C%20Warwickshire%2C%20England&q.givenName=Adrian&q.surname=Miles>.

¹⁰ See

<https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/record/results?count=20&q.deathLikeDate.from=1637&q.deathLikeDate.to=1700&q.deathLikePlace=Honington%2C%20Warwickshire%2C%20England&q.deathLikePlace.exact=on&q.surname=Miles>.

¹¹ See

<https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/record/results?count=20&q.deathLikeDate.from=1637&q.deathLikeDate.to=1700&q.deathLikePlace=Warwickshire%2C%20England&q.givenName=Adrian&q.surname=Miles&q.surname.exact=on&c.deathLikePlace1=on&f.deathLikePlace0=9&c.deathLikePlace2=on&f.deathLikePlace1=9%2CEngland&f.deathLikePlace2=9%2CEngland%2CWarwickshire>. See also <https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/record/results?count=20&q.deathLikeDate.from=1637&q.deathLikeDate.to=1700&q.deathLikePlace=Warwickshire%2C%20England&q.deathLikePlace.exact=on&q.givenName=Adrian&q.surname=Miles>.

¹² See

<https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/record/results?count=20&q.birthLikePlace=Warwickshire%2C%20England&q.givenName=Adrian&q.givenName.exact=on&q.surname=Miles&q.surname.exact=on>.

¹³ See

<https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/record/results?count=20&q.givenName=Adrian&q.surname=Miles&q.surname.exact=on&c.deathLikePlace1=on&f.deathLikePlace0=9&c.deathLikePlace2=on&f.deathLikePlace1=9%2CEngland&f.deathLikePlace2=9%2CEngland%2CWarwickshire>. Similarly, a search for the burial of an "Adrian" between 1637-1700 proved impossible to analyse, returning 50,814 records, see <https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/record/results?count=20&q.deathLikeDate.from=1637&q.deathLikeDate.to=1700&q.givenName=Adrian&q.givenName.exact=on>. Limiting the search to Warwickshire returned 273 records, but none for an Adrian Miles (or possibly so).

¹⁴ See

https://www.findmypast.com.au/search/results?firstname=adrian&firstname_variants=true&lastname=miles&yearofdeath=1677&yearofdeath_offset=40&keywordsplace=honington&keywordsplace_proximity=5&sourcecountry=england&sid=999.

¹⁵ See

https://www.findmypast.com.au/search/results?lastname=miles&lastname_variants=true&yearofdeath=1677&yearofdeath_offset=40&keywordsplace=honington&keywordsplace_proximity=5&sourcecountry=england&sid=999.

¹⁶ See

https://www.findmypast.com.au/search/results?sid=100&firstname=adrian&firstname_variants=true&lastname=miles&yearofdeath=1677&yearofdeath_offset=40&keywordsplace=proximity=5&sourcecountry=england.

¹⁷ See

https://www.findmypast.com.au/search/results?sid=100&lastname=miles&yearofdeath=1677&yearofdeath_offset=40&keywordsplace=honington%2c+warwickshire%2c+england&keywordsplace_proximity=5&sourcecountry=england. The search did return a Milles of Ditchford (with no first name) who was buried in Shipton-on-Stour on 10th November 1705. See <https://search.findmypast.com.au/record?id=TNA%2FRG6%2F1302%2F0%2F0075&parentid=TNA%2FRG6%2FBUR%2F842038>. The transcript is at <https://www.findmypast.com.au/transcript?id=TNA/RG6/BUR/842038>. Ditchford is a locality 3 miles south-west of Shipton-on-Stour, 4¼ miles south-west of Honington, and ¾ of a mile south of Stretton-on-Fosse. This is unlikely to be Adrian, given the location, and more relevantly the fact that Adrian, having been baptised in 1593, would have been about 112 in 1705.

¹⁸¹⁸ For Stretton-on-Fosse, see

https://www.findmypast.com.au/search/results?firstname=adrian&firstname_variants=true&lastname=miles&lastname_variants=true&yearofdeath=1677&yearofdeath_offset=40&keywordsplace=stretton%20on%20fosse%2c%20warwickshire%2c%20england&keywordsplace_proximity=5&sourcecountry=england&sid=999. For Ilmington, see

https://www.findmypast.com.au/search/results?firstname=adrian&firstname_variants=true&lastname=miles&lastname_variants=true&yearofdeath=1677&yearofdeath_offset=40&keywordsplace=ilmington%2c%20warwickshire%2c%20england&keywordsplace_proximity=5&sourcecountry=england&sid=999. For Quinton, see

Accordingly, no record of the burial of Adrian Miles could be located, and her date and place of burial is unknown (although her place of burial is most likely Honington, given she was baptised and married there, see above, and she also christened seven children there between 1618 and 1637, see the brief relating to William Miles, Father of Timothy).

https://www.findmypast.com.au/search/results?sid=100&firstname=adrian&firstname_variants=true&lastname=miles&lastname_variants=true&yearofdeath=1677&yearofdeath_offset=40&keywordsplace=quinton%2c+%28gloucestershire%2c+warwickshire%29%2c+england&keywordsplace_proximity=5&sourcecountry=england. The Clifford Chambers records returned are noted, but that town is 7½ miles north-west of Honington, and neither Adrian nor any member of the Cleydon or Miles families of the time had any known connection with it.