



Mark Room and Judy Mellowes at Christ Church in Coseley.

Former Dudley girl and mayor of Manly visits grandfather's grave in Coseley churchyard

FROM time to time the Bugle will highlight the efforts of those intrepid genealogists who will often go to the ends of the earth in search of their family history, and Mark Room, proprietor of "Remembering You Grave Tending", has kindly introduced us to a lady from Down Under who has been on the trail of her late grandfather.

"As many people know, our

business is to tend and look after the final resting places of folk whose relations cannot, for one reason or another. Some of our customers live overseas and I was thrilled recently to meet Judy Mellowes (nee Grainger) when she paid a visit home to these shores to meet family and friends, a journey she tries to make every two or three years. We teamed up at the grave of her grandfather, **Alfred Whiting**, at Christ Church, Coseley,

and she told me a little bit about her history.

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Perhaps Bugle readers may recognise Judy as Judy Grainger, who was a pupil at Dudley Girls High School, before, in late 60's early 70's period, she emigrated to Australia to marry her husband. Subsequently she became mayor of her home town of Manly in the 1980's.