

## WOODFORD FARM, WESTLINGTON

Gwen Pearce (nee Woodford) moved to Woodford Farm, Westlington from Chilton as a young girl. Woodford Farm is now known as The Elms. Her family came to live in part of the house where her grandfather and grandmother lived. The photo was taken around 1933. The family moved in the winter of 1947 which was a very hard winter with lots of snow. Gwen was around when they started to film the Daughter of Darkness in 1948 which took around 2 weeks to film.



She remembers how the film crew changed the name of the shop and the whole appearance of the outside. Lots of shots in the film were in the area of the shop and down the lane. Both her grandmother and grandfather were used as extras in the making of the film. Her grandfather can be seen in the film driving the horse and cart.

Her grandfather was a carrier and used his horse and cart to deliver around the area. He kept the horse in the barn and they also kept pigs and chickens. The Alsatians used in the film were also housed in the barn. After he died Kyo (William) Miles took over his role.



Photo was taken in the yard of Woodford Farm and in the background you can see the White Horse pub.

Her grandmother ran the shop and sold various items from cheese to haberdashery items. When the shop was closed Gwen rescued various products and below you can see photos of items sold in the shop.



