

BIOGRAPHY

Taverner Wallis was descended (?great grandson) from the eminent mathematician, John Wallis (1616-1703), who first made known the value for π and later invented the ∞ symbol for infinity; he also founded the Royal Society. (Taverner Harris was the rich brother of his daughter-in-law.)

Elisa Hume, who was Taverner Wallis's daughter, was 'the last descendant of John Wallis', says the DNB.

Dr Hume was physician at Westminster Hospital and with Wellington in the Peninsular War. (DNB has 1769 as his birth, which should be 1763.)

No local connections found.

(CHRW)

Elisa Hume left income from £90 Consols to be applied every third year to maintain her tomb; any surplus to be given to the poor of the parish. (The tomb was crumbling in 1984 and much repaired.)