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Sir Richard Dawson Hoult Bates, 3rd Baronet, announced his engagement to Miss Harriet Domenique Scaramella, 10 November, 2000.

SIR Richard Dawson Hoult Bates, 3rd Baronet, married 7 July, 2001, at Rodmarton, Miss Harriet Scaramella. The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, John FitzGerald. Sir Richard succeeded his father in 1998. The baronetcy was created in 1937 for his grandfather, Sir [Richard] Dawson Bates, OBE, Minister for Home Affairs in Northern Ireland, 1921-43.

Lady Bates, who died 21 April, 2003, was the wife of Sir Geoffrey Voltelin Bates, 5th Baronet, a former High Sheriff of Flintshire, of Gym Castle, Llanasa, near Holywell, Clwyd. She married Sir Geoffrey as his third wife in 1971, & was the former Mrs Juliet Eleanor Hugolyn Whitelocke-Winter, widow of Edward Colin Winter, and daughter of Commander G[ilbert Charles Anglin] Whitelocke, RN. She is survived by her husband, and by a son & a daughter from her first marriage, Dominic [Jonathan Edward][b.1964] and Charlotte.

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Sir Geoffrey Voltelin Bates, 5th Baronet, MC, of Gryn Castle, Llanasa, Clwyd, Wales, died 13 February, 2005, in hospital, aged 83.

He was born 2 October, 1921, son of Major Cecil Robert Bates, DSO, MC (3rd son of the 2nd Baronet) by his wife Hylde, daughter of Sir James Heath, 1st Baronet, and was educated at Radley.

Career: Captain, 8th Hussars, and Major, Cheshire Yeomanry; Sheriff of Flintshire, 1969; served in the Second World War (awarded the Military Cross in 1942).

In 1946 he succeeded to the baronetcy (created in 1880) on the death of his uncle, Sir Percy Elly Bates, 4th Baronet, GBE.

Sir Geoffrey was thrice married; firstly, in 1945, Kitty (died 1956), daughter of Ernest Kendall Lane, of Saskatchewan, Canada; married secondly, 1957, the Hon. Olivia Gwyneth Zoe FitzRoy (d. 1969), daughter of the 2nd Viscount Daventry, and descended from the Dukes of Grafton, and from Charles II; thirdly, in 1971, Juliet Eleanor Hugolyn (d. 21 April, 2003), widow of Edward Colin Winter, and daughter of Cdr G. A.C. Whitelocke, RN. & Mrs. S. H. Whitelocke

From his first marriage he leaves one son, Edward Robert, b. 4 July, 1946, (another son Richard Geoffrey, b. 1948, is now deceased); and from his second marriage he leaves one daughter, Celina (there was also a daughter, Sarah, now deceased from this marriage); the third marriage was childless. He also leaves two step-children, Dominic and Charlotte Winter.

The baronetcy now passes to his only surviving son. The heir to the 6th Baronet is his nephew, James Geoffrey Bates, b. 14 March 1985.

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