

Fleming

Oswald Atherton (Mac)

1881 - 1950

His Life

Born Oswald Arthur Fleming in 1881 at Kirkwall, Orkney, His parents were John William Fleming (1855-1920) and Jane Peebles MacConochie (1853 - 1924), who were married on 19 Jul 1881.

He became a Scottish journalist whose used the professional name of "Atherton Fleming."

His marriage was registered as 'Atherton Fleming ' and his death was registered as Oswald Atherton Fleming. Perhaps he didn't really like any of these names, as he was known to his friends as 'Mac'.

His first marriage, in 1911, was to Winifred Ellen Meyrick (b.14 Sep 1882 Amesbury, Wiltshire d.15 Feb 1968 in Danvers, Essex, Massachusetts). The couple had two children (Kathleen Mary Fleming and Betty Ann (Fleming) Schreurs) and then divorced in 1924.

Mac then married authoress Dorothy Leigh Sayers (1893 – 1957) on 8 April 1926 at Holborn Register Office, London; he was still a journalist.

He died in June 1950 at their cottage in Witham, Essex. His health had been in a poor state for some time largely as a result of his service in the First World War, and he had eventually become unable to work, and felt somewhat eclipsed by his wife, who had a very flourishing career; it's said that he drank too much.

He was married to Dorothy for 24 years until he died on 9th June 1950. He was cremated at Ipswich Crematorium 12 June 1950.

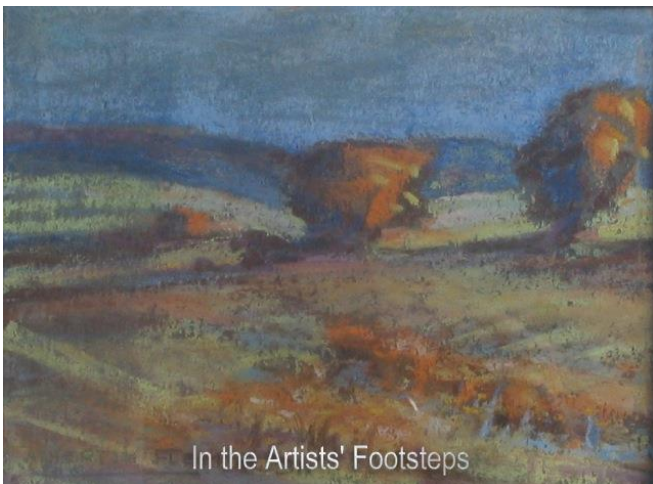


Mac Fleming c.1940

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