

MARY ANN TUCKER died 2nd February 1837

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Mary Ann Tucker's death was reported in the Exeter & Plymouth Gazette on Saturday 11th February 1837, four days after her burial. "*Feb 2, at her residence in the Mint, aged 48, relict of the late Mr J Wallace Tucker, artist, of this city*".¹

John Tucker had died seven years earlier, on Thursday 26th August 1830, "*..at*



his residence in the Mint, after a long & painful illness, in the 46th year of his age,....the celebrated marine and landscape painter. His widow and family have to bewail the loss of one of the best & kindest of husbands & of fathers, at the very period when his talents as an artist had attained a general estimation which warranted the most flattering results, & justly commanded the admiration of all, for the works of a pencil aided only by the energetic conceptions of a native & highly gifted genius."²

Mary Ann Channon (baptised 18 January 1788 at Exeter St Thomas)³ married John Tucker at St Sidwell in Exeter on Saturday 16th November 1805.⁴ Their son John Wallace Tucker was born on 3rd July 1809 and was baptised with his brother, Frederick Wallace Tucker, on 4th September 1811 at Holy Trinity in Exeter.⁵ Both brothers became artists (Frederick was described as a 'Drawing Master' living in the Mint in the 1851 Census)⁶, but John Wallace seems to have been the more successful, and 21 of his paintings are available to view on the ARTUK website.⁷

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¹ Exeter & Plymouth Gazette, Saturday 11 February 1837, accessed at www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk on 5th June 2018.

² Exeter & Plymouth Gazette, Saturday 28 August 1830, accessed at www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk on 5th June 2018.

³ Devon Baptisms, SW Heritage Trust accessed at www.findmypast.co.uk on 5th June 2018.

⁴ England Select Marriages accessed at www.ancestry.co.uk on 5th June 2018.

⁵ Devon Baptisms, SW Heritage Trust accessed at www.findmypast.co.uk on 18th September 2018.

⁶ 1851 England Census accessed at www.ancestry.co.uk on 21st September 2018.

⁷ https://artuk.org/discover/artworks/view_as/grid/search/keyword:john-wallace-tucker/page/2 Accessed 21st September 2018.