



John and Agnes King bid farewell to a family tradition

End of era

THE end of an era will be marked for a village shop this week.

The retirement of John King from the village shop and post office at Middleton Tyas, near Richmond, will mean the end of more than 100 years association of his family with the shop.

The shop was built for his grandfather, George King, in the 19th century. The furthest back the Kings can trace George at the shop is 1870.

John, 65, and his wife, Agnes, will be the last of the family link with the shop. Their only child, Katherine, lives in York and works with computers.

Mr King said: "I'll be sorry to leave."