



The lychgate at the main entrance to the churchyard at St Mary's Church: *left 1913, right 2013*



The inscription stone reads: TO THE HONOUR AND GLORY OF GOD / AND IN EVER LOVING MEMORY OF / BEAUCHAMP MOUBRAY / 10TH BARON ST JOHN OF BLETSOE / LORD LIEUTENANT OF BEDFORDSHIRE / WHO DIED MAY 10 1912 AGED 67 / THIS LYCHGATE / IS ERECTED BY HIS WIDOW

So He giveth His beloved sleep

The postcard (*top left*) was dated 31-7-13 having been taken very shortly after the lychgate had been erected, postmarked the following day, and signed EAC, almost certainly Emily Ann Champion. The lychgate was said to be the cause of some dispute as the widowed lady St John is alleged to have had it erected as a memorial without consulting other members of the family. (*photos: top left* Frank Sweetland; *others* David Baker)