

Alan Buckler Gould

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Obituaries

Mr. Alan Gould

THE former chairman and managing director of H. W. Morey & Sons Ltd, Alan Gould, has died, aged 99.

Mr. Gould was born in September 1911 in Newport, the only child of Harold and Ada Gould. Alan's forebears had lived on the Island for many generations.

He grew up in West Street, near Morey's, where his father was managing director and was educated at Braunston House and Newport Grammar School, both of which were in Lugley Street.

He remembered seeing the troops marching through Newport from the barracks at Parkhurst on their way to the front during the First World War.

After leaving school, he lived in Southampton, learning his trade at Howard's timber company before returning to work with his father at Morey's in 1931.

Mr. Gould met Angela Osborne, of Osborne's the tailors, at the tennis club in Mount Pleasant Road, Newport, and they married in 1936. Angela died in 2000 but together they had three children, Sheila, Peter and Mary, who died in 1999.

He was appointed chairman of Morey's in 1967, retiring from the post in 1991, aged 80. During his time at Morey's he saw many changes, notably the phasing out of horses and the introduction of computers.

A past president of Newport Rotary Club, he was instrumental in setting up its Four-Club European Contact Chain in 1955, a link which continues today.

He regularly travelled to clubs in France, Belgium and Germany, resulting in lifelong friendships. For his services to Rotary, he was made a Paul Harris Fellow.

He worshipped at All Saints' Church, Ryde, for more than 60 years, serving as sidesman and PCC member. Mr. Gould lived for many years at Quarr Hill, Binstead.

He leaves two children, seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be held at All Saints' Church, Ryde, at 2pm on Monday.

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