

Stephen Thomas Jarvis

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CARISBROOKE

Death of Mr. S. T. Jarvis. — The death took place at the County Hospital on Saturday, where he was admitted after having been taken suddenly ill on the previous day, of Mr. Stephen Thomas Jarvis, aged 55, of 24 Linden-road. He was a widower, and leaves three daughters, with whom much sympathy is felt. Mr. Jarvis had been employed by the Southern Railway as an electrician since 1939, and was commander of the Newport (No 1) Platoon of the 21st (S.R.) Battalion of the Home Guard, having joined at its formation. He served for 21 years in the Royal Warwickshire Regiment and attained the rank of sergeant. He was on active service in France with the 2nd Battalion of the Regiment throughout the last war, was wounded, and twice mentioned in dispatches. For 12 years he was the able signalling sergeant of the battalion. He held the 1914 star, General Service, and Victory Medals, and long service and good conduct medals. The funeral was in Carisbrooke Cemetery on Wednesday, the Rev. G. Barry Morgan officiating. Members of the Home Guard formed a guard of honour, and a bugler of a Light Infantry regiment sounded the "Last Post" and "Reveille." The family mourners were Mrs. F. R. Swallow, Mrs. F. E. Beal and Miss D. Jarvis (daughters) and Mrs. F. Kerr (mother-in-law). Members of the Home Guard attending were Major E. V. Watson (officer in command of 7th Company), Lieuts. G. Jenvey, and C. Dibden, 2nd. — Lieuts. V. Watson and C. Reeves, N.C.O.s and men of the Company, and Lieut. A. M. Ely (representing D. Company 19th Battalion Home Guard). Representing the Southern Railway were Messrs. W. Bale (locomotive foreman), E. Hills (electrician), F. Stone (fitter), G. Tester (Fireman), and H. Hale (cleaner), Messrs. W. Solloway, L. Biffin, H. Parker, J. Twyman, and W. King (old comrades of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment) were also present. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. A. Buckell and Mrs. Lockwood. There were several wreaths, including those from the Southern Railway Home Guard F Company; old comrades of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment; N.U.R.; and the staff of the Southern Railway.—The family of the late Mr. Jarvis thank Major E. V. Watson and members of F Company of the Southern Railway Home Guard. Mr. W. Bale (local foreman of the Southern Railway) and all Railwaymen, also friends and neighbours for their kindness and sympathy.

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