

William George Rodway

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NEWPORT

Retired Schoolmaster's Death.-The death occurred suddenly yesterday of Mr. William George Rodway, of Mountleon, 37 Clarence Road, aged 62. He had been ill for about a month. A native of Chatham, he spent practically all his life in the Island, his father being in the Prison service at Parkhurst. After teaching at schools at Newport and Parkhurst Mr. Rodway was mathematics and P.T. master at the Sandown Secondary Grammar School for 23 years, retiring 18 months ago. He served during the 1914-18 war in the R.E.s and became a C.Q. M.S., and in the last war was an A.R.P. first-aid party leader. He had been both a junior and senior chorister at St. Thomas's Church and was a sidesman. Mr. Rodway was much interested in the British Legion, of which he was a vice-president and for many years chairman of the Services Committee. He was a vice-president of the Literary Society, where he was a keen snooker and billiards player, a vice-president of the cricket club, and a committee member of the Newport Football Club. He leaves a widow and daughter.

Isle of Wight County Press - 26 May 1951

NEWPORT

Retired Schoolmaster's Funeral.- There was a large attendance at St. Thomas's Church on Monday for the funeral of Mr. W. G. Rodway, of Mountleon, 37 Clarence Road. Members of the British Legion, with the county and branch standards, formed a guard of honour at the church entrance, and at the graveside at Carisbrooke Cemetery the exhortation was read by Mr. E. C. Pearson, T.C. (branch chairman). The service was conducted by the Vicar (the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth), and Miss K. Lower (organist) accompanied the hymns "Peace Perfect Peace," and "Abide with me." In an address the Vicar said that Mr. Rodway had served his generation extremely well. The family mourners were Mrs. M. Rodway (widow), Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Warlow (son-in-law and daughter), Mr. and Mrs. W. Smith (nephew and niece), Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Minns and Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Morgan (cousins), and Mrs. M. J. Warlow. Sandown Secondary Grammar School was represented by Mr. A. Northover (head master). Messrs O. C. Hamilton and Son made the arrangements.

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