

## James Rice

### 1911 England, Wales & Scotland Census

New Park Farm, Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight, Hampshire, England

Name	Relationship	Status	Age	Occupation	Birthplace
James Rice	Head	Married	53	Farmer	Carisbrooke, IOW
Julia Kate Rice	Wife	Married	53		Carisbrooke, IOW
Maurice Albert Rice	Son	Single	27	Son, working on farm	Carisbrooke, IOW
Edgar James Rice	Son	Single	23	Sawsmith at Newport	Carisbrooke, IOW
Gilbert Arthur Rice	Son	Single	22	Son, working on farm	Carisbrooke, IOW
Charles John Rice	Son	Single	17	Son, working on farm	Carisbrooke, IOW
Herbert Sidney Rice	Son	Single	16	Motor shop worker-Newport	Carisbrooke, IOW
Mabel Kate Rice	Daughter		14	At school	Carisbrooke, IOW
Nellie Eva Rice	Daughter		10	At school	Carisbrooke, IOW

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### CARISBROOKE

**Death of Mr. James Rice, C.C.**—We regret to record that Mr. James Rice, the County Councillor for the parish, died at his residence, New Park Farm, early on Tuesday morning, at the age of 56 years. The late Mr. Rice, as we announced last week, had been seriously ill with pneumonia for about a fortnight, and coming at the end of a long period of indifferent health the attack caused his death. In his younger days the deceased was a particularly strong and healthy man, but about ten years ago he met with a trap accident in which he sustained severe injuries to his head and his health has been indifferent ever since. Much sympathy is felt with the widow and members of the family in their bereavement. The late Mr. Rice was held in the highest esteem in Carisbrooke and neighbourhood, a fact which was evidenced by his repeated returns at the poll to the County and Parish Councils. He was elected on the County Council in 1901 when Mr. James Thomas, J.P., was raised to the Aldermanic Bench and had served continuously ever since, watching closely over the interests of the parish, although he was known as the silent member of the Council. He was a member of the Parish Council from its formation in 1894, and acted as chairman from 1899 to 1900 and from 1902 to 1903, when he did not seek re-election. Whilst serving on the Council he was one of its representatives on the Joint Burial Committee and he had been one of the overseers of the parish for 20 years. He was also a manager of the Church of England Infants' school at Clatterford-road. The funeral will take place on Sunday, the first part of the service at the United Methodist Chapel, Gunville, at 2.30, and the interment at Carisbrooke Cemetery.

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### FUNERAL OF MR. JAMES RICE, C.C.

Amid general signs of respect and sympathy and in the presence of a very large gathering of members of the I.W. County Council, other public men, and agriculturists, the remains of the late Mr. James Rice, C.C., were interred at Carisbrooke Cemetery on Sunday afternoon. Preceding the interment, a service

was held at the United Methodist Church, Gunville, which was filled, the large congregation being a striking tribute to the widespread respect enjoyed by the deceased and the appreciation of his services to the community. The Revs. David Watkins and John Ash conducted the service both at the church and at the graveside. After the lesson in the church the Rev. D. Watkins gave an address, in which he feelingly referred to the deceased's exemplary character and said they extended their sincere condolence to the widow and family in their bereavement. They felt that the loss to the community by the death of Mr. Rice was irreparable, because character, which had been in the fires of the discipline and criticism and had come out like pure gold was not frequently to be found. Their late friend had been well known to them in the Island for very many years in his different capacities as a public man, and he enjoyed to a peculiar degree the kindly affection and confidence of a wide circle of friends of all shades of opinion. Those who knew him best realized that the respect and confidence he had won was due to his kindly disposition. It was well for us to have kindly sentiment, but to apply it in the manifold duties of daily life was a thing which was not seldom lacking. Their departed friend, however, throughout his public career, seemed to carry with him that moderation of sentiment, that well balanced judgement, and that capacity for reticence of speech which were amongst the most invaluable assets in a public man. It was rather in the deeds performed than in the words uttered that the true character and a man's worth were found. In his health and vigour the deceased won their esteem and regard; and during a long and trying illness he won their admiration by his exemplary courage and fortitude. Miss Groves presided at the organ, playing "O, rest in the Lord", as the congregation were assembling, and accompanying the hymns "Rock of ages" and "Peace, perfect peace". The church choir were also in attendance.

The family mourners were Mrs. Rice (widow), Messrs. Maurice, Ernest, Edgar, Gilbert, Herbert, and Charles Rice (sons), the Misses Mabel and Nellie Rice (daughters), Mr. A. F. Rice (brother), Mr. E. G. Heal (brother-in-law), Mr. J. Rice (nephew), Mrs. Edgar Rice (daughter-in-law), Mr. A. Gale, and Messrs. J. S. and R. S. Mullett. Those also present included Sir Godfrey Baring, M.P. (chairman of the County Council), Sir Edgar Chatfeild-Clarke, J.P., C.C., Ald. James Thomas J.P. (vice-chairman of the County Council, Ald. J. E. Morris, Ald. George Fellows, J.P., the Mayor of Newport (Mr. A. E. Harvey, T.C.), Ald. R. Bird Cheverton, J.P., and Mrs. Cheverton, Mr. E. Morris, J.P., and Mrs. Morris, and Messrs. H. Sheppard, J.P., A. J. Snellgrove, J.P., H. M. Williams, J.P., L. Jordan, J.P., C.C., W. Snellgrove, C.C., Oliver Hayles, C.C., G. W. Ball, C.C., A. Dedamess, C.C., and R. P. Mew, C.C., J. H. Deacon, T.C. (chairman), W. H. Wadham (clerk), and the following members of the Carisbrooke Parish Council: A. James, F. Barnes, J. Simmonds, F. Griffin, C. Tosdevin, T. A. Cooper, L. C. Attrill and Frank Hayter (overseers), F. Cressall, G. A. Brannon, A. H. Dockrill, F. Rashley, G. H. Holbrooke, J. and B. Sanders, W. S. North, H. L. and W. Morris, Andrew Cheek, C. J. Dashwood, W. Marshall, A. Richards, J. Plucknett, H. Stephens, F. E. Jolliffe, Marsh, J. H. Greenfield, G. Norman, J. R. Fisk, E. Holbrooke, E. Mew, G. Brown, S. Harvey, W. H. Small, J. Woodford, G. N. Rogers, Wickens, J. Leppard, W. J. Watts, Percy Hollis, D. Holbrooke, T. Cass (sen. and jun.) W. Westmore, W. and A. Buckett, W. Cheek, A. Bryant, F. Bullock, F. J. and G. Rolf, R. W. Morris, P. Hendy, B. Groves and A. Bundy. Many others were present at the Cemetery, including Bros. E. J. Mills, C.R., F. Spanner (secretary), P. Scott (trustee), and a number of members of Court Island Foresters, Newport, of which the deceased was a member. After the committal sentences had been said by the Rev. David Watkins, Bro. Mills impressively read the Foresters' service.

When the Parish Council met at the Schools previous to attending the funeral, a letter was read from the Vicar of Carisbrooke (the Rev. W. J. Stobart), who was the only member absent, stating that he was away in London and therefore unable to attend the funeral. He extended his sympathy to the family, and added that the parish had lost a good man of business and a friendly neighbour by the death of Mr. Rice.

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