Hilda Elsie Brown

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NEWPORT

Died on Way to Party. – Saturday was to have been a happy day for many of the old folk at Polars Guest House because they had been invited to a party given by Barton Women's Institute. The day ended in tragedy as Mrs. Hilda Elsie Brown collapsed and died. Mrs. Brown who was 65, suffered with a heart complaint. Transport was arranged for her and others, but, impatient to reach the party, she hurried after her friends, Mrs. N. A. Yates and Mrs. A. C. Knight, two sisters, who had decided to walk. She caught up with them at the corner and advised her friends to get on to the pavement, which they did. They turned and found Mrs. Brown lying in the road. A passing taxi driver and Mr. G. H. Read, another resident of Polars, got her into the taxi and took her to St. Mary's Hospital, but she was died on arrival. Mrs. Brown, who was the widow of a former Havenstreet farmer, had lived at Polars for a year and was previously in St. Mary's Hospital for three months. The funeral took place on Thursday.

Isle of Wight County Press – 6 February 1960

NEWPORT

The Late Mrs. H. E. Brown. – The funeral took place at the Quay Street Methodist Church on Thursday week of Mrs. Hilda Elsie Brown, aged 64, whose sudden death was reported last week. Mrs. Brown was the widow of Mr. E. Brown, late of Greenhills, Havenstreet, and grand-daughter of the late Mr. R. Diment, late of Little Fairlee Dairy. The Rev. Dr. W. H. Mildon officiated and the hymn "Rock of ages" was sung. The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. A. Diment, Mrs. M. Diment, and Mr. C. Coleman (uncles and aunts), Mrs. A. B. Cousins, Mr. B. Diment and Miss V. Coleman (cousins), Mrs. J. Capon and Miss Molly Griffin (nieces), Mr. and Mrs. W. Griffin and Mr. and Mrs. W. Brown. Mrs. A. Guy and Mr. A. Brown were unable to attend owing to illness. The floral tributes included one from fellow residents of Polars Guest House. The interment was at Newport Cemetery in her husband's grave. Messrs. H. and F. Damp made the arrangements.

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