## Kenneth William Joseph Godwin

## Isle of Wight County Press – 10 November 1945

#### NEWPORT

**Death of Mr. Kenneth Godwin.--**We record with deep regret the death on Tuesday of Mr. Kenneth William Joseph Godwin, aged 36, of St. James's-square, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Godwin, of Watergate-road. He had been ill for only just over a week with hæmorrhage of the brain. Mr. Godwin was educated at Newport Grammar School and Cranleigh, and later joined the firm of Messrs. Godwin and Son. Incipient blood pressure kept him out of more active war service, but he joined the National Fire Service, and was in charge of the clothing department at Havant for several years, with the rank of Company Officer. His wife, formerly Miss M. Gibbs, was a member of the Women's Auxiliary Police Service during the war. Much sympathy is felt with her and with Mr. and Mrs. H. Godwin in their unexpected and heavy bereavement. The funeral took place yesterday (Friday) at the Newport Parish Church.

# Isle of Wight County Press – 17 November 1945

#### **NEWPORT**

The Late Mr. Kenneth Godwin.--The funeral of Mr. Kenneth William Joseph Godwin, of 108 St. James's-square, ex-N.F.S. company officer in charge of No. 14 Area Stores, Havant, took place on Friday week. The service in the Parish Church was largely attended. Canon W. B. Hogg officiated, assisted by the Rev. T. E. R. Langridge (Congregational minister). The hymn "Jesu, Lover of my soul" was sung, and the service also included the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm and the Nunc Dimittis, the latter being chanted as the cortege left the church. Miss K. Lower, A.R.C.M., L.R.A.M., L.T.C.L., at the organ, played "I know that my Redeemer liveth" and "O rest in the Lord." The mourners were Mrs. Godwin (widow), Mr. and Mrs. H. Godwin (father and mother), Mr. S. Gibbs (brother-in-law), Mr. and Mrs. E. Goodall (uncle and aunt), Mrs. W. Moorman (cousin), Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hayles, and Messrs. Rugg (Cowes), Jackman (East Cowes), Bull (Ryde), and Dallimore (Newport), the local managers, representing the staffs of Godwin's branch establishments. Column Officer D. G. Saunders (N.F.S. officer in charge of the Island) and Senior Company Officer G. Brooke, his deputy, attended, together with other N.F.S. personnel.

The Island branch of the South African Wars Veterans' Association, of which deceased's father is president, was represented by Messrs. J. E. Watts, M.S.M. (chairman), W. Ferguson (hon. secretary), .....

# (only main mourners transcribed)

The interment was at the Newport Cemetery, the floral tributes, over 60 in number, including those from the Fire Force Commander, officers, and men, Area 14, N.F.S.; former members of Area 14 Headquarters, N.F.S., attached to Regional Headquarters; the N.F.S., Homewell, Havant; N.F.S. Store, Brook House, Binstead.

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