

## Tom Barnes

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### CARISBROOKE

**DEATH OF MR. TOM BARNES.**---The death took place on Wednesday week at 8 Caesar`s-road, Newport, where he had been living in retirement for about eight years, of Mr. Tom Barnes, aged 81, who for about 30 years was proprietor of the village blacksmith`s shop. A clever craftsman and a jovial, kind-hearted, good fellow, he won hosts of friends in the district, who mourn his death and sympathise with his widow, who is 84 years of age. For a while Mr. Barnes was a member of the Parish Council. He was one of the strongest supporters of public lighting at its introduction, and generally was always keenly interested in the welfare of the village. A native of Godshill, he served his apprenticeship with Mr. Henry Linington, of Chale, and was for a short time in business at Wroxall before coming to Carisbrooke. He was a prominent Forester and Shepherd, having held office in both organisations. The funeral took place at Carisbrooke Cemetery on Saturday, the Rev. W. H. Mackinnon (vicar of St. John`s, Newport) officiating. The mourners were his three sons (Messrs. William, Albert, and Frank Barnes), Mr. and Mrs. A. Langley (son-in-law and daughter), Messrs. James and Frank Barnes (brothers), Mrs. E. Morris (sister), Mr. C. Butt (nephew), and Mr. H. Coombes and Miss E. Watson (cousins). There were many beautiful floral tokens.

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