

Francis John Burton

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NEWPORT

Ex-Service Man's Death.—Deep sympathy is felt with his young widow and the members of his family in the death of Mr. F. J. Burton, who passed away at Burmor, Cavendish-place, on Tuesday week, after seven months' illness, at the early age of 39. He was badly gassed and shellshocked while serving in the R.A.F. during the war, and a severe chill in October brought on serious lung trouble. He had married only 19 months, and lived with his wife and widowed mother, who has now lost three sons through war service. The funeral took place on Sunday at the Pyle-street Methodist Church, The Rev. J. Matthewman officiating, Mr. E. J. H. Quarrier (organist) played suitable music and accompanied the hymns "The homeland," "I heard the voice," and "For ever with the Lord." The mourners were his widow and mother, Mrs. W. A. Hayles (sister), Messrs. Fred, Stanley, and Charles Burton (brothers), Mr. W. A. Hayles (brother-in-law), Mrs. F. Burton (sister-in-law), George and Alfred Burton (nephews), Evelyn Burton (niece), and Mrs. Shirlaw and Miss D. Wheeler (aunts). Others attending included Mr. B. Sanders, C.A., Mr. G. Moody, C.C., Mr. and Mrs. A. Flux, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gentle, Mr. W. Warne. The interment was at Carisbrooke. The Floral tributes, which numbered 36 included those from the teachers and scholars of Parkhurst Infants and Mixed Schools (where deceased was caretaker, and Clifford-street. Mr. W. W. Wells carried out the funeral arrangements.—Mrs. F. J. Burton wishes to thank all kind friends for expressions of sympathy and beautiful flowers. Will they please accept this acknowledgment as letters are too many to answer individually.

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