

Edward Capelhorn

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Death of Mr. Edward Capelhorn.- A much esteemed resident, Mr. Edward Capelhorn, a retired postman, of 53 Lugley Street, died in the early hours of Monday at the age of 76. After serving as a young man in the South African war he joined the local post office outdoor staff and worked as a postman until his retirement 16 years ago. He was very popular with his colleagues and with the many friends he made on his rounds. Mr. Capelhorn was a member of the Island branch of the South African Wars Veterans' Association. Since his retirement from the Post Office he had worked as a jobbing gardener until his health failed, and for a time he was a groundsman to the Newport Football Club, of which he was a keen supporter. He leaves a widow, three sons, and a daughter.

The funeral was on Thursday, a service by the Rev. C. R. Farnsworth (vicar), in the presence of a large congregation, including many friends and neighbours. The coffin was covered with the Union Jack, and as the cortege entered and left the church deceased's comrades of the Island branch of the South African War Veterans' Association formed a guard of honour at the west door. Mr. H. Lower at the organ played suitable music and accompanied the singing of the hymn "Abide with me.". The service also included the 23rd Psalm.

The mourners were Mrs. Capelhorn (widow), Miss Capelhorn (daughter), Mr. and Mrs. K., Mr. and Mrs. C., and Mr. and Mrs. L. Capelhorn (sons and daughters-in-law), Mr. G. Burn, Mr. and Mrs. J. Pack (brothers-in-law and sister-in-law), M. and Mrs. R. Burn, and Mrs. Dale (nephew and nieces), and Miss D. Norris. Representative members of the congregation included Mr. E. H. Williams (former head postmaster), Messrs. C. A. King (secretary), A. E. Weeks, H. I. Digby, W. W. Watson, F. W. Cooper, L. F. Salter, J. Clark, A. Geary, A. V. Green, A. Brown, W. Reynolds, F. W. Hitchman, P. Hayles, and E. J. Fairweather (Federation of Post Office Veterans), Messrs. H. E. Croucher (assistant postmaster) and G. Odell, G. Randall, E. E. Carpenter, V. Allen, and G. Baker (Newport Post Office, the last named also attending as secretary of the branch of the National Union of Post Office Workers), W. G. Rodway, E. F. Millgate, E. J. Bartlett, and S. Trowell (Newport and Carisbrooke branch of the British Legion), Mr. H. R. Palmer (principal), Mr. J. Baker, assistant solicitor, Messrs. W. Upward, W. Dowden, and A. Westmore (Messrs. Roach, Pittis and Co.), and Mr. F. Chiverton (Messrs. Upward and Rich, Ltd.). The guard of honour of South African Wars Veterans included Messrs. H. Godwin (president), W. O. Minns (chairman), Brown, F. Eldridge, E. J. Watts, M.S.M., R. T. Lawn, R. B. Cheverton, Triggs, and W. Ferguson (standard bearer), and Capt. W. E. Farmer. The interment was at Carisbrooke Cemetery. The arrangements were made by O. C. Hamilton and Son..

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