

## **Frederick James Denham**

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### **NEWPORT**

**DEATH OF MR. FREDERICK J. DENHAM.** ----- We regret to record the death, on Wednesday, at The Homestead, Union-street, of Mr. Frederick J. Denham, aged 49, who had been suffering from a long illness. Deceased had for many years been prominent in Island Forestry and in local musical circles. He had held the leading offices in the local Court of Foresters. He was a tenor singer of marked ability and a favourite soloist at concerts for many years, and was an active member of the Newport Philharmonic Society. He leaves a widow and family, for whom much sympathy is felt. The funeral will take place this afternoon, the first part of the service being at 2.45 p.m. at the Roman Catholic Church, where he was a valued worker and chorister.

**Isle of Wight County Press – 12 February 1916**

### **NEWPORT**

**THE LATE MR. FREDERICK J. DENHAM.** ---- The funeral took place on Saturday of Mr. Frederick J. Denham, the well-known singer and Forester, whose lamented death after a long illness, at his residence, The Homestead, Union-street, was recorded last week. The first part of the service was held at the Roman Catholic Church, and the interment was at the Carisbrooke Cemetery, the Rev. Father J. J. Ahern officiating, the Rev. Canon Conway being unable to take part owing to indifferent health. There was a large congregation at the service in the church, which was of the simplest character. The personal mourners were Lieut. R. G. Denham, attached 3<sup>rd</sup> Hants Regt., Cyclist J. F. Denham, 9<sup>th</sup> Hants Territorials, and Mr. E. Victor Denham (sons), Mr. Walter W. Denham (brother), Mr. Albert Henton, of Loverstone (cousin), Mr. J. H. Green, and Mr. J. L. Warsap (manager) and Mr. A. J. Philpot (clerical staff), of the West Medina Cement Mills, where deceased was so long employed. There were also present Messrs. A. J. Snellgrove, J.P. (president) and C. H. Russell (ex-hon. sec.) of the Philharmonic Society, of which deceased was the hon. treasurer and a prominent member for many years, Capt. Frank King, Mr. Leonard Jordan, J.P., C.C., Mr. A. H. Dockrill, Mr. C. Cowdery, Mr. H. H. Osborne, Mr. F. Beresford, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hopkins, Mr. C. D. Vibert, B.A., Mrs. C. H. Smith, Mr. J. Holden, Mr. W. Holden, Mr. W. G. Cooper (Carisbrooke), Mr. J. H. Black, Mr. W. C. Black, Mr. W. K. Ediss, Mr. L. Pesca, Mr. E. Matthews, Mr. Broderick, members of the Portsmouth Circle of the Catenian Association (of which deceased was registrar), including Mr. C. R. Baker (secretary), and others, including a number of ladies. The representatives of the Foresters, of which deceased had been an officer in the local Court and trustee, were Bros. G. Matthews (chief ranger of the Newport Court), F. Midlane (district secretary), F. Spanner (Court secretary), E. J. Smith,

C. Eldridge, and E. F. Wray (trustees), A. J. Williams (treasurer, on service), G. H. Wallbridge (treasurer *pro tem.*), H. Williams, and G. Jones, also Mrs. H. Matthews (chief ranger), Mrs. C. Eldridge, Mrs. Gawn, and Mrs. H. Peach, of the Lady Simeon Court of Female Foresters. Bro. G. Matthews read the Foresters' Burial Service at the grave. Mr. G. F. Quinton carried out the funeral arrangements. The late Mr. Denham was one of the pioneers of St. John Ambulance work in the Island, to which he rendered good service in the early days when he was a valued officer and member, his first certificate dating back to 1889. Deceased was also a prominent member of the celebrated local troupe of "Snowdrop Minstrels," who had a successful run some 20 years ago.

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