Lucy Theodora Elizabeth Eldridge

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DEATH OF SOLICITOR'S WIDOW

MRS. L. T. E. ELDRIDGE OF RYDE

Mrs. Lucy Theodora Elizabeth Eldridge, of the Beeches, Ashey Road, Ryde, died at St. Mary's Hospital, Milton, Portsmouth, on Friday week, after a short illness, at the age of 82. The only daughter of the late Brigadier Surgeon Charles Mackinnon of Eastbourne, she came to Newport in 1914 to keep house for her brother, the Rev. W. H. Mackinnon, then vicar of St. John's, until her marriage in February, 1919, to Mr. James Eldridge, of Newport, a partner of James Eldridge and Sons, the well-known Island firm of solicitors. Mr. Eldridge died in February, 1948, and in 1955 Mrs. Eldridge took up residence at Ryde. In her younger days she took an active part in the parish work of St. John's, Newport. She leaves an only son, Mr. J. C. M. Eldridge, a partner of James Eldridge and Sons.

The funeral took place at All Saints' Parish Church, Ryde, on Tuesday. The vicar (the Rev. R. H. Bassett) officiated, and Mr. W. L. Reed (organist) accompanied the singing of the 23rd Psalm, "When I survey the wond'rous cross," and "Jesus lives." The mourners were Mr. and Mrs. J. C. M. Eldridge (son and daughter-in-law), Lt.-Col. A. C. A. Mackinnon (nephew), Mrs. F. Gordon (niece), Mrs. E. H. M. Eldridge and Miss F. Cross (companion). Among those present were Messrs. R. J. and W. J. Eldridge (partners of James Eldridge and Sons), and Mesdames R. J. and W. J. Eldridge, and members of the legal profession.

The interment was at Carisbrooke Cemetery.

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