

## Winifred Layley

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### Newport

**Death of Mrs. S. W. Layley.**-----Much regret and deep sympathy for the bereaved husband and three daughters were aroused by the death on Friday week, after only a few hours` illness, of Mrs. Winifred Layley, wife of Mr. S. W. Layley, of Ellesmere, Carisbrooke-road, aged 67. She was in her usual good health when she went to visit her eldest daughter, (Mrs. J.H.J. Williams) at her residence, Five Oaks, New-road, Wootton, on Thursday afternoon, but just as she was leaving in the evening to return home she had a seizure, quickly relapsing into unconsciousness, from which she never revived, and she passed away the following day. Mrs. Layley fully shared her husband`s devoted interest in the former Primitive Methodist Church in Pyle-street, and, since it was closed, in that of the Quay-street Methodist Church. Her cheerful and willing service had won her warm esteem. Her unexpected death is a great loss to the church and also to the local branch of the British Women`s Total Abstinence Union, in which she took an interest. The funeral took place on Tuesday, a service being held at the Quay-street Methodist Church, at which the Superintendent Minister (the Rev. W. E. Perry) officiated, assisted by the Rev. W. P. Jubb. Mr. W. G. Cooper played the organ accompaniments to the hymns "The Homeland" and "Breathe on me, breath of God," and played "O rest in the Lord" at the close. Mr. Perry said they as a church thanked God for her life of unselfish service illumined by an unflinching sense of humour, for her Christian witness, and her wise charity. The chief mourners were Mr. S. W. Layley (husband), Acting-Squadron Leader and Mrs. J. H. J. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Williams, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Elliott (sons-in-law and daughters), Mr. and Mrs. P. and Mr. and Mrs. J. Woodward (brothers and sisters-in-law), Mesdames Seward and Haley and Miss E. Woodward (sisters), Miss Seward (niece), and Mrs. C. Layley and Mrs. W. Woodward (sisters-in-law). Those also present included many members of the congregation of the church, Mr. G. Norman (circuit steward), the Misses Cheverton and Alderslade (representing the P.T.E.), Mrs. G. C. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. White, Mrs. Brooks, Mr. W. H. King (Broadfields), Mr. A. James (representing the Gunville Church), Mr. G. Hayward (representing the Porchfield Church), Mr. S. Brown, Mr. G. Crews, and Mr. L. G. Upward. The interment was at Carisbrooke.

Mr. W. W. Wells made the arrangements.

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